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CALENDAR

1953

Jan.							Feb.							Mar.							April						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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11	12	13	14	15	16	17	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
18	19	20	21	22	23	24	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
25	26	27	28	29	30	31	29	30	31	26	27	28	29	30

May							June							July							Aug.						
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17	18	19	20	21	22	23	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
24	25	26	27	28	29	30	28	29	30	26	27	28	29	30	31	23	24	25	26	27	28	29
31	30	31

Sept.							Oct.							Nov.							Dec.						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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PREFACE

The HANDBOOK for 1953 is the 45th issue and its circulation is 5000. The Officers of the Society appreciate the increase in advertisements which will help to meet our mounting expense. With regret the price has been raised to 50 cents.

In this issue the tables for sunrise, sunset, twilight, moonrise and moonset are given for latitude 54°N. instead of 52°N. The range now covers the latitudes of all the centres. Four circular star maps 9 inches in diameter at a price of two cents each and a set of four maps plotted on equatorial co-ordinates at a price of twenty cents are obtainable from the Director of University Extension, University of Toronto, Toronto 5.

Celestial distances given herein are based on the standard value of 8".80 for the sun's parallax, not on the more recent value 8".790 determined by Sir Harold Jones; and the calculations for Algol are based on Olin J. Eggen's epoch 2432520.6303 and period 2.86731525 d., as published in the *Astrophysical Journal*, 1948.

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David Dunlap Observatory,
Richmond Hill, Ont., November 1952.

ANNIVERSARIES AND FESTIVALS, 1953

New Year's Day..... Thu. Jan. 1	Trinity Sunday..... May 31
Epiphany..... Tue. Jan. 6	Corpus Christi..... Thu. June 4
Septuagesima Sunday..... Feb. 1	St. John Baptist (Mid-summer Day)..... Wed. June 24
Accession of Queen Elizabeth (1952)... Fri. Feb. 6	Dominion Day..... Wed. July 1
Quinquagesima (Shrove Sunday)..... Feb. 15	Birthday of Queen Mother Elizabeth (1900)... Tue. Aug. 4
Ash Wednesday..... Feb. 18	Labour Day..... Mon. Sept. 7
St. David..... Sun. Mar. 1	Hebrew New Year (Rosh Hashanah) .. Thu. Sept. 10
St. Patrick..... Tue. Mar. 17	St. Michael (Michaelmas Day)..... Tue. Sept. 29
Palm Sunday..... Mar. 29	All Saints' Day..... Sun. Nov. 1
Good Friday..... Apr. 3	Remembrance Day... Wed. Nov. 11
Easter Sunday..... Apr. 5	First Sunday in Advent..... Nov. 29
Birthday of Queen Elizabeth (1926)... Tue. Apr. 21	St. Andrew..... Mon. Nov. 30
St. George..... Thu. Apr. 23	Christmas Day..... Fri. Dec. 25
Rogation Sunday..... May 10	
Ascension Day..... Thu. May 14	
Empire Day (Victoria Day)..... Sun. May 24	
Pentecost (Whit Sunday).... May 24	
Birthday of Dowager Queen Mary (1867). Sat. May 30	

Thanksgiving Day, date
set by Proclamation.

SYMBOLS AND ABBREVIATIONS

SIGNS OF THE ZODIAC

♈ Aries..... 0°	♌ Leo.....120°	♐ Sagittarius...240°
♉ Taurus..... 30°	♍ Virgo.....150°	♑ Capricornus..270°
♊ Gemini..... 60°	♎ Libra.....180°	♒ Aquarius.....300°
♋ Cancer..... 90°	♏ Scorpio....210°	♛ Pisces.....330°

SUN, MOON AND PLANETS

☉ The Sun.	☾ The Moon generally.	♃ Jupiter.
☾ New Moon.	☿ Mercury.	♄ Saturn.
☾ Full Moon.	♀ Venus.	♅ or ♁ Uranus.
☾ First Quarter	♁ Earth.	♆ Neptune.
☾ Last Quarter.	♂ Mars.	♇ Pluto

ASPECTS AND ABBREVIATIONS

- ♌ Conjunction, or having the same Longitude or Right Ascension
 ♍ Opposition, or differing 180° in Longitude or Right Ascension.
 ☐ Quadrature, or differing 90° in Longitude or Right Ascension.
 ♁ Ascending Node; ♁ Descending Node.
 α or A. R., Right Ascension; δ Declination.
 h, m, s, Hours, Minutes, Seconds of Time.
 °, ' , " , Degrees, Minutes, Seconds of Arc.

THE GREEK ALPHABET

Α, α, Alpha.	Ι, ι, Iota.	Ρ, ρ, Rho.
Β, β, Beta.	Κ, κ, Kappa.	Σ, σ, ς, Sigma.
Γ, γ, Gamma.	Λ, λ, Lambda.	Τ, τ, Tau.
Δ, δ, Delta.	Μ, μ, Mu.	Υ, υ, Upsilon.
Ε, ε, Epsilon.	Ν, ν, Nu.	Φ, φ, Phi.
Ζ, ζ, Zeta.	Ξ, ξ, Xi.	Χ, χ, Chi.
Η, η, Eta.	Ο, ο, Omicron.	Ψ, ψ, Psi.
Θ, θ, ϑ, Theta.	Π, π, Pi.	Ω, ω, Omega.

THE CONFIGURATIONS OF JUPITER'S SATELLITES

In the Configurations of Jupiter's Satellites (pages 31, 33, etc.),
 O represents the disc of the planet, d signifies that the satellite is
 on the disc, * signifies that the satellite is behind the disc or in the
 shadow. Configurations are for an inverting telescope.

THE CONSTELLATIONS

LATIN AND ENGLISH NAMES WITH ABBREVIATIONS

Andromeda, (<i>Chained Maiden</i>)	And	Leo, <i>Lion</i>	Leo
Antlia, <i>Air Pump</i>	Antl	Leo Minor, <i>Lesser Lion</i>	LMi
Apus, <i>Bird of Paradise</i>	Apus	Lepus, <i>Hare</i>	Lep
Aquarius, <i>Water-bearer</i>	Aqr	Libra, <i>Scales</i>	Lib
Aquila, <i>Eagle</i>	Aql	Lupus, <i>Wolf</i>	Lup
Ara, <i>Altar</i>	Arae	Lynx, <i>Lynx</i>	Lyn
Aries, <i>Ram</i>	Ari	Lyra, <i>Lyre</i>	Lyr
Auriga, (<i>Charioteer</i>)	Aur	Mensa, <i>Table (Mountain)</i>	Men
Bootes, (<i>Herdsmen</i>)	Boo	Microscopium,	
Caelum, <i>Chisel</i>	Cae	<i>Microscope</i>	Mic
Camelopardalis, <i>Giraffe</i>	Caml	Monoceros, <i>Unicorn</i>	Mon
Cancer, <i>Crab</i>	Canc	Musca, <i>Fly</i>	Musc
Canes Venatici, <i>Hunting Dogs</i>	CVn	Norma, <i>Square</i>	Nor
Canis Major, <i>Greater Dog</i>	CMaj	Octans, <i>Octant</i>	Oct
Canis Minor, <i>Lesser Dog</i>	CMi	Ophiuchus, <i>Serpent-bearer</i>	Oph
Capricornus, <i>Sea-goat</i>	Capr	Orion, (<i>Hunter</i>)	Ori
Carina, <i>Keel</i>	Cari	Pavo, <i>Peacock</i>	Pav
Cassiopeia, (<i>Lady in Chair</i>)	Cas	Pegasus, (<i>Winged Horse</i>)	Peg
Centaurus, <i>Centaur</i>	Cent	Perseus, (<i>Champion</i>)	Pers
Cepheus, (<i>King</i>)	Ceph	Phoenix, <i>Phoenix</i>	Phe
Cetus, <i>Whale</i>	Ceti	Pictor, <i>Painter</i>	Pic
Chamaeleon, <i>Chamaeleon</i>	Cham	Pisces, <i>Fishes</i>	Psc
Circinus, <i>Compasses</i>	Circ	Piscis Australis, <i>Southern Fish</i>	PsA
Columba, <i>Dove</i>	Colm	Puppis, <i>Poop</i>	Pup
Coma Berenices, <i>Berenice's Hair</i>	Coma	Pyxis, <i>Compass</i>	Pyx
Corona Australis, <i>Southern Crown</i>	CorA	Reticulum, <i>Net</i>	Ret
Corona Borealis, <i>Northern Crown</i>	CorB	Sagitta, <i>Arrow</i>	Sge
Corvus, <i>Crow</i>	Corv	Sagittarius, <i>Archer</i>	Sgr
Crater, <i>Cup</i>	Crat	Scorpius, <i>Scorpion</i>	Scr
Crux, (<i>Southern</i>) <i>Cross</i>	Cruc	Sculptor, <i>Sculptor</i>	Scl
Cygnus, <i>Swan</i>	Cygn	Scutum, <i>Shield</i>	Sct
Delphinus, <i>Dolphin</i>	Del	Serpens, <i>Serpent</i>	Ser
Dorado, <i>Swordfish</i>	Dora	Sextans, <i>Sextant</i>	Sex
Draco, <i>Dragon</i>	Drac	Taurus, <i>Bull</i>	Tau
Equuleus, <i>Little Horse</i>	Equ	Telescopium, <i>Telescope</i>	Tel
Eridanus, <i>River Eridanus</i>	Erid	Triangulum, <i>Triangle</i>	Tri
Fornax, <i>Furnace</i>	Forn	Triangulum Australe, <i>Southern Triangle</i>	TrA
Gemini, <i>Twins</i>	Gem	Tucana, <i>Toucan</i>	Tuc
Grus, <i>Crane</i>	Grus	Ursa Major, <i>Greater Bear</i>	UMaj
Hercules, (<i>Kneeling Giant</i>)	Herc	Ursa Minor, <i>Lesser Bear</i>	UMi
Horologium, <i>Clock</i>	Horo	Vela, <i>Sails</i>	Vel
Hydra, <i>Water-snake</i>	Hydr	Virgo, <i>Virgin</i>	Virg
Hydrus, <i>Sea-serpent</i>	Hydi	Volans, <i>Flying Fish</i>	Vol
Indus, <i>Indian</i>	Indi	Vulpecula, <i>Fox</i>	Vulp
Lacerta, <i>Lizard</i>	Lacr		

The 4-letter abbreviations are intended to be used in cases where a maximum saving of space is not necessary.

MISCELLANEOUS ASTRONOMICAL DATA

UNITS OF LENGTH

1 Angstrom unit	=	10^{-8} cm.
1 micron	=	10^{-4} cm.
1 meter	=	10^3 cm. = 3.28084 feet
1 kilometer	=	10^5 cm. = 0.62137 miles
1 mile	=	1.60935×10^6 cm. = 1.60935 km.
1 astronomical unit	=	1.49504×10^{13} cm. = 92,897,416 miles
1 light year	=	9.463×10^{17} cm. = 5.880×10^{13} miles = 0.3069 parsecs
1 parsec	=	30.84×10^{17} cm. = 19.16×10^{13} miles = 3.259 l.y.
1 megaparsec	=	30.84×10^{22} cm. = 19.16×10^{18} miles = 3.259×10^6 l.y.

UNITS OF TIME

Sidereal day	=	23h 56m 04.09s of mean solar time
Mean solar day	=	24h 03m 56.56s of sidereal time
Synodical month	=	29d 12h 44m; sidereal month = 27d 07h 43m
Tropical year (ordinary)	=	365d 05h 48m 46s
Sidereal year	=	365d 06h 09m 10s
Eclipse year	=	346d 14h 53m

THE EARTH

Equatorial radius, a	=	3963.35 miles; flattening, $c = (a-b)/a = 1/297.0$
Polar radius, b	=	3950.01 miles
1° of latitude	=	69.057 - 0.349 cos 2ϕ miles (at latitude ϕ)
1° of longitude	=	69.232 cos ϕ - 0.0584 cos 3ϕ miles
Mass of earth	=	6.6×10^{24} tons; velocity of escape from $\oplus = 6.94$ miles/sec.

EARTH'S ORBITAL MOTION

Solar parallax	=	8."80; constant of aberration = 20."47
Annual general precession	=	50."26; obliquity of ecliptic = 23° 26' 50" (1939)
Orbital velocity	=	18.5 miles/sec.; parabolic velocity at $\oplus = 26.2$ miles/sec.

SOLAR MOTION

Solar apex, R.A.	=	18h 04m; Dec. + 31°
Solar velocity	=	12.2 miles/sec.

THE GALACTIC SYSTEM

North pole of galactic plane R.A.	=	12h 40m, Dec. + 28° (1900)
Centre, 325° galactic longitude,	=	R.A. 17h 24m, Dec. -30°
Distance to centre	=	10,000 parsecs; diameter = 30,000 parsecs.
Rotational velocity (at sun)	=	262 km./sec.
Rotational period (at sun)	=	2.2×10^8 years
Mass	=	2×10^{11} solar masses

EXTRAGALACTIC NEBULAE

Red shift	=	+530 km./sec./megaparsec = +101 miles/sec./million l.y.
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RADIATION CONSTANTS

Velocity of light	=	299,774 km./sec. = 186,271 miles/sec.
Solar constant	=	1.93 gram calories/square cm./minute
Light ratio for one magnitude	=	2.512; log ratio = 0.4000
Radiation from a star of zero apparent magnitude	=	3×10^{-8} meter candles
Total energy emitted by a star of zero absolute magnitude	=	5×10^{26} horsepower

MISCELLANEOUS

Constant of gravitation, G	=	6.670×10^{-8} c.g.s. units
Mass of the electron, m	=	9.035×10^{-28} gm.; mass of the proton = 1.662×10^{-24} gm.
Planck's constant, h	=	6.55×10^{-27} erg. sec.
Loschmidt's number	=	2.705×10^{19} molecules/cu. cm. of gas at N.T.P.
Absolute temperature = $T^\circ \text{K} = T^\circ \text{C} + 273^\circ = 5/9 (T^\circ \text{F} + 459^\circ)$		
1 radian	=	$57^\circ.2958$ $\pi = 3.141,592,653,6$
	=	3437'.75 No. of square degrees in the sky
	=	206,265" = 41,253

1953 EPHEMERIS OF THE SUN AT 0h GREENWICH CIVIL TIME

Date 1953	Apparent R.A.	Corr. to Sun-dial	Apparent Dec.	Date 1953	Apparent R.A.	Corr. to Sun-dial	Apparent Dec.
	h m s	m s	° ' s		h m s	m s	° ' s
Jan. 1	18 44 45	+03 22	-23 02.9	July 3	06 46 50	+03 57	+23 00.6
4	18 57 59	+04 45	-22 46.7	6	06 59 12	+04 29	+22 44.9
7	19 11 09	+06 06	-22 26.4	9	07 11 31	+04 58	+22 25.7
10	19 24 14	+07 22	-22 02.1	12	07 23 47	+05 24	+22 03.0
13	19 37 15	+08 33	-21 34.0	15	07 35 58	+05 46	+21 36.9
16	19 50 11	+09 39	-21 02.1	18	07 48 05	+06 03	+21 07.5
19	20 03 00	+10 39	-20 26.5	21	08 00 07	+06 16	+20 34.8
22	20 15 43	+11 31	-19 47.5	24	08 12 04	+06 23	+19 59.1
25	20 28 18	+12 17	-19 05.2	27	08 23 55	+06 24	+19 20.4
28	20 40 46	+12 56	-18 19.8	30	08 35 41	+06 21	+18 38.8
31	20 53 07	+13 27	-17 31.4				
Feb. 3	21 05 21	+13 51	-16 40.2	Aug. 2	08 47 22	+06 12	+17 54.4
6	21 17 27	+14 08	-15 46.4	5	08 58 57	+05 58	+17 07.4
9	21 29 26	+14 17	-14 50.1	8	09 10 28	+05 38	+16 17.8
12	21 41 19	+14 20	-13 51.6	11	09 21 53	+05 13	+15 25.9
15	21 53 04	+14 15	-12 51.0	14	09 33 12	+04 44	+14 31.8
18	22 04 43	+14 05	-11 48.6	17	09 44 27	+04 09	+13 35.6
21	22 16 15	+13 47	-10 44.5	20	09 55 37	+03 29	+12 37.5
24	22 27 42	+13 24	-09 38.9	23	10 06 43	+02 45	+11 37.6
27	22 39 03	+12 55	-08 32.0	26	10 17 44	+01 57	+10 36.1
				29	10 28 42	+01 05	+09 33.0
Mar. 2	22 50 18	+12 22	-07 24.0	Sept. 1	10 39 37	+00 10	+08 28.6
5	23 01 30	+11 43	-06 15.0	4	10 50 29	-00 47	+07 22.9
8	23 12 37	+11 01	-05 05.2	7	11 01 19	-01 47	+06 16.1
11	23 23 42	+10 16	-03 54.9	10	11 12 07	-02 48	+05 08.4
14	23 34 43	+09 27	-02 44.0	13	11 22 54	-03 51	+03 59.9
17	23 45 42	+08 37	-01 32.9	16	11 33 40	-04 55	+02 50.8
20	23 56 39	+07 44	-00 21.8	19	11 44 26	-05 59	+01 41.2
23	00 07 35	+06 51	+00 49.3	22	11 55 12	-07 03	+00 31.2
26	00 18 30	+05 56	+02 00.2	25	12 05 58	-08 06	-00 38.8
29	00 29 25	+05 01	+03 10.6	28	12 16 46	-09 07	-01 49.0
Apr. 1	00 40 20	+04 06	+04 20.5	Oct. 1	12 27 37	-10 07	-02 59.0
4	00 51 15	+03 12	+05 29.7	4	12 38 29	-11 04	-04 08.8
7	01 02 13	+02 20	+06 38.0	7	12 49 25	-11 57	-05 18.1
10	01 13 12	+01 30	+07 45.3	10	13 00 25	-12 47	-06 26.9
13	01 24 14	+00 42	+08 51.5	13	13 11 28	-13 33	-07 34.8
16	01 35 19	-00 03	+09 56.3	16	13 22 37	-14 15	-08 41.8
19	01 46 27	-00 45	+10 59.7	19	13 33 50	-14 52	-09 47.7
22	01 57 38	-01 23	+12 01.4	22	13 45 08	-15 23	-10 52.3
25	02 08 54	-01 57	+13 01.3	25	13 56 33	-15 48	-11 55.4
28	02 20 13	-02 27	+13 59.3	28	14 08 04	-16 07	-12 56.9
				31	14 19 41	-16 19	-13 56.6
May 1	02 31 37	-02 53	+14 55.2	Nov. 3	14 31 26	-16 23	-14 54.3
4	02 43 06	-03 14	+15 48.9	6	14 43 19	-16 20	-15 49.9
7	02 54 40	-03 30	+16 40.2	9	14 55 19	-16 10	-16 43.0
10	03 06 19	-03 40	+17 29.1	12	15 07 26	-15 52	-17 33.6
13	03 18 04	-03 45	+18 15.4	15	15 19 41	-15 27	-18 21.5
16	03 29 53	-03 45	+18 58.9	18	15 32 04	-14 54	-19 06.5
19	03 41 48	-03 40	+19 39.4	21	15 44 34	-14 14	-19 48.4
22	03 53 48	-03 30	+20 17.0	24	15 57 11	-13 27	-20 27.0
25	04 05 52	-03 16	+20 51.5	27	16 09 55	-12 32	-21 02.3
28	04 18 00	-02 57	+21 22.7	30	16 22 45	-11 31	-21 34.0
31	04 30 13	-02 34	+21 50.6				
June 3	04 42 30	-02 07	+22 15.1	Dec. 3	16 35 43	-10 24	-22 02.0
6	04 54 50	-01 37	+22 36.1	6	16 48 45	-09 11	-22 26.2
9	05 07 13	-01 03	+22 53.5	9	17 01 53	-07 53	-22 46.4
12	05 19 39	-00 27	+23 07.3	12	17 15 04	-06 31	-23 02.7
15	05 32 06	+00 11	+23 17.5	15	17 28 19	-05 06	-23 14.8
18	05 44 34	+00 49	+23 23.9	18	17 41 36	-03 39	-23 22.7
21	05 57 03	+01 29	+23 26.7	21	17 54 54	-02 10	-23 26.5
24	06 09 32	+02 07	+23 25.7	24	18 08 13	-00 41	-23 26.0
27	06 21 59	+02 45	+23 21.0	27	18 21 32	+00 49	-23 21.2
30	06 34 26	+03 22	+23 12.6	30	18 34 50	+02 17	-23 12.3

SOLAR AND SIDEREAL TIME

In practical astronomy three different kinds of time are used, while in ordinary life we use a fourth.

1. *Apparent Time*—By apparent noon is meant the moment when the sun is on the meridian, and apparent time is measured by the distance in degrees that the sun is east or west of the meridian. Apparent time is given by the sun-dial.

2. *Mean Time*—The interval between apparent noon on two successive days is not constant, and a clock cannot be constructed to keep apparent time. For this reason *mean time* is used. The length of a mean day is the average of all the apparent days throughout the year. The *real sun* moves about the ecliptic in one year; an imaginary *mean sun* is considered as moving uniformly around the celestial equator in one year. The difference between the times that the real sun and the mean sun cross the meridian is the *equation of time*. Or, in general, *Apparent Time—Mean Time = Equation of Time*. This is the same as *Correction to Sun-dial* on page 7, with the sign reversed.

3. *Sidereal Time*—This is time as determined from the stars. It is sidereal noon when the Vernal Equinox or First of Aries is on the meridian. In accurate time-keeping the moment when a star is on the meridian is observed and the corresponding mean time is then computed with the assistance of the Nautical Almanac. When a telescope is mounted equatorially the position of a body in the sky is located by means of the sidereal time. At 0h. G.C.T. the Greenwich Sidereal Time = R.A. apparent sun + 12h. — correction to sun-dial (p. 7). Sidereal time gains with respect to mean time at the rate of 3m. 56s. a day or about 2 hours a month.

4. *Standard Time*—In everyday life we use still another kind of time. A moment's thought will show that in general two places will not have the same mean time; indeed, difference in longitude between two places is determined from their difference in time. But in travelling it is very inconvenient to have the time varying from station to station. For the purpose of facilitating transportation the system of *Standard Time* was introduced in 1883. Within a certain belt approximately 15° wide, all the clocks show the same time, and in passing from one belt to the next the hands of the clock are moved forward or backward one hour.

In Canada we have seven standard time belts, as follows;—Newfoundland Time, 3h. 30m. slower than Greenwich; 60th meridian or Atlantic Time, 4h.; 75th meridian or Eastern Time, 5h.; 90th meridian or Central Time, 6h.; 105th meridian or Mountain Time, 7h.; 120th meridian or Pacific Time, 8h.; and 135th meridian or Yukon Time, 9h. slower than Greenwich.

The boundaries of the time belts are shown on the map on page 9.

Daylight Saving Time is the standard time of the next zone eastward. It is adopted in many places between certain specified dates during the summer.

MAP OF STANDARD TIME ZONES



Revisions: Newfoundland Time is 3h. 30m. slower than Greenwich Time.
 The "panhandle" region of Alaska, containing such towns as Juneau and Skagway, is on 120th meridian (Pacific) Time, instead of Yukon Time.

JULIAN DAY CALENDAR, 1953

J.D. 2,434,000 plus the following:

Jan. 1..... 379	May 1..... 499	Sept. 1..... 622
Feb. 1..... 410	June 1..... 530	Oct. 1..... 652
Mar. 1..... 438	July 1..... 560	Nov. 1..... 683
Apr. 1..... 469	Aug. 1..... 591	Dec. 1..... 713

The Julian Day commences at noon. Thus J.D. 2,434,379 = Jan. 1.5 G.C.T.

TIMES OF SUNRISE AND SUNSET

In the tables on pages 11 to 16 are given the times of sunrise and sunset for places in latitudes 32°, 36°, 40°, 44°, 46°, 48°, 50°, and 52°. The times are given in Local Mean Time, and in the table below are given corrections to change from Local Mean to Standard Time for the cities and towns named.

The time of sunrise and sunset at a given place, in local mean time, varies from day to day, and depends principally upon the declination of the sun. Variations in the equation of time, the apparent diameter of the sun and atmospheric refraction at the points of sunrise and sunset also affect the final result. These quantities, as well as the solar declination, do not have precisely the same values on corresponding days from year to year, and so the table gives only approximately average values. The times are for the rising and setting of the upper limb of the sun, and are corrected for refraction. It must also be remembered that these times are computed for the sea horizon, which is only approximately realised on land surfaces.

The Standard Times for Any Station

In order to find the time of sunrise and sunset for any place on any day, first from the list below find the approximate latitude of the place and the correction, in minutes, which follows the name. Then find in the monthly table the local time of sunrise and sunset for the proper latitude, on the desired day, and apply the correction to get the Standard Time.

CANADIAN CITIES AND TOWNS						AMERICAN CITIES		
	Lat.	Cor.		Lat.	Cor.		Lat.	Cor.
Belleville	44	+ 09	Peterborough	44	+ 13	Atlanta	34	+ 37
Brandon	50	+ 40	Port Arthur	48	+ 57	Baltimore	39	+ 06
Brantford	43	+ 21	Prince Albert	53	+ 03	Birmingham	34	- 13
Calgary	51	+ 36	Prince Rupert	54	+ 41	Boston	42	- 16
Charlottetown	46	+ 13	Quebec	47	- 15	Buffalo	43	+ 15
Chatham	42	+ 29	Regina	50	- 02	Chicago	42	- 10
Cornwall	45	- 01	St. Catharines	43	+ 17	Cincinnati	39	+ 38
Dawson	64	+ 18	St. Hyacinthe	46	- 09	Cleveland	42	+ 26
Edmonton	54	+ 34	Saint John, N.B.	45	+ 24	Dallas	33	+ 27
Fort William	48	+ 57	St. John's, Nfld.	48	+ 01	Denver	40	00
Fredericton	46	+ 26	St. Thomas	43	+ 25	Detroit	42	+ 32
Galt	43	+ 21	Sarnia	43	+ 30	Fairbanks	65	- 10
Glace Bay	46	00	Saskatoon	52	+ 07	Indianapolis	40	- 15
Granby	45	- 09	Sault Ste. Marie	47	+ 37	Juneau	58	+ 58
Guelph	44	+ 21	Shawinigan Falls	47	- 09	Kansas City	39	+ 18
Halifax	45	+ 15	Sherbrooke	45	- 13	Los Angeles	34	- 07
Hamilton	43	+ 19	Stratford	43	+ 24	Louisville	38	- 17
Hull	45	+ 03	Sudbury	47	+ 24	Memphis	35	00
Kingston	44	+ 06	Sydney	46	+ 01	Milwaukee	43	- 09
Kitchener	43	+ 22	Timmins	48	+ 26	Minneapolis	45	+ 13
London	43	+ 25	Toronto	44	- 18	New Orleans	30	00
Medicine Hat	50	+ 23	Three Rivers	46	- 10	New York	41	- 04
Moncton	46	+ 19	Trail	49	- 09	Omaha	41	+ 24
Montreal	45	- 06	Truro	45	+ 13	Philadelphia	40	+ 01
Moose Jaw	50	+ 02	Vancouver	49	+ 12	Pittsburgh	40	+ 20
Niagara Falls	43	+ 16	Victoria	48	+ 14	Portland	46	+ 11
North Bay	46	+ 18	Windsor	42	+ 32	St. Louis	39	+ 01
Oshawa	44	+ 15	Winnipeg	50	+ 29	San Francisco	38	+ 10
Ottawa	45	+ 03	Woodstock	43	+ 23	Seattle	48	+ 09
Owen Sound	45	+ 24	Yellowknife	63	+ 37	Washington	39	+ 08

Example—Find the time of sunrise at Owen Sound, on February 12.

