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COMET CERNIS (19831)

This comet, whose discovery details were given on OB 29 and EWC 63, has in general been underobserved. It is hoped that the extended ephemeris below, derived by Hurst using a computer programme by Manning, will allow further observations to be made:

			Earth	Sun	Elong	m1
Sept.	3	2 ^h 16 ^m .7	-01° 47'	2.642	3.344	127° 9.8
	8	2 10.1	-03 54	2.580	3.351	134 9.7
	13	2 02.8	-06 08	2.528	3.358	140 9.7
	18	1 54.7	-08 25	2.489	3.365	146 9.6
	23	1 45.9	-10 45	2.462	3.374	151 9.6
	28	1 36.5	-13 05	2.448	3.383	155 9.6
Oct.	3	1 26.6	-15 21	2.449	3.392	157 9.6
	8	1 16.4	-17 32	2.464	3.402	156 9.7
	13	1 06.0	-19 35	2.493	3.413	153 9.7
	18	0 55.7	-21 28	2.535	3.424	148 9.8
	23	0 45.7	-23 09	2.590	3.436	142 9.8

NOVALIKE OBJECT IN LIBRA

L.E. Gonzalez reports observation of a novalike object at RA 15^h 16^m 58^s -24° 49' 36" (1950) on Aug. 10.1UT at mpg 9.0. It is apparently (18.0 on ESO B Survey.

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