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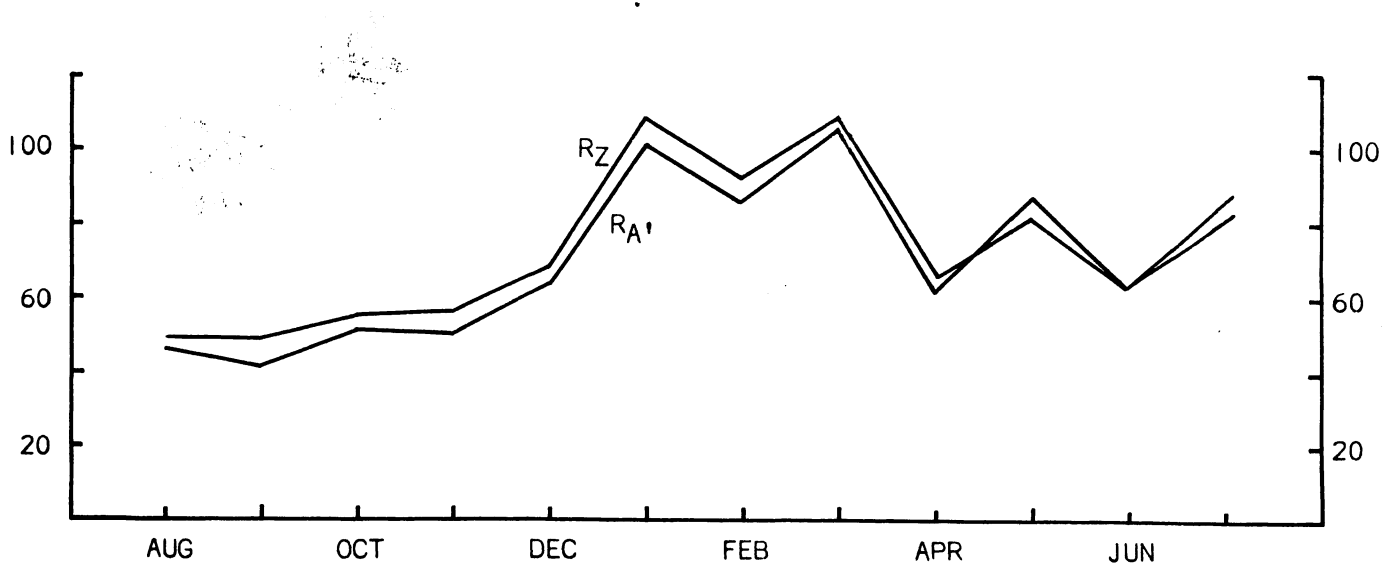
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SOLAR ACTIVITY DURING JULY

Solar activity remained at a low level throughout most of July but picked up at the end of the month. A sunspot group first seen at the northeast limb on the 21st developed rapidly into a large F-type group which produced many small flares. Six ionospheric disturbances were recorded on the 25th by the Solar Division's indirect flare patrol. Recordings of these are reproduced on page two. The Durban (A-17) record shows an SEA starting at 1428 UT. Two very small SEA's can also be seen at 1055 UT and 1215 UT at the time of known flares. The West Nyack (A-20) record shows three SES's starting at 1320 UT, 1518 UT and 1620 UT. The small 1215 UT event seen on the Durban record can also be seen as a small SES on the West Nyack record although the 1428 event is not present.

Sunspot activity was up from the previous month. The mean of the American sunspot numbers rose from 62.3 to 82.4. The highest numbers occurred at the end of July when the large F-type group was near the central meridian. A drawing of most of the Sun's disk on 30 July is reproduced as a supplement to this issue of the Bulletin. The drawing, showing magnetic polarities, was made by Thomas Cragg.

