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ACTIVITIES OF THE SOCIETY

The Royal Astronomical Society of Canada exists for the purpose of disseminating information concerning Astronomy and related studies, and to foster active work in Astronomy, especially among amateurs. To these ends numerous Centres are located throughout the nation carrying out programs of lectures and observation. Of these, the Victoria Centre is one of the largest and most active. This centre offers the following special attractions in addition to the lecture program:

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October 13 _____ "Straight Lines and Circles in Navigation"

Lt. Cmdr. C.A. McDonald,

Wednesday

November 10 "Recent Improvements of Telescopes and Their Optical Auxiliaries" Dr. A. McKellar — Dominion Astrophysical Observatory.

Friday_

December 17 "Annual Society Dinner" ____ Programme to be Announced Later.

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Wednesday

January 12 "Instruments for Analysing Star Light"

Dr. C.S. Beals — Dominion Astrophysical Observatory.

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February 9 "The Earth — Past, Present and Future".

Dr K.O. Wright — Dominion Astrophysical Observatory.

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March 8 "The Solar Family"

W.R. Hobday.

Wednesday

April 12 "The Nature of the Galaxies" Dr. William Petrie