

—insect report—

INSECTS OF ORNAMENTALS

PIT SCALE

(*Cerococcus Kalmiae*)

VIRGINIA: Overwintering eggs under dead females on heavily invested azalea in Norfolk. Collected February 15. This is second record of species in this State.

AN ERIOPHYID MITE

(*Trisetacus juniperinus*)

VIRGINIA: Severely infested Japanese garden juniper, *Juniperus procumbens*, in Falls Church, Fairfax County. Collected January 18, 1973. This is a new State record.

LONGTAILED MEALYBUG

(*Pseudococcus longispinus*)

FLORIDA: Nymphs and adults severely infested 24 to 40 sago palms, *Cycas revoluta*, around public buildings at Tampa, Hillsborough County.

GREEN PEACH APHID

(*Myzus persicae*)

ARIZONA: Abundant on weeds, ornamentals, and bedding plants in all areas of Salt River Valley, Maricopa County.

TREE INSECTS

SPRING CANKERWORM

(*Paleacrita vernata*)

KANSAS: Expected to be serious problem in 1973 on some elms, hackberries, and certain other trees in some eastern area cities during spring. Significant moth activity in Manhattan, Riley County, noted at lights and on trunks of elms and hackberries night of March 1. Males ranged 0-30 per tree on lower portions of trunks. High count of 4 females per trunk also noted. Examinations of fresh sticky bands on some elms in Topeka, Shawnee County, March 2 revealed significant moth activity. Up to 150 males and 30 females found in sticky bands on some larger elms.

MOUNTAIN PINE BEETLE

(*Dendroctonus ponderosae*)

CALIFORNIA: Epidemic infestations killed hundreds of lodgepole pines on south end of Lake Tahoe. About 150 acres of private land involved.

BENEFICIAL INSECTS

PENTATOMID

(*Euthyrhynchus floridanus*)

MISSOURI: This predaceous species collected on oak at Portageville, New Madrid County, September 28, 1972. This is a new State record.

ICHNEUMON WASP

(*Bathyplectes curculionis*)

MISSOURI: This parasite of "*Hypera postica*" (alfalfa weevil) recovered from alfalfa field in Ray County February 6, 1973. This is a new county record.

EDITORIAL (from page 6)

"... More and more we learn that the world is not waiting to hear from us but that if we speak to our conviction loud and hard and often our legitimate points will be heard and will have impact..." Waiting for government standards will be a compromise that in the end will lead to discontent.

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