

## Monthly Insect Report

WTT's compilation of insect problems occurring in turfgrasses, trees, and ornamentals throughout the country.

### Turf Insects

#### ARMYWORMS

**Georgia:** Larvae heavy in dwarf bermudagrass golf greens in Telfair County.

#### A CHINCH BUG

(*Blissus insularis*)

**Texas:** Heavy damage to st. augustinegrass lawns continues from central area to gulf coast. Populations and damage appear higher than in previous years. Extensive damage reported in Jefferson, Falls, Montgomery, Orange, Angelina, Jasper, Brazos, and Wharton counties.

#### WHITE GRUBS

**Missouri:** Causing dead patches in bluegrass lawns through central third of the state. **Wisconsin:** Major problem in lawns throughout state. Damage severe to roots of lawn turf.

#### SPITTLEBUGS

**Georgia:** Infesting centipedegrass in Laurens County.

#### THRIPS

(*Chirothrips* spp.)

**Arizona:** Controls necessary in Yuma County bermudagrass.

#### SOD WEBWORMS

**Georgia:** Heavy in dwarf bermudagrass golf greens in Telfair County. **Iowa:** Numerous adults reported. **Kansas:** Moderate populations causing some damage to lawns in northeast area. **Michigan:** Numerous adult *Crambus* spp. trapped in Kalamazoo, Branch, and Lenawee counties. **Nebraska:** Moderate to severe injury in bluegrass lawns in eastern area from *Crambus* spp. **New Jersey:** Increasing activity reported in central counties. **Oklahoma:** *Crambus* spp. damaging golf courses in Tulsa and Garfield

counties, lawns in Payne County. **Rhode Island:** Adults heavy in Kingston and Providence counties. **South Dakota:** Unspecified species heavy in many lawns in state.

### Insects of Ornamentals

#### BAGWORM

(*Thyridopteryx ephemeraeformis*)

**Texas:** Heavy and widespread on many lawn ornamentals in Wharton County.

#### A LEAF-FOOTED BUG

(*Leptoglossus* sp.)

**New Mexico:** Moderately heavy on ornamental junipers in Bernalillo County.

#### SPIDER MITES

**Iowa:** Increased injury due to dry conditions. **New Mexico:** light to medium on Arizona cypress and ornamental junipers in Albuquerque area.

### Tree Insects

#### ELM LEAF BEETLE

(*Pyrrhalta luteola*)

**Arizona:** Continued damage to elms in Graham and Maricopa counties. Controls largely ineffective. **California:** Locally heavy in Santa Cruz County and Santa Clara County. Medium local occurrence in Santa Barbara County. **Nevada:** New infestations found in Clark County. **Texas:** Moderate to heavy on elms in Midland County. Some trees 60 to 80% defoliated. **Utah:** Many elms severely injured at Huntington and Green River, Emery County.

#### LARGER ELM LEAF BEETLE

(*Monocesta coryli*)

**Georgia:** Heavy on elm in Pike County.

#### SMALLER EUROPEAN ELM BARK BEETLE

(*Scolytus multistriatus*)

**Colorado:** Taken on elm at Grand Junction, Mesa County for new county record.

#### RED-HUMPED CATERPILLAR

(*Schizura concinna*)

**Colorado:** Damaging honeylocust in Denver area.

#### WALNUT CATERPILLAR

(*Datana integerrima*)

**Ohio:** Numerous roadside walnut trees defoliated in Darke and Preble Counties. **Wisconsin:** Defoliation continues from trace to complete throughout southwest area.

#### AN OLETHREUTID MOTH

(*Proteoteras aesculana*)

**California:** Larvae of this and omnivorous looper locally heavy in maple trees in Santa Barbara County.

#### ORANGE-STRIPED OAKWORM

(*Anisota senatoria*)

**Rhode Island:** First infestation of season noted in Kingston. **Tennessee:** Infesting pin oak in Knox County. **Virginia:** Larvae feeding on red oak in Nansemond County.

#### PINE NEEDLE SCALE

(*Phenacaspis pinifoliae*)

**Ohio:** Abundant on some hemlock in Wayne County. **Utah:** Severe damage to Colorado blue spruce and moderate to Engelmann spruce.

#### OYSTERSHELL SCALE

(*Lepidosaphes ulmi*)

**Utah:** Severe on some poplars and willows in Ashley Valley area, Uintah County.

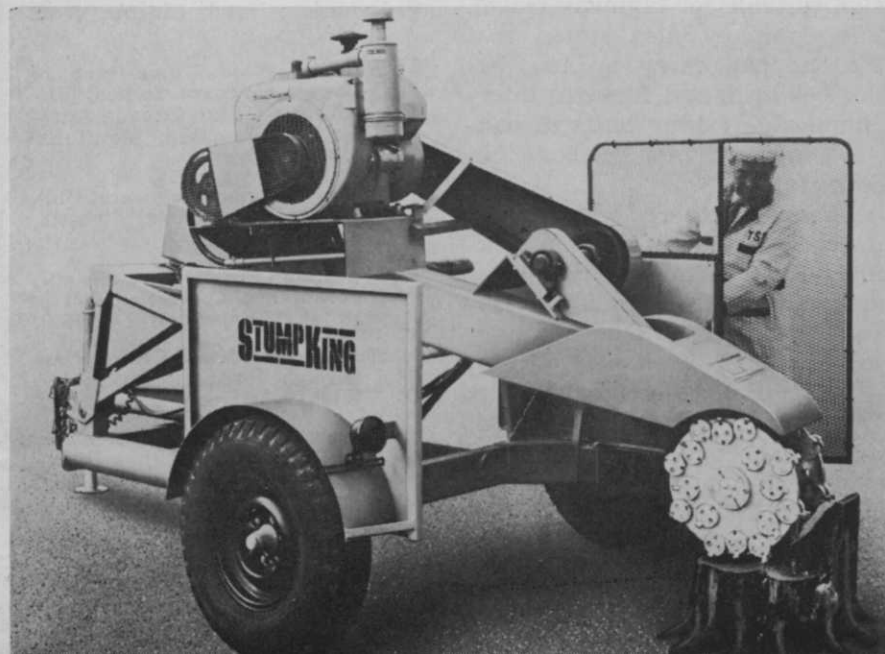
#### MIMOSA WEBWORM

(*Homadaula albizziae*)

**Illinois:** Caused severe browning of honeylocust in central area. New county record in Cass County. **Maryland:** Heavy on many mimosa and honeylocust trees in central and southern sections. **Ohio:** Populations high. Observed in Miami, Montgomery, Preble, Warren, Fairfield, and Franklin counties. Infestation causing from 5 to 100% leaf destruction in individual trees. Reported in Summit County for new county record.

Compiled from information furnished by the U. S. Department of Agriculture, university staffs, and WTT readers. Turf and tree specialists are urged to send reports of insect problems noted in their areas to: Insect Reports, WEEDS TREES AND TURF, 1900 Euclid Ave., Cleveland, Ohio 44115.

New StumpKing model stumpcutter features Dial-a-Stump cutting speed selector, low-profile "Beaver Tail" boom, and new hydraulic system and clutch, said to speed setup and reduce operator time.



## Dial Selects Cutting Speed on New, Improved StumpKing

By means of a new Dial-a-Stump cutting speed selector on '67 models of the StumpKing stumpcutter, operators can dial the exact cutting speeds required for a particular stump while the cutter is in operation, according to its manufacturer, Brooks Products Division of The Tool Steel Gear & Pinion Co.

Time lost in stopping the cutter to make necessary adjustments is eliminated, the company says; more cutting time is delivered for each hour of operator time. Other new features