A Review of the Auchenorhynchous Homoptera of Puerto Rico¹

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INTRODUCTION

A taxonomic revision of the auchenorhynchous Homoptera of Puerto Rico has been needed for a long time. This is more clearly evident if an attempt is made to identify specimens by means of the scanty literature available on the subject which proves to be very deficient and largely obsolete for the purpose. Many of the new records gathered during the past two decades are found scattered in nontaxonomic publications of very limited value from the standpoint of the taxonomy of this important group of insects. More intensive collecting and search, especially in the interior of the

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This publication is Part III, covering the Kinnaridae, the Cercopidae, the Membracidae, and the Cicadidae, of material published in 1950 by John S. Caldwell and Luis F. Martorell on the Cicadellidae and the Fulgoroidea, except the Kinnaridae.

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Island, have disclosed a rather large number of new or little-known forms which require further study and description. Finally, the discovery of the importance of some species as vectors of plant diseases and the fact that they are very poorly known taxonomically, more than justify a complete review of the Puerto Rican Auchenorhyncha.

In 1950, while working on a survey of the insects associated with the transmission of the "bunchy-top" disease of papaya, Caldwell and Martorell initiated such a revision. These authors are responsible for the sections dealing with the Cicadellidae, Part I, and the Fulgoroidea exclusive of the Kinnaridae, Part II, (12, 13). The present Paper, which comprises the remaining families, namely the Kinnaridae, Cercopidae, Membracidae, and Cicadidae, is a continuation of their work and completes the revision of the entire auchenorhynchous fauna of the Island. As in both of the previous works, Mona Island, although politically a subdivision of Puerto Rico, is excluded from this study because its fauna show closer affinity to that of Hispaniola.

Finally, the author wishes to state that he does not claim this revision of the Kinnaridae, Cercopidae, Membracidae, and Cicadidae of Puerto Rico to be exhaustive. He feels sure that many more forms remain yet to be discovered as the most interesting species of these insects are extremely rare and rather difficult to collect.

SYSTEMATIC ACCOUNT

SUBORDER AUCHENORHYNCHA

This suborder comprises a vast section of the Homoptera. Many are common and familiar insects such as the planthoppers, leafhoppers, treehoppers, froghoppers, and cicadas. They are characterized chiefly by the possession of a free, three-segmented labium which arises from the posterior ventral margin of the head and extends backward between the coxae. The head is variously modified; the antennae are short, usually bristlelike; the eyes are generally prominent and the number of ocelli may be three, two, or none. The pronotum and mesonotum are usually conspicuous but the metanotum is greatly reduced. There are typically two pairs of wings. The forewings or tegmina are quite characteristic in the various families and other minor groups which mostly exhibit peculiar tegminal venation. The hindwings are usually greatly reduced with the venation much simplified. The legs have three tarsal segments. The abdomen is typically conical in shape, tapering caudad. The female genitalia are complete or incomplete, with a swollen pygofer and usually sawlike ovipositors for inserting eggs in the stems of plants; the tenth segment is distinct, cylindric, and the eleventh segment is small. In the male genitalia the pygofer is more or less cylindric or swollen, sometimes produced posteroventrally into a pair of

subgenital plates; the tenth or anal segment is reduced but distinct and usually cylindric, sometimes produced ventrad as an anal spine or spines; the eleventh segment or anal style is greatly reduced.

This work deals only with the families Kinnaridae, Cercopidae, Membracidae, and Cicadidae of the Island. The first family is one of the smallest in the suborder and is distributed mostly in the tropics of the Oriental Region and of the New World, especially in the Caribbean Region. The last three families are of cosmopolitan distribution. They are very familiar insects known respectively as treehoppers, froghoppers, and cicadas.

All the primary types of the new species described in this paper are deposited in the collection of the Department of Entomology of the North Carolina State College of Agriculture and Engineering. Paratypes are deposited in the U. S. National Museum and in the author's collection.