In the above list Owen Sound is under "45°", and the correction is + 24 min. On page 11 the time of sunrise on February 12 for latitude 45° is 7.07; add 24 min. and we get 7.31 (Eastern Standard Time).

DATE	Latitude 32°		Latitude 36°		Latitude 40°		Latitude 44°		Latitude 46°		Latitude 48°		Latitude 50°		Latitude 54°	
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3	7 01	5 08	7 11	4 58	7 23	4 47	7 35	4 34	7 42	4 26	7 50	4 19	7 59	4 10	8 19	3 50
5	7 01	5 10	7 12	5 00	7 23	4 49	7 35	4 36	7 42	4 29	7 50	4 21	7 58	4 13	8 18	3 53
7	7 02	5 11	7 11	5 02	7 22	4 50	7 35	4 38	7 42	4 31	7 49	4 23	7 58	4 15	8 18	3 55
9	7 02	5 13	7 11	5 04	7 22	4 52	7 34	4 40	7 41	4 33	7 49	4 26	7 57	4 18	8 16	3 58
11	7 02	5 15	7 11	5 06	7 22	4 54	7 34	4 42	7 40	4 36	7 48	4 28	7 56	4 20	8 15	4 01
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January

February

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May

June

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31	5 34	6 26	5 30	6 30	5 25	6 34	5 20	6 40	5 18	6 42	5 15	6 45	5 12	6 48	5 04	6 55	

July

August

DATE	Latitude 32°		Latitude 36°		Latitude 40°		Latitude 44°		Latitude 46°		Latitude 48°		Latitude 50°		Latitude 54°	
	Sunrise	Sunset	Sunrise	Sunset	Sunrise	Sunset	Sunrise	Sunset	Sunrise	Sunset	Sunrise	Sunset	Sunrise	Sunset	Sunrise	Sunset
	h m	h m	h m	h m	h m	h m	h m	h m	h m	h m	h m	h m	h m	h m	h m	h m
2	5 35	6 23	5 31	6 27	5 27	6 31	5 23	6 36	5 20	6 38	5 18	6 41	5 15	6 44	5 08	6 50
4	5 36	6 22	5 33	6 24	5 29	6 28	5 25	6 32	5 23	6 34	5 20	6 37	5 18	6 40	5 12	6 46
6	5 38	6 19	5 34	6 22	5 31	6 25	5 27	6 28	5 25	6 31	5 23	6 33	5 21	6 35	5 15	6 41
8	5 39	6 17	5 36	6 19	5 33	6 22	5 30	6 25	5 28	6 27	5 26	6 29	5 24	6 31	5 19	6 36
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12	5 42	6 10	5 39	6 13	5 37	6 15	5 34	6 17	5 33	6 19	5 31	6 21	5 30	6 22	5 26	6 26
14	5 43	6 09	5 41	6 10	5 39	6 12	5 36	6 14	5 35	6 15	5 34	6 16	5 33	6 18	5 30	6 21
16	5 44	6 05	5 42	6 07	5 41	6 08	5 39	6 10	5 38	6 11	5 37	6 12	5 36	6 13	5 33	6 16
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20	5 46	6 01	5 46	6 01	5 45	6 02	5 44	6 03	5 44	6 03	5 43	6 04	5 42	6 05	5 40	6 06
22	5 48	5 57	5 47	5 58	5 47	5 58	5 46	5 59	5 46	5 59	5 45	6 00	5 45	6 00	5 44	6 01
24	5 49	5 56	5 49	5 55	5 49	5 55	5 48	5 55	5 48	5 55	5 48	5 56	5 48	5 56	5 47	5 56
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6	5 57	5 39	5 58	5 38	6 00	5 36	6 02	5 34	6 03	5 32	6 04	5 31	6 06	5 29	6 09	5 26
8	5 58	5 36	5 59	5 35	6 02	5 33	6 04	5 30	6 06	5 28	6 07	5 27	6 09	5 25	6 13	5 21
10	6 00	5 34	6 01	5 32	6 04	5 30	6 07	5 27	6 08	5 25	6 10	5 23	6 12	5 21	6 17	5 17
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14	6 03	5 29	6 04	5 27	6 08	5 24	6 11	5 20	6 14	5 18	6 16	5 15	6 19	5 13	6 24	5 07
16	6 04	5 27	6 06	5 25	6 10	5 21	6 14	5 17	6 17	5 14	6 19	5 11	6 22	5 09	6 28	5 02
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30	6 15	5 12	6 20	5 07	6 26	5 00	6 33	4 55	6 37	4 50	6 41	4 46	6 45	4 42	6 55	4 32

September

October

DATE	Latitude 32°		Latitude 36°		Latitude 40°		Latitude 44°		Latitude 46°		Latitude 48°		Latitude 50°		Latitude 54°		
	h	m	h	m	h	m	h	m	h	m	h	m	h	m	h	m	h
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	3	6 18	5 09	6 24	5 03	6 31	4 55	6 38	4 49	6 42	4 44	6 47	4 40	6 52	4 35	7 03	4 24
	5	6 20	5 07	6 26	5 01	6 33	4 53	6 41	4 46	6 45	4 41	6 50	4 37	6 55	4 32	7 07	4 20
	7	6 22	5 06	6 27	4 59	6 35	4 51	6 43	4 43	6 48	4 38	6 53	4 34	6 58	4 28	7 11	4 16
	9	6 23	5 04	6 29	4 57	6 37	4 49	6 46	4 41	6 51	4 36	6 56	4 31	7 01	4 25	7 14	4 12
	11	6 25	5 03	6 31	4 56	6 39	4 47	6 48	4 39	6 53	4 33	6 59	4 29	7 04	4 22	7 18	4 09
	13	6 27	5 02	6 33	4 54	6 42	4 45	6 51	4 37	6 56	4 31	7 02	4 26	7 08	4 20	7 22	4 06
	15	6 29	5 01	6 35	4 52	6 44	4 44	6 54	4 35	6 59	4 29	7 05	4 24	7 11	4 17	7 26	4 02
	17	6 30	4 59	6 37	4 51	6 47	4 42	6 57	4 32	7 02	4 27	7 08	4 21	7 15	4 14	7 30	3 59
19	6 32	4 59	6 39	4 50	6 49	4 41	6 59	4 31	7 04	4 25	7 10	4 19	7 18	4 12	7 34	3 56	
21	6 34	4 58	6 41	4 49	6 51	4 39	7 01	4 29	7 07	4 23	7 13	4 17	7 21	4 10	7 37	3 54	
23	6 36	4 57	6 43	4 48	6 54	4 38	7 04	4 28	7 10	4 21	7 16	4 15	7 24	4 08	7 41	3 51	
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3	6 44	4 55	6 52	4 46	7 03	4 35	7 15	4 23	7 22	4 16	7 30	4 09	7 38	4 01	7 57	3 41	
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7	6 47	4 56	6 56	4 46	7 07	4 35	7 20	4 22	7 27	4 15	7 35	4 07	7 43	3 59	8 03	3 39	
9	6 49	4 56	6 57	4 46	7 09	4 35	7 22	4 22	7 29	4 15	7 37	4 07	7 45	3 59	8 06	3 38	
11	6 50	4 56	6 59	4 46	7 10	4 35	7 24	4 22	7 31	4 15	7 39	4 07	7 48	3 58	8 08	3 38	
13	6 52	4 57	7 01	4 47	7 12	4 35	7 25	4 22	7 32	4 15	7 40	4 07	7 50	3 58	8 10	3 38	
15	6 53	4 57	7 02	4 47	7 14	4 36	7 27	4 23	7 34	4 16	7 42	4 07	7 51	3 59	8 12	3 38	
17	6 54	4 58	7 04	4 48	7 16	4 38	7 29	4 23	7 36	4 16	7 44	4 08	7 53	3 59	8 14	3 38	
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29	7 00	5 04	7 09	4 54	7 21	4 42	7 34	4 30	7 41	4 22	7 50	4 14	7 58	4 06	8 20	3 44	
31	7 00	5 06	7 10	4 56	7 22	4 44	7 35	4 31	7 42	4 24	7 50	4 16	7 59	4 07	8 19	3 46	

BEGINNING OF MORNING AND ENDING OF EVENING TWILIGHT

		Latitude 35°		Latitude 40°		Latitude 45°		Latitude 50°		Latitude 54°	
		Morn.	Eve.	Morn.	Eve.	Morn.	Eve.	Morn.	Eve.	Morn.	Eve.
Jan.	1	5 38	6 29	5 45	6 22	5 52	6 15	6 00	6 07	6 07	6 00
	11	5 39	6 37	5 45	6 31	5 52	6 24	5 59	6 17	6 05	6 12
	21	5 38	6 45	5 43	6 40	5 48	6 35	5 54	6 30	5 58	6 25
Feb.	31	5 34.	6 54	5 38	6 50	5 41	6 47	5 45	6 44	5 47	6 41
	10	5 27	7 03	5 29	7 01	5 31	7 00	5 32	6 59	5 32	6 58
Mar.	20	5 17	7 12	5 17	7 12	5 18	7 12	5 15	7 14	5 13	7 17
	2	5 06	7 20	5 04	7 22	5 02	7 26	4 56	7 30	4 51	7 36
	12	4 52	7 29	4 48	7 33	4 43	7 39	4 35	7 47	4 26	7 56
Apr.	22	4 38	7 38	4 31	7 45	4 23	7 54	4 11	8 06	3 59	8 18
	1	4 23	7 47	4 13	7 57	4 01	8 09	3 46	8 25	3 29	8 42
May	11	4 07	7 57	3 55	8 09	3 39	8 25	3 19	8 46	2 56	9 10
	21	3 51	8 07	3 36	8 23	3 17	8 43	2 50	9 10	2 20	9 42
	11	3 37	8 19	3 18	8 37	2 54	9 02	2 20	9 37	1 36	10 22
	11	3 23	8 30	3 02	8 52	2 33	9 22	1 48	10 08	0 30	11 37
June	21	3 12	8 41	2 47	9 07	2 13	9 42	1 13	10 44	—	—
	31	3 04	8 51	2 36	9 20	1 56	10 01	0 23	11 42	—	—
	10	2 59	8 59	2 29	9 30	1 43	10 16	—	—	—	—
July	20	3 02	9 04	2 27	9 35	1 39	10 23	—	—	—	—
	30	3 02	9 04	2 31	9 35	1 44	10 22	—	—	—	—
	10	3 09	9 01	2 39	9 30	1 56	10 13	—	—	—	—
Aug.	20	3 18	8 54	2 51	9 20	2 14	9 57	1 04	11 04	—	—
	30	3 28	8 43	3 05	9 06	2 33	9 38	1 43	10 26	—	—
	9	3 39	8 30	3 20	8 50	2 52	9 16	2 15	9 53	1 20	10 45
	19	3 50	8 16	3 34	8 32	3 12	8 53	2 42	9 23	2 07	9 57
Sept.	29	4 00	8 00	3 47	8 14	3 29	8 31	3 06	8 53	2 40	9 19
	8	4 10	7 44	3 59	7 55	3 46	8 08	3 28	8 26	3 08	8 45
	18	4 19	7 28	4 11	7 36	4 01	7 46	3 47	8 00	3 33	8 13
Oct.	28	4 28	7 13	4 22	7 18	4 15	7 25	4 05	7 35	3 55	7 45
	8	4 35	6 59	4 32	7 02	4 28	7 06	4 22	7 12	4 15	7 19
Nov.	18	4 43	6 46	4 42	6 47	4 40	6 49	4 37	6 51	4 34	6 55
	28	4 51	6 36	4 52	6 34	4 53	6 34	4 53	6 34	4 52	6 35
	7	5 00	6 27	5 02	6 24	5 05	6 21	5 07	6 19	5 09	6 17
	17	5 08	6 21	5 12	6 17	5 17	6 12	5 21	6 07	5 25	6 04
Dec.	27	5 16	6 18	5 22	6 13	5 28	6 06	5 34	6 00	5 39	5 55
	7	5 24	6 18	5 31	6 12	5 38	6 04	5 45	5 57	5 51	5 51
Jan.	17	5 31	6 21	5 38	6 14	5 45	6 06	5 53	5 58	6 01	5 51
	27	5 36	6 26	5 43	6 19	5 51	6 11	5 59	6 03	6 06	5 56
	1	5 38	6 29	5 45	6 22	5 52	6 15	6 00	6 07	6 07	6 00

The above table gives the local mean time of the beginning of morning twilight, and of the ending of evening twilight, for various latitudes. To obtain the corresponding standard time, the method used is the same as for correcting the sunrise and sunset tables, as described on page 10. The entry — in the above table indicates that at such dates and latitudes, twilight lasts all night. This table, taken from the American Ephemeris, is computed for *astronomical* twilight, i.e. for the time at which the sun is 108° from the zenith (or 18° below the horizon).

TIME OF MOONRISE AND MOONSET, 1953. (Local Mean Time)

DATE	Latitude 35° Moon		Latitude 40° Moon		Latitude 45° Moon		Latitude 50° Moon		Latitude 54° Moon	
	Rise	Set	Rise	Set	Rise	Set	Rise	Set	Rise	Set
Jan.										
1	h m	h m	h m	h m	h m	h m	h m	h m	h m	h m
2	18 27	08 15	18 14	08 30	17 58	08 46	17 39	09 07	17 19	09 28
3	19 27	08 49	19 17	09 02	19 05	19 14	18 50	09 30	18 36	09 45
4	20 25	09 18	20 17	09 27	20 09	09 36	19 59	09 47	19 50	09 58
5	21 21	09 44	21 17	09 49	21 13	09 56	21 08	10 02	21 03	10 09
6	22 16	10 08	22 16	10 10	22 15	10 13	22 15	10 15	22 14	10 18
7	23 12	10 32	23 14	10 30	23 18	10 30	23 22	10 28	23 26	10 26
8	.. ..	10 56	.. ..	10 52	.. ..	10 47	.. ..	10 41	.. ..	10 35
9	00 09	11 22	00 15	11 14	00 23	11 06	00 32	10 56	00 40	10 45
10	01 09	11 51	01 19	11 40	01 29	11 28	01 43	11 13	01 57	10 58
11	02 12	12 26	02 24	12 12	02 39	11 56	02 58	11 36	03 17	11 16
12	03 16	13 08	03 32	12 52	03 51	12 32	04 15	12 08	04 40	11 42
13	04 23	13 59	04 41	13 41	05 02	13 19	05 29	12 52	05 59	12 22
14	05 26	15 01	05 45	14 43	06 08	14 21	06 36	13 52	07 06	13 22
15	06 25	16 12	06 42	15 55	07 04	15 35	07 30	15 09	07 57	14 42
16	07 15	17 27	07 31	17 14	07 48	16 57	08 09	16 37	08 31	16 16
17	07 59	18 43	08 10	18 33	08 23	18 21	08 39	18 08	08 54	17 53
18	08 35	19 57	08 42	19 51	08 51	19 45	09 01	19 37	09 11	19 29
19	09 07	21 09	09 11	21 07	09 15	21 05	09 19	21 04	09 23	21 02
20	09 38	22 18	09 37	22 21	09 37	22 22	09 36	22 28	09 35	22 32
21	10 08	23 27	10 04	23 34	09 59	23 41	09 53	23 51	09 46	.. ..
22	10 39	.. ..	10 31	.. ..	10 21	.. ..	10 10	.. ..	09 59	00 00
23	11 13	00 35	11 01	00 45	10 47	00 58	10 31	01 13	10 15	01 27
24	11 51	01 42	11 36	01 55	11 19	02 12	10 58	02 32	10 36	02 53
25	12 35	02 47	12 18	03 04	11 57	03 24	11 32	03 49	11 05	04 14
26	13 24	03 49	13 06	04 07	12 44	04 28	12 16	04 56	11 47	05 25
27	14 19	04 44	14 01	05 03	13 40	05 25	13 12	05 53	12 43	06 22
28	15 18	05 33	15 01	05 51	14 42	06 11	14 16	06 37	13 50	07 03
29	16 18	06 15	16 04	06 30	15 47	06 47	15 26	07 09	15 04	07 32
30	17 18	06 50	17 07	07 03	16 54	07 17	16 37	07 34	16 21	07 52
31	18 15	07 21	18 08	07 30	17 58	07 40	17 47	07 53	17 36	08 06
31	19 13	07 47	19 08	07 54	19 02	18 01	18 56	08 09	18 49	08 18
Feb.										
1	20 09	08 12	20 07	08 15	20 05	08 19	20 03	08 23	20 01	08 27
2	21 04	08 36	21 06	08 35	21 08	08 36	21 10	08 35	21 13	08 36
3	22 00	08 59	22 05	08 56	22 11	08 53	22 18	08 48	22 25	08 44
4	22 58	09 24	23 06	09 18	23 16	09 10	23 28	09 02	23 39	08 53
5	23 58	09 51	.. ..	09 42	.. ..	09 31	.. ..	09 18	.. ..	09 05
6	.. ..	10 23	00 10	10 11	00 23	09 56	00 40	09 37	00 57	09 20
7	01 00	11 00	01 15	10 46	01 33	10 27	01 54	10 04	02 17	09 41
8	02 04	11 46	02 22	11 29	02 42	11 07	03 08	10 41	03 35	10 13
9	03 08	12 41	03 26	12 22	03 49	12 00	04 17	11 31	04 47	11 01
10	04 07	13 46	04 25	13 28	04 48	13 06	05 15	12 39	05 45	12 09
11	05 01	14 58	05 17	14 42	05 37	14 23	06 01	14 00	06 26	13 36
12	05 48	16 13	06 01	16 01	06 16	15 47	06 36	15 29	06 54	15 12
13	06 27	17 30	06 37	17 21	06 49	17 12	07 02	17 01	07 14	16 50
14	07 03	18 44	07 08	18 40	07 15	18 36	07 22	18 32	07 29	18 27
15	07 35	19 57	07 37	19 58	07 38	19 59	07 40	20 00	07 41	20 00
16	08 06	21 09	08 04	21 14	08 01	21 20	07 57	21 27	07 53	21 33
17	08 38	22 20	08 31	22 29	08 24	22 39	08 15	22 52	08 06	23 05
18	09 12	23 30	09 02	23 43	08 50	23 58	08 35	.. ..	08 21	.. ..
19	09 50	.. ..	09 36	.. ..	09 20	.. ..	09 00	00 16	08 40	00 35
20	10 33	00 38	10 16	00 54	09 57	01 13	09 32	01 36	09 07	02 00
21	11 21	01 42	11 03	02 00	10 41	02 21	10 14	02 48	09 45	03 17
22	12 15	02 40	11 56	02 59	11 34	03 21	11 06	03 49	10 37	04 19
23	13 12	03 31	12 55	03 49	12 34	04 11	12 08	04 37	11 41	05 04
24	14 11	04 15	13 57	04 30	13 39	04 50	13 16	05 13	12 53	05 37
25	15 11	04 52	14 59	05 05	14 45	05 20	14 27	05 40	14 09	05 59
26	16 10	05 24	16 00	05 34	15 50	05 46	15 36	06 01	15 23	06 14
27	17 07	05 51	17 00	05 59	16 54	06 07	16 45	06 17	16 37	06 26
28	18 03	06 17	18 00	06 20	17 57	06 26	17 53	06 31	17 50	06 37

DATE	Latitude 35° Moon		Latitude 40° Moon		Latitude 45° Moon		Latitude 50° Moon		Latitude 54° Moon	
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March										
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4	20 51	07 28	20 59	07 24	21 07	07 17	21 17	07 10	21 27	07 03
5	21 50	07 55	22 00	07 46	22 13	07 37	22 28	07 26	22 43	07 14
6	22 51	08 25	23 05	08 13	23 20	08 00	23 40	07 44	24 00	07 28
7	23 53	08 59	08 45	08 28	08 07	07 46
8	09 41	00 09	09 25	00 29	09 04	00 53	08 39	01 19	08 13
9	00 55	10 31	01 13	10 13	01 35	09 51	02 02	09 22	02 32	08 53
10	01 55	11 30	02 13	11 11	02 35	10 49	03 04	10 21	03 33	09 51
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12	03 37	13 47	03 52	13 33	04 09	13 17	04 31	12 56	04 53	12 36
13	04 19	15 01	04 30	14 50	04 44	14 39	05 00	14 25	05 16	14 10
14	04 56	16 15	05 03	16 09	05 12	16 02	05 23	15 54	05 33	15 46
15	05 30	17 29	05 33	17 27	05 37	17 25	05 42	17 24	05 46	17 21
16	06 01	18 42	06 01	18 45	06 01	18 48	06 00	18 52	05 59	18 56
17	06 33	19 55	06 29	20 02	06 24	20 10	06 17	20 20	06 12	20 30
18	07 07	21 08	06 59	21 19	06 49	21 32	06 37	21 48	06 26	22 03
19	07 45	22 20	07 32	22 34	07 18	22 52	07 01	23 13	06 44	23 34
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21	09 14	08 57	08 36	00 05	08 10	00 31	07 42	00 57
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2	20 44	06 28	20 57	06 18	21 11	06 05	21 29	05 50	21 48	05 36
3	21 46	07 01	22 01	06 48	22 20	06 32	22 43	06 13	23 06	05 54
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5	23 48	08 27	08 10	07 49	07 21	00 20	06 53
6	09 22	00 06	09 04	00 28	08 42	00 55	08 14	01 25	07 45
7	00 42	10 24	01 00	10 07	01 22	09 46	01 48	09 20	02 16	08 53
8	01 31	11 32	01 47	11 17	02 06	10 59	02 29	10 37	02 53	10 14
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13	04 29	17 29	04 26	17 33	04 23	17 39	04 20	17 45	04 17	17 52
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22	11 54	01 25	11 44	01 37	11 31	01 51	11 15	02 09	10 58	02 26
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27	16 37	03 36	16 41	03 34	16 48	03 30	16 55	03 25	17 01	03 21
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30	19 38	05 02	19 53	04 50	20 09	04 35	20 30	04 17	20 52	04 00
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DATE	Latitude 35° Moon		Latitude 40° Moon		Latitude 45° Moon		Latitude 50° Moon		Latitude 54° Moon	
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2	22 38	07 18	22 56	07 00	23 17	06 38	23 45	06 10	05 41
3	23 29	08 19	23 45	08 01	07 40	07 13	00 13	06 45
4	09 24	09 09	00 04	08 50	00 28	08 27	00 53	08 03
5	00 14	10 43	00 26	10 20	00 43	10 05	01 02	09 47	01 21	09 29
6	00 51	11 42	01 01	11 33	01 13	11 23	01 27	11 10	01 41	10 58
7	01 25	12 51	01 32	12 46	01 39	12 40	01 48	12 33	01 57	12 27
8	01 56	14 00	01 59	13 59	02 03	13 58	02 07	13 56	02 10	13 55
9	02 26	15 10	02 26	15 12	02 25	15 16	02 24	15 20	02 22	15 55
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11	03 31	17 32	03 23	17 43	03 13	17 56	03 01	18 11	02 50	18 26
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13	04 52	19 54	04 37	20 10	04 19	20 30	03 57	20 55	03 35	21 22
14	05 42	20 58	05 25	21 15	05 04	21 37	04 39	22 04	04 12	22 33
15	06 38	21 54	06 20	22 12	05 59	22 33	05 32	22 59	05 03	23 26
16	07 39	22 42	07 22	22 57	07 01	23 16	06 36	23 39	06 08
17	08 41	23 21	08 26	23 35	08 08	23 50	07 46	07 22	00 03
18	09 42	23 55	09 30	09 16	08 58	00 09	08 40	00 28
19	10 42	10 33	00 05	10 23	00 17	10 09	00 32	09 56	00 46
20	11 40	00 24	11 33	00 31	11 27	00 39	11 18	00 49	11 10	00 59
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23	14 27	01 38	14 31	01 36	14 35	01 34	14 40	01 31	14 45	01 29
24	15 24	02 03	15 32	01 58	15 40	01 52	15 50	01 45	15 59	01 38
25	16 24	02 30	16 34	02 22	16 46	02 13	17 01	02 01	17 15	01 50
26	17 26	03 01	17 39	02 50	17 55	02 37	18 14	02 21	18 34	02 05
27	18 29	03 38	18 45	03 23	19 04	03 06	19 28	02 45	19 53	02 25
28	19 32	04 20	19 50	04 04	20 11	03 44	20 37	03 19	21 06	02 54
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31	22 12	07 15	22 26	07 00	22 43	06 40	23 03	06 16	23 25	05 51
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2	23 27	09 34	23 34	09 24	23 43	09 13	23 54	08 59	08 45
3	23 58	10 43	10 37	10 30	10 22	00 04	10 13
4	11 51	00 02	11 50	00 07	11 47	00 13	11 14	00 17	11 41
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6	00 58	14 07	00 55	14 13	00 51	14 20	00 46	14 27	00 42	14 36
7	01 30	15 17	01 23	15 26	01 14	15 37	01 04	15 50	00 55	16 05
8	02 05	16 27	01 54	16 40	01 42	16 55	01 26	17 14	01 12	17 33
9	02 45	17 36	02 31	17 52	02 15	18 11	01 54	18 35	01 34	18 59
10	03 32	18 42	03 15	19 00	02 55	19 21	02 31	19 47	02 06	20 15
11	04 25	19 42	04 07	19 59	03 46	20 21	03 14	20 47	02 51	21 16
12	05 24	20 33	05 06	20 50	04 45	21 09	04 18	21 33	03 51	21 59
13	06 26	21 17	06 10	21 30	05 50	21 47	05 27	22 08	05 02	22 29
14	07 28	21 53	07 15	22 04	06 59	22 17	06 39	22 33	06 19	22 49
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22	15 11	00 59	15 24	00 49	15 37	00 37	15 55	00 23	16 13	00 09
23	16 14	01 33	16 29	01 19	16 46	01 04	17 09	00 46	17 32	00 27
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27	20 06	05 01	20 22	04 44	20 40	04 23	21 02	03 58	21 25	03 31
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DATE	Latitude 35° Moon		Latitude 40° Moon		Latitude 45° Moon		Latitude 50° Moon		Latitude 54° Moon	
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3	23 32	12 00	23 26	12 04	23 19	12 10	23 10	12 16	23 02	12 22
4	13 08	23 56	13 17	23 45	13 27	23 31	13 38	23 18	13 50
5	00 05	14 17	14 29	14 43	23 56	15 01	23 37	15 18
6	00 43	15 26	00 30	15 40	00 15	15 58	16 21	16 44
7	01 26	16 32	01 11	16 48	00 52	17 09	00 29	17 35	00 05	18 02
8	02 16	17 32	01 59	17 50	01 38	18 11	01 12	18 39	00 44	19 07
9	03 12	18 26	02 55	18 43	02 33	19 04	02 06	19 29	01 38	19 56
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13	07 17	20 52	07 09	20 59	06 59	21 06	06 47	21 15	06 35	21 23
14	08 15	21 18	08 09	21 21	08 04	21 25	07 56	21 30	07 49	21 34
15	09 11	21 42	09 09	21 42	09 07	21 43	09 05	21 44	09 02	21 44
16	10 07	22 06	10 08	22 04	10 10	22 01	10 11	21 57	10 13	21 53
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24	17 55	02 41	18 12	02 24	18 31	02 03	18 56	01 35	19 21	01 07
25	18 43	03 49	18 56	03 34	19 12	03 14	19 32	02 51	19 52	02 27
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28	20 32	07 28	20 35	07 23	20 38	07 17	20 42	07 10	20 45	07 03
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30	21 34	09 49	21 29	09 52	21 24	09 56	21 17	10 00	21 10	10 05
31	22 07	10 59	21 59	11 06	21 49	11 14	21 37	11 24	21 25	11 35
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6	02 05	17 10	01 48	17 26	01 27	17 45	01 01	18 09	00 34	18 33
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30	22 10	12 16	21 53	12 31	21 34	12 51	21 09	13 14	20 45	13 39
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DATE	Latitude 35° Moon		Latitude 40° Moon		Latitude 45° Moon		Latitude 50° Moon		Latitude 54° Moon	
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Sept.	h m	h m	h m	h m	h m	h m	h m	h m	h m	h m
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2	15 08	15 25	15 44	16 09	23 36	16 34
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4	02 01	16 27	01 47	16 38	01 31	16 51	01 12	17 08	00 51	17 24
5	03 01	16 58	02 51	17 06	02 38	17 16	02 23	17 29	02 08	17 40
6	04 00	17 25	03 52	17 31	03 43	17 37	03 33	17 45	03 22	17 52
7	04 57	17 50	04 52	17 52	04 47	17 56	04 42	17 59	04 36	18 02
8	05 52	18 14	05 51	18 14	05 50	18 14	05 49	18 13	05 48	18 12
9	06 48	18 38	06 50	18 36	06 53	18 31	06 56	18 27	06 59	18 21
10	07 44	19 04	07 48	18 58	07 55	18 50	08 02	18 41	08 10	18 31
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12	09 38	20 03	09 50	19 51	10 03	19 36	10 20	19 18	10 37	19 00
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19	15 46	01 25	15 56	01 13	16 08	00 58	16 23	00 40	16 37	00 21
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23	18 01	06 16	17 56	06 19	17 51	06 23	17 43	06 29	17 36	06 33
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30	23 55	13 49	23 40	14 05	23 23	14 22	23 02	14 44	22 41	15 06
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24	19 39	09 53	19 21	10 10	19 01	10 31	18 35	10 57	18 08	11 24
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THE PLANETS FOR 1953

