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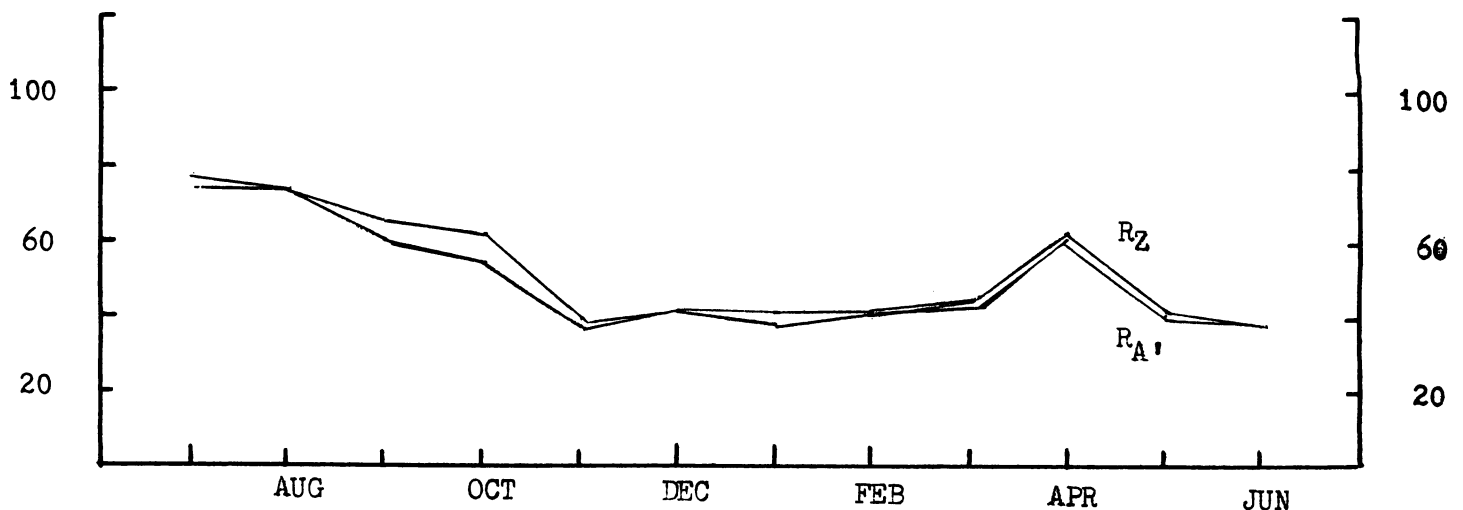
SOLAR ACTIVITY DURING JUNE

Solar Division observers recorded only eleven ionospheric disturbances during June. This compares to thirty eight events the previous two months. The disturbances of June were mostly small ones except two of medium intensity on the 28th and the 29th. Charts are reproduced on page two showing some events. These include two SEA recordings made by Paul Boltwood, A-39, of Somerset, Bermuda. Mr. Boltwood has only had his equipment operating since 24 June and sent charts to the AAVSO for the first time this month. SES charts by A-19 are also reproduced which show how even minor events stand out clearly on good clean interference free recordings. The small event reaching maximum at 1912 UT on the 29th could easily be overlooked except on a clean trace. Note how the SEA recording by A-39 also shows a hint of this small disturbance. Small events such as this one can only be determined to be real when they appear on several charts by widely separated observers using different signal sources.

Sunspot activity continued at about the same level. Two short spotless periods occurred during June, both less than a day. The first occurred late on the 2nd and the other early on the 5th.

The large spot at the northeast limb on 29 June is in the right area to be the return of a group that showed resurgence of activity as it went over the west limb on the 14th

RECENT TREND OF RELATIVE SUNSPOT NUMBERS



AMERICAN (R_A) AND ZURICH (R_Z) RELATIVE SUNSPOT NUMBERS FOR JUNE 1973

| DAY | R _A | R _Z |
|---------|----------------|----------------|
| 1 | 9 | 8 |
| 2 | 6 | 8 |
| 3 | 7 | 16 |
| 4 | 3 | 14 |
| 5 | 3 | 7 |
| 6 | 17 | 16 |
| 7 | 29 | 37 |
| 8 | 28 | 34 |
| 9 | 27 | 28 |
| 10 | 33 | 35 |
| 11 | 56 | 60 |
| 12 | 59 | 58 |
| 13 | 54 | 52 |
| 14 | 57 | 51 |
| 15 | 52 | 46 |
| 16 | 38 | 41 |
| 17 | 24 | 34 |
| 18 | 23 | 18 |
| 19 | 45 | 38 |
| 20 | 63 | 46 |
| 21 | 77 | 75 |
| 22 | 65 | 61 |
| 23 | 54 | 48 |
| 24 | 50 | 48 |
| 25 | 53 | 47 |
| 26 | 48 | 43 |
| 27 | 44 | 38 |
| 28 | 43 | 39 |
| 29 | 42 | 51 |
| 30 | 27 | 33 |
| Means = | 37.9 | 37.6 |

SUDDEN IONOSPHERIC DISTURBANCES RECORDED DURING JUNE 1973

DAY MAX SEA SES DEF OBSERVERS

| DAY | MAX | SEA | SES | DEF | OBSERVERS |
|-----|------|-----|-----|-----|-----------------------|
| 9 | 1820 | | 1- | 3 | A-1,19,21,33,37 |
| 13 | 1816 | | 1- | 2 | A-19,21,33,37 |
| 15 | 1414 | | 2 | 5 | A-1,19,21,37,38 |
| 16 | 1432 | | 1+ | 5 | A-1,19,21,37 |
| 28 | 1846 | | 1- | 3 | A-1,19,21,37,38 |
| 28 | 1905 | 1+ | 2 | 5 | A-1,19,21,23,37,38,39 |

DAY MAX SEA SES DEF OBSERVERS

| DAY | MAX | SEA | SES | DEF | OBSERVERS |
|-----|------|-----|-----|-----|-----------------------|
| 29 | 1518 | | 1 | 5 | A-1,19,21,37 |
| 29 | 1914 | | 1- | 2 | A-19,21,38 |
| 29 | 1952 | 1 | 2+ | 5 | A-1,19,21,23,37,38,39 |
| 30 | 1524 | 1- | 2 | 5 | A-1,19,21,37,38 |
| 30 | 1524 | 1- | 2 | 5 | A-1,19,21,37,38 |
| 30 | 2206 | | 1 | 5 | A-19,21,37 |

