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NOVA CYGNI 1978

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Marsden telexes that Collins has discovered a nova in Cygnus as follows:

1978UT Sep 10.33785 RA 21h 40m.5 +43°47'(1950).
Visual magnitude 7.0.

A further telex received provides a precise position by Shao:

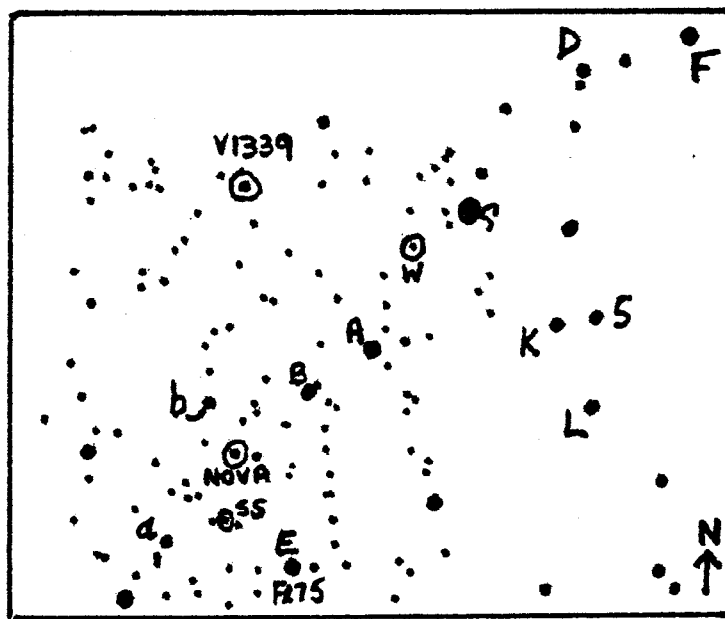
1978UT Sep 10.33785 RA 21h 40m 38s.28 +43°48'09"8
Photographic magnitude was given as 6.8.

Shao also reports that there is a possible pre-nova candidate at the limit of the Palomar Sky Survey.

A finder chart is given below and the following sequence is derived from the BAA chart for SS Cygni:

E 5.09; D 5.38; F 5.54; A 6.12; B 6.70; K 6.82; 5 7.2; L 7.52;
a 7.87; b 8.39.

The editor would appreciate telephonic advice of early estimates any evening before 10.30pm.



COMET CAMPOS

A telex has been received reporting discovery of a new comet of approx mag 9. It is however badly placed for most TA subscribers but the following brief ephemeris by Candy is given for overseas subscribers and airmail reports of early observations would be much appreciated:

1978 Sep 4 20h 54.6m -30°47'; Sep 9 21h 04.5m -33°40'; Sep 14 21h 18.7m -36°34'; Sep 19 21h 38.2m -39°23'.

ANNUAL MEETING The Editor would much appreciate it if booking forms could be returned as soon as possible and certainly by Sep 20.

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