By C. A. CHANT

THE SUN

The maximum of sun-spot activity in the present sun-spot cycle occurred about March 1947. There have been spotless days during 1952 and the minimum of solar activity is to be expected in 1954 or 1955.

MERCURY

Mercury is exceptional in many ways. It is the planet nearest the sun and travels fastest in its orbit, its speed varying from 23 mi. per sec. at aphelion to 35 mi. per sec. at perihelion. The amount of heat and light from the sun received by it per square mile is, on the average, 6.7 times the amount received by the earth. Its period of rotation on its axis is believed to be the same as its period of revolution about the sun, which is 88 days.

Mercury's orbit is well within that of the earth, and the planet, as seen from the earth, appears to move quickly from one side of the sun to the other several times in the year. Its quick motion earned for it the name it bears. Its greatest elongation (i.e., its maximum angular distance from the sun) varies between 18° and 28°, and on such occasions it is visible to the naked eye for about two weeks.

When the elongation of Mercury is east of the sun it is an evening star, setting soon after the sun. When the elongation is west, it is a morning star and rises shortly before the sun. Its brightness when it is treated as a star is considerable but it is always viewed in the twilight sky and one must look sharply to see it.

The most suitable times to observe Mercury are at an eastern elongation in the spring and at a western elongation in the autumn. The dates of greatest elongation this year, together with the planet's separation from the sun and its stellar magnitude, are given in the following table:

Maximum Elongations of Mercury during 1953

Elong. East—Evening Star			Elong. West—Morning Star		
Date	Distance	Mag.	Date	Distance	Mag.
Mar. 2	18°	-0.2	Apr. 15	28°	+0.7
June 27	26°	+0.6	Aug. 13	19°	+0.1
Oct. 23	24°	+0.1	Dec. 1	20°	-0.3

The most favourable elongations to observe are: in the evening, Mar. 2; in the morning, Aug. 13. At these times Mercury is about 80 million miles from the earth and in a telescope looks like a half-moon about 7" in diameter.

VENUS

Venus is the next planet in order from the sun. In size and mass it is almost a twin of the earth. Venus being within the earth's orbit, its apparent motion is similar to Mercury's but much slower and more stately. The orbit of Venus is almost circular with radius of 67 million miles, and its orbital speed is 22 miles per sec.

On Jan. 1, 1953, Venus is an evening star, crossing the meridian about 3 hours after the sun. Its declination is then 15° south. It continues to separate from the sun until Jan. 31 when it reaches its greatest elongation east. It now moves in towards the sun, reaches greatest brilliancy on Mar. 7 and comes to inferior conjunction with the sun on April 13, after which it is a morning star.

It attains greatest brilliancy again on May 19 and reaches greatest elongation on June 22. It continues a morning star the rest of the year, crossing the meridian half an hour before the sun on Dec. 31.

With the exception of the sun and moon, Venus is the brightest object in the sky. Its brilliance is largely due to the dense clouds which cover the surface of the planet. They reflect well the sun's light; but they also prevent the astronomer from detecting any solid object on the surface of the body. If such could be observed it would enable him to determine the planet's rotation period. It is probably around 30 days.

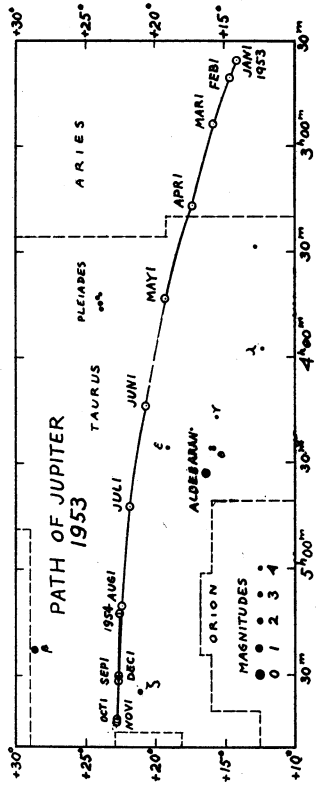
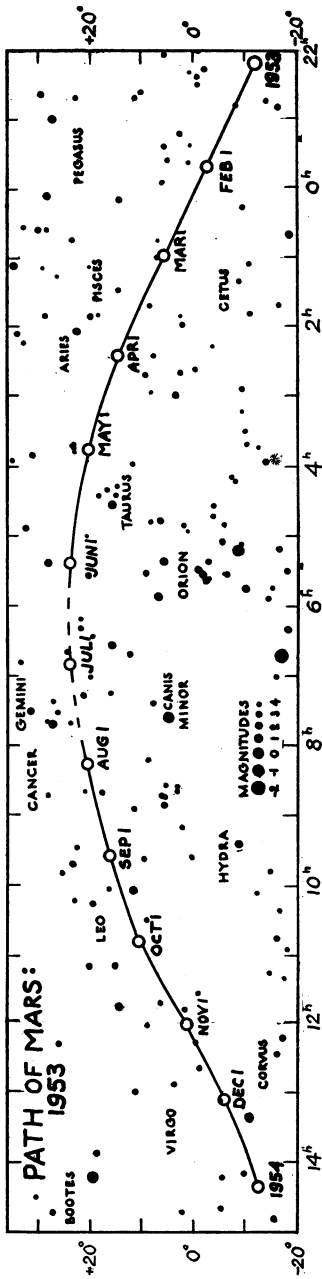
MARS

The orbit of Mars is outside that of the earth and consequently its planetary phenomena are quite different from those of the two inferior planets discussed above. Its mean distance from the sun is 141 million miles and the eccentricity of its orbit is 0.093, and a simple computation shows that its distance from the sun ranges between 128 and 154 million miles. Its distance from the earth varies from 35 to 235 million miles and its brightness changes accordingly. When Mars is nearest it is conspicuous in its fiery red, but when farthest away it is no brighter than Polaris. Unlike Venus, its atmosphere is very thin, and features on the solid surface are distinctly visible. Utilizing them its rotation period of 24h. 37m. has been accurately determined.

The sidereal, or true mechanical, period of revolution of Mars is 687 days; and the synodic period (for example, the interval from one opposition to the next one) is 780 days. This is the average value; it may vary from 764 to 810 days. The planet was in opposition on Mar. 23, 1950; the last opposition was on May 1, 1952, and the following one will be on Sept. 10, 1956. On Jan. 1 it is about as bright as Spica (1.2) and during the rest of the year it is fainter. In November its stellar magnitude is 1.9. For its position among the stars see the map.

JUPITER

Jupiter is the giant of the family of the sun. Its mean diameter is 87,000 miles and its mass is $2\frac{1}{2}$ times that of all the rest of the planets combined! Its mean distance is 483 million miles and the revolution period is 11.9 years. This planet is known to possess 12 satellites, the last discovered in 1951 (see p. 59). Not so long ago it was generally believed that the planet was still cooling down.



from its original high temperature, but from actual measurements of the radiation from it to the earth it has been deduced that the surface is at about -200°F . The spectroscope shows that its atmosphere is largely ammonia and methane.

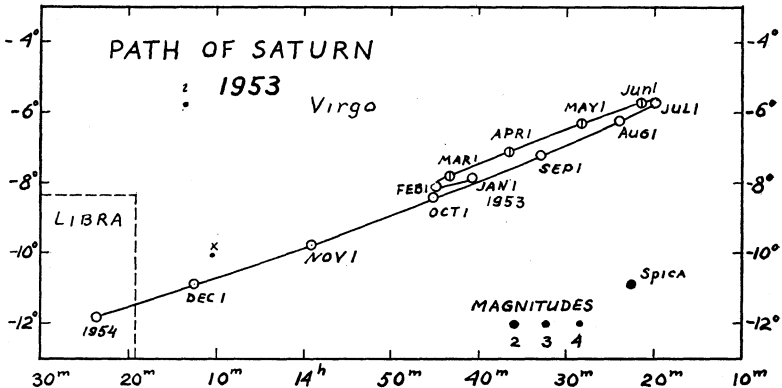
Jupiter is a fine object for the telescope. Many details of the surface as well as the flattening of the planet, due to its short rotation period, are visible, and the phenomena of its satellites provide a continual interest.

On Jan. 1, 1953, Jupiter crosses the meridian at 7.50 p.m. and is an evening star in the constellation Aries (see map). The sun moves over to the planet and they are in conjunction on May 24, and Jupiter becomes a morning star. It then separates from the sun until Dec. 13 when it comes to opposition and is on the meridian at midnight. At this time its distance from the earth is 391,900,000 mi. (see p. 53) and its stellar magnitude -2.3 . On Dec. 31 it crosses the meridian at about 10.31 p.m.

SATURN

Saturn was the outermost planet known until modern times. In size it is a good second to Jupiter. In addition to its family of nine satellites, this planet has a unique system of rings, and it is one of the finest of celestial objects in a good telescope. The plane of the rings makes an angle of 27° with the plane of the planet's orbit, and twice during the planet's revolution period of $29\frac{1}{2}$ years the rings appear to open out widest; then they slowly close in until, midway between the maxima, the rings are presented edgewise to the sun or the earth, at which times they are invisible. The rings were edgewise in 1937 and 1950, and at maximum in 1944. For the next few years they will be gradually opening out.

The planet is in the constellation Virgo (see map). On April 14 it is in opposition to the sun and is visible all night. Its stellar magnitude then is $+0.4$, slightly less bright than Rigel. On Oct. 23 it is in conjunction with the sun.

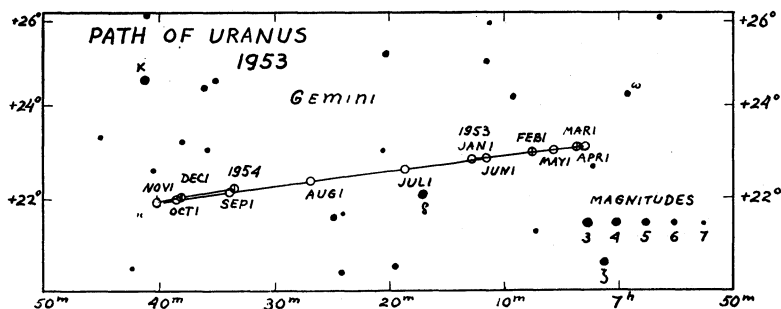


URANUS

Uranus was discovered in 1781 by Sir William Herschel by means of a $6\frac{1}{4}$ -in. mirror-telescope made by himself. The object did not look just like a star and he observed it again four days later. It had moved amongst the stars, and he

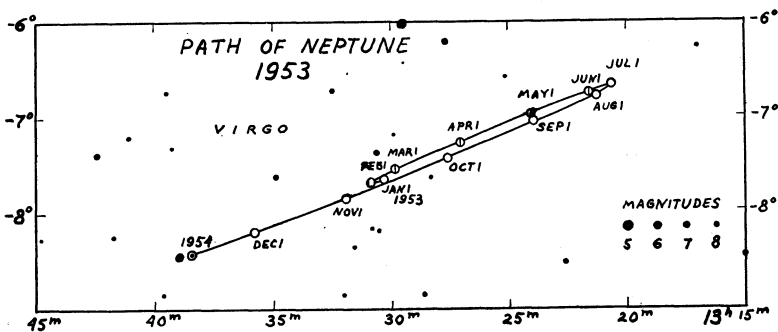
assumed it to be a comet. He could not believe that it was a new planet. However, computation later showed that it was a planet nearly twice as far from the sun as Saturn. Its period of revolution is 84 years and it rotates on its axis in about 11 hours. Its five satellites are visible only in a large telescope. The fifth satellite was discovered by G. P. Kuiper in 1948 at the McDonald Observatory (see p. 59).

As shown by the chart, Uranus in 1953 is in Gemini. On Jan. 6, it is in opposition with the sun; on July 11 in conjunction.



NEPTUNE

Neptune was discovered in 1846 after its existence in the sky had been predicted from independent calculations by Leverrier in France and Adams in England. It caused a sensation at the time. Its distance from the sun is 2800 million miles and its period of revolution is 165 years. A satellite was discovered in 1846 soon after the planet. A second satellite was discovered by G. P. Kuiper



at the McDonald Observatory on May 1, 1949. Its magnitude is about 19.5, its period about a year, and diameter about 200 miles. It is named Nereid.

During 1953 Neptune is still in the constellation Virgo. It is in opposition to the sun on April 12. Its stellar magnitude is +7.7 and hence it is too faint for the naked eye. In the telescope it shows a greenish tint and a diameter of 2".5. It is in conjunction with the sun on Oct. 17.

PLUTO

Pluto, the most distant known planet, was discovered at the Lowell Observatory in 1930. Its mean distance from the sun is 3666 million miles and its revolution period is 248 years. It appears as a 15th mag. star in the constellation Cancer. It is in opposition to the sun on Feb. 10, 1953, at which time its astro-metric position is R.A. $9^{\text{h}} 51^{\text{m}}$, Dec. $+23^{\circ} 16'$.

ECLIPSES, 1953

In 1953 there will be five eclipses, three of the sun and two of the moon.

I. *A Total Eclipse of the Moon*, January 29, 1953, the beginning visible in the north-eastern part of North America, the ending visible generally in North America except the extreme north-western part. The whole eclipse is visible generally in Europe, Africa, the Atlantic Ocean and the Arctic; the beginning is not visible in western North America because the moon is below the eastern horizon at this time.

Circumstances of the Lunar Eclipse, January 29, 1953 (E.S.T.)

☾ enters penumbra	15 h 40.1 m	☾ leaves umbra	20 h 40.4 m
☾ enters umbra	16 54.1	☾ leaves penumbra	21 54.5
Middle of eclipse	18 47.3	Magnitude of eclipse	1.337

II. *A Partial Eclipse of the Sun*, February 13-14, 1953, invisible in North America. This eclipse is visible generally over eastern Asia and the western Pacific Ocean.

III. *A Partial Eclipse of the Sun*, July 10-11, 1953, visible in western and far northern Canada and in Greenland. In the western provinces the eclipse takes place just before sunset. The magnitude of greatest eclipse is 0.201.

IV. *A Total Eclipse of the Moon*, July 26, 1953, the beginning visible in North America except the eastern and north-eastern parts, the ending invisible in North America except in the north-western tip. The whole eclipse is visible generally in the Pacific Ocean, Australia and Antarctica; the eclipse is only partly visible in North America because the moon is on the point of setting in these parts at the time of the eclipse.

Circumstances of the Lunar Eclipse, July 26, 1953 (E.S.T.)

☾ enters penumbra	4 h 35.9 m	☾ leaves umbra	9 h 08.8 m
☾ enters umbra	5 32.5	☾ leaves penumbra	10 05.3
Middle of eclipse	7 20.6	Magnitude of eclipse	1.869

V. *A Partial Eclipse of the Sun*, August 9, 1953, invisible in North America. This eclipse is visible generally in the southern tip of South America, the South Pacific and Antarctica.

TRANSIT OF MERCURY

A Transit of Mercury over the sun's disk, November 14, 1953, both the ingress and egress being visible in North America except the extreme north-western part. Within a fraction of a minute the times of ingress and egress are the same all across Canada, namely 10 h 37 m and 13 h 12 m E.S.T. The position angles of ingress and egress are 51° and 356° respectively.

THE SKY MONTH BY MONTH

By J. F. HEARD

THE SKY FOR JANUARY, 1953

Positions of the sun and planets are given for 0h Greenwich Civil Time.

The times of transit at the 75th meridian are given in local mean time, 0h at midnight; to change to Standard Time, see p. 10. Estimates of altitude are for an observer in latitude 45° N.

The Sun—During January the sun's R.A. increases from 18h 45m to 20h 57m and its Decl. changes from 23° 03' S. to 17° 15' S. The equation of time changes from -3m 22s to -13m 36s. The earth is in perihelion or nearest the sun on the 2nd. For changes in the length of the day, see p. 11.

The Moon—For its phases, perigee and apogee times and distances, and its conjunctions with the planets, see opposite page. Times of moonrise and moonset are given on p. 18. There is a total eclipse of the moon on the evening of the 29th, at least partly visible in North America except extreme north-western regions, see p. 29.

Mercury on the 15th is in R.A. 18h 56m, Decl. 24° 00' S. and transits at 11. 21. Early in the month it is a morning star seen low in the south-east just before sunrise.

Venus on the 15th is in R.A. 22h 50m, Decl. 8° 20' S. and transits at 15. 14. It is an evening star prominent in the south-west for about four hours after sunset. A close conjunction with Mars occurs during the evening of the 17th.

Mars on the 15th is in R.A. 22h 53m, Decl. 7° 58' S. and transits at 15. 16. Moving from Aquarius into Pisces it is low in the south-west during the evening. (See Venus.)

Jupiter on the 15th is in R.A. 2h 36m, Decl. 14° 11' N. and transits at 18. 56. It is well up at sunset and sets a few hours after midnight. On the 5th it is stationary in R.A. and then resumes its eastward motion among the stars. For the configurations of Jupiter's satellites see opposite page, and for their eclipses, etc., see p. 54.

Saturn on the 15th is in R.A. 13h 43m, Decl. 8° 03' S. and transits at 6. 05. It is in Virgo east of Spica, rising in the south-east shortly after midnight.

Uranus on the 15th is in R.A. 7h 10m, Decl. 22° 54' N. and transits at 23. 29.

Neptune on the 15th is in R.A. 13h 31m, Decl. 7° 41' S. and transits at 5. 52.

Pluto—For information in regard to this planet, see p. 29.

ASTRONOMICAL PHENOMENA MONTH BY MONTH

BY RUTH J. NORTHCOTT

JANUARY			Phen. of Jupiter's Sat.
75th Meridian Civil Time			Min. of Algol
d	h	m	h m
Thu.	1		42013
Fri.	2	1	4103*
Sat.	3		43012
Sun.	4	6	43210
		17	
Mon.	5	14	d4320
Tue.	6	21	43012
Wed.	7		41023
Thu.	8	5 09	24013
		21 57	
Fri.	9	3 57	1043*
Sat.	10		30124
Sun.	11		32104
Mon.	12		32014
Tue.	13		3024*
Wed.	14	3	10234
		12 02	
		13	
Thu.	15	9 08	20134
Fri.	16	18	12043
Sat.	17	4	d4012
		21	
Sun.	18	19 31	43120
		20 01	
Mon.	19		43201
Tue.	20		43102
Wed.	21		41032
Thu.	22	0 43	42013
		21 23	
Fri.	23		21 05
Sat.	24	20	40312
Sun.	25	11	d3140
Mon.	26		32014
Tue.	27	18 07	31024
Wed.	28		d024*
Thu.	29		20134
		18 44	
Fri.	30		21034
Sat.	31	10	03124

Explanation of symbols and abbreviations on p. 4, of time on p. 8.

THE SKY FOR FEBRUARY, 1953

Positions of the sun and planets are given for 0h Greenwich Civil Time.

The times of transit at the 75th meridian are given in local mean time, 0h at midnight; to change to Standard Time, see p. 10. Estimates of altitudes are for an observer in latitude 45° N.

The Sun—During February the sun's R.A. increases from 20h 57m to 22h 47m and its Decl. changes from $17^{\circ} 15'$ S. to $7^{\circ} 47'$ S. The equation of time changes from $-13m 36s$ to a maximum of $-14m 20s$ on the 12th and then to $-12m 34s$ at the end of the month. On the 13th there is a partial eclipse of the sun visible at sunset in Alaska, see p. 29. For changes in the length of the day, see p. 11.

The Moon—For its phases, perigee and apogee times and distances, and its conjunctions with the planets, see opposite page. Times of moonrise and moonset are given on p. 18.

Mercury on the 15th is in R.A. 22h 31m, Decl. $10^{\circ} 45'$ S. and transits at 12.54. It is an evening star, seen late in the month low in the west just after sunset. On the 2nd it is in superior conjunction.

Venus on the 15th is in R.A. 0h 41m, Decl. $6^{\circ} 55'$ N. and transits at 15.01. It is an evening star, prominent in the south-west for about four hours after sunset.

Mars on the 15th is in R.A. 0h 20m, Decl. $1^{\circ} 43'$ N. and transits at 14.40. It is in Pisces, low in the south-west during the evening. It is now quite faint.

Jupiter on the 15th is in R.A. 2h 46m, Decl. $15^{\circ} 05'$ N. and transits at 17.04. It is west of the meridian at sunset, setting about midnight. It is second to Venus in brightness. For the configurations of Jupiter's satellites see opposite page, and for their eclipses, etc., see p. 54.

Saturn on the 15th is in R.A. 13h 45m, Decl. $8^{\circ} 02'$ S. and transits at 4.04. It is in Virgo east of Spica, rising just about midnight. On the 5th it is stationary in R.A. and begins to retrograde, or move westward among the stars.

Uranus on the 15th is in R.A. 7h 05m, Decl. $22^{\circ} 03'$ N. and transits at 21.22.

Neptune on the 15th is in R.A. 13h 31m, Decl. $7^{\circ} 38'$ S. and transits at 3.50.

Pluto—For information in regard to this planet, see p. 29.

FEBRUARY
75th Meridian Civil Time

Min. of
Algol Phen. of
 Jupiter's
 Sat.
 21h 30m

d	h	m		h	m	
Sun.	1	4	☾☿☼	11	33	31024
		7	Moon in Apogee. Dist. from ☉, 252,300 mi. . . .			
Mon.	2	18	♂♃☉ Superior.			32041
Tue.	3	21	♃ Greatest Hel. Lat. S.			3410*
Wed.	4			8	23	40312
Thu.	5	5	♃♄☾ ♄ 7° 18' N.			4203*
		12	♃♄☾ ♄ 8° 19' N.			
		21	♄ Stationary in R.A.			
Fri.	6	23	☾ Last Quarter.			42103
Sat.	7			5	12	40132
Sun.	8					43102
Mon.	9					43201
Tue.	10	20	♂♁☉ Dist. from ☉, 3211,000,000 mi. . . .	2	01	3410*
Wed.	11					30412
Thu.	12			22	51	21034
Fri.	13		Partial eclipse of ☉. See p. 29.			21034
		20	☾ New Moon.			
Sat.	14	5	Moon in Perigee. Dist. from ☉, 221,900 mi. . . .			01234
		14	♃♄☾ ♄ 3° 48' S.			
Sun.	15			19	40	13024
Mon.	16	17	♂♂☾ ♂ 5° 12' S.			32014
Tue.	17	3	♃♀☾ ♀ 2° 14' S.			31204
Wed.	18			16	29	30124
Thu.	19	8	♃♄☾ ♄ 6° 26' S.			12043
Fri.	20	12	☾ First Quarter.			d2403
Sat.	21			13	19	4023*
Sun.	22	22	♃ in ☉.			41302
Mon.	23	22	♃♄☾ ♂ 2° 02' S.			43201
Tue.	24			10	08	43120
Wed.	25					43012
Thu.	26					d4103
Fri.	27	13	♃ in Perihelion.	6	57	24013
		15	♀ in Perihelion.			
Sat.	28	9	Moon in Apogee. Dist. from ☉, 252,500 mi. . . .			0243*
		13	☾ Full Moon.			