KEY TO PUERTO RICAN FAMILIES OF AUCHENORHYNCHOUS HOMOPTERA

1.	Large forms, over 15 mm. in length; three ocelli, forming a small
-	triangle on vertex; males with tympana
1.	Smaller, usually much less than 15 mm. in length; at most two ocelli
	on vertex; males without tympana
2.	Pronotum greatly developed, usually extending over abdomen
	MEMBRACIDAE
	Pronotum not greatly developed, not extended over abdomen3
	Base of antennae on sides of head below eyes5
3.	Base of antennae on face in front of or between eyes4
4.	Hind tibiae with a double row of setaeCICADELLIDAE
4.	Hind tibiae with several lateral spines and a circlet of spines at apex
	CERCOPIDAE
5 .	Second metatarsal segment not very small, apex more or less truncate
	with a row of small spines; tegmina without a costal area or with a
	small one without cross veins6
5 .	Second metatarsal segment very small, apex rounded or acute, without
	a row of spines or with only one spine at either side; tegmina with costal
	area present or absent, with or without cross veins
6.	Sixth, seventh and eighth abdominal tergites bearing wax-secreting
	poresKINNARIDAE
6.	Sixth, seventh and eighth abdominal tergites not bearing wax-secret-
	ing pores
7.	Hind tibiae with a movable spur or calcar at apexARAEOPIDAE
	Hind tibiae without a movable spur or calcar at apex8
	Fragile, delicate forms; apical segment of labium very short, about
	as broad as longDERBIDAE
8.	Robust forms; apical segment of labium distinctly longer than broad. 9
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9. Greatly flattened forms; tegmina usually overlapping apically; claval
vein reaching apex of clavus
9. Not greatly flattened; claval vein entering commissure before apex of
clavus
a transverse line or grooveTROPIDUCHIDAE
10. Tegmina coriaceous, opaque; mesonotum without a transverse line
posteriorly11
11. Clavus distinctly granulate; costal area with many cross veins
FLATIDAE
11. Clavus not granulate; costal area, if present, without cross veins12
12. Tegmina large and broad, steeply tectiform; hind tibiae without pre-
apical spurs; male genitalia bilaterally symmetrical ACANALONIIDAE
12. Tegmina often greatly reduced; hind tibiae with preapical spurs; male
genitalia asymmetrical
FAMILY KINNARIDAE
The members of this family are small fulgorids which superficially re-
semble the Cixiidae and Meenoplidae in general appearance. They differ
in having the male genitalia of an entirely different type with the aedeagus
bearing an outer periandrium, in the ovipositors being reduced and incomplete, and in the absence of granulation in the claval area and elsewhere on
the tegmina. The females generally bear wax-secreting pores on the sixth,
seventh, and eighth abdominal tergites.
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KEY TO THE GENERA AND SPECIES OF PUERTO RICAN KINNARIDAE
1. Vein $M_3 + M_4$ of tegmina simple to apex, not forked
Oreopenes luteifacies sp. n.
1. Vein $M_3 + M_4$ of tegmina forked before apex
2. Aedeagus with two awl-like apical processes abruptly turned upward;
lateral processes of anal segment very long and attenuated
ment not very long nor attenuated
3. Tegmina with a broad brown band from middle of costa to commissural
margin; aedeagus with only one lateral spine at base
Quilessa fasciata Fennah
3. Tegmina infuscated on basal half to nodal line; aedeagus with two
lateral spines at base
4. General color piceous
4. General color tawny or orange, not piceous

