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Photoelectric photometry of SS433 was obtained on three consecutive photometric nights in June 1979 using the 150 cm telescope of The Pennsylvania State University. A broadband interference filter with a FWHM of  $700 \text{ \AA}$  and centered at  $5500 \text{ \AA}$  was used to isolate a relatively line free region near the V band. The instrumental magnitudes were adjusted in zeropoint to the nearby comparison star with  $V = 13.7$ ,  $B-V = 0.7$  (IAUC 3379). Study of published spectra indicated that, with the expected velocity shifts, the strong emission lines in SS433 could contribute only a few percent of the signal. On June 26.140-26.335 and 27.115-27.322 UT the magnitude of SS433 was constant at 15.11 within  $\pm 0.15$  mag on timescales down to minutes. Observations over a shorter period on June 25 gave a result 0.3 mag brighter.

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