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THE SKY FOR MARCH, 1953

Positions of the sun and planets are given for 0h Greenwich Civil Time.

The times of transit at the 75th meridian are given in local mean time, 0h at midnight; to change to Standard Time, see p. 10. Estimates of altitude are for an observer in latitude 45° N.

The Sun—During March the sun's R.A. increases from 22h 47m to 0h 40m and its Decl. changes from 7° 47' S. to 4° 20' N. The equation of time changes from -12m 33s to -4m 6s. On the 20th at 17h 13m E.S.T. the sun crosses the equator on its way north, enters the sign of Aries and spring commences. This is the vernal equinox. For changes in the length of the day, see p. 12.

The Moon—For its phases, perigee and apogee times and distances, and its conjunctions with the planets, see opposite page. Times of moonrise and moonset are given on p. 19.

Mercury on the 15th is in R.A. 23h 57m, Decl. 3° 34' N. and transits at 12.23. It is at greatest eastern elongation on the 2nd and may be seen at this time as an evening star low in the west just after sunset. On the 18th it is at inferior conjunction.

Venus on the 15th is in R.A. 1h 43m, Decl. 17° 15' N. and transits at 14.11. It is an evening star, very bright, seen low in the west for about three hours after sunset.

Mars on the 15th is in R.A. 1h 37m, Decl. 10° 03' N. and transits at 14.07. It moves from Pisces into Aries. It is low in the west in the early evening.

Jupiter on the 15th is in R.A. 3h 03m, Decl. 16° 27' N. and transits at 15.32. It is prominent in the west after sunset for about four hours, being second to Venus in brightness. For the configurations of Jupiter's satellites see opposite page, and for their eclipses, etc., see p. 54.

Saturn on the 15th is in R.A. 13h 41m, Decl. 7° 32' S. and transits at 2.10. It is in Virgo, east of Spica, rising about three hours after sunset.

Uranus on the 15th is in R.A. 7h 03m, Decl. 23° 06' N. and transits at 19.30.

Neptune on the 15th is in R.A. 13h 29m, Decl. 7° 26' S. and transits at 1.58.

Pluto—For information in regard to this planet, see p. 29.

MARCH
75th Meridian Civil Time

Min. of
Algol Phen. of
 Jupiter's
 Sat.
 21h 00m

d	h	m		h	m	
Sun.	1					d1024
Mon.	2	3	♁	3	47	Greatest elongation E., 18° 10'. 32014
Tue.	3					31204
Wed.	4	10 57	♃ ♃			♃ 7° 14' N. 30124
		17 47	♃ ♃			♃ 8° 20' N.
Thu.	5			0	36	10234
Fri.	6					20134
Sat.	7	19	♀	21	25	Greatest brilliancy, magnitude -4.3 1043*
Sun.	8	11	♁			Stationary in R.A. dO432
		13 26	♁			Last Quarter
Mon.	9	19	♁			Greatest Hel. Lat. N. 34201
Tue.	10			18	14	43210
Wed.	11					43012
Thu.	12					4102*
Fri.	13			15	04	42013
Sat.	14	18				Moon in Perigee. Dist. from ⊕, 222,100 mi. 4103*
Sun.	15	6 05	☾			New Moon 40132
		14 54	♃ ♃			♃ 0° 18' S.
Mon.	16			11	53	3420*
Tue.	17	14 58	♂ ♂			♂ 5° 25' S. 32104
		15 06	♂ ♀			♀ 1° 34' N.
		18	♂ ♀			♀ 7° 00' N.
Wed.	18	8	♃ ♃			Inferior 30124
		10	♂			in ♁
Thu.	19	1 08	♃ ♃	8	42	♃ 6° 06' S. 1024*
Fri.	20	17 01	☾ enters ♃			♃, Spring commences. Long. of ☾, 0°. 20134
Sat.	21	8 23	♀			Greatest Hel. Lat. N. 12034
			♀			Stationary in R.A.
Sun.	22	0 3 10	♃	5	31	Greatest Hel. Lat. N. O1324
		18	♃			First Quarter
			♃			Stationary in R.A.
Mon.	23	3 57	♂ ♂			♂ 1° 55' S. 32104
Tue.	24					32104
Wed.	25			2	21	34012
Thu.	26					41302
Fri.	27	13		23	10	Moon in Apogee. Dist. from ⊕, 252,300 mi. 42013
Sat.	28					41203
Sun.	29					40132
Mon.	30	7 55	♁	19	59	Full Moon d4310
		19	♁			Stationary in R.A.
Tue.	31	15 29	♃ ♃			♃ 7° 08' N. d4320
		20 22	♃ ♃			♃ 8° 16' N.

Explanations of symbols and abbreviations on p. 4, of time on p. 8.

THE SKY FOR APRIL, 1953

Positions of the sun and planets are given for 0h Greenwich Civil Time.

The times of transit at the 75th meridian are given in local mean time, 0h at midnight; to change to Standard Time, see p. 10. Estimates of altitude are for an observer in latitude 45° N.

The Sun—During April the sun's R.A. increases from 0h 40 m to 2h 32m and its Decl. changes from $4^{\circ} 20'$ N. to $14^{\circ} 55'$ N. The equation of time changes from $-4m 06s$ to $+2m 53s$, being zero on the 15th; that is, the apparent sun moves from east to west of the mean sun on that date. For changes in the length of the day, see p. 12.

The Moon—For its phases, perigee and apogee times and distances, and its conjunctions with the planets, see opposite page. Times of moonrise and moonset are given on p. 19.

Mercury on the 15th is in R.A. 23h 53m, Decl. $3^{\circ} 07'$ S. and transits at 10.22. It is at greatest western elongation on the 15th. A morning star now, but it is too low at sunrise for easy observation.

Venus on the 15th is in R.A. 1h 11m, Decl. $14^{\circ} 46'$ N. and transits at 11.36. It is at inferior conjunction on the 13th and too near the sun for observation.

Mars on the 15th is in R.A. 3h 04m, Decl. $17^{\circ} 38'$ N. and transits at 13.32. Moving from Aries into Taurus, it is seen low in the west just after sunset.

Jupiter on the 15th is in R.A. 3h 29m, Decl. $18^{\circ} 11'$ N. and transits at 13.55. It is seen low in the west for a short time after sunset. For the configurations of Jupiter's satellites see opposite page, and for their eclipses, etc., see p. 54.

Saturn on the 15th is in R.A. 13h 32 m, Decl. $6^{\circ} 42'$ S. and transits at 0.00 and 23.56. On the 14th it is in opposition. Rising about sunset, it is in Virgo just east of Spica.

Uranus on the 15th is in R.A. 7h 04m, Decl. $23^{\circ} 04'$ N. and transits at 17.29.

Neptune on the 15th is in R.A. 13h 26m, Decl. $7^{\circ} 08'$ S. and transits at 23.49.

Pluto—For information in regard to this planet, see p. 29.

APRIL
75th Meridian Civil Time

Min. of
of Algol Phen. of
 Jupiter's
 Sat.
20h 45m

d	h	m		h	m	
Wed. 1			.....			34012
Thu. 2	5		☾ in ♉	16	48	31402
Fri. 3			.....			20134
Sat. 4	9		☐ ☽ ☉			12034
Sun. 5			.....	13	38	01234
Mon. 6	23	58	☾ Last Quarter			d1024
Tue. 7			.....			32014
Wed. 8			.....	10	27	304**
Thu. 9			.....			31024
Fri. 10			.....			20134
Sat. 11	20	31	♂ ☽ ☾ ☽ 6° 02' S	7	16	21403
Sun. 12	2		Moon in Perigee. Dist. from ☉, 224,100 mi. ...			40123
	12		☾ in Aphelion			
	13		♂ ♀ ☉ Dist. from ☉, 2722,000,000 mi. ...			
Mon. 13	3		♂ ♀ ☉ Inferior			41032
	12	36	♂ ♀ ☾ ♀ 2° 14' N			
	15	09	☾ New Moon			
Tue. 14	0		♂ ♀ ☉ Dist. from ☉, 808,800,000 mi. ...	4	05	43201
Wed. 15	5		☽ Greatest elongation W., 27° 36'			4310*
	11	03	♂ ♂ ☾ ♂ 4° 48' S			
	20	37	♂ ♀ ☾ ♀ 5° 42' S			
Thu. 16			.....			d4302
Fri. 17			.....	0	54	42013
Sat. 18			.....			42103
Sun. 19	12	24	♂ ☽ ☾ ☽ 1° 39' S	21	43	40123
Mon. 20	19	40	☾ First Quarter			10324
Tue. 21			Lyrid meteors			32014
Wed. 22			.....	18	32	31204
Thu. 23			.....			30124
Fri. 24	3		Moon in Apogee. Dist. from ☉, 251,800 mi. ...			204**
Sat. 25			.....	15	21	21034
Sun. 26			.....			02134
Mon. 27	11		♂ ♂ ♀ ♂ 1° 09' N			10432
	16		♂ ☽ ♀ ☽ 7° 14' S			
	20	40	♂ ♀ ☾ ♀ 7° 07' N			
	23	00	♂ ♀ ☾ ♀ 8° 14' N			
Tue. 28	23	20	☾ Full Moon	12	10	23401
Wed. 29			.....			34120
Thu. 30			.....			43012

Explanation of symbols and abbreviations on p. 4, of time on p. 8.

THE SKY FOR MAY, 1953

Positions of the sun and planets are given for 0h Greenwich Civil Time.

The times of transit at the 75th meridian are given in local mean time, 0h at midnight; to change to Standard Time, see p. 10. Estimates of altitude are for an observer in latitude 45° N.

The Sun—During May the sun's R.A. increases from 2h 32m to 4h 34m and its Decl. changes from 14° 55' N. to 21° 59' N. The equation of time changes from +2m 53s to a maximum of +3m 46s on the 14th and then to +2m 25s at the end of the month. For changes in the length of the day, see p. 13.

The Moon—For its phases, perigee and apogee times and distances, and its conjunctions with the planets, see opposite page. Times of moonrise and moonset are given on p. 20.

Mercury on the 15th is in R.A. 2h 43m, Decl. 14° 32' N. and transits at 11.16. On the 24th it is at superior conjunction and is too near the sun for observation.

Venus on the 15th is in R.A. 1h 02m, Decl. 6° 55' N. and transits at 9.31. It is a morning star seen low in the east just before sunrise.

Mars on the 15th is in R.A. 4h 31m, Decl. 22° 28' N. and transits at 13.00. It is too low in the west at sunset for easy observation.

Jupiter on the 15th is in R.A. 3h 57m, Decl. 19° 46' N. and transits at 12.25. On the 24th it is in conjunction and too near the sun for observation.

Saturn on the 15th is in R.A. 13h 25m, Decl. 5° 57' S. and transits at 21.50. It is in Virgo just north of Spica and well up in the east at sunset.

Uranus on the 15th is in R.A. 7h 08m, Decl. 22° 57' N. and transits at 15.35.

Neptune on the 15th is in R.A. 13h 23m, Decl. 6° 51' S. and transits at 21.49.

Pluto—For information in regard to this planet, see p. 29.

MAY
75th Meridian Civil Time

Min.
of
Algol

d	h	m		h	m
Fri. 1	21		♀ Stationary in R.A.....	9	00
Sat. 2	20		♁ Greatest Hel. Lat. S.....		
Sun. 3			.....	
Mon. 4			Eta Aquarid meteors.....	5	49
Tue. 5			.....	
Wed. 6	7	21	☾ Last Quarter.....		
Thu. 7			.....	2	38
Fri. 8			.....	
Sat. 9			.....	23	27
Sun. 10	0		Moon in Perigee. Dist. from ☉, 227,200 mi. . . .		
	14	14	♂ ♀ ☾ ♀ 4° 01' S.....		
Mon. 11			.....	
Tue. 12	3	31	♂ ♁ ☾ ♁ 6° 59' S.....	20	16
Wed. 13	0	06	● New Moon.....		
	17	01	♂ ♁ ☾ ♁ 2 5° 18' S.....		
Thu. 14	6	13	♂ ♂ ☾ ♂ 3° 39' S.....		
Fri. 15			.....	17	05
Sat. 16	10		♀ in ☿.....		
	23	07	♂ ♂ ☾ ♂ 1° 20' S.....		
Sun. 17			.....	
Mon. 18			.....	13	53
Tue. 19	1		♀ Greatest brilliancy, magnitude -4.2 .		
Wed. 20	13	20	☾ First Quarter.....		
Thu. 21	21		Moon in Apogee. Dist. from ☉, 251,200 mi. . .	10	42
	21		♀ in ♄.....		
Fri. 22			.....	
Sat. 23			.....	
Sun. 24	8		♂ ♁ ☉ Superior.....	7	31
	16		♂ ♁ ♁ ♁ 1° 09' N.....		
	23		♂ ♁ ☉.....		
Mon. 25	3	14	♂ ♁ ☾ ♁ Ψ 7° 13' N.....		
	3	32	♂ ♁ ☾ ♁ ♁ 8° 16' N.....		
Tue. 26	12		♀ in Perihelion.....		
Wed. 27			4	20
Thu. 28	12	03	☾ Full Moon.....		
Fri. 29				
Sat. 30			1	09
Sun. 31	6		♂ ♁ ♁ ♁ ♁ 1° 02' N.....		

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Jupiter being near the sun, phenomena of the satellites are not given from May 1 to June 20.

THE SKY FOR JUNE, 1953

Positions of the sun and planets are given for 0h Greenwich Civil Time.

The times of transit at the 75th meridian are given in local mean time, 0h at midnight; to change to Standard Time, see p. 10. Estimates of altitude are for an observer in latitude 45° N.

The Sun—During June the sun's R.A. increases from 4h 34m to 6h 39m and its Decl. changes from $21^{\circ} 59'$ N. to $23^{\circ} 27'$ N. at the solstice on the 21st and then to $23^{\circ} 09'$ N. at the end of the month. The equation of time changes from 2m 25s to $-3m 34s$, being zero on the 14th; that is the apparent sun changes from being west of the mean sun to being east of it. For changes in the length of the day, see p. 13.

The Moon—For its phases, perigee and apogee times and distances, and its conjunctions with the planets, see opposite page. Times of moonrise and moonset are given on p. 20.

Mercury on the 15th is in R.A. 7h 06m, Decl. $24^{\circ} 31'$ N. and transits at 13.37. Late in the month it is an evening star which may be seen low in the west just after sunset. On the 27th it is at greatest eastern elongation.

Venus on the 15th is in R.A. 2h 27m, Decl. $11^{\circ} 35'$ N. and transits at 8.55. It is a morning star seen low in the east for about two hours before sunrise.

Mars on the 15th is in R.A. 6h 02m, Decl. $24^{\circ} 15'$ N. and transits at 12.30. It is too low in the west at sunset for easy observation.

Jupiter on the 15th is in R.A. 4h 27m, Decl. $21^{\circ} 07'$ N. and transits at 10.54. It is too near the sun for observation until the end of the month. For the configurations of Jupiter's satellites see opposite page, and for their eclipses, etc., see p. 54.

Saturn on the 15th is in R.A. 13h 20m, Decl. $5^{\circ} 37'$ S. and transits at 19.44. It is in Virgo just north of Spica and near the meridian at sunset. On the 24th it is stationary in R.A. and resumes its eastward motion among the stars.

Uranus on the 15th is in R.A. 7h 15m, Decl. $22^{\circ} 45'$ N. and transits at 13.40.

Neptune on the 15th is in R.A. 13h 21m, Decl. $6^{\circ} 41'$ S. and transits at 19.45.

Pluto—For information in regard to this planet, see p. 29.

JUNE
75th Meridian Civil Time

Min. of
Algol Phen. of
 Jupiter's
 Sat.
 4h 45m

d	h	m		h	m	
Mon. 1			.....	21	58	
Tue. 2	5		♄ ♃ ♀ ♃ 0° 57' N.....			
Wed. 3			.....		
Thu. 4	12	35	☾ Last Quarter.....	18	47	
Fri. 5	9		Moon in Perigee. Dist. from ☉, 229,700 mi....			
	18		♃ Greatest Hel. Lat. N.....			
Sat. 6			.....		
Sun. 7			.....	15	35	
Mon. 8	3	22	♄ ♀ ☾ ♀ 8° 04' S.....			
Tue. 9			.....		
Wed. 10	12	33	♄ ♃ ☾ ♃ 4° 56' S.....	12	24	
Thu. 11	9	55	☉ New Moon.....			
Fri. 12	1	00	♄ ♀ ☾ ♀ 2° 11' S.....			
Sat. 13	2	05	♄ ♃ ☾ ♃ 0° 08' N.....	9	13	
	10	41	♄ ♂ ☾ ♂ 1° 05' S.....			
Sun. 14			.....		
Mon. 15			.....		
Tue. 16	2		♄ ♃ ♂ ♂ 1° 27' N.....	6	02	
Wed. 17			.....		
Thu. 18	16		Moon in Apogee. Dist. from ☉, 251,100 mi....			
Fri. 19	7	01	☽ First Quarter.....	2	51	
	23		♀ in Aphelion.....			
Sat. 20			.....			43102
Sun. 21	10	34	♄ ♃ ☾ ♃ 8° 19' N.....	23	39	4201*
	11	00	♄ ♃ ☾ ♃ 7° 22' N.....			
	12	00	☉ enters☉, Summer commences. Long. of ☉, 90°			
Mon. 22	5		♀ Greatest elongation W., 45° 46'.....			4203*
Tue. 23			.....			41023
Wed. 24	14		♃ Stationary in R.A.....	20	28	40213
Thu. 25			.....			42130
Fri. 26	22	29	☾ Full Moon.....			34021
Sat. 27	12		♃ Greatest elongation E., 25° 31'.....	17	17	31042
Sun. 28			.....			23014
Mon. 29	5		♃ in ☉.....			21034
Tue. 30	19		Moon in Perigee. Dist. from ☉, 228, 300 mi....	14	05	d0234

Explanation of symbols and abbreviations on p. 4, of time on p. 8.

THE SKY FOR JULY, 1953

Positions of the sun and planets are given for 0h Greenwich Civil Time.

The times of transit at the 75th meridian are given in local mean time, 0h at midnight; to change to Standard Time, see p. 10. Estimates of altitude are for an observer in latitude 45° N.

The Sun—During July the sun's R.A. increases from 6h 39m to 8h 43m and its Decl. changes from $23^{\circ} 09'$ N. to $18^{\circ} 09'$ N. The equation of time changes from $-3m 34s$ to a maximum of $-6m 24s$ on the 26th and then to $-6m 15s$ at the end of the month. On the 5th the earth is in aphelion or farthest from the sun. On the 11th there is a partial eclipse of the sun visible in the north-western part of North America, see p. 29. For changes in the length of the day, see p. 14.

The Moon—For its phases, perigee and apogee times and distances, and its conjunctions with the planets, see opposite page. Times of moonrise and moonset are given on p. 21. There is a total eclipse of the moon early in the morning of the 26th, visible in the northern part of North America, see p. 29.

Mercury on the 15th is in R.A. 8h 38m, Decl. $14^{\circ} 45'$ N. and transits at 13.03. Early in the month it is an evening star but later it is too close to the sun for observation. Inferior conjunction is on the 25th.

Venus on the 15th is in R.A. 4h 27m, Decl. $18^{\circ} 54'$ N. and transits at 8.57. It is a brilliant morning star seen in the east for about three hours before sunrise.

Mars on the 15th is in R.A. 7h 29m, Decl. $22^{\circ} 52'$ N. and transits at 11.58. It is in conjunction on the 8th and too near the sun for observation.

Jupiter on the 15th is in R.A. 4h 56m, Decl. $22^{\circ} 01'$ N. and transits at 9.24. It is a morning star seen in the east for about three hours before sunrise. It is second to Venus in brightness. For the configurations of Jupiter's satellites see opposite page, and for their eclipses, etc., see p. 54.

Saturn on the 15th is in R.A. 13h 21m, Decl. $5^{\circ} 52'$ S. and transits at 17.47. It is in Virgo just north of Spica, being visible in the south-west for a few hours after sunset.

Uranus on the 15th is in R.A. 7h 22m, Decl. $22^{\circ} 31'$ N. and transits at 11.50.

Neptune on the 15th is in R.A. 13h 21m, Decl. $6^{\circ} 41'$ S. and transits at 17.47.

Pluto—For information in regard to this planet, see p. 29.

JULY
75th Meridian Civil Time

Min. of
Algol Phen. of
 Jupiter's
 Sat.
 4h 00m

d	h	m		h	m	
Wed.	1		.....			01234
Thu.	2		.....			21304
Fri.	3	7	♃ Stationary in R.A.....	10	54	3014*
		17	♄ Last Quarter.....			
Sat.	4		.....			31042
Sun.	5	13	♅ in Aphelion. Dist. from ☉, 94,450,000 mi.			32401
Mon.	6		.....	7	43	42103
Tue.	7	7	♂ ♀ ☾ ♀ 7° 45' S.....			40123
Wed.	8	6	♂ ♃ ☾ ♃ 4° 36' S.....			4023*
		16	♂ ♂ ☉.....			
Thu.	9	11	♃ in Aphelion.....	4	31	42103
Fri.	10	17	♃ Stationary in R.A.....			43201
		19	♂ ♃ ♃ ♃ 0° 53' N.....			
		20	♂ ♂ ☾ ♂ 0° 27' S.....			
		21	☾ New Moon. Partial eclipse. See p. 29..			
		21	♂ ♃ ☾ ♃ 0° 55' S.....			
Sat.	11	4	♂ ♃ ☉.....			43102
Sun.	12	6	♀ Greatest Hel. Lat. S.....	1	19	43201
		8	♂ ♂ ♃ ♂ 0° 33' N.....			
		10	♂ ♃ ☾ ♃ 2° 48' S.....			
Mon.	13	9	☐ ♃ ☉.....			21403
		16	☐ ♃ ☉.....			
Tue.	14		.....	22	08	01243
Wed.	15		.....			10234
Thu.	16	10	Moon in Apogee. Dist. from ☉, 251,600 mi....			d2034
Fri.	17		.....	18	56	32014
Sat.	18	19	♂ ♃ ☾ ♃ 7° 26' N.....			31024
		19	♂ ♃ ☾ ♃ 8° 17' N.....			
		23	☾ First Quarter.....			
Sun.	19		.....			d3014
Mon.	20		.....	15	45	21034
Tue.	21		.....			02143
Wed.	22	17	♂ ♀ ♃ ♀ 1° 55' S.....			14023
Thu.	23		.....	12	33	42013
Fri.	24		.....			4320*
Sat.	25	4	♂ ♃ ☉ Inferior.....			43102
Sun.	26	7	☾ Full Moon. Total eclipse of ☾. See p. 29	9	22	43021
Mon.	27		.....			4210*
Tue.	28		Delta Aquarid meteors.....			4013*
		0	♂ ♃ ♂ ♃ 6° 01' S.....			
		9	Moon in Perigee. Dist. from ☉, 225,200 mi....			
Wed.	29	19	♃ Greatest Hel. Lat. S.....	6	11	41023
Thu.	30		.....			24013
Fri.	31		.....			2304*

THE SKY FOR AUGUST, 1953

Positions of the sun and planets are given for 0h Greenwich Civil Time.

The times of transit at the 75th meridian are given in local mean time, 0h at midnight; to change to Standard Time, see p. 10. Estimates of altitude are for an observer in latitude 45° N.

The Sun—During August the sun's R.A. increases from 8h 43m to 10h 40m and its Decl. changes from 18° 09' N. to 8° 29' N. The equation of time changes from - 6m 15s to - 0m 10s. On the 9th there is a partial eclipse of the sun invisible in North America, see p. 29. For changes in the length of the day, see p. 15.

The Moon—For its phases, perigee and apogee times and distances, and its conjunctions with the planets, see opposite page. Times of moonrise and moonset are given on p. 21.

Mercury on the 15th is in R.A. 8h 21m, Decl. 18° 44' N. and transits at 10.50. It is at greatest western elongation on the 13th, being at this time a good morning star low in the east just before sunrise.

Venus on the 15th is in R.A. 6h 54m, Decl. 21° 33' N. and transits at 9.22. It is a morning star dominating the eastern sky for about three hours before sunrise.

Mars on the 15th is in R.A. 8h 53m, Decl. 18° 42' N. and transits at 11.18. It is a morning star but not well placed for observation.

Jupiter on the 15th is in R.A. 5h 21m, Decl. 22° 33' N. and transits at 7.47. It is a morning star seen in the east before sunrise. It is higher than Venus, but not so bright. For the configurations of Jupiter's satellites see opposite page, and for their eclipses, etc., see p. 54.

Saturn on the 15th is in R.A. 13h 28m, Decl. 6° 38' S. and transits at 15.52. It is in Virgo just north of Spica, being visible low in the south-west for a few hours after sunset.

Uranus on the 15th is in R.A. 7h 30m, Decl. 22° 16' N. and transits at 9.56.

Neptune on the 15th is in R.A. 13h 22m, Decl. 6° 53' S. and transits at 15.47.

Pluto—For information in regard to this planet, see p. 29.