RECENT TREND OF RELATIVE SUNSPOT NUMBERS

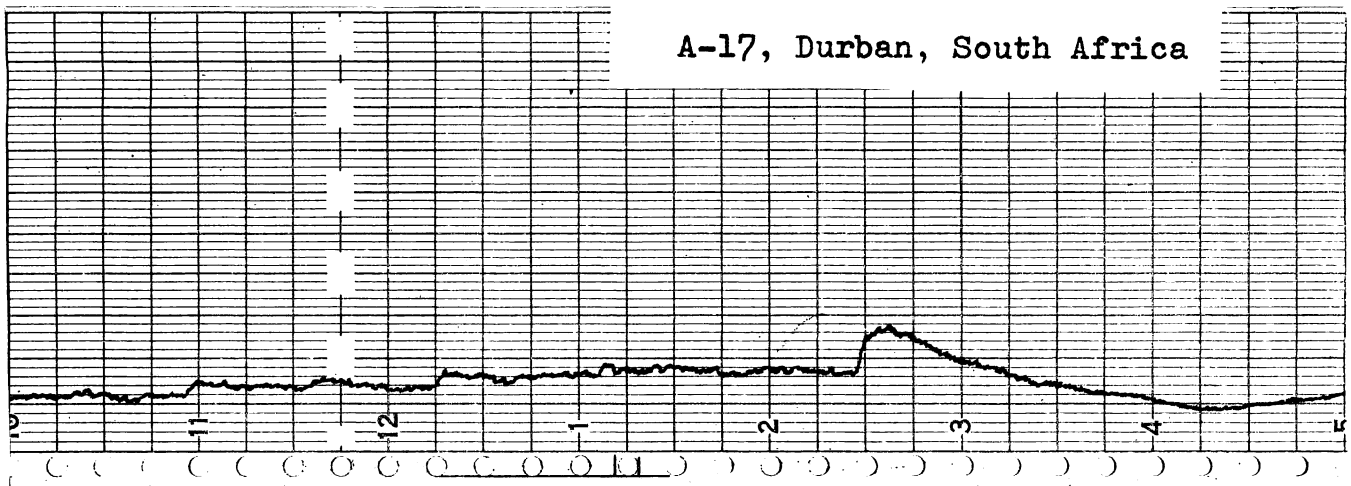
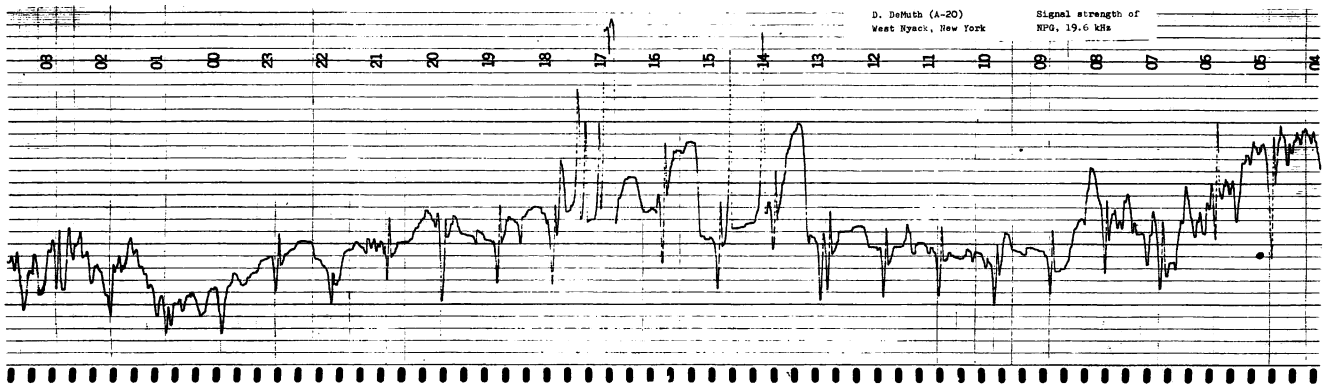


American (R_A) and Zurich (R_Z) relative sunspot numbers, July 1967

day	R_A	R_Z	day	R_A	R_Z
1	60	69	16	77	73
2	76	83	17	68	67
3	76	87	18	57	78
4	80	92	19	29	61
5	87	98	20	33	41
6	87	97	21	61	62
7	76	70	22	61	73
8	74	78	23	73	93
9	73	67	24	82	90
10	57	54	25	94	106
11	53	53	26	115	116
12	52	59	27	143	122
13	55	53	28	153	164
14	81	66	29	144	154
15	82	80	30	151	165
			31	143	152

July mean R_A = 82.4

July mean R_Z = 87.8



Recordings of sudden ionospheric disturbances caused by solar flares that occurred on 25 July 1967. Details on page one