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EDITORIAL

It is a year since Ichnews 2 appeared. The main reason for the delay in producing Issue 3 is the poor response to our requests for notes, news and views for publication.

If Ichnews is to continue, you must give it your support and send items for inclusion in future issues.

CURRENT NEWS AND NOTES

Bob Carlson has completed work on the ichneumonid section of the new edition of the "North American Catalogue" - which should be published soon.

Mike Fitton and Ian Gauld have started to prepare a submission to the International Commission on the names Ichneumon, Pimpla and Ephialtes.

J.-F. Aubert plans to visit the British Museum in 1978.

Ian Gauld has completed his revision of the Ophioninae of the Ethiopian region.

ICHNEUMONID LARVAE

by J.R.T. Short

Material from various parts of Australia has been included in a memoir on the final-instar larvae of the Ichneumonidae prepared by JRTS. Some larvae which seem of particular interest are those of:

Theronia maculosa Krieger from ichneumonid (Pimplini) in
Antheraea sp. (Saturniidae).

Certonotus tasmaniensis Turner from Sirex noctilio Fabricius
(Siricidae).

Poecilocryptus nigromaculatus Cameron from coccoid in gall on
Eucalyptus.

Glabridorsum stokesi Cameron from Cydia pomonella Linnaeus
(Tortricidae).

Ceratomania spinifrons Brullé from Doratifera sp. (Eucleidae).

Gotra sp. from tortricid cocoon.

Sericopimpla sp. from psychid cocoon.

[New genus of Glyptini (being described by I.D. Gauld) from
Epiphyas postvittana Walker (Tortricidae)].

Philogalleria sp. from Stathmorrhopa aphotista Turner (Geometridae).

Hypopheltes pergae Cushman from Perga sp. (Pergidae).

Megaceria sp. from Perga sp. (Pergidae).

HYMENOPTERISTS CONFERENCE 1976

by Marjorie Townes

In view of the organizers, the Hymenopterists Conference held at the American Entomological Institute in Ann Arbor, Michigan, USA in August and early September, the week before and the week after the Entomological Congress in Washington, was a great success.

A total of 32 people from 13 countries participated, 21 the first week and 19 the second (the discrepancy in totals indicates that some were present both weeks). They came from Australia: J.R.T. Short; from Canada: W.R.M. Mason and his wife; from Colombia: William and Mary Jane Eberhard; from England: Ian Gauld and his wife; from France: Jean-Paul Aeschlimann; from India: S.N. Rao; from Italy: Giorgio Domcnichini and Franco Frilli; the Netherlands: Kees van Achterberg, J. van der Vecht and his wife, and Robert Zwart and his wife; from Norway: Astrid Løken; from Romania: Raoul Constantineanu; from Sweden: Karl-Johan Bedqvist and his wife and daughter and Mattias Idar; from West Germany: Klaus Horstmann; and from the USA: Robert Carlson, Roland Fischer, Gerd Heinrich, John Schmid, Roy Shenefelt and his wife, Torolf Torgersen, and Henry and Marjorie Townes.

It was a good company of co-operative people and together we enjoyed entomological activities in the laboratory, in the field, at evening meetings during which each of the participants talked on some entomological subject and on outings to entomological institutions in the vicinity as well as on a variety of other excursions.

LISSONOTA AND CRYPTOPIMPLA

by Henry Townes

A manuscript revising the Nearctic Lissonotini (200 species) is nearing completion. The genus Lissonota has been found difficult to define. Parts of the genus are more closely related to Alloplasta, Arenetra, Odinophora and Loxodocus than they are to other parts of Lissonota. Yet a practical way to make a more natural classification than the one in

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