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TURF INSECTS

SOUTHERN FIRE ANT

(*Solenopsis xyloni*)

TEXAS: Numerous mounds of this ant and *S. geminata* (fire ant) noted on home lawns in Pearsall, Frio County, and in College Station, Brazos County.

GRASS WEBWORM

(*Herpetogramma phaeopteralis*)

FLORIDA: Heavy on turf grasses, mainly Bermuda grass, in south area; population 85 percent *H. phaeopteralis* and 15 percent *Crambus* sp. Severely damaged 50 percent of half-acre Argentine Bahia grass lawn at Leesburg, Lake County. Damaged mixed lawn grass at Orlo Vista, Orange County. Heavy on 750-1000 square feet of St. Augustine grass in yard, and damaging mixed grass lawn (including St. Augustine grass) at Gainesville, Alachua County.

SOUTHERN CINCH BUG

(*Blissus insularis*)

CALIFORNIA: Nymphs and adults in St. Augustine grass lawn at Bakersfield, Kern County. This is a new county record.

RHODESGRASS SCALE

(*Anotonina graminis*)

CALIFORNIA: Adults on St. Augustine grass at San Clemente, Orange County, a new location.

BERMUDAGRASS MITE

(*Eriophyes cynodoniensis*)

FLORIDA: Still heavy in Bermuda grass golf course at Sarasota, Sarasota County; Naples, Collier County; Ft. Lauderdale, Broward County; and Miami, Dade County.

SOFT SCALE

(*Toumeyella pini*)

MISSISSIPPI: Collected from slash pine in Greene County during late September. This is a new county record.

BENEFICIAL INSECTS

FLEA BEETLE

(*Longitarsus jacobaeae*)

OREGON: Appears established at test site in Marion County from population of 500 beetles released last November. Adult feeding damage on tansy ragwort leaves moderate in 64 square-foot caged area. About 10 adults noted, indicates substantial number have completed one generation. Additional 500 beetles released into a cage near 172 release site.

BRACONID WASP

(*Chorebus rondanii*)

MASSACHUSETTS: Reared from puparia of *Ophiomyia simplex* (asparagus miner) collected at South Deerfield, Franklin County. This is a new United States record. Introduction of *C. rondanii* into U. S. was probably accidental.

TREE INSECTS

ELM LEAF BEETLE

(*Pyrrhalta luteola*)

WASHINGTON: First adult emergence noted March in Wenatchee, Chelan County.

FALL CANKERWORM

(*Alsophila pomataria*)

WEST VIRGINIA: Caused about 1,900 acres of moderate to heavy defoliation in Dolly Sods area of Grant County during 1972. Egg sampling survey based on Fall Cankerworm Sequential Plan conducted during February showed about 2,000 acres will be heavily defoliated in 1973. Defoliation predicted to be concentrated in north-south direction along eastern front of Dolly Sods area.