5.	Male pygofer constricted at sides near middle; general color tawny
	Q. collaris sp. n.
5 .	Male pygofer not constricted at sides near middle; general color
6.	orange
	tubular, with three spearlike dorsal processesQ. wirshingi sp. n.
6.	Anal segment without a process on anterior lateral angles; aedeagus
	curved, membranous, with a ventral slit and without lanceolate dorsal
	processes
7 .	Aedeagus simple, without spinelike processes; pygofer erect in profile
	Q. nahiba sp. n.
7.	Aedeagus with prominent spinelike processes; pygofer oblique in pro-
	file8
8.	Tegmina transparent9
	Tegmina strongly opaque in part at least
9.	Male pygofer with sides very strongly constricted at middle; lateral
	processes of anal segment long and slender; aedeagus with a large
	lanceolate process at each sideQ. pellucidoides sp. n.
9.	Male pygofer with sides moderately constricted at middle; lateral proc-
	esses of anal segment short; aedeagus with a spinous process arising
٠	from the left sideQ. pellucida Fennah
10.	Genital plate of female with a lobe on the hind margin, strongly ele-
	vated on the disc in line with this lobe
10.	Genital plate of female without such a lobe
	Costal cell of tegmina completely opaqueQ. funebris Fennah
	Costal cell of tegmina in part at least transparentQ. atrata sp. n.
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Ore	openes gen. n.

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This genus resembles Quilessa Fennah and Eparmenoides Fennah. It differs from the former chiefly in having vein M₃ + M₄ of the tegmina simple to apex instead of forked, and from the latter principally in the different proportions of the frons and also in the details of the tegmina and wings. The general pattern of the male genitalia is also completely different from that exhibited by these genera.

Vertex about as long as wide; sides slightly widening to base; median and lateral carinae moderately defined. Frons longer than wide: median and lateral carinae prominent. Clypeus longer than wide; lateral and median carinae conspicuous and continuous with corresponding carinae of frons. Pronotum about as long as vertex; anterior margin shallowly sinuate behind eyes, distinctly carinate between eyes and tegulae; posterior margin moderately and rather angularly excavated; disc gradually raised from inner ends of lateral margins, with a conspicuous depression at each side

of prominent median carina; lateral carinae almost obsolete. Mesonotum much longer than pronotum; disc moderately convex, tricarinate, all three carinae prominent and nearly parallel. Scutellum depressed; tip acute. Tegmina with sides widening from base, then symmetrically rounded at apex; costal cell broad; common stalk of Sc + R + M about half as long as basal cell; claval suture joined to commissural margin well beyond middle of tegmen; vein $M_3 + M_4$ simple to apex; six apical cells; two anteapical cells. Wings with fourth apical cell bearing a long common stalk.

Anal segment of male short, lateral processes greatly enlarged, incurved distally; aedeagus tubular, enlarged apically, with a dorsal process, genital styles reduced in size, with a prominent anteapical process on dorsal margin.

Genotype: Oreopenes luteifacies sp. n.

Oreopenes luteifacies sp. n. (fig. 1, A to H).

A medium-sized species, the head and the thorax fusco-piceous with a metallic green lustre, a conspicuous yellow band at the base of the vertex, another along the entire posterior and lateral borders of the pronotum and a third one along the scutellar margin of the clavus.

Vertex with apex gently arcuate. Frons about one and one-half times as long as wide; base about half as wide as widest part; sides diverging from base, then converging to apex. Clypeus nearly as wide as frons, together with frons slightly convex in profile. Mesonotum strongly convex; apical portion declivous toward sunken scutellum.

Pygofer of male with anterolateral borders broadly lobate at middle, posterolateral borders very irregular, with a long process ventrad of middle longitudinal axis; genital plate longer than broad, lateral margins nearly straight anteriorly but diverging near posterior margin, anterior margin arched, posterior one with a deep broad median emargination; genital styles short and small in proportion to pygofer and anal segment, a large preapical process on dorsal margin bearing a posterior and an anterior short projection, apex with a short blunt extension slightly curved dorsally; aedeagus membranous with a sclerotized rodlike dorsal process ending in an upturned hook; anal segment with lateral processes gradually incurved, an anteapical lobe on dorsal margin, apex forked.

Pregenital plate of female roughly hexagonal, broader than long, convex; valvulae short and broad, with a rounded apex.