AUGUST
75th Meridian Civil Time

Min. of Algol
Phen. of Jupiter's Sat.
3h 30m

d	h	m			h m	
Sat. 1	22	16	☾	Last Quarter.....	3 00	31024
Sun. 2				.....		30124
Mon. 3				.....	23 49	21304
Tue. 4	6		♁	Stationary in R.A.....		0134*
	21	40	♂ ♀ ☾	♂ 4° 16' S.....		
Wed. 5	21	10	♂ ♀ ☾	♀ 4° 33' S.....		10234
Thu. 6				.....	20 37	20134
Fri. 7	7	26	♂ ♁	♁ 0° 47' S.....		21304
	21	16	♂ ♁	♁ 3° 14' S.....		
Sat. 8	15	39	♂ ♁	♁ 1° 28' N.....		d3402
Sun. 9				Partial eclipse of ☉. See p. 29.....	17 26	34012
	11	10	☾	New Moon.....		
Mon. 10				.....		42310
Tue. 11				.....		42013
Wed. 12				Perseid meteors.....	14 14	41023
Thu. 13	2			Moon in Apogee. Dist. from ☉, 252,200 mi.		d4013
	4		♁	Greatest elongation W., 18° 49'.....		
Fri. 14				.....		d4210
Sat. 15	3	25	♂ ♀ ☾	♀ 7° 23' N.....	11 03	34012
	6	13	♂ ♁	♁ 8° 09' N.....		
	20		♂ ☉	.....	
Sun. 16				.....		3042*
Mon. 17	15	08	☽	First Quarter.....		32104
	20		♁	in ♋.....		
Tue. 18				.....	7 52	20134
Wed. 19				.....		10234
Thu. 20				.....		02134
Fri. 21				.....	4 40	21034
Sat. 22	11		♁	in Perihelion.....		30214
	12		♂ ♀ ♁	♀ 1° 19' S.....		
Sun. 23	9		♂ ♁	♁ 0° 06' S.....		3024*
Mon. 24	15	21	☽	Full Moon.....	1 29	d3204
Tue. 25	13			Moon in Perigee. Dist. from ☉, 222,700 mi.		42031
Wed. 26				.....	22 17	41023
Thu. 27					40213
Fri. 28					42103
Sat. 29				19 06	4301*
Sun. 30					43102
Mon. 31	5	46	☾	Last Quarter.....		d4320

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THE SKY FOR SEPTEMBER, 1953

Positions of the sun and planets are given for 0h Greenwich Civil Time.

The times of transit at the 75th meridian are given in local mean time, 0h at midnight; to change to Standard Time, see p. 10. Estimates of altitude are for an observer in latitude 45° N.

The Sun—During September the sun's R.A. increases from 10h 40m to 12h 28m and its Decl. changes from $8^{\circ} 29'$ N. to $2^{\circ} 59'$ S. The equation of time changes from $-0m 10s$ to $+10m 7s$, the apparent sun passing to the west of the mean sun on the 1st. On the 23rd at 3h 07m E.S.T., the sun crosses the equator moving southward, enters the sign of Libra, and autumn commences. For changes in the length of the day, see p. 15.

The Moon—For its phases, perigee and apogee times and distances, and its conjunctions with the planets, see opposite page. Times of moonrise and moonset are given on p. 22.

Mercury on the 15th is in R.A. 11h 56m, Decl. $1^{\circ} 40'$ N. and transits at 12. 23. It is at superior conjunction on the 7th and too near the sun for observation.

Venus on the 15th is in R.A. 9h 26m, Decl. $15^{\circ} 33'$ N. and transits at 9. 52. It is a morning star dominating the eastern sky for several hours before sunrise.

Mars on the 15th is in R.A. 10h 11m, Decl. $12^{\circ} 33'$ N. and transits at 10. 35. It is very close to Regulus in Leo, rising about two hours before the sun.

Jupiter on the 15th is in R.A. 5h 38m, Decl. $22^{\circ} 46'$ N. and transits at 6. 02. It rises about midnight and is prominent in the east until sunrise. It is not as bright as Venus. For the configurations of Jupiter's satellites see opposite page, and for their eclipses, etc., see p. 54.

Saturn on the 15th is in R.A. 13h 38m, Decl. $7^{\circ} 47'$ S. and transits at 14. 01. It is in Virgo north-east of Spica, almost too low in the south-west at sunset to be seen.

Uranus on the 15th is in R.A. 7h 36m, Decl. $22^{\circ} 03'$ N. and transits at 8. 00.

Neptune on the 15th is in R.A. 13h 26m, Decl. $7^{\circ} 13'$ S. and transits at 13. 48.

Pluto—For information in regard to this planet, see p. 29.

SEPTEMBER
75th Meridian Civil Time

Min. of
Algol
Phen. of
Jupiter's
Sat.
3h 00m

d	h	m		h	m	
Tue. 1	10	50	♂♃♄	♃	3° 53' S.	15 54 2401*
	17		♃		Greatest Hel. Lat. N.	
Wed. 2						10423
Thu. 3	15	52	♂♄♄	♄	0° 35' S.	02143
Fri. 4	22	23	♂♀♄	♀	1° 19' N.	21034
Sat. 5						3014*
Sun. 6	11	51	♂♂♄	♂	3° 25' N.	31024
	13		♀	in ♄		
Mon. 7	4		♂♀☉		Superior.	9 32 32014
Tue. 8	2	47	♁		New Moon.	2304*
	10	17	♂♀♄	♀	5° 48' N.	
Wed. 9	11				Moon in Apogee. Dist. from ☉, 252,600 mi.	10234
Thu. 10						6 20 04123
Fri. 11	11	08	♂♄♄	♄	7° 15' N.	42103
	17	25	♂♂♄	♂	7° 56' N.	
Sat. 12						42301
Sun. 13						3 09 43102
Mon. 14						d4301
Tue. 15						23 57 42310
Wed. 16	4	49	♁		First Quarter.	d4023
Thu. 17						40123
Fri. 18	8		☐♃☉			20 46 24103
Sat. 19	8		♂		Greatest Hel. Lat. N.	23041
Sun. 20						31024
Mon. 21						17 35 30214
Tue. 22	23				Moon in Perigee. Dist. from ☉, 221,700 mi.	23104
	23	15	♁		Full Moon. Harvest Moon.	
Wed. 23	3	07	☉	enters ♈, Autumn commences. Long. of ☉, 180°		01234
Thu. 24						14 23 0234*
Fri. 25	4		♃	in ♄		21034
Sat. 26						20314
Sun. 27						11 12 31402
Mon. 28	21	56	♂♃♄	♃	3° 30' S.	34021
Tue. 29	16	51	♄		Last Quarter.	42310
Wed. 30	9		♂♀♄	♀	2° 26' S.	8 00 4013*
	23	42	♂♄♄	♄	0° 17' S.	

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THE SKY FOR OCTOBER, 1953

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The Sun—During October the sun's R.A. increases from 12h 28m to 14h 24m and its Decl. changes from 2° 59' S. to 14° 16' S. The equation of time changes from +10m 7s to +16m 21s. For changes in the length of the day, see p. 15.

The Moon—For its phases, perigee and apogee times and distances, and its conjunctions with the planets, see opposite page. Times of moonrise and moonset are given on p. 22.

Mercury on the 15th is in R.A. 14h 44m, Decl. 18° 14' S. and transits at 13.12. It is an evening star but poorly placed for easy observation. On the 23rd it is at greatest eastern elongation.

Venus on the 15th is in R.A. 11h 46m, Decl. 3° 08' N. and transits at 10.13. It is a morning star seen low in the east just before sunrise.

Mars on the 15th is in R.A. 11h 22m, Decl. 5° 30' N. and transits at 9.48. It is in Leo east of Regulus and is seen in the morning sky for about three hours before sunrise.

Jupiter on the 15th is in R.A. 5h 45m, Decl. 22° 49' N. and transits at 4.10. Rising late in the evening, it is the brightest object until Venus comes up. On the 15th it is stationary in R.A. and begins to retrograde, or move westward among the stars. For the configurations of Jupiter's satellites see opposite page, and for their eclipses, etc., see p. 54.

Saturn on the 15th is in R.A. 13h 51m, Decl. 9° 03' S. and transits at 12.16. It is in conjunction on the 23rd and too close to the sun for observation.

Uranus on the 15th is in R.A. 7h 40m, Decl. 21° 56' N. and transits at 6.05.

Neptune on the 15th is in R.A. 13h 30m, Decl. 7° 37' S. and transits at 11.54.

Pluto—For information in regard to this planet, see p. 29.

OCTOBER
75th Meridian Civil Time

Min. of
Algol Phen. of
 Jupiter's
 Sat.
 2h 30m

d	h	m		h	m	
Thu.	1		.....			4023*
Fri.	2		.....			42103
Sat.	3	20	♄ ♃ ♄ ♃ 3° 32' S.....	4	49	42031
Sun.	4	1	♄ ♀ ♂ ♀ 0° 02' S.....			43102
Mon.	5	8 13	♄ ♂ ♄ ♂ 5° 09' N.....			34021
		10 04	♄ ♀ ♄ ♀ 5° 14' N.....			
		11	♃ in Aphelion.....			
Tue.	6	13	Moon in Apogee. Dist. from ⊕, 252,600 mi....	1	38	32104
Wed.	7	19 40	☾ New Moon.....			0314*
Thu.	8	18 49	♄ ♀ ♄ ♀ 7° 08' N.....	22	26	10234
Fri.	9	5 15	♄ ♃ ♄ ♃ 7° 45' N.....			d2034
		20 16	♄ ♃ ♄ ♃ 3° 23' N.....			
Sat.	10	6	♀ in Perihelion.....			20134
Sun.	11		.....	19	15	31024
Mon.	12		.....			30124
Tue.	13		.....			32104
Wed.	14	22	♄ Stationary in R.A.....	16	04	4201*
Thu.	15	16 44	♄ First Quarter.....			41023
Fri.	16	12	☐ ♂ ☉ 			d4013
Sat.	17	2	♄ ♀ ☉ 	12	53	4203*
Sun.	18		.....			43102
Mon.	19		.....			43012
Tue.	20		.....	9	41	43210
Wed.	21	11	Moon in Perigee. Dist. from ⊕, 222,600 mi....			42301
Thu.	22		Orionid meteors.....			10423
		7 56	☾ Full Moon. Hunter's Moon.....			
Fri.	23	11 16	♃ Greatest elongation E., 24° 18'.....	6	30	02143
Sat.	24		.....			2034*
Sun.	25	19 20	♃ Greatest Hel. Lat. S.....			31024
		6 56	♄ ♂ ♄ in Aphelion.....	3	19	30124
Mon.	26		♄ ♂ ♄ ♄ 3° 14' S.....			32104
Tue.	27		.....			23014
Wed.	28	7 47	♄ ♂ ♄ ♂ 0° 02' N.....			10234
Thu.	29	8 09	♄ Last Quarter.....	0	08	
		12	♄ Stationary in R.A.....			O2413
Fri.	30				24103
Sat.	31		20	57	

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THE SKY FOR NOVEMBER, 1953

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The times of transit at the 75th meridian are given in local mean time, 0h at midnight; to change to Standard Time, see p. 10. Estimates of altitude are for an observer in latitude 45° N.

The Sun—During November the sun's R.A. increases from 14h 24m to 16h 27m and its Decl. changes from 14° 16' S. to 21° 44' S. The equation of time changes from +16m 21s to a maximum of +16m 23s on the 3rd and then to +11m 09s at the end of the month. For changes in the length of the day, see p. 16.

The Moon—For its phases, perigee and apogee times and distances, and its conjunctions with the planets, see opposite page. Times of moonrise and moonset are given on p. 23.

Mercury on the 15th is in R.A. 15h 17m, Decl. 17° 52' S. and transits at 11.36. On the 14th it is at inferior conjunction. At the end of the month it is a morning star visible low in the south-east just before sunrise. A transit of Mercury across the disk of the sun occurs on Nov. 14, visible over most of North America, see p. 29.

Venus on the 15th is in R.A. 14h 09m, Decl. 11° 32' S. and transits at 10.34. It is a morning star seen very low in the south-east just before sunrise. A close conjunction with Saturn occurs during the evening of the 13th.

Mars on the 15th is in R.A. 12h 33m, Decl. 2° 08' S. and transits at 8.56. It is in Virgo, visible in the south-east for some hours before sunrise.

Jupiter on the 15th is in R.A. 5h 38m, Decl. 22° 47' N. and transits at 2.02. It rises about two hours after sunset and dominates the sky the rest of the night. For the configurations of Jupiter's satellites see opposite page, and for their eclipses, etc., see p. 55.

Saturn on the 15th is in R.A. 14h 05m, Decl. 10° 20' S. and transits at 10.28. It is a morning star in Virgo just east of Spica. It may be seen low in the south-east just before sunrise. (See Venus.)

Uranus on the 15th is in R.A. 7h 40m, Decl. 21° 57' N. and transits at 4.03.

Neptune on the 15th is in R.A. 13h 34m, Decl. 8° 02' S. and transits at 9.56.

Pluto—For information in regard to this planet, see p. 29.

NOVEMBER
75th Meridian Civil Time

Min. of
Algol
Phen. of
Jupiter's
Sat.
1h 45m

d	h	m		h	m	
Sun.	1	1	♀			Greatest Hel. Lat. N. d430*
Mon.	2	21				Moon in Apogee. Dist. from ⊕, 252,200 mi. 43012
Tue.	3	4	14	♂♂	♂ 6° 22' N.	17 45 43120
		22		♀	Stationary in R.A.	
Wed.	4	21	55	♂♀	♀ 7° 04' N.	42301
Thu.	5	3	06	♂♂	♂ 7° 09' N.	41032
		17	52	♂♂	♂ 7° 41' N.	
Fri.	6	12	58	☾	New Moon.	14 34 40213
Sat.	7	2		♂♀♂	♀ 0° 07' S.	24103
		19	56	♂♀	♀ 2° 26' N.	
Sun.	8					d014*
Mon.	9					11 23 3024*
Tue.	10					32104
Wed.	11					23014
Thu.	12					8 12 10324
Fri.	13	19		♀	in ♏.	01234
		23		♂♀♂	♀ 0° 52' S.	
Sat.	14				Transit of ♃. See p. 29.	21034
		2	52	☾	First Quarter.	
		12		♂♀☉	Inferior.	
Sun.	15					5 01 20314
Mon.	16				Leonid meteors.	31402
Tue.	17					dd340
Wed.	18	10		♀	in Perihelion.	1 50 43201
		18			Moon in Perigee. Dist. from ⊕, 225,200 mi.	41032
Thu.	19					
Fri.	20	18	12	☾	Full Moon.	22 39 40123
Sat.	21					42103
Sun.	22	13	34	♂♂	♂ 3° 12' S.	42013
Mon.	23	12		♂♀♀	♀ 1° 12' N.	19 28 43102
		14		♀	Stationary in R.A.	
Tue.	24	16	23	♂♂	♂ 0° 16' N.	d3402
Wed.	25					32014
Thu.	26					16 17 10324
Fri.	27					01234
Sat.	28	3	16	♂	Last Quarter.	21034
		17		♀	Greatest Hel. Lat. N.	
Sun.	29					13 06 20134
Mon.	30	13			Moon in Apogee. Dist. from ⊕, 251,600 mi.	31024

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THE SKY FOR DECEMBER, 1953

Positions of the sun and planets are given for 0h Greenwich Civil Time.

The times of transit at the 75th meridian are given in local mean time, 0h at midnight; to change to Standard Time, see p. 10. Estimates of altitude are for an observer in latitude 45° N.

The Sun—During December the sun's R.A. increases from 16h 27m to 18h 44m and its Decl. changes from $21^{\circ} 44'$ S. to $23^{\circ} 27'$ S. at the solstice on the 22nd and then to $23^{\circ} 04'$ S. at the end of the month. The equation of time changes from +11m 09s to zero on the 25th and then to -3m 15s at the end of the month. For changes in the length of the day, see p. 16.

The Moon—For its phases, perigee and apogee times and distances, and its conjunctions with the planets, see opposite page. Times of moonrise and moonset are given on p. 23.

Mercury on the 15th is in R.A. 16h 18m, Decl. $20^{\circ} 28'$ S. and transits at 10.46. On the 1st it is at greatest western elongation. At the beginning of the month it is a morning star visible low in the south-east just before sunrise.

Venus on the 15th is in R.A. 16h 41m, Decl. $21^{\circ} 42'$ S. and transits at 11.09. It is a morning star seen very low in the south-east just before sunrise.

Mars on the 15th is in R.A. 13h 41m, Decl. $9^{\circ} 10'$ S. and transits at 8.06. It is in Virgo, visible in the south-east for some hours before sunrise.

Jupiter on the 15th is in R.A. 5h 22m, Decl. $22^{\circ} 39'$ N. and transits at 23.43. On the 13th it is at opposition. Rising about sunset, it dominates the sky all night. For the configurations of Jupiter's satellites see opposite page, and for their eclipses, etc., see p. 55.

Saturn on the 15th is in R.A. 14h 18m, Decl. $11^{\circ} 21'$ S. and transits at 8.42. It is a morning star in Virgo east of Spica. It may be seen in the south-east a few hours before sunrise.

Uranus on the 15th is in R.A. 7h 36m, Decl. $22^{\circ} 06'$ N. and transits at 2.02.

Neptune on the 15th is in R.A. 13h 37m, Decl. $8^{\circ} 20'$ S. and transits at 8.02.

Pluto—For information in regard to this planet, see p. 29.

DECEMBER
75th Meridian Civil Time

Min. of
Algol Phen. of
 Jupiter's
 Sat.
 0h 30m

d	h	m		h	m	
Tue.	1	13	♃ Greatest elongation W., 20° 21'.....			30124
		23	♂♂♄ ♂ 6° 52' N.....			
Wed.	2	12	♂♄♄ ♀ 7° 17' N.....	9	55	3204*
Thu.	3	7	♂♂♄ ♂ 7° 44' N.....			410**
Fri.	4	16	♂♄♄ ♃ 6° 48' N.....			40123
Sat.	5	4	♂♀♄ ♀ 5° 08' N.....	6	44	41203
Sun.	6	5	☾ New Moon.....			42013
Mon.	7		.....			41302
Tue.	8		.....	3	33	43012
Wed.	9		.....			43210
Thu.	10		.....			d4320
Fri.	11		.....	0	22	O4123
Sat.	12		Geminid meteors.....			12043
Sun.	13	3	♂♂♄ ♂ 0° 29' S.....	21	11	20134
		11	☾ First Quarter.....			
		12	♂♄☾ Dist. from ☉, 391,900,000 mi.			
Mon.	14		.....			13024
Tue.	15		.....			30124
Wed.	16	9	Moon in Perigee. Dist. from ☉, 228,700 mi.	18	00	32104
Thu.	17		.....			32014
Fri.	18		.....			O324*
Sat.	19	17	♂♄♄ ♄ 3° 23' S.....	14	49	12043
Sun.	20	6	☾ Full Moon.....			24013
Mon.	21	22	☾ enters♄, Winter commences. Long. of ☾, 270°			41302
Tue.	22	0	♂♂♄ ♂ 0° 18' N.....	11	38	43012
		3	♃ in♄.....			
Wed.	23		.....			43210
Thu.	24		.....			43201
Fri.	25		.....	8	28	4032*
Sat.	26		.....			d4103
Sun.	27	3	♀ in♄.....			24013
Mon.	28	0	♄ Last Quarter.....	5	17	d1024
		10	Moon in Apogee. Dist. from ☉, 251,300 mi.			
Tue.	29	21	♂♄♄ ♀ 7° 26' N.....			30124
Wed.	30	17	♂♂♄ ♂ 6° 38' N.....			32104
		20	♂♂♄ ♂ 7° 50' N.....			
Thu.	31		2	06	32014

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OCTOBER					DECEMBER					NOVEMBER				
d	h	m	Sat.	Phen.	d	h	m	Sat.	Phen.	d	h	m	Sat.	Phen.
16	03	18	II	Te	25	22	02	II	Te	13	17	44	III	TI
	03	42	I	TI	26	22	47	II	OR		20	24	III	Te
	04	41	I	Se		00	18	III	OR		20	29	III	Se
	23	40	I	ED	30	05	35	I	ED	15	06	35	I	TI
17	03	04	I	OR	DECEMBER					16	03	49	I	OD
	23	06	II	OR	d	h	m	Sat.	Phen.	16	06	06	I	ER
	22	09	I	TI	1	02	49	I	SI	17	01	00	I	TI
	23	10	I	Se		03	08	I	TI		03	01	II	OD
18	00	19	I	Te		03	26	II	SI		03	12	I	Te
	21	32	I	OR		04	06	II	TI		05	39	II	Se
20	23	48	III	ED		05	01	I	Te		22	15	I	OD
21	02	27	III	ER		05	19	I	Te	18	00	35	I	ER
	04	24	III	OD		05	55	II	Se		19	26	I	TI
23	01	03	II	TI		06	32	II	Te		19	34	I	SI
	03	29	II	Se	2	00	04	I	ED		21	38	I	Te
	04	24	I	SI		02	34	I	OR		21	44	II	TI
	05	30	I	TI		21	17	I	SI		21	46	I	Se
24	05	45	II	Te		21	34	I	TI		22	00	II	SI
	01	34	I	OR		22	02	II	ED	19	00	11	II	Te
	04	53	I	OR		23	29	I	Se		00	29	II	Se
	20	51	III	OR		23	45	I	Te		19	04	I	ER
	22	53	I	SI		23	46	III	ED	20	18	56	II	ER
	23	57	I	TI	3	01	01	II	OR		20	59	III	TI
25	00	29	II	OR		03	35	III	OR		21	42	III	SI
	01	03	I	Se		18	32	I	ED		23	39	III	Te
	02	07	I	Te		21	00	I	OR	21	00	30	III	Se
	23	20	I	OR	4	17	58	I	OR	23	05	33	I	OD
28	03	47	III	ED		18	11	I	Te	24	02	44	I	TI
30	03	40	II	SI		19	14	II	Se		03	00	I	SI
	05	43	II	TI		19	41	II	Te		04	55	I	Te
31	03	29	I	ED	8	04	43	I	SI		05	12	I	Se
	20	27	III	Se		04	51	I	TI		05	14	II	TI
	21	45	III	TI		06	03	II	SI	25	02	30	I	ER
	22	29	II	ED		06	21	II	TI		21	10	I	TI
NOVEMBER					9	01	58	I	ED	25	21	29	I	SI
d	h	m	Sat.	Phen.		04	18	I	OR		23	21	I	Te
1	00	23	III	TI		23	11	I	SI		23	41	I	Se
	00	46	I	SI		23	17	I	TI		23	59	II	TI
	01	44	I	TI	10	00	37	II	ED	26	00	38	II	SI
	02	50	II	OR		01	23	I	Se		02	26	II	Te
	02	57	I	Se		01	29	I	Te		03	07	II	Se
	03	54	I	Te		03	14	II	OR		18	25	I	OD
	21	57	I	ED		03	45	III	ED		20	59	I	ER
2	01	08	I	OR		20	27	I	ED	27	17	47	I	Te
	21	20	II	Te		22	44	I	OR		18	09	I	Se
	21	25	I	Se	11	17	40	I	SI		18	21	II	OD
	22	21	I	Te		17	43	I	TI		21	32	II	ER
7	05	23	I	ED		19	23	II	SI	28	00	14	III	TI
	21	46	III	SI		19	29	II	Te		01	42	III	SI
8	00	27	III	Se		19	52	I	Se		02	55	III	Te
	01	03	II	ED		19	54	I	Te		04	31	III	Se
	01	13	III	TI		21	51	II	Se	31	04	28	I	TI
	02	40	I	SI	13	21	56	II	Te		04	55	I	SI
	21	35	I	Se		17	43	III	TI		18	35	III	ER

E—eclipse, O—occultation, T—transit, S—shadow, D—disappearance, R—reappearance, I—ingress, e—egress; 75th Meridian Civil Time. (For other times see p. 8.)

From June to November Jupiter's satellites I, II and III are eclipsed on the west side of the planet; from January to April and in December, on the east side of the planet. In general the disappearance only of satellites I and II is visible from June to November, and the reappearance only from January to April and in December. Both disappearance and reappearance of satellite III are visible from January to March and from July to December.

At the beginning of the year the satellites reappear some distance from the planet, the place of reappearance getting closer to the disk in April. In December, the place of reappearance is very close to the disk. There are no eclipses of satellite IV during 1953.

LUNAR OCCULTATIONS

Prepared by IAN HALLIDAY

When the moon passes between the observer and a star that star is said to be occulted by the moon and the phenomenon is known as a lunar occultation. The passage of the star behind the east limb of the moon is called the immersion and its appearance from behind the west limb the emersion. As in the case of eclipses, the times of immersion and emersion and the duration of the occultation are different for different places on the earth's surface. The tables given below, adapted from the 1953 Nautical Almanac, give the times of immersion or emersion or both for occultations of stars of magnitude 4.5 or brighter visible at Toronto and at Montreal and also at Vancouver and Calgary, at night. The terms a and b are for determining corrections to the times of the phenomena for stations within 300 miles of the standard stations. Thus if λ_0, ϕ_0 be the longitude and latitude of the standard station and λ, ϕ , the longitude and latitude of the neighbouring station then for the neighbouring station we have—
Standard Time of phenomenon = Standard Time of phenomenon at the standard station + $a(\lambda - \lambda_0) + b(\phi - \phi_0)$

where $\lambda - \lambda_0$ and $\phi - \phi_0$ are expressed in degrees. The quantity P in the table is the position angle of the point of contact on the moon's disk reckoned from the north point towards the east.

LUNAR OCCULTATIONS VISIBLE AT TORONTO AND MONTREAL, 1953

Date	Star	Mag.	I or E	Age of Moon	Toronto				Montreal			
					E.S.T.	a	b	P	E.S.T.	a	b	P
				d	h m	m	m	°	h m	m	m	°
Jan. 24	η Tau	4.4	I	8.7	2 22.6	+0.2	-1.3	94	Low	..	..	..
Feb. 25	δ Cnc	4.2	I	12.0	19 48.2	-1.4	-0.2	123	19 56.6	-1.5	0.0	115
May 6	θ Cap	4.2	E	22.5	2 46.9	-1.1	+2.5	199	2 57.1	-1.0	+2.2	201
July 7	η Tau	3.0	I	25.7	Low	..	..	..	2 11.8	+0.4	+1.6	58
7	23 Tau	4.2	E	25.7	2 32.6	+0.3	+1.4	254	2 33.9	+0.2	+1.5	251
7	27 Tau	3.8	I	25.8	2 46.2	+0.1	+1.2	91	2 48.3	-0.1	+1.2	94
7	η Tau	3.0	E	25.7	3 01.5	0.0	+1.3	270	3 04.3	-0.1	+1.4	267
7	27 Tau	3.8	E	25.8	3 37.9	+0.2	+1.8	234	Sun	..	..	..
21	π Scr	3.0	I	11.0	20 32.7	-2.0	-0.1	94	20 43.4	-1.9	-0.4	88
21	π Scr	3.0	E	11.0	21 56.3	-1.8	-1.1	289	22 03.9	-1.6	-1.3	290
Sep. 26	23 Tau	4.2	I	18.8	21 15.0	+0.9	+2.4	18	21 14.8	+0.7	+2.3	23
26	23 Tau	4.2	E	18.8	21 45.3	-0.6	+0.4	308	21 50.0	-0.7	+0.7	302
26	27 Tau	3.8	I	18.9	22 11.1	+0.3	+2.0	45	22 13.6	+0.1	+2.0	48
26	27 Tau	3.8	E	18.9	23 02.1	-0.6	+1.1	279	23 08.2	-0.7	+1.2	274
Nov. 8	α Scr*	1.2	I	2.0	12 37.4	-1.8	+0.3	100	12 48.7	-1.9	+0.1	94
8	α Scr*	1.2	E	2.0	14 04.2	-2.0	-0.4	278	14 14.4	-1.8	-0.7	281
14	θ Aqr	4.3	I	8.4	22 45.7	-0.4	+0.1	45	22 48.1	-0.3	+0.1	44

*Daytime occultation.

