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MAJOR ATTRACTION OF THE YEAR: COMET AREND-ROLAND NOW VISIBLE IN NORTHWEST

## CONSTELLATION STUDIES

by Kay Gros

Here is the list of stars as seen from Buffalo on May 1st. at 9:00 P.M.:

Sirius- in S.W. setting  
Betelgeuse- in W. setting  
Capella- in N.W. setting  
Pollux- high in W.  
Procyon- S. of W.  
Regulus- (Reiyu-lus) in Leo, the Lion, high-W. of S.  
Spica- (Spica) in Virgo (Virgo) in S.E.  
Arcturus- (Arc-turus) in Bootes (Bo-oteez)-in E.  
Vega- (Vee-gah) in Lyra (Lira) in N.E.

Look for the "Virgin's Diamond" in the SSE. It is formed by Denebola (De-neb-o-la) in the Lion's tail, \*Spica, \*Arcturus and Cor Caroli (Kor Karlo-li) in Canes Venatici (Ka-nez Ve-nat-i-ci) the Hunting Dogs. A line drawn from the tail star, Acaid in the Big Dipper, to Denebola, in the tail of Leo, passes through Cor Caroli.

## JOINT MEETING OF CLUBS THIS MONTH! MAY 18

The B.A.A., Rochester A.A., and Corning A.A. will have a joint meeting at the Corning Glass Center on Sat. May 18. The program will include reports given by the clubs as to their projects and plans. A movie and our will follow.

Go directly to the center from Buffalo. Plan to stay the whole day. Bring along your family and friends. Food will not be served so bring it along. There will be tables and cooking facilities at your disposal. Don't forget: have fun!

## KAY GROS HAS CHANGE OF LOCATION

A member of long standing has regrettably moved out of town. Kay Gros, who has helped to make the club more reknown, gave her new address as:

119 Oakfield Road, N. Syracuse. Her expert aid in financial matters has kept the club's coffers filled and the forum resounding with speaker's voices.

In behalf of the club, the editors of this newspaper wish to extend our sincerest gratitude to a great benefactor.

"Astronomically yours"

This paper wishes to announce its expansion to two pages. Result? WE NEED MORE NEWS!!

## PLAINLY VISIBLE TO NAKED EYE

The newly discovered comet has finally made its appearance. According to the observations made on Fri. April 26, it was about +2 mag., having a 5° tail.

Its brilliant coma fans out into a faint, soft tail even in the smallest field glass. The nucleus, under high power appears as an unresolvable globular cluster having a dense, bright core.

At the present, it can be located close to  $\alpha$  Persei and sets about 11:00 P.M. With its swift motion toward Ursa Major, it will soon be circumpolar but also will be quickly dimming. It will be invisible to the naked eye after May 10 leaving only a few days for examination.

## CLUB MEETING: ELECTION OF OFFICERS

This month's meeting is at the Museum of Science, in the Roosevelt Room at 8:00 p.m. on May 1st. Our Program will include individual reports (see March '57 bulletin). As this is our last meeting of the season, try to attend. We can discuss our plans and projects for the summer.

All registered members will continue receiving bulletins.