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GENERAL NOTES

TWENTY-TWO NEW SPECIES OF SPIDERS FOR THE ARKANSAS CHECKLIST

Beck and Dorris (1982) presented a preliminary study of spiders of the east central Ozark Mountain area. After recently covering the entire Ozark Mountain area, 363 species representing 33 families were found, of which 22 represent new records for the Arkansas checklist.

Several methods for collecting were used in this study, including: a) heavy duty sweep net in grasses and heavy brush, b) wire mesh sieve for leaf litter, c) hatchet, for chopping bark from trees, d) hand picking from bushes, ground and dwellings, and other related places, e) muddauber nest collections to reveal paralyzed spiders captured by these Hymenopterans, f) night spot-lighting, and g) scanning wooded areas for webs. Specimens were killed and preserved in 75% ethanol. Collections were made at various hours to ensure a broad coverage of spider habits. Also, to insure a broad coverage of the Ozark Mountain area, ten check stations were established and sampled from February 1979 through July 1982. Each station was checked four or more times during the period to ensure representative sampling; two sub-stations were inspected one to three times.

Taxonomic names used are those employed by Comstock (1972), and Kaston (1948, 1978). The table summarizes 1) county in which collected, 2) date collected, 3) method of capture, 4) habitat association, and 5) specific site of collection.

| TAXON | COUNTY | DATE | METHOD | HABITAT | COLLECTION |
|---|----------|---------|--------|------------------|----------------------------------|
| Antrodiaetidae | | | | | |
| Antrodiaetus unicolor (Hentz) | Marion | 7/5/79 | P | Field | Buffalo Point |
| Uloboridae | | | | | |
| Uloborus diversus Marx | Stone | 6/1/82 | SN | Low Shrubs | Mountain View Airport |
| Scytodidae | | | | | |
| Scytodes perfecta Banks | Cleburne | 6/1/82 | P | Building | Swinging Bridge Heber Springs |
| Theridiidae | | | | | |
| Rhomphaea lacerta (Walckenaer) | Newton | 6/4/82 | P | Low Shrubs | Lost Valley Water Fall |
| <u>Tidarren</u> <u>sisyphoides</u> (Walckenaer) | Lawrence | 5/3/81 | P | Low Shrubs | Lake Charles Rec. Area |
| | Newton | 6/9/81 | P | Forest | Lost Valley Visitor's Area |
| Anelosimus textrix (Walckenaer) | Marion | 5/29/80 | P | Low Shrubs | Wild Cat Shoals Cotter |
| Linyphiidae | | | | | |
| <u>Lepthyphantes</u> <u>zebra</u> (Emerton) | Newton | 3/18/81 | SN | Mixed Grasses | Lost Balley Nature Trail |
| Micryphantidae | | | | | |
| Ceraticelus emertoni (0.P. Cambridge) | Cleburne | 6/1/82 | SN | Field | Swinging Bridge Heber Springs |
| Pelecopsis moestum (Banks) | Lawrence | 5/31/81 | р | Bare Ground | Lake Charles Rec. Area |
| | Boone | 6/8/81 | SN | Field | Industrial Par Harrison |
| Araneidae | | | | | |
| <u>Eustala</u> <u>cepina</u> (Walckenaer) | Lawrence | 7/27/81 | SN | Field | Lake Charles Rec. Area |
| <u>Larinia directa</u> (Hentz) | Marion | 5/9/80 | P | Field | Wild Cat Shoal Cotter |
| | Lawrence | 7/27/81 | SN | Heavy Brush | Lake Charles Rec. Area |
| | Cleburne | 6/1/82 | SN | Field | Swinging Bridg Heber Springs |

| TAXON | COUNTY | DATE | METHOD | HABITAT | COLLECTION SITE |
|---|------------|---------|--------|---------------------------|---|
| Neoscona minima F.O.P Cambridge | Cleburne | 6/1/82 | SN | Field | Swinging Bridge Heber Springs |
| Singa keyserling McCook | Boone | 6/8/81 | SN | Field | Industrial Part Harrison |
| | Marion | 5/30/80 | SN | Field | Wild Cat Shoal Cotter |
| Lycosidae | | | | | |
| Pirata piratica (Clerck) | Marion | 5/30/80 | P | Low Shrubs | Wild Cat Shoal Cotter |
| Arctosa emertoni Gertsch | Cleburne | 5/1/81 | P | Forest | 1 Mile South Swinging Bridg Heber Springs |
| Allocosa funerea (Hentz) | Lawrence | 6/1/81 | P | Leaf Litter | Lake Charles Rec. Area |
| | Newton | 6/9/81 | P | Leaf Litter | Lost Valley Visitor's Area |
| | Cleburne | 6/1/82 | P | Leaf Litter | 1 Mile South Swinging Bridg Heber Springs |
| Pardosa moesta Banks | Lawrence | 5/31/81 | P | Short Mixed Grasses | Lake Charles Boat Ramp |
| Gnaphosidae | | | | | |
| Callilepis pluto Banks | Washington | 3/18/81 | SN | Leaf Litter | Devil's Den Camp Ground |
| Zelotes rusticus (L. Koch) | Marion | 6/3/82 | SN | Field | Rim Shoals Cotter |
| Thomisidae | | | | | |
| Misumenops deserti Schick | Baxter | 6/3/81 | SN | Field | Bull Shoals State Park |
| Salticidae | | | | | |
| Phidippus apacheanus Chamberlin & Gertsch | Newton | 6/9/81 | P | Field | Lost Valley Nature Trail |
| Metaphidippus flaviceps Kaston | Lawrence | 7/27/81 | SN | Bare Ground | Mammoth Spring State Park |

Method Code----- P--Hand Picked SN--Sweep Net

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