LUNAR OCCULTATIONS VISIBLE AT VANCOUVER AND CALGARY, 1953

Date	Star	Mag.	I or E	Age of Moon	Vancouver				Calgary			
					P.S.T.	a	b	P	M.S.T.	a	b	P
				d	h m	m	m	°	h m	m	m	°
Jan. 23-24	η Tau	4.4	I	8.7	23 03.5	-0.7	-2.7	120	0 06.2	-0.5	-2.1	109
24	20 Tau	4.0	I	8.7	No occ.	..	..	..	0 36.0	+0.2	-4.0	143
27	ϵ Gem	3.2	I	11.9	3 53.2	+0.3	-2.1	137	4 47.8	+0.3	-1.9	125
27	ϵ Gem	3.2	E	11.9	4 42.5	-0.1	-1.2	255	5 40.1	+0.2	-1.3	265
May 27-28	π Scr	3.0	I	15.1	23 28.0	-1.5	-0.2	116	0 41.6	-1.5	-0.5	110
28	π Scr	3.0	E	15.1	0 45.8	-1.6	-0.5	269	Low	..	..	..
Aug. 3	17 Tau	3.8	I	23.4	3 53.5	-0.9	+1.5	81	Sun	..	..	..
Dec. 18	23 Tau	4.2	I	12.0	2 41.6	-0.9	-0.1	47	3 50.0	-1.0	+0.6	29
18	27 Tau	3.8	I	12.0	4 01.1	-1.0	+0.9	25	Graze	..	..	..

EPHEMERIS FOR THE PHYSICAL OBSERVATION OF THE SUN, 1953
For 0h Greenwich Civil Time

Date	P	B ₀	L ₀	Date	P	B ₀	L ₀
°				°			
Jan. 1	+ 2.14	-3.08	138.48	July 5	- 1.00	+3.35	216.74
6	- 0.29	-3.65	72.63	10	+ 1.27	+3.87	150.56
11	- 2.71	-4.19	6.79	15	+ 3.52	+4.37	84.40
16	- 5.08	-4.70	300.95	20	+ 5.72	+4.83	18.24
21	- 7.38	-5.17	235.12	25	+ 7.87	+5.27	312.09
26	- 9.61	-5.60	169.28	30	+ 9.94	+5.66	245.95
31	-11.73	-5.99	103.45	Aug. 4	+11.93	+6.02	179.82
Feb. 5	-13.75	-6.32	37.62	9	+13.83	+6.34	113.71
10	-15.64	-6.61	331.78	14	+15.62	+6.61	47.61
15	-17.40	-6.85	265.95	19	+17.30	+6.84	341.52
20	-19.02	-7.03	200.10	24	+18.85	+7.02	275.45
25	-20.49	-7.16	134.25	29	+20.28	+7.15	209.39
Mar. 2	-21.81	-7.23	68.39	Sept. 3	+21.57	+7.22	143.34
7	-22.96	-7.25	2.51	8	+22.73	+7.25	77.31
12	-23.96	-7.21	296.63	13	+23.73	+7.23	11.29
17	-24.79	-7.12	230.73	18	+24.58	+7.15	305.28
22	-25.45	-6.97	164.81	23	+25.28	+7.02	239.28
27	-25.93	-6.77	98.88	28	+25.81	+6.83	173.29
Apr. 1	-26.24	-6.52	32.92	Oct. 3	+26.17	+6.60	107.31
6	-26.37	-6.22	326.95	8	+26.35	+6.32	41.34
11	-26.32	-5.88	260.95	13	+26.35	+5.99	335.38
16	-26.08	-5.50	194.94	18	+26.16	+5.61	269.43
21	-25.66	-5.08	128.91	23	+25.79	+5.19	203.48
26	-25.05	-4.62	62.85	28	+25.22	+4.73	137.54
May 1	-24.26	-4.13	356.78	Nov. 2	+24.45	+4.24	71.61
6	-23.29	-3.61	290.68	7	+23.48	+3.71	5.69
11	-22.15	-3.07	224.58	12	+22.32	+3.15	299.77
16	-20.83	-2.51	158.45	17	+20.97	+2.56	233.85
21	-19.35	-1.93	92.31	22	+19.43	+1.96	167.95
26	-17.72	-1.34	26.16	27	+17.72	+1.34	102.04
31	-15.95	-0.74	320.00	Dec. 2	+15.85	+0.71	36.15
June 5	-14.05	-0.14	253.83	7	+13.82	+0.07	330.26
10	-12.04	+0.47	187.65	12	+11.67	-0.58	264.38
15	- 9.94	+1.07	121.47	17	+ 9.42	-1.21	198.50
20	- 7.77	+1.66	55.29	22	+ 7.08	-1.84	132.63
25	- 5.54	+2.24	349.10	27	+ 4.69	-2.45	66.77
30	- 3.28	+2.80	282.92	32	+ 2.26	-3.05	0.92

P—The position angle of the axis of rotation, measured eastward from the north point of the disk.

B₀—The heliographic latitude of the centre of the disk.

L₀—The heliographic longitude of the centre of the disk, from Carrington's solar meridian.

Carrington's Rotation Numbers—Greenwich date of commencement
of synodic rotations

No.	Commences	No.	Commences	No.	Commences
1328	1952 Dec. 15.18	1333	1953 Apr. 30.76	1338	1953 Sept. 13.86
1329	1953 Jan. 11.52	1334	May 27.98	1339	Oct. 11.13
1330	Feb. 7.86	1335	June 24.18	1340	Nov. 7.43
1331	Mar. 7.19	1336	July 21.38	1341	Dec. 4.74
1332	Apr. 3.50	1337	Aug. 17.60	1342	1954 Jan. 1.07

PRINCIPAL ELEMENTS OF THE SOLAR SYSTEM

ORBITAL ELEMENTS (1944, Dec. 31, 12^h)

Planet	Mean Distance from Sun		Period (P)	Eccen- tri- city (e)	In- clina- tion (i)	Long. of Node (Ω)	Long. of Peri- helion (π)	Mean Long. of Planet
	⊕ = 1	millions of miles (a)						
Mercury.....	.387	36.0	88.0days	.206	7.0	47.6	76.5	120.5
Venus.....	.723	67.2	224.7	.007	3.4	76.1	130.7	36.0
Earth.....	1.000	92.9	365.3	.017	.....	.....	101.9	99.8
Mars.....	1.524	141.5	687.0	.093	1.9	49.1	334.9	267.4
Jupiter.....	5.203	483.3	11.86yrs.	.048	1.3	99.8	13.3	164.4
Saturn.....	9.54	886.	29.46	.056	2.5	113.1	91.8	97.1
Uranus.....	19.19	1783.	84.0	.047	0.8	73.7	169.7	76.8
Neptune.....	30.07	2793.	164.8	.009	1.8	131.1	44.1	184.0
Pluto.....	39.46	3666.	247.7	.249	17.1	109.5	223.4	158.3

PHYSICAL ELEMENTS

Object	Symbol	Mean Dia- meter miles	Mass ⊕ = 1	Density water = 1	Axial Rotation	Mean Sur- face Grav- ity ⊕ = 1	Albedo Bond's	Magni- tude at Opposi- tion or Elonga- tion
Sun.....	☉	864,000	332,000	1.4	24 ^d 7 (equa- torial)	27.9		- 26.7
Moon.....	☾	2,160	.0123	3.3	27 ^d 7.7 ^h	.16	.07	- 12.6
Mercury....	♁	3,010	.056	3.8	88 ^d	.27	.07	0±
Venus.....	♀	7,580	.82	4.9	30 ^d ?	.85	.59	- 4±
Earth.....	⊕	7,918	1.00	5.5	23 ^h 56 ^m	1.00	.29	
Mars.....	♂	4,220	.108	4.0	24 ^h 37 ^m	.38	.15	- 2±
Jupiter....	♃	87,000	318.	1.3	9 ^h 50 ^m ±	2.6	.56?	- 2±
Saturn.....	♄	72,000	95.	.7	10 ^h 15 ^m ±	1.2	.63?	0±
Uranus.....	♅	31,000	14.6	1.3	10 ^h 8±	.9	.63?	+ 5.7
Neptune....	♆	33,000	17.2	1.3	16 ^h ?	1.0	.73?	+ 7.6
Pluto.....	♇	4,000?	.8 ?					+ 14

SATELLITES OF THE SOLAR SYSTEM

Name	Stellar Mag.	Mean Dist. from Planet		Revolution Period			Diameter Miles	Discoverer
		" * Miles	Miles	d	h	m		

SATELLITE OF THE EARTH

Moon	-12.6	530	238,857	27	07	43	2160	
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SATELLITES OF MARS

Phobos	12	8	5,800	0	07	39	10?	Hall, 1877
Deimos	13	21	14,600	1	06	18	5?	Hall, 1877

SATELLITES OF JUPITER

V	13	48	112,600	0	11	57	100?	Barnard, 1892
Io	5	112	261,800	1	18	28	2300	Galileo, 1610
Europa	6	178	416,600	3	13	14	2000	Galileo, 1610
Ganymede	5	284	664,200	7	03	43	3200	Galileo, 1610
Callisto	6	499	1,169,000	16	16	32	3200	Galileo, 1610
VI	14	3037	7,114,000	250	16		100?	Perrine, 1904
VII	16	3113	7,292,000	260	01		40?	Perrine, 1905
X	18	3116	7,300,000	260			15?	Nicholson, 1938
XI	18	5990	14,000,000	692			15?	Nicholson, 1938
VIII	16	6240	14,600,000	739			40?	Melotte, 1908
IX	17	6360	14,900,000	758			20?	Nicholson, 1914
XII	18	—	—	—			15?	Nicholson, 1951

SATELLITES OF SATURN

Mimas	12	27	115,000	0	22	37	400?	W. Herschel, 1789
Enceladus	12	34	148,000	1	08	53	500?	W. Herschel, 1789
Tethys	11	43	183,000	1	21	18	800?	G. Cassini, 1684
Dione	11	55	234,000	2	17	41	700?	G. Cassini, 1684
Rhea	10	76	327,000	4	12	25	1100?	G. Cassini, 1672
Titan	8	177	759,000	15	22	41	2600?	Huygens, 1655
Hyperion	13	214	920,000	21	06	38	300?	G. Bond, 1848
Iapetus	11	515	2,210,000	79	07	56	1000?	G. Cassini, 1671
Phoebe	14	1870	8,034,000	550			200?	W. Pickering, 1898

SATELLITES OF URANUS

Miranda	17	9	81,000	1	09	56		Kuiper, 1948
Ariel	16	14	119,000	2	12	29	600?	Lassell, 1851
Umbriel	16	19	166,000	4	03	28	400?	Lassell, 1851
Titania	14	32	272,000	8	16	56	1000?	W. Herschel, 1787
Oberon	14	42	364,000	13	11	07	900?	W. Herschel, 1787

SATELLITE OF NEPTUNE

Triton	13	16	220,000	5	21	03	3000?	Lassell, 1846
Nereid	19	260	3,460,000	359			200?	Kuiper, 1949

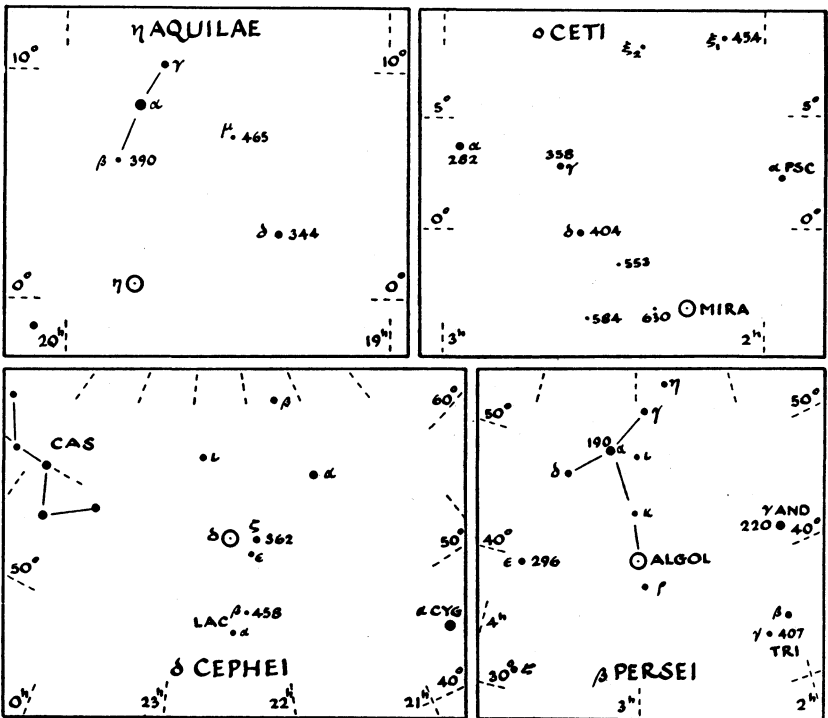
*As seen from the sun.

Satellites Io, Europa, Ganymede, Callisto are usually denoted I, II, III, IV respectively, in order of distance from the planet.

VARIABLE STARS

Much pleasure may be derived from the estimation of the brightness of variable stars. Maps of the fields of four bright variable stars are given below. In each case the magnitudes of several suitable comparison stars are given. These magnitudes are given as magnitudes, tenths and hundredths, with the decimal point omitted. Thus a star 362 is of magnitude 3.62. To determine the brightness of the variable at any time, carefully estimate the brightness as some fraction of the interval between two comparison stars, one brighter and one fainter than the variable. The result may then be expressed in magnitudes and tenths. Record the magnitude and time of observation. When a number of observations have been made, a graph may be plotted showing the magnitude estimate as ordinates against the date (days and tenths of a day) as abscissae. Such studies of naked-eye estimates of brightness will at once reveal the differences in variation between the different kinds of variable. For each short period variable the observations made on any one cycle may be carried forward one, two or any number of periods to form a combined light curve.

For the two cepheids, good mean curves may be readily found by observing the variables once a night on as many nights as possible. For Algol, which changes rapidly for a few hours before and after minimum, estimates should be made at quarter or half hour intervals around the times of minimum as tabulated on pages 31-53. Mira may be observed for a couple of months as it rises from the naked-eye limit to 2nd or 3rd magnitude maximum and fades again.



REPRESENTATIVE BRIGHT VARIABLE STARS

Name	Design.	Max.	Min.	Sp.	Period	Type	Date	Discoverer
η Aql	194700	3.7	4.4	G4	7.17652	Cep	1784	Pigott
N Aql	184300	-0.2	10.9	Q	Irr.	Nova	1918	Bower
ϵ Aur	045443	3.3	4.1	F5p	9833.	Ecl	1821	Fritsch
δ Cep	222557	3.6	4.3	G0	5.36640	Cep	1784	Goodricke
U Cep	005381	6.8	9.2	A0	2.49293	Ecl	1880	W. Ceraski
\circ Cet ¹	021403	2.0	10.1	M5e	331.8	LPV	1596	Fabricius
RR Cet	012700	8.4	9.0	F0	0.55304	Clus	1906	Oppolzer
R CrB	154428	5.8	13.8	cG0e	Irr.	RCrB	1795	Pigott
χ Cyg	194632	4.2	14.0	M7e	412.9	LPV	1686	Kirch
P Cyg	201437a	3.5	6.0	B1qk	Irr.	Nova	1600	Blaeu
SS Cyg	213843	8.1	12.0	Pec.	Irr.	SSCyg	1896	Wells
XX Cyg	200158	11.4	12.1	A	0.13486	Clus	1904	L. Ceraski
ζ Gem	065820	3.7	4.1	cG1	10.15353	Cep	1847	Schmidt
η Gem	060822	3.3	4.2	M2	235.58	LPV	1865	Schmidt
R Gem	070122a	6.5	14.3	Se	370.1	LPV	1848	Hind
U Gem	074922	8.8	13.8	Pec.	Irr.	SSCyg	1855	Hind
α Her	171014	3.1	3.9	M5	Irr.	SemiR	1795	W. Herschel
R Hya	132422	3.5	10.1	M7e	414.7	LPV	1670	Montanari
R Leo	094211	5.0	10.5	M7e	310.3	LPV	1782	Koch
β Lyr	184633	3.4	4.3	B5e	12.92504	Ecl	1784	Goodricke
RR Lyr	192242	7.2	8.0	A5	0.56685	Clus	1901	Fleming
α Ori ²	054907	0.2	1.2	M2	2070. Irr.	SemiR	1840	J. Herschel
U Ori	054920	5.4	12.2	M7e	376.9	LPV	1885	Gore
β Per ³	030140	2.3	3.5	B8	2.86731	Ecl	1669	Montanari
ρ Per	025838	3.3	4.1	M4	Irr.	Irr.	1854	Schmidt
R Sge	200916	8.6	10.4	cG7	70.84	SemiR	1859	Baxendell
R Sct	184205	4.5	9.0	K5e	141.5	SemiR	1795	Pigott
λ Tau	035512	3.8	4.1	B3	3.95294	Ecl	1848	Baxendell
RV Tau	044126	9.4	12.5	K0	78.60	SemiR	1905	L. Ceraski
SU Tau	054319	9.5	15.4	G0e	Irr.	RCrB	1908	Cannon
α UMi ⁴	012288	2.3	2.4	cF7	3.96858	Cep	1911	Hertzsprung
N Her	180445	1.5	14.0	Q	Irr.	Nova	1934	Prentice
N Lac	221255	2.2	—	Q	Irr.	Nova	1936	Peltier

¹oCet (Mira); ² α Ori (Betelgeuse); ³ β Per (Algol); ⁴ α UMi (Polaris).

The designation (Harvard) gives the 1900 position of the variable; here the first two figures give the hours, and the next two figures the minutes of R.A., while the last two figures give the declination in degrees, italicised for southern declinations. Thus the position of the fourth star of the list, δ Cep (222557) is R.A. 22h 25m, Dec. +57°. The period is in days and decimals of a day. The type is based on the classification of Gaposchkin and Gaposchkin's comprehensive text-book, *Variable Stars*. The abbreviations here used are: Ecl, Eclipsing Binaries; LPV, Long Period Variables; Semi R, Semiregular; Cep, Cepheids; Clus, cluster type; Nova; SS Cyg and R Cr B, irregular variables of which SS Cygni and R Coronae Borealis are prototypes; and Irr, other irregular variables.

DOUBLE AND MULTIPLE STARS

A number of the stars which appear as single to the unaided eye may be separated into two or more components by field glasses or a small telescope. Such objects are spoken of as *double* or *multiple stars*. With larger telescopes pairs which are still closer together may be resolved, and it is found that, up to the limits of modern telescopes, over ten per cent. of all the stars down to the ninth magnitude are members of double stars.

The possibility of resolving a double star of any given separation depends on the diameter of the telescope objective. Dawes' simple formula for this relation is $d'' = 4.5/A$, where d is the separation, in seconds of arc, of a double star that can be just resolved, and A is the diameter of the objective in inches. Thus a one-inch telescope should resolve a double star with a distance of $4''.5$ between its components, while a ten-inch telescope should resolve a pair $0''.45$ apart. It should be noted that this applies only to stars of comparable brightness. If one star is markedly brighter than its companion, the glare from the brighter makes it impossible to separate stars as close as the formula indicates. This formula may be applied to the observation of double stars to test the quality of the seeing and telescope.

It is obvious that a star may appear double in one of two ways. If the components are at quite different distances from the observer, and merely appear close together in the sky the stars form an *optical* double. If, however, they are in the same region of space, and have common proper motion, or orbital motion about one another, they form a *physical* double. An examination of the probability of stars being situated sufficiently close together in the sky to appear as double shows immediately that almost all double stars must be physical rather than optical.

Double stars which show orbital motion are of great astrophysical importance, in that a careful determination of their elliptical orbits and parallaxes furnishes a measure of the gravitational attraction between the two components, and hence the mass of the system.

In the case of many unresolvable close doubles, the orbital motion may be determined by means of the spectroscope. In still other doubles, the observer is situated in the orbital plane of the binary, and the orbital motion is shown by the fluctuations in light due to the periodic eclipsing of the components. Such doubles are designated as *spectroscopic* binaries and *eclipsing* variables.

The accompanying table provides a list of double stars, selected on account of their brightness, suitability for small telescopes, or particular astrophysical interest. The data are taken chiefly from Aitken's *New General Catalogue of Double Stars*, and from the *Yale Catalogue of Bright Stars*. Successive columns give the star, its 1950 equatorial coordinates, the magnitudes and spectral classes of its components, their separation, in seconds of arc, and the approximate distance of the double star in light years. The last column gives, for binary stars of well determined orbits, the period in years, and the mean separation of the components in astronomical units. For stars sufficiently bright to show colour differences in the telescope used, the spectral classes furnish an indication of the colour. Thus O and B stars are bluish white, A and F white, G yellow, K orange and M stars reddish.

A good reference work in the historical, general, and mathematical study of double stars is Aitken's *The Binary Stars*.

REPRESENTATIVE DOUBLE STARS

Star	α 1950 δ			Mag. and Spect.	d	D	Remarks
	h	m	° ' "				
π And	00	34.2	+33 27	4.4B3; 8.5	36	L.Y. 470	†
η Cas	00	46.0	+57 33	3.6F8; 7.2M0	8	18	526y; 66AU
α UMi	01	48.8	+89 02	var. F8; 8.8	19	407	Polaris
γ Ari	01	50.8	+19 03	4.8A0; 4.8A0	8.3	150	
α Pis	01	59.4	+02 31	5.2A2; 4.3A2	2.4	130	††
γ And	02	00.8	+42 05	2.3K0; 5.4A0; 6.6	10, 0.7	410	56y; 23AU
δ Tri	02	09.5	+30 04	5.4G4; 7.0F3	3.6	330	††
η Per	02	47.0	+55 41	3.9K0; 8.5	28	540	
32 Eri	03	51.8	-03 06	5.0A; 6.3G5	6.7	300	
β Ori	05	12.1	-08 15	0.3B8; 7.0	9	540	†
θ Ori	05	32.8	-05 25	5.4; 6.8; 6.8; 7.9; O	13, 17	540	Trapezium
β Mon	06	26.4	-07 00	4.7B2; 5.2; 5.6	7, 25	470	†
12 Lyn	06	41.8	+59 30	5.3A2; 6.2; 7.4	1.7, 8	180	†
α CMa	06	43.0	-16 39	-1.6A0; 8.5F	11	9	50y; 20AU
δ Gem	07	17.1	+22 05	3.5F0; 8.0M0	6.8	58	†
α Gem	07	31.4	+32 00	2.0A0; 2.8A0; 9M10	4, 70	47	340y; 79AU
ζ Cnc	08	09.3	+17 48	5.6G0; 6.0; 6.2	1, 5	78	60y; 21AU
γ Leo	10	17.2	+20 06	2.6K0; 3.8G5	4	160	400y
ξ UMa	11	15.5	+31 48	4.4G0; 4.9G0	2	25	††60y; 20AU
ι Leo	11	21.3	+10 48	4.1F3; 6.8F3	2	69	
γ Vir	12	39.1	-01 10	3.6F0; 3.7F0	6	34	171y; 42AU
α CVn	12	53.7	+38 35	2.9A0; 5.4A0	20	140	††
ζ UMa	13	21.9	+55 11	2.4A2; 4.0A2	14	78	††
π Boo	14	38.4	+16 38	4.9A0; 5.1A0	6	360	†
ε Boo	14	42.8	+27 17	2.7K0; 5.1A0	3	220	
ξ Boo	14	49.1	+19 18	4.8G5; 6.7	3	22	151y; 31AU
δ Ser	15	32.4	+10 42	4.2F0; 5.2F0	4	170	
ξ Sco	16	01.6	-11 14	5.1F3; 4.8; 7G7	1, 7	84	44.7y; 19AU
α Her	17	12.4	+14 27	var. M5; 5.4G	5	540	†
δ Her	17	13.0	+24 54	3.2A0; 8.1G2	11	100	† Optical
ε Lyr	18	42.7	+39 37	5.1, 6.0A3; 5.1, 5.4A5	3, 2	200	Pairs 207"
β Cyg	19	28.7	+27 51	3.2K0; 5.4B9	34	410	†
α Cap	20	14.9	-12 40	3.8G5; 4.6G0	376		Optical
γ Del	20	44.3	+15 57	4.5G5; 5.5F8	10	110	
61 Cyg	21	04.6	+38 30	5.6K5; 6.3K5	23	11	
β Cep	21	28.1	+70 20	var. B1; 8.0A3	14	540	†
ζ Aqr	22	26.2	-00 17	4.4F2; 4.6F1	3	140	
δ Cep	22	27.3	+58 10	var. G0; 7.5A0	41	650	
8 Lac	22	33.6	+39 23	5.8B3; 6.5B5	22	1100	†
σ Cas	23	56.5	+55 29	5.1B2; 7.2B3	3	820	

† or ††, one, or two of the components are themselves very close visual double or, more generally, spectroscopic binaries.

THE BRIGHTEST STARS †

Their Magnitudes, Types, Proper Motions, Distances and Radial Velocities

The accompanying table contains the principal facts regarding 259 stars brighter than apparent magnitude 3.51 which it is thought may be of interest to our amateur members. The various columns should be self-explanatory but some comments may be in order.

The first column gives the name of the star and if it is preceded by the sign || such means that the star is a visual double and the combined magnitude is entered in the fourth column. Besides the 48 thus indicated there are 12 others on the list with faint companions but for these it is not thought that there is any physical connection. In the case of the 20 stars variable in light this fourth column shows their maximum and minimum magnitudes. The 19 first magnitude stars are set up in bold face type.

In the fifth column are given the types as revised at various observatories—principally at our own, but omitting the *s* and *n* designations descriptive of the line character. The annual proper motion follows in the next column and this may not necessarily be correct to the third decimal place.

The parallaxes are taken from the Yale Catalogue of Stellar Parallaxes 1935, the mean of the trigonometric and spectroscopic being adopted. The few negative trigonometric parallaxes were adjusted by Dyson's tables before being combined with the spectroscopic. The distance is given also in light years in the eighth column as to the lay mind that seems a fitting unit. The absolute magnitudes in the ninth column are the magnitudes the stars would have if all were at a uniform distance of 32.6 light years ($\pi=0.''1$). At that distance the sun would appear as a star of magnitude 4.8.

