

THE ROYAL ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY OF CANADA 1968

Sub-Committee on Difficulties of Co-ordination

EMERGENCY BULLETIN!

To: The Presidents and Secretaries of all Centres:

At the General Assembly in Edmonton last weekend, a great furore was raised over the lack of action and activity on the part of our Co-ordinators of Observational Activities. The Council appointed the above committee to investigate the problem.

Many of the Co-ordinators reported that the response to their bulletins has been nil - thus indicating that the problem is with the members in the Centres and not with the Co-ordinators.

Would you please canvass ALL members of your Centre for the following information:

- (1) Suggestions for the support of the Co-ordinators;
- (2) The number interested in participating actively in the disciplines listed inside the back cover of the Journal;
- (3) The concensus of opinion as to what they consider to be the role of the Co-ordinators.

It is absolutely VITAL to the future of the program that this information be received; otherwise, the program will collapse. I am certain there are enough enthusiastic, active people in the R.A.S.C. who want to see the program continued. We will get a positive reply only if YOU, the Presidents and Secretaries of the Centres, act quickly. It is imperative that I receive your replies by July 1st, 1970.

Remember that we are a scientific Society whose chief aim is the advancement of astronomy. To let the National Observing Program die - which it will if support is not forthcoming - would be in the exact opposite of the best interests of the Society and of astronomy.

Please -- find out what support there is, what the intent of your members is -- and let me know as quickly as possible.

Many thanks for your interest and co-operation!

Sincerely,

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