Vertex brownish black, a pale yellow band at base which extends along lateral and median carinae for a short distance; from with basal third brownish black and apical two-thirds ochraceous orange; clypeus and labium pale buff, eyes rufous; first joint of antennae light brown with outer margin paler, second joint dark brown. Pronotum fusco-piceous with

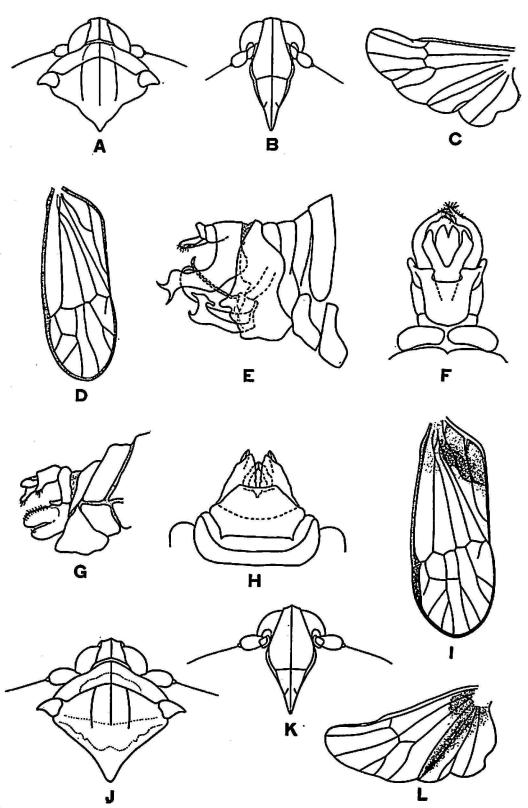


Fig. 1.—A, Oreopenes luteifacies sp. n., dorsal view of head and thorax. B, O. luteifacies sp. n., frontal view of head. C, O. luteifacies sp. n., wing. D, O. luteifacies sp. n., tegmen. E, O. luteifacies sp. n., lateral view of male genitalia. F, O. luteifacies sp. n., ventral view of male genitalia. G, O. luteifacies sp. n., lateral view of female genitalia. H, O. luteifacies sp. n., ventral view of female genitalia. I, Quilessa collaris sp. n., tegmen. J, Q. collaris sp. n., dorsal view of head and thorax. K, Q. collaris sp. n., frontal view of head. L, Q. collaris sp. n., wing.

a greenish tinge and a broad light yellow band along entire hind and lateral borders. Mesonotum and scutellum fusco-piceous with a strong greenish lustre, outer margins stramineous. Tegmina hyaline, basal fourth very weakly infuscated; veins light brown. Wings transparent; veins light brown. Legs ochraceous, coxae brown. Abdomen brown, membrane brownish yellow; genital styles light brown, apices lighter, anal segment whitish.

Length of male to tip of abdomen: 2.50 mm.; tegmen: 2.10 mm.

Length of female to tip of abdomen: 2.85 mm.; tegmen: 2.30 mm.

Holotype &: Maricao State Forest, P. R.; 5 November 1952; on "Capá Blanco", Petitia domingensis Jacq.; J. A. Ramos.

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R.; 29 July 1953; at light; J. A. Ramos; 35 Q Q: same data as types;

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J. A. Ramos.

Quilessa Fennah

1942. Quilessa Fennah, Proc. Ent. Soc. Wash. 44: 103-4.

This is the largest genus of the Kinnaridae in the West Indies. It was originally described from the Lesser Antilles where several species are known from those islands. The genus is easily separated from other similar genera by the possession of a single carina on the disc of the pronotum and by the tegminal venation which is very characteristic.