The radial velocities in the last column have been taken from Vol. 18 of the Lick Publications. An asterisk * following the velocity means that such is variable. In these cases the velocity of the system, if known, is given; otherwise a mean velocity for the observations to date is set down.

Of the 259 stars or star systems here listed 146 are south and 113 north of the equator. This is to be expected from the fact that the northern half of the sky includes less of the Milky Way than the southern.

The number in each spectral class, apart from the one marked peculiar, is as follows: O, 3; B, 74; A, 55; F, 22; G, 43, K, 42 and M, 19. The B-stars are intrinsically luminous and appear in this list out of all proportion to their total number. The stars in Classes A and K are by far the most numerous but the revision of types throws many originally labelled K back into the G group.

From the last column we see that 98 velocities are starred, indicating that 38 per cent of the bright stars, or at least one in every three, are binary in character. For visual binaries the proportion has usually been listed as one in nine. Our list shows one in six but it is only natural to expect that we would observe a higher proportion among the nearby stars, such as these are on the average.

Other relationships can be established from the list if our amateur members care to study it.

†This feature of the HANDBOOK, first appearing in the 1925 edition, was prepared and frequently revised by the late Dr. W. E. Harper (1878-1940).

Star	R.A. 1950	Decl. 1950	Mag.	Type	Ann. Proper Motion	Parallax	Distance in Light Years	Abs. Mag.	Rad. Vel.
	h m	° ' "			" "	" "			km./sec.
α Andr.....	0 6	+28 49	2.2	A1	.217	.034	96	-0.1	-13.0*
β Cass.....	6	+58 52	2.4	F2	.561	.080	41	1.9	+11.4
γ Pegs.....	11	+14 54	2.9	B2	.015	.005	652	-3.6	+ 5.0*
δ Hydi.....	23	-77 32	2.9	G0	2.243	.162	21	4.0	+22.8
α Phoe.....	24	-42 35	2.4	G5	.448	.040	81	0.4	+74.6*
δ Andr.....	37	+30 35	3.5	K3	.167	.026	125	0.6	- 7.1*
α Cass.....	38	+56 16	2.2-2.8	G8	.062	.018	181	-1.5	- 3.8
β Ceti.....	41	-18 16	2.2	G7	.233	.052	63	0.8	+13.1
γ Cass.....	54	+60 27	2.2	B0e	.031	.035	93	-0.1	- 6.8
β Phoe.....	1 04	-46 59	3.4	G4	.043	.020	163	-0.1	- 1.2
β Andr.....	07	+35 21	2.4	M0	.219	.041	79	0.5	+ 0.1
δ Cass.....	23	+59 59	2.8-2.9	A3	.308	.050	65	1.3	+ 6.8
γ Phoe.....	26	-43 34	3.4	M1	.223	.008	407	-2.1	+25.7*
α Erid.....	36	-57 29	0.6	B9	.093	.046	71	-1.1	+19.7
α U Min.....	49	+89 02	2.3-2.4	F7	.043	.008	407	-3.4	-17.4*
ϵ Cass.....	51	+63 25	3.4	B5	.043	.011	296	-1.4	- 8.1
β Arie.....	52	+20 34	2.7	A3	.150	.066	49	1.8	- 0.6*
α Hydi.....	57	-61 49	3.0	A7	.255	.080	41	2.5	+ 7.0*
γ Andr.....	2 01	+42 05	2.3	K0	.073	.020	163	-1.2	-11.7
α Arie.....	04	+23 14	2.2	K2	.242	.045	72	0.5	-14.3
β Tria.....	07	+34 45	3.1	A6	.161	.029	112	0.4	+10.4*
θ Ceti.....	17	- 3 12	1.7-9.6	M6e	.239	.013	251	-2.7	+57.8*
θ Erid.....	56	-40 30	3.4	A2	.068	.032	102	0.9	+11.9*
α Ceti.....	3 00	+ 3 54	2.8	M1	.080	.018	181	-0.9	-25.7
γ Pers.....	01	+53 19	3.1	F9	.012	.017	192	-0.7	+ 1.0*
ρ Pers.....	02	+38 39	3.3-4.1	M6	.176	.024	136	0.3	+28.2
β Pers.....	05	+40 46	2.1-3.2	B8	.011	.033	99	-0.3	+ 5.7*
α Pers.....	21	+49 41	1.9	F4	.041	.017	192	-2.0	- 2.4
δ Pers.....	39	+47 38	3.1	B5	.047	.012	272	-1.5	-10. *
η Taur.....	45	+23 57	3.0	B5p	.053	.014	233	-1.3	+10.3
γ Hydi.....	48	-74 24	3.2	M3	.124	.008	407	-2.3	+16.0
ζ Pers.....	51	+31 44	2.9	B1	.023	.008	407	-2.6	+20.9
ϵ Pers.....	54	+39 52	3.0	B2	.041	.006	543	-3.1	- 6 *
γ Erid.....	56	-13 39	3.2	M0	.133	.012	272	-1.6	+61.7
λ Taur.....	58	+12 21	3.8-4.2	B3	.015	.008	407	-2.2	+13.0*
α Reti.....	4 14	-62 36	3.4	G5	.070	.016	204	-0.6	+35.6

α U Min., *Polaris*: R.A. 1h 50.8m; Dec. + 89° 03' (1953)

Star	R.A. 1950	Decl. 1950	Mag.	Type	Ann. Proper Motion	Parallax	Distance in Light Years	Abs. Mag.	Rad. Vel.
	h m	° '			"	"			km./sec.
α Taur.	4 33	+16 24	1.1	K8	.205	.060	54	0.0	+54.1
α Dora.	33	-55 09	3.5	A0p	.....	.....	.....	.....	+25.6
π³ Orio.	47	+ 6 52	3.3	F5	.474	.124	26	3.8	+24.6
ι Auri.	54	+33 05	2.9	K4	.030	.020	163	-0.6	+17.6
ε Auri.	58	+43 45	3.1-3.8	F2	.015	.006	543	-2.7	-4.1 *
η Auri.	5 03	+41 10	3.3	B3	.082	.013	251	-1.1	+ 7.8
ε Lep.	03	-22 26	3.3	K5	.074	.016	204	-0.7	+ 1.0
β Erid.	05	- 5 09	2.9	A1	.117	.055	59	1.6	- 7
μ Lep.	11	-16 16	3.3	A0p	.053	.020	163	-0.2	+27.7
||β Orio.	12	- 8 15	0.3	B8p	.005	.006	543	-5.8	+23.6*
||α Auri.	13	+45 57	0.2	G1	.439	.078	42	-0.3	+30.2
||η Orio.	22	- 2 26	3.4	B0	.009	.006	543	-2.7	+19.5*
γ Orio.	22	+ 6 18	1.7	B2	.019	.015	217	-2.4	+18.0
β Taur.	23	+28 34	1.8	B8	.180	.028	116	-1.0	+ 8.0
β Lep.	26	-20 48	3.0	G2	.095	.018	181	-0.7	-13.5
||δ Orio.	29	- 0 20	2.4-2.5	B0	.006	.007	466	-3.4	+19.9*
α Lep.	31	-17 51	2.7	F6	.006	.012	272	-2.1	+24.7
ι Orio.	33	- 5 56	2.9	O8	.007	.021	155	-0.5	+21.5*
ε Orio.	34	- 1 14	1.8	B0	.004	.008	407	-3.7	+25.8
ζ Taur.	35	+21 07	3.0	B3e	.028	.010	326	-2.0	+16.4*
||ζ Orio.	38	- 1 58	1.8	B0	.012	.011	296	-3.0	+18.8
α Colm.	38	-34 06	2.8	B8	.036	.022	148	-0.6	+34.6
κ Orio.	45	- 9 41	2.2	B0	.009	.006	543	-3.9	+20.1
β Colm.	49	-35 47	3.2	K0	.397	.026	125	0.3	+89.4
α Orio.	52	+ 7 24	0.5-1.1	M2	.032	.012	272	-4.1	+21.0*
β Auri.	56	+44 57	2.1-2.2	A0p	.046	.052	63	0.7	-18.1*
||θ Auri.	56	+37 13	2.7	A1	.106	.029	112	0.0	+28.6
η Gemi.	6 12	+22 31	3.2-4.2	M2	.062	.014	233	-1.1	+21.4*
ζ C Maj.	18	-30 02	3.1	B3	.012	.013	251	-0.7	+33.1*
μ Gemi.	20	+22 32	3.2	M3	.129	.016	204	-0.8	+54.8
β C Maj.	20	-17 56	2.0	B1	.003	.014	233	-2.3	+34.4*
α Carl.	23	-52 40	-0.9	F0	.022	.005	652	-7.4	+20.5
γ Gemi.	35	+16 27	1.9	A2	.066	.050	65	0.4	-11.3*
ν Pupp.	36	-43 09	3.2	B8	.021	.023	148	0.0	+28.2*
ε Gemi.	41	+25 12	3.2	G9	.020	.009	362	-2.0	+ 9.9
ξ Gemi.	42	+12 57	3.4	F5	.230	.054	60	2.1	+25.1
||α C Maj.	43	-16 39	-1.6	A2	1.315	.386	8	1.3	- 7.5*
α Pict.	48	-61 53	3.3	A5	.271	.....	.....	.....	+20.6

Star	R.A. 1950	Decl. 1950	Mag.	Type	Ann. Proper Motion	Parallax	Distance in Light Years	Abs. Mag.	Rad. Vel.
	h m	° '			" "				km./sec.
† Pupp.....	6 49	-50 33	2.8	G8	.091	.025	130	-0.2	+36.4*
||ε C Maj.....	57	-28 54	1.6	B1	.005	.010	326	-3.4	+27.4
ζ Gemi.....	7 01	+20 39	3.7-4.3	G0p	.007	.005	652	-2.8	+ 6.7*
σ ² C Maj.....	01	-23 45	3.1	B5p	.006	.007	466	-2.7	+48.6
δ C Maj.....	06	-26 19	2.0	G4p	.003	.006	543	-4.1	+34.3*
λ ³ Pupp.....	12	-44 33	3.4-6.2	M5e	.332	.018	181	-0.3	+53.0
π Pupp.....	15	-37 00	2.7	K5	.004	.018	181	-1.0	+15.8
η C Maj.....	22	-29 12	2.4	B5p	.007	.012	272	-2.2	+40.4
β C Min.....	24	+ 8 23	3.1	B8	.063	.022	148	-0.2	+23 *
σ Pupp.....	28	-43 12	3.3	M0	.191	.016	204	-0.7	+88.1*
α ₁ Gemi.....	31	+32 00	2.0	A2	.201	.074	44	1.4	+ 6.0*
α ₂ Gemi.....	31	+32 00	2.8	A0	.209	.074	44	2.2	- 1.2*
||α C Min.....	37	+5 21	0.5	F5	1.242	.316	10	3.0	- 3.0*
β Gemi.....	42	+28 09	1.2	G9	.623	.105	31	1.3	+ 3.3
ξ Pupp.....	47	-24 44	3.5	K1	.004	.006	543	-2.6	+ 3.7*
ζ Pupp.....	8 02	-39 52	2.3	O8	.032	.004	815	-4.7	-24.
ρ Pupp.....	05	-24 10	2.9	F6	.097	.025	130	-0.1	+46.6
γ Velr.....	08	-47 12	2.2	OW9	.002	.....	.....	.....	+ 3.5
||ε Cari.....	21	-59 21	1.7	K0	.030	.010	326	-3.3	+11.5
o U Maj.....	26	+60 53	3.5	G2	.166	.014	233	-0.8	+19.8
||δ Velr.....	43	-54 32	2.0	A0	.093	.030	109	-0.6	+ 2.2
||ε Hyda.....	44	+ 6 36	3.5	F9	.193	.012	272	-1.1	+36.8*
ζ Hyda.....	53	+ 6 08	3.3	G7	.101	.026	125	0.3	+22.6
||ε U Maj.....	56	+48 14	3.1	A4	.500	.060	54	2.0	+12.6
λ Velr.....	9 06	-43 14	2.2	K4	.024	.016	204	-1.8	+18.4
β Cari.....	13	-69 31	1.8	A0	.192	.....	.....	.....	- 5.
ι Cari.....	16	-59 04	2.2	F0	.023	.....	.....	.....	+13.3
α Lync.....	18	+34 36	3.3	K8	.214	.022	148	0.0	+37.4
κ Velr.....	21	-54 48	2.6	B3	.017	.017	192	-1.2	+21.7*
α Hyda.....	25	- 8 26	2.2	K4	.036	.018	181	-1.5	- 4.4
θ U Maj.....	30	+51 54	3.3	F7	1.096	.072	45	2.6	+15.8
N Velr.....	30	-56 49	3.4-4.2	K5	.038	.022	148	0.1	-13.9
ε Leon.....	43	+24 00	3.1	G0	.045	.009	362	-2.1	+ 5.1
||υ Cari.....	46	-64 50	3.1	F0	.019	.....	.....	.....	+13.6
α Leon.....	10 06	+12 13	1.3	B6	.244	.046	71	-0.4	+ 2.6
q Cari.....	15	-61 05	3.4	K5	.043	.014	233	-0.9	+ 8.6

Star	R.A. 1950	Decl. 1950	Mag.	Type	Ann. Proper Motion	Parallax	Distance in Light Years	Abs. Mag.	Rad. Vel.
	h m	° '				"	"		km./sec.
||γ Leo.....	10 17	+20 06	2.3	G8	.347	.024	136	-0.8	-36.8
μ U Maj.....	19	+41 45	3.2	K4	.082	.031	105	0.7	-20.3*
θ Cari.....	41	-64 08	3.0	B0	.022	.007	466	-2.8	+24. *
η Cari.....	43	-59 25	1.0-7.4	Pec	.007	.....	.....	.....	-25.0
||μ Velr.....	45	-49 09	2.8	G5	.079	.033	99	0.4	+ 6.9
ν Hyda.....	47	-15 56	3.3	K3	.218	.020	163	-0.2	- 1.0
β U Maj.....	59	+56 39	2.4	A3	.089	.045	72	0.7	-12.1*
α U Maj.....	11 01	+62 01	2.0	G5	.137	.036	91	-0.2	- 8.6*
ψ U Maj.....	07	+44 46	3.2	K0	.067	.035	93	0.9	- 3.6
δ Leon.....	11	+20 47	2.6	A2	.208	.058	56	1.4	-23.2
θ Leon.....	12	+15 42	3.4	A2	.103	.025	130	0.4	+ 7.8
λ Cent.....	33	-62 45	3.3	B9	.045	.031	105	0.8	+ 7.9
β Leon.....	47	+14 51	2.2	A2	.507	.084	39	1.8	- 2.3
γ U Maj.....	51	+53 58	2.5	A0	.095	.035	93	0.2	-11.1
δ Cent.....	12 06	-50 27	2.9	B3e	.040	.015	217	-1.2	+ 9.
ε Corv.....	08	-22 30	3.2	K2	.063	.024	136	0.1	+ 4.9
δ Cruc.....	12	-58 28	3.1	B3	.045	.017	192	-0.7	+26.4
δ U Maj.....	13	+57 19	3.4	A0	.113	.050	65	1.9	-12.
γ Corv.....	13	-17 16	2.8	B8	.159	.024	136	-0.3	- 4.2*
α ¹ Cruc.....	24	-62 49	1.6	B1	.048	.022	148	-1.7	-12.2*
α ² Cruc.....	24	-62 49	2.1	B3	.048	.022	148	-1.2	+ 0.3*
||δ Corv.....	27	-16 14	3.1	A0	.249	.026	125	0.2	+ 8.7
γ Cruc.....	28	-56 50	1.5	M4	.270	.....	.....	.....	+21.3
β Corv.....	32	-23 07	2.8	G5	.059	.027	121	0.0	- 7.7
α Musc.....	34	-68 52	2.9	B5	.040	.015	217	-1.2	+18.
||γ Cent.....	39	-48 41	2.4	A0	.200	.032	102	-0.1	- 7.5
||γ Virg.....	39	- 1 10	2.9	F0	.561	.080	41	2.4	-19.6
||β Musc.....	43	-67 50	3.3	B3	.039	.011	296	-1.5	+42. *
β Cruc.....	45	-59 25	1.5	B1	.054	.007	466	-4.3	-20. *
ε U Maj.....	52	+56 14	1.7	A2	.117	.067	49	0.8	-11.9*
||α ² C. Ven.....	54	+38 35	2.8	A1	.233	.030	109	0.2	- 3.5
ε Virg.....	13 00	+11 14	3.0	G6	.270	.037	88	0.8	-14.0
γ Hyda.....	16	-22 54	3.3	G7	.085	.028	116	0.5	- 5.4
ι Cent.....	18	-36 27	2.9	A2	.351	.049	67	1.4	+ 0.1
||ζ ¹ U Maj.....	22	+55 11	2.4	A2 _p	.131	.042	78	0.5	- 9.9*
α Virg.....	23	-10 54	1.2	B2	.051	.018	181	-2.5	+ 1.6*
ζ Virg.....	32	- 0 20	3.4	A2	.285	.038	86	1.3	-13.1

Star	R.A. 1950	Decl. 1950	Mag.	Type	Ann. Proper Motion	Parallax	Distance in Light Years	Abs. Mag.	Rad. Vel.
	h m	° '			"	"			km./sec.
ε Cent.....	13 37	-53 13	2.6	B2	.039	.012	272	-2.0	-5.6
η U. Maj.....	46	+49 34	1.9	B3	.116	.015	217	-2.2	-10.9
μ Cent.....	47	-42 13	3.3	B3e	.026	.009	362	-1.9	+12.6
ζ Cent.....	52	-47 02	3.1	B3	.080	.013	251	-1.3	*
η Boot.....	52	+18 39	2.8	G1	.370	.100	33	2.8	-0.2*
β Cent.....	14 00	-60 08	0.9	B3	.039	.026	125	-2.0	-12. *
π Hyda.....	04	-26 26	3.5	K3	.164	.037	88	1.3	+27.2
θ Cent.....	04	-36 07	2.3	G8	.745	.056	58	1.0	+1.3
α Boot.....	13	+19 26	0.2	K0	2.287	.102	32	0.2	-5.1
γ U. Cent.....	30	+38 32	3.0	A3	.182	.063	52	2.0	-35.5
η Cent.....	32	-41 56	2.6	B3	.046	.012	272	-2.0	-0.2*
||α Cent.....	36	-60 38	0.1	G0	3.682	.768	4	4.5	-22.2*
α Circ.....	38	-64 46	3.4	F0	.308	.063	52	2.4	+7.4
α Lupi.....	39	-46 10	2.9	B2	.033	.009	362	-2.3	+7.3*
||ε Boot.....	43	+27 17	2.7	G8	.045	.019	172	-0.9	-16.4
||α ² Libr.....	48	-15 47	2.9	F1	.128	.056	58	1.6	-10. *
β U. Min.....	51	+74 22	2.2	K4	.028	.030	109	-0.4	+16.9
β Lupi.....	55	-42 56	2.8	B3	.067	.012	272	-1.8	-0.3*
κ Cent.....	56	-41 54	3.4	B2	.034	.011	296	-1.4	+9.1*
σ Libr.....	15 01	-25 05	3.4	M4	.091	.020	163	-0.1	-4.3
ζ Lupi.....	09	-51 55	3.5	G5	.125	.027	121	0.7	-9.7
γ Tr. Au.....	14	-68 30	3.1	A0	.064	.....	.....	.....	0.
β Libr.....	14	-9 12	2.7	B8	.100	.015	217	-1.4	-37. *
δ Lupi.....	18	-40 28	3.4	B3	.031	.012	272	-1.2	+1.6
γ U. Min.....	21	+72 01	3.1	A2	.016	.022	148	-0.2	-3.9*
ι Drac.....	24	+59 08	3.5	K3	.010	.030	109	0.9	-11.1
||γ Lupi.....	32	-41 00	3.0	B3	.038	.013	251	-1.4	+6.
α Cor. B.....	33	+26 53	2.3	A0	.160	.054	60	1.0	+1.0*
α Serp.....	42	+6 35	2.8	K3	.142	.043	76	1.0	+3.0
β Tr. Au.....	51	-63 17	3.0	F0	.436	.096	34	2.9	-0.3
π Scor.....	56	-25 58	3.0	B3	.037	.012	272	-1.6	-3.0*
δ Scor.....	57	-22 29	2.5	B1	.039	.011	296	-2.3	-16. *
||β Scor.....	16 03	-19 40	2.8	B3	.029	.016	204	-1.2	-9.3*
δ Ophi.....	12	-3 34	3.3	K8	.159	.030	109	0.7	-19.8
ε Ophi.....	16	-4 34	3.3	G9	.088	.031	105	0.8	-10.3
||σ Scor.....	18	-25 28	3.1	B1	.033	.009	362	-2.1	-0.4*
||η Drac.....	23	+61 38	2.9	G5	.062	.038	86	0.8	-14.3

Star	R.A. 1950	Decl. 1950	Mag.	Type	Ann. Proper Motion	Parallax	Distance in Light Years	Abs. Mag.	Rad. Vel.
	h m	°			"	"			km./sec.
||a Scor.....	16 26	-26 19	1.2	M1	.032	.019	172	-2.4	- 3.2*
β Herc.....	28	+21 36	2.8	G4	.104	.020	163	-0.7	-25.8*
τ Scor.....	33	-28 07	2.9	B1	.037	.009	362	-2.3	+ 0.6
ζ Ophi.....	34	-10 28	2.7	B0	.023	.008	407	-2.8	-19. *
||ξ Herc.....	39	+31 42	3.0	G0	.601	.105	31	3.1	-70.8*
α Tr. Au.....	43	-68 56	1.9	K5	.031	.025	130	-1.1	- 3.7
ε Scor.....	47	-34 12	2.4	G9	.665	.038	86	0.3	- 2.5
μ ¹ Scor.....	48	-37 58	3.1	B3p	.030	.011	296	-1.7	*
ζ Arae.....	54	-55 55	3.1	K5	.046	.028	116	0.3	- 6.0
κ Ophi.....	55	+ 9 27	3.1-4.0	K3	.290	.042	78	1.2	-55.6
||η Ophi.....	17 08	-15 40	2.6	A2	.095	.047	69	1.0	- 1.0
η Scor.....	08	-43 11	3.4	A7	.294	.066	49	2.5	-28.4
ζ Drac.....	09	+65 47	3.2	B8	.023	.028	116	0.4	-14.1
||α ¹ Herc.....	12	+14 27	3.1-3.9	M7	.030	.008	407	-2.4	-32.5
δ Herc.....	13	+24 54	3.2	A2	.164	.036	91	1.0	-39. *
π Herc.....	13	+36 52	3.4	K3	.021	.018	181	-0.3	-25.7
θ Ophi.....	19	-24 57	3.4	B2	.031	.008	407	-2.1	- 3.6
β Arae.....	21	-55 29	2.8	K1	.036	.023	142	-0.4	- 0.4
υ Scor.....	27	-37 15	2.8	B3	.042	.010	326	-2.2	+18. *
α Arae.....	28	-49 50	3.0	B3e	.090	.015	217	-1.1	- 2.2
β Drac.....	29	+52 20	3.0	G0	.012	.007	466	-2.8	-20.1
λ Scor.....	30	-37 04	1.7	B2	.036	.016	204	-2.3	0. *
α Ophi.....	33	+12 35	2.1	A0	.264	.060	54	1.0	+15. *
θ Scor.....	34	-42 58	2.0	F0	.012	.024	136	-1.1	+ 1.4
κ Scor.....	39	-39 00	2.5	B3	.028	.009	362	-2.7	-10. *
β Ophi.....	41	+ 4 35	2.9	K2	.157	.030	109	0.3	-11.9
ι ¹ Scor.....	44	-40 06	3.1	F8	.004	.008	407	-2.4	-27.6*
||μ Herc.....	44	+27 45	3.5	G5	.817	.114	28	3.8	-16.1
G Scor.....	46	-37 02	3.2	K2	.069	.029	112	0.5	+24.7
ν Ophi.....	56	- 9 46	3.5	G7	.118	.022	148	0.2	+12.4
γ Drac.....	55	+51 30	2.4	K5	.026	.026	125	-0.5	-27.8
γ Sgtr.....	18 03	-30 26	3.1	K0	.202	.030	109	0.5	+22.3*
η Sgtr.....	14	-36 47	3.2	M4	.216	.030	109	0.6	+ 0.5
δ Sgtr.....	18	-29 51	2.8	K4	.052	.033	99	0.4	-20.0
η Serp.....	19	- 2 55	3.4	G9	.898	.050	65	1.9	+ 8.9
ε Sgtr.....	21	-34 25	2.0	A0	.139	.020	163	-1.5	-10.8
λ Sgtr.....	25	-25 27	2.9	K1	.196	.036	91	0.7	-43.3
α Lyra.....	35	+38 44	0.1	A1	.348	.140	23	0.8	-13.8

Star	R.A. 1950		Decl. 1950	Mag.	Type	Ann. Proper Motion	Parallax	Distance in Light Years	Abs. Mag.	Rad. Vel.
	h	m								
φ Sgtr.....	18	48	-27 03	3.3	B8	.150	.015	217	-0.8	+21.5*
||β Lyra.....	48	+33 18	3.4-4.1	B2p	.011	.006	543	-2.7	-19.0*	
σ Sgtr.....	52	-26 22	2.1	B3	.067	.021	155	-1.3	-10.7	
γ Lyra.....	57	+32 37	3.3	B9p	.008	.016	204	-0.7	-21.5*	
||ξ Sgtr.....	59	-29 57	2.7	A2	.019	.035	93	0.4	+22.1	
ζ Aqil.....	19	03	+13 47	3.0	A0	.103	.038	86	0.9	-25. *
τ Sgtr.....	04	-27 45	3.4	K0	.268	.036	91	1.2	+45.4*	
π Sgtr.....	07	-21 06	3.0	F2	.041	.017	192	-0.8	- 9.8	
δ Drac.....	13	+67 34	3.2	G8	.135	.028	116	0.4	+24.8	
δ Aqil.....	23	+ 3 01	3.4	A3	.267	.052	63	2.0	-32.3*	
||β ¹ Cygn.....	29	+27 51	3.2	K0	.010	.010	326	-1.8	-23.9*	
||δ Cygn.....	43	+45 00	3.0	A1	.067	.023	116	0.2	-20.	
γ Aqil.....	44	+10 29	2.8	K3	.018	.018	181	-0.9	- 2.0	
α Aqil.....	48	+ 8 44	0.9	A2	.659	.184	18	2.2	-26.1	
θ Aqil.....	20	09	- 0 58	3.4	A0	.035	.018	181	-0.3	-28.6*
||β Capr.....	18	-14 56	3.2	F8	.042	.022	148	-0.1	-19.0*	
γ Cygn.....	20	+40 06	2.3	F8	.006	.008	407	-3.2	- 7.6	
α Pavo.....	22	-56 54	2.1	B3	.087	.014	233	-2.2	+ 1.8*	
α Indi.....	34	-47 28	3.2	G2	.072	.034	96	0.9	- 1.1	
α Cygn.....	40	+45 06	1.3	A2p	.004	.002	1630	-7.2	- 6.3*	
ε Cygn.....	44	+33 47	2.6	G7	.485	.040	81	0.6	-10.5*	
ζ Cygn.....	21	11	+30 01	3.4	G6	.061	.018	181	-0.3	+16.9*
α Ceph.....	17	+62 22	2.6	A2	.163	.076	43	2.0	- 8.	
β Ceph.....	28	+70 20	3.3-3.4	B1	.013	.006	543	-2.8	- 7.2	
β Aqar.....	29	- 5 48	3.1	G1	.020	.008	407	-2.4	+ 6.7	
ε Pegs.....	42	+ 9 39	2.5	K2	.028	.014	233	-1.8	+ 5.2	
δ Capr.....	44	-16 21	3.0	A3	.395	.062	53	2.0	- 6.4*	
γ Grus.....	51	-37 36	3.2	B8	.114	.020	163	-0.3	- 2.1	
α Aqar.....	22	03	- 0 34	3.2	G0	.019	.006	543	-2.9	+ 7.6
α Grus.....	05	-47 12	2.2	B5	.202	.036	91	0.0	+11.8	
α Tucn.....	15	-60 31	2.9	K5	.088	.019	172	-0.7	+42.2*	
β Grus.....	40	-47 09	2.2	M6	.131	.010	326	-2.8	+ 1.6	
η Pegs.....	41	+29 58	3.1	G1	.039	.016	204	-0.9	+ 4.4*	
α Pec. A.....	55	-29 53	1.3	A3	.367	.118	28	1.7	+ 6.5	
β Pegs.....	23	01	+27 49	2.6	M3	.235	.020	163	-0.9	+ 8.6
α Pegs.....	02	+14 56	2.6	A0	.077	.033	99	0.2	- 4. *	
γ Ceph.....	37	+77 21	3.4	K1	.167	.062	53	2.4	-42.0	

STAR CLUSTERS

The star clusters for this observing list have been selected to include the more conspicuous members of the two main classes—open clusters and globular clusters. Most of the data are from Shapley's *Star Clusters* and from Trumpler's catalogue in Lick Bulletin No. 420. In the following table *N.G.C.* indicates the serial number of the cluster in the New General Catalogue of Clusters and Nebulae; *M*, its number in Messier's catalogue; *Con.*, the constellation in which it is located; α and δ , its right ascension and declination; *Cl.*, the kind of cluster, *Op* for open or galactic and *Gl* for globular; *Diam.*, the apparent diameter in minutes of arc; *Mag. B.S.*, the magnitude of the fifth brightest star in the case of open clusters, the mean of the 25 brightest for globulars; *No.*, the number of stars in the open clusters down to the limiting magnitudes of the photographs on which the particular clusters were studied; *Int. mag.*, the total apparent magnitude of the globular clusters; and *Dist.*, the distance in light years.

