"Stellar magnetism" International Conference Proceedings, 1992, 181-185.

AM HER IN THE LOW STATE (SEPTEMBER, 1990)

J.M. BONNET-BIDAUD*, N.N. SOMOV**, T.A. SOMOVA**

- * Service d'Astrophysique, CEN Saclay, France
- ** Special Astrophysical Observatory of the Russian AS Nizhnij Arkhyz 357147, Russia

ABSTRACT. The paper reports the results of spectral and photometrical observations of AM Her obtained on September 17 1990. The star was investigated using the scans obtained with the TV-scanner of the 6 m telescope within the range 3600-5100 AA with a spectral resolution of ~ 4 A. UBVR photometry was obtained with the Nasmyth photometer installed in the secondary focus (NI). Parallel spectral observations of the system were carried out with the TV-scanner. That night AM Her was observed in the filter v=15°.013 \pm 0°.021, i.e. at the low state. Using the absorption spectrum of Zeeman hydrogen splitting in the white dwarf atmosphere its magnetic field was estimated.