The following description of the genus is quoted from Fennah 1942: 103-104:

Head, with eyes, scarcely two-thirds width of pronotum. Vertex longer than wide, expanding to base, which is shallowly, and usually angularly, excavated; median and lateral carinae well developed, curving uninterruptedly on to the frons; no transverse carina. From longer than its widest part, base about half as wide as apex, sides expanding nearly to six-sevenths from base, then subangularly converging to apex, lateral and median carinae distinct. Clypeus at base three-quarters as wide as widest part of frons tapering acutely to apex, median and lateral carinae present; clypeus and apical half of frons somewhat convex, basal part of frons sloping smoothly posteriorly into vertex. No median ocellus; genae somewhat tumid below antennae; no subantennal process; antennae with basal segment very short, second segment slightly longer than broad; eyes widely emarginate ventrally. Pronotum as long as vertex, anterior margin shallowly excavated behind eyes; posterior border shallowly emarginate, curving anteriorly at sides; median carina distinct, lateral carinae of of disc obsolete; a strong carina at each lateral margin between eye and tegula. Mesonotum feebly convex, the three carinae distinctly elevated, apical region strongly concave, tip of scutellum acute. Hind tibiae unarmed. Anal segment of male bifid, often asymmetrically; aedeagus with a ventral keel, often containing a complex sclerotized rod, and often with a process overhanging dorsally. Pygofer with a lateral process. Ovipositor incomplete. Egg bluntly ovoid.

Genotype: Quilessa lutea Fennah (1942: 103-4), described from St. Lucia. B. W. I.

Quilessa collaris sp. n. (figs. 1, I to L, and 2, A to D).

A medium to large species. General color tawny; the scutellum, lateral margins of the mesonotum, a lunate band on the hind border of the pronotum and the inner border of the clavus conspicuously marked with brownish yellow.

Vertex abruptly widening to base; apex angulate. From about one and a half times as long as wide; sides widening from base, then converging to apex which is nearly straight. Clypeus at base narrower than from, nearly straight in profile. Second joint of antennae very large, slightly surpassing outer angles of pronotum.

Male pygofer narrow in lateral view, anterior and posterior lateral margins smoothly sinuate; genital plate broader than long, anterior margin rounded to sides, posterior margin slightly arched; genital styles larger than anal segment, dorsal and ventral borders sinuate, apex strongly widened and abruptly upturned into a process which extends into an inward and an outward spinelike projections separated by a short lobe; aedeagus keel-shaped, with a membranous covering which projects apically into two long, acute spines and with a ribbonlike obtuse strip dorsally; penis terminating in two long, hooked, asymmetrical, heavily chitinized spines; anal segment short and small, lateral processes narrow, obtuse and incurved, somewhat asymmetrical.

Pregenital plate of female roughly trapezoidal in outline, strongly gibbous on anterior half; valvulae long and narrow, much longer than anal segment, strongly acuminate in ventral aspect.

Vertex tawny with an irregular brown patch on disc where carinae are almost black for a distance which extends into basal third of face; frons and clypeus light tawny, somewhat infuscated at base; eyes brownish black with a narrow rufous rim along margins; first joint of antennae very pale yellow, second joint contrastingly piceous; ocelli red. Pronotum tawny, somewhat infuscated behind eyes, central portion of hind margin forming a broad lunate band of yellow. Mesonotum fuscous on basal two-thirds, gradually fading out to tawny on prescutellar region; outer margins and scutellum yellow; tegulae tawny. Mesopleura dark brown. Tegmina hyaline, infuscated at base, veins light brown, darker in clavus, inner claval margins conspicuously yellow. Wings transparent, basal portion smoky; veins light brown. Legs pale yellow. Abdomen brown, somewhat darker above.

Length of male to tip of abdomen: 2.81 mm.; tegmen: 2.40 mm. Length of female to tip of abdomen: 2.96 mm.; tegmen: 2.57 mm. Holotype ♂: San Germán, P. R.; 22 May 1923; G. N. Wolcott.