N.G.C.	M	Con.	α 1950		δ	Cl.	Diam.	Mag. B.S.	No.	Int. mag.	Dist. l.y.
			h	m							
869		hPer	02	15.5	+56 55	Op	30	7			4,300
884		χ Per	02	18.9	+56 53	Op	30	7			4,300
1039	34	Per	02	38.3	+42 35	Op	30	9	80		1,500
Pleiades	45	Tau	03	44.5	+23 58	Op	120	4.2	250		490
Hyades		Tau	04	17	+15 30	Op	400	4.0	100		120
1912	38	Aur	05	25.3	+35 48	Op	18	9.7	100		2,800
2099	37	Aur	05	49.0	+32 33	Op	24	9.7	150		2,700
2168	35	Gem	06	05.7	+24 21	Op	29	9.0	120		2,700
2287	41	C Ma	06	44.9	-20 42	Op	32	9	50		1,300
2632	44	Cnc	08	37.2	+20 10	Op	90	6.5	350		490
5139		ω Cen	13	23.7	-47 03	Gl	23	12.9		3	22,000
5272	3	C Vn	13	39.9	+28 38	Gl	10	14.2		4.5	40,000
5904	5	Ser	15	15.9	+02 16	Gl	13	14.0		3.6	35,000
6121	4	Scr	16	20.5	-26 24	Gl	14	13.9		5.2	24,000
6205	13	Her	16	39.9	+36 33	Gl	10	13.8		4.0	34,000
6218	12	Oph	16	44.6	-01 51	Gl	9	14.0		6.0	36,000
6254	10	Oph	16	54.5	-04 02	Gl	8	14.1		5.4	36,000
6341	92	Her	17	15.6	+43 12	Gl	8	13.9		5.1	36,000
6494	23	Sgr	17	54.0	-19 01	Op	27	10.2	120		2,200
6611	16	Ser	18	16.0	-13 48	Op	8	10.6	55		6,700
6656	22	Sgr	18	33.3	-23 57	Gl	17	12.9		3.6	22,000
7078	15	Peg	21	27.6	+11 57	Gl	7	14.3		5.2	43,000
7089	2	Aqr	21	30.9	-01 04	Gl	8	14.6		5.0	45,000
7092	39	Cyg	21	30.5	+48 13	Op	32	6.5	25		1,000
7654	52	Cas	23	22.0	+61 19	Op	13	11.0	120		4,400

GALACTIC NEBULAE

The galactic nebulae here listed have been selected to include the most readily observable representatives of planetary nebulae such as the Ring Nebula in Lyra, diffuse bright nebulae like the Orion nebula and dark absorbing nebulosities such as the Coal Sack. These objects are all located in our own galactic system. The first five columns give the identification and position as in the table of clusters. In the *Cl* column is given the classification of the nebula, planetary nebulae being listed as *Pl*, diffuse nebulae as *Dif*, and dark nebulae as *Drk*. *Size* indicates approximately the greatest apparent diameter in minutes of arc; and *m n* is the magnitude of the planetary nebula and *m ** is the magnitude of its central star. The distance is given in light years, and the name of the nebulae is added for the better known objects.

N.G.C.	M	Con	α 1950		δ	Cl	Size	m	m	Dist.	Name
			h	m								'	"	n	*	l.y.
650	76	Per	01	38.3	+51 20	Pl	1.5	11	17	15,000	
1952	1	Tau	05	31.5	+21 59	Pl	6	11	16	10,000	Crab
1976	42	Ori	05	32.5	-05 25	Dif	30			1,800	Orion
B33		Ori	05	38.0	-02 29	Drk	4			300	Horsehead
2261		Mon	06	36.4	+08 47	Dif	2				Hubble's var
2392		Gem	07	26.2	+21 02	Pl	0.3	8	10	2,800	
2440		Pup	07	39.6	-18 05	Pl	0.9	11	16	8,600	
3587	97	UMa	11	11.8	+55 17	Pl	3.3	11	14	12,000	Owl
		Cru	12	48	-63	Drk	300			300	Coalsack
6210		Her	16	42.4	+23 54	Pl	0.3	10	12	5,600	
B72		Oph	17	20.5	-23 36	Drk	20			400	S nebula
6514	20	Sgr	17	59.3	-23 02	Dif	24			3,200	Trifid
B86		Sgr	17	59.9	-27 52	Drk	5				
6523	8	Sgr	18	00.6	-24 23	Dif	50			3,600	Lagoon
6543		Dra	17	58.6	+06 38	Pl	0.4	9	11	3,500	
6572		Oph	18	10.2	+06 50	Pl	0.2	9	12	4,000	
B92		Sgr	18	12.7	-18 15	Drk	15				
6618	17	Sgr	18	18.0	-16 12	Dif	26			3,000	Horseshoe
6720	57	Lyr	18	52.0	+32 58	Pl	1.4	9	14	5,400	Ring
6826		Cyg	19	43.5	+50 24	Pl	0.4	9	11	3,400	
6853	27	Vul	19	57.4	+22 35	Pl	8	8	13	3,400	Dumb-bell
6960		Cyg	20	43.6	+30 32	Dif	60				Network
7000		Cyg	20	57.0	+44 07	Dif	100				N. America
7009		Aqr	21	01.4	-11 34	Pl	0.5	8	12	3,000	
7662		And	23	23.4	+42 12	Pl	0.3	9	13	3,900	

EXTRA-GALACTIC NEBULAE

Among the hundreds of thousands of systems far beyond our own galaxy relatively few are readily seen in small telescopes. The following list contains a selection of the closer brighter objects of this kind. The first five columns give the catalogue numbers, constellation and position on the celestial sphere. In the column *Cl*, *E* indicates an elliptical nebula, *I* an irregular object, and *Sa*, *Sb*, *Sc* spiral nebulae, in which the spiral arms become increasingly dominant compared with the nucleus as we pass from *a* to *c*. The remaining columns give the apparent magnitude of the nebula, its distance in light years and the radial velocity in kilometers per second. As these objects have been selected on the basis of ease of observation, the faint, very distant objects which have spectacularly large red shifts, corresponding to large velocities of recession, are not included.

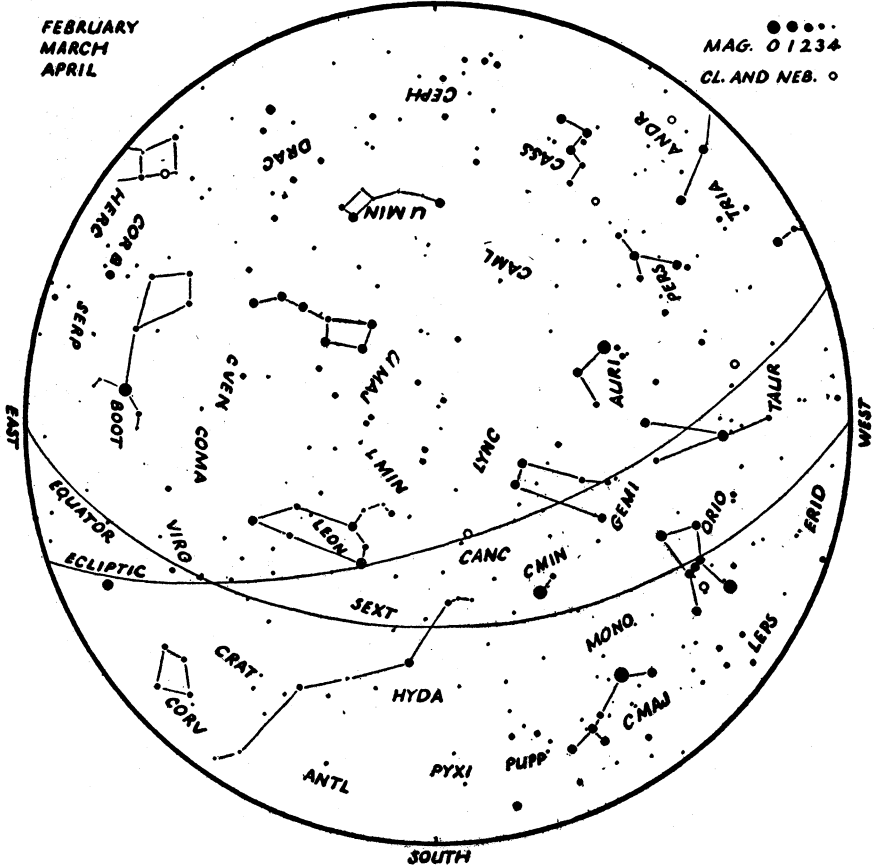
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			h m	° ' "					
221	32	And	00 39.9	+40 36	E	3×3	8.8	800,000	- 185
224	31	And	00 40.0	+41 00	Sb	160×40	5.0	800,000	- 220
SMC		Tuc	00 53	-72 38	I	220×220	1.5	100,000	+ 170
598	33	Tri	01 31.0	+30 24	Sc	60×40	7.0	700,000	- 70
LMC		Dor	05 21	-69 27	I	430×530	0.5	90,000	+ 280
3031	81	UMa	09 51.5	+69 18	Sb	16×10	8.3	2,400,000	- 30
3034	82	UMa	09 51.8	+69 58	I	7×2	9.0	2,600,000	+ 290
3368	96	Leo	10 44.1	+12 05	Sa	7×4	10.0	5,700,000	+ 940
3623	65	Leo	11 16.3	+13 22	Sb	8×2	9.9	5,000,000	+ 800
3627	66	Leo	11 17.6	+13 16	Sb	8×2	9.1	4,300,000	+ 650
4258		CVn	12 16.5	+47 34	Sb	20×6	8.7	4,600,000	+ 500
4374	84	Vir	12 22.5	+13 09	E	3×2	9.9	6,000,000	+1050
4382	85	Com	12 22.9	+18 28	E	4×2	10.0	3,700,000	+ 500
4472	49	Vir	12 27.2	+08 16	E	5×4	10.1	5,700,000	+ 850
4565		Com	12 33.9	+26 16	Sb	15×1	11.0	7,600,000	+1100
4594		Vir	12 37.4	-11 20	Sa	7×2	9.2	7,200,000	+1140
4649	60	Vir	12 41.1	+11 50	E	4×3	9.5	7,500,000	+1090
4736	94	CVn	12 48.6	+41 24	Sb	5×4	8.4	3,000,000	+ 290
4826	64	Com	12 54.3	+21 57	Sb	8×4	9.2	1,300,000	+ 150
5005		CVn	13 08.6	+37 20	Sc	5×2	11.1	6,600,000	+ 900
5055	63	CVn	13 13.6	+42 18	Sb	8×3	9.6	3,600,000	+ 450
5194	51	CVn	13 27.8	+47 27	Sc	12×6	7.4	3,000,000	+ 250
5236	83	Hya	13 34.2	-29 36	Sc	10×8	8	2,900,000	+ 500
6822		Sgr	19 42.4	-14 53	I	20×10	11	1,000,000	- 150
7331		Peg	22 34.8	+33 59	Sb	9×2	10.4	5,200,000	+ 500

STAR MAP I

NORTH

FEBRUARY
MARCH
APRIL

MAG. 0 1 2 3 4
CL. AND NEB. ○

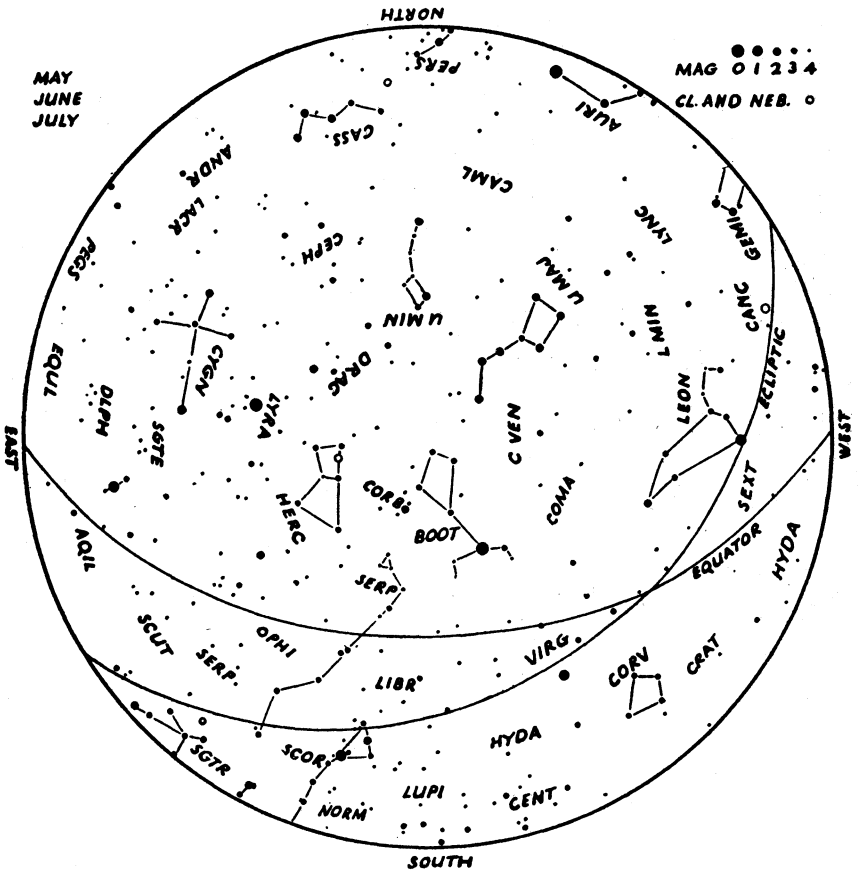


The above map represents the evening sky at

Midnight.....	Feb. 6
11 p.m.....	" 21
10 "	Mar. 7
9 "	" 22
8 "	Apr. 6
7 "	" 21

The centre of the map is the zenith, the circumference the horizon. To identify the stars hold the map so that the part of the horizon you are facing is down.

STAR MAP 2

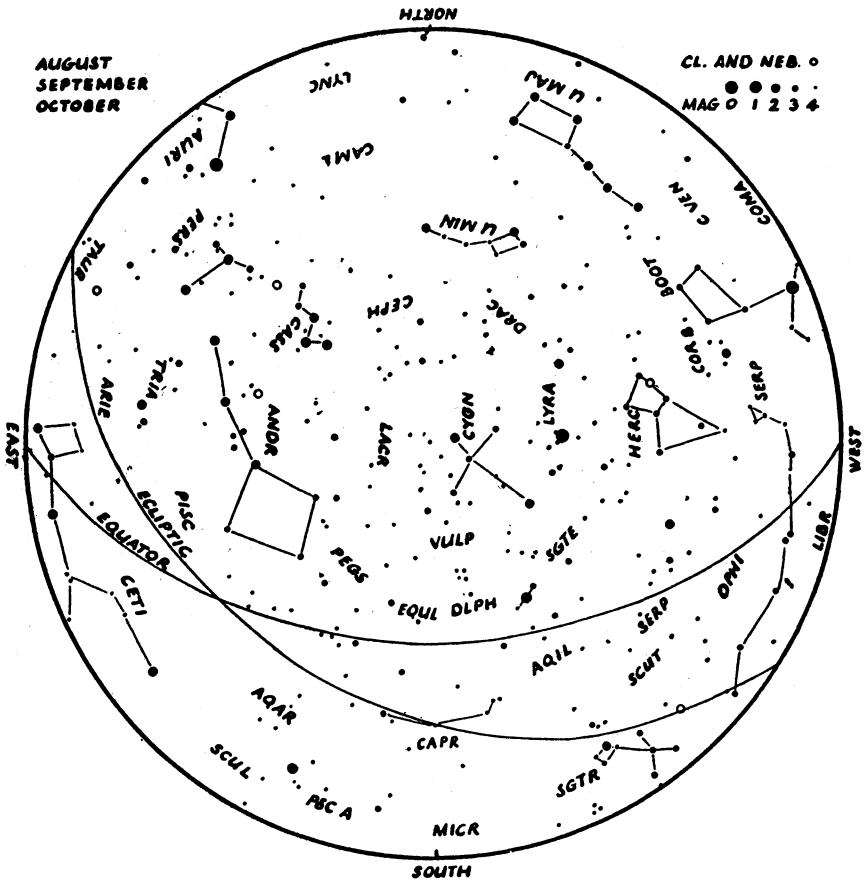


The above map represents the evening sky at

Midnight.....	May 8
11 p.m.....	" 24
10 "	June 7
9 "	" 22
8 "	July 6

The centre of the map is the zenith, the circumference the horizon. To identify the stars hold the map so that the part of the horizon you are facing is down.

STAR MAP 3

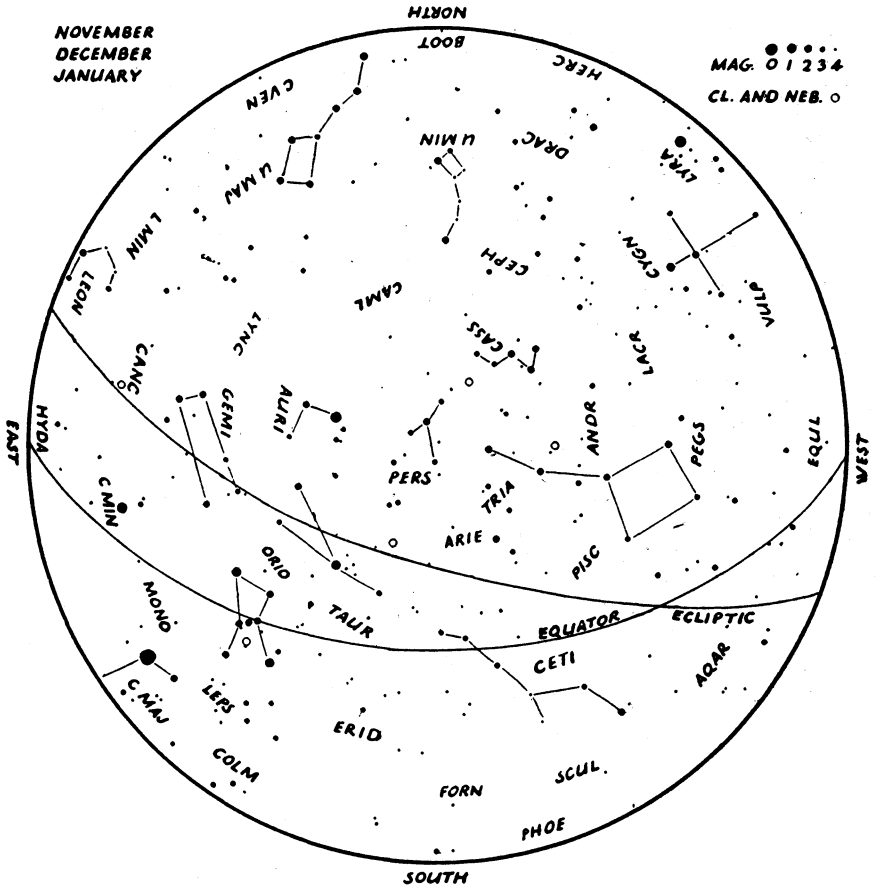


The above map represents the evening sky at

Midnight.....	Aug. 5
11 p.m.....	" 21
10 "	Sept. 7
9 "	" 23
8 "	Oct. 10
7 "	" 26
6 "	Nov. 6
5 "	" 21

The centre of the map is the zenith, the circumference the horizon. To identify the stars hold the map so that the part of the horizon you are facing is down.

STAR MAP 4



The above map represents the evening sky at

Midnight.....	Nov. 6
11 p.m.....	" 21
10 "	Dec. 6
9 "	" 21
8 "	Jan. 5
7 "	" 20
6 "	Feb. 6

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	α	δ					
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Lyrids	280	+37	Apr. 21		10	4	Y
Eta Aquarids	336	- 1	May 4		10	8	E
Delta Aquarids	340	-17	July 28		20	12	D
Perseids	47	+57	Aug. 12		50	25	P
Giacobinids	267	+55	Oct. 9	1933, 1946		1	J
Orionids	96	+15	Oct. 22		20	14	O
Taurids	56	+16	Nov. 10?			30	T
Leonids	152	+22	Nov. 16	1799, 1833, 1866, 1867	20	14	L
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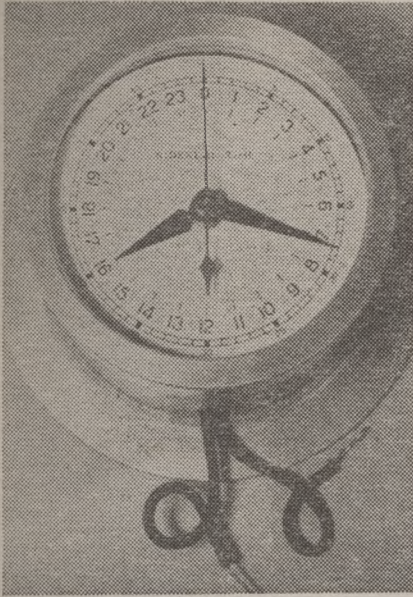
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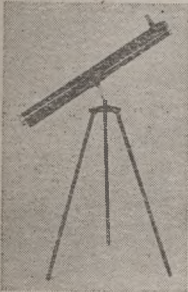
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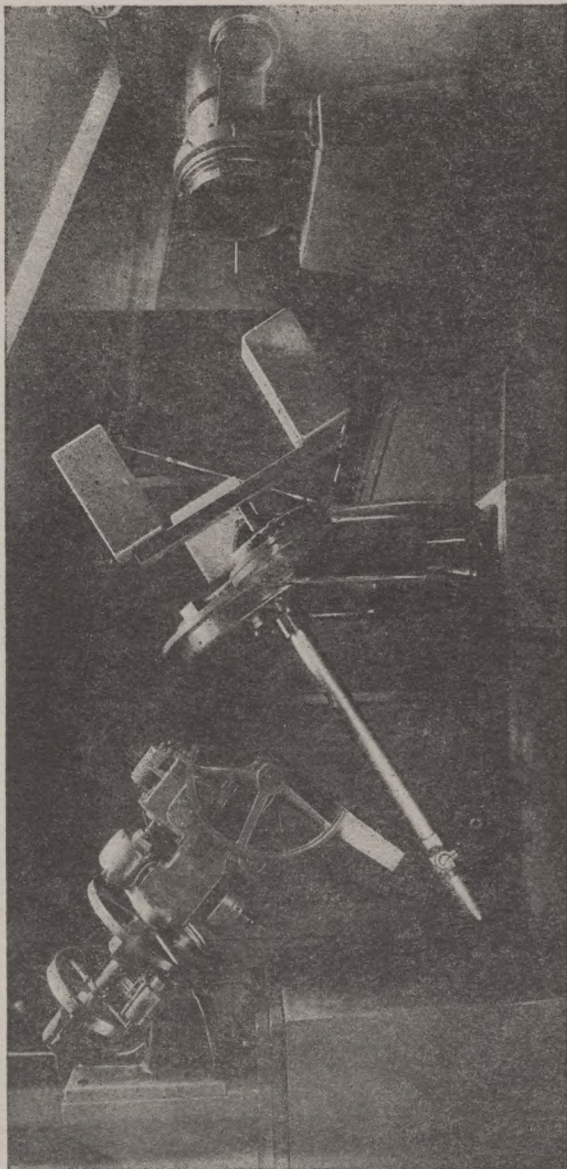
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