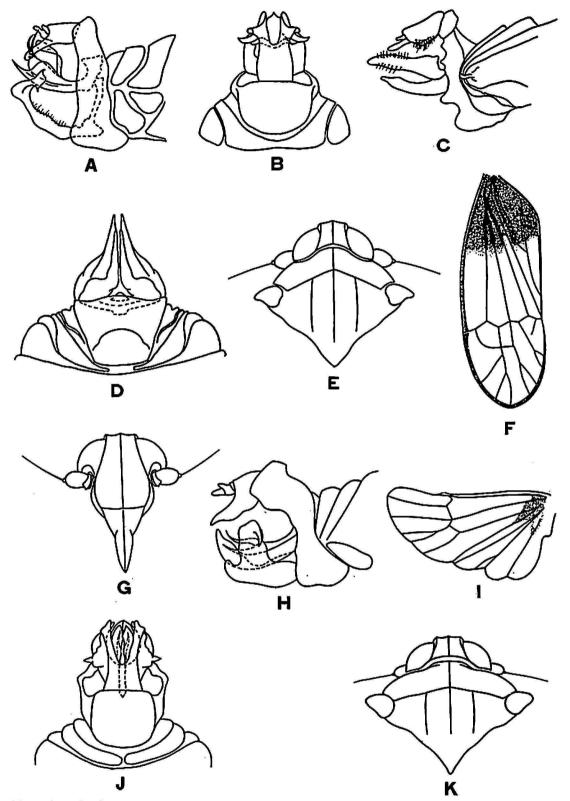


Fig. 2.—A, Quilessa collaris sp. n., lateral view of male genitalia. B, Q. collaris sp. n., ventral view of male genitalia. C, Q. collaris sp. n., lateral view of female genitalia. D, Q. collaris sp. n., ventral view of female genitalia. E, Q. pellucida Fennah, dorsal view of head and thorax. F, Q. pellucida Fennah, tegmen. G, Q. pellucida Fennah, frontal view of head. H, Q. pellucida Fennah, lateral view of male genitalia. I, Q. pellucida Fennah, wing. J, Q. pellucida Fennah, ventral view of male genitalia. K, Q. pellucidoides sp. n., dorsal view of head and thorax.

Attotype 9: Maricao State Forest, P. R.; 5 November 1952; J. A. Ramos; 1 7: same locality; 27 November 1952; J. A. Ramos.

The peculiar coloration of this species, specially the yellowish collar on the thorax, makes it impossible to be confused with any of the other kinnarids known from the island.

Quilessa pellucida Fennah (fig. 2, E to J).

1945. Quilessa pellucida Fennah, Psyche, 52: 126-7.

A pitch-black species of medium size with the basal fourth of the tegmina infuscated, especially on the claval portion which is almost black.

Vertex with apex broadly angled. From about one and one-half times as long as wide; sides widening from base, then arching in to nearly straight apex; median carina very prominent. Clypeus at base about one and one half times as wide as from at base, nearly straight in profile.

Male pygofer oblique in profile, narrower at middle, anterior lateral margin evenly sinuate, posterior one more irregularly so; genital plate roughly quadrangular, anterior and lateral margins slightly arched, posterior margin straight; genital styles more prominent than anal segment, with a narrow, upcurved apical lobe and a large preapical process on dorsal side which extends into an acute projection directed both downward and outward; aedeagus scooplike, ending in an obtuse point, membranous, divided by a ventral slit into two portions, ventral margin curved in profile, penis with an apical strongly chitinized spine and a second similar one arising about one-third from apex on left side, both spines slightly curved dorsally; anal segment with broad lateral processes that gradually extend distally and taper to a blunt point.

General color piceous; eyes with a broad brownish red area around margins; ocelli with a glassy reflection; atennae dark brown. Tegmina hyaline, infuscated on basal fourth, much stronger on claval portion; veins testaceous. Wings transparent, slightly suffused with smoky brown near base; veins brownish.

Length of male to tip of abdomen: 2.54 mm.; tegmen: 2.04 mm.

This species was described originally from a single male collected at Maricao State Forest, P. R. There are seven specimens in the present collection, all males, collected at the same locality on different dates. These specimens have been designated as plesiotypes. Q. pellucida Fennah can be readily distinguished from other species of the genus by the coloration of the tegmina.

Quilessa pellucidoides sp. n. (figs. 2, K, and 3, A to E).

A medium-sized piceous species having the basal fourth of the tegmina suffused with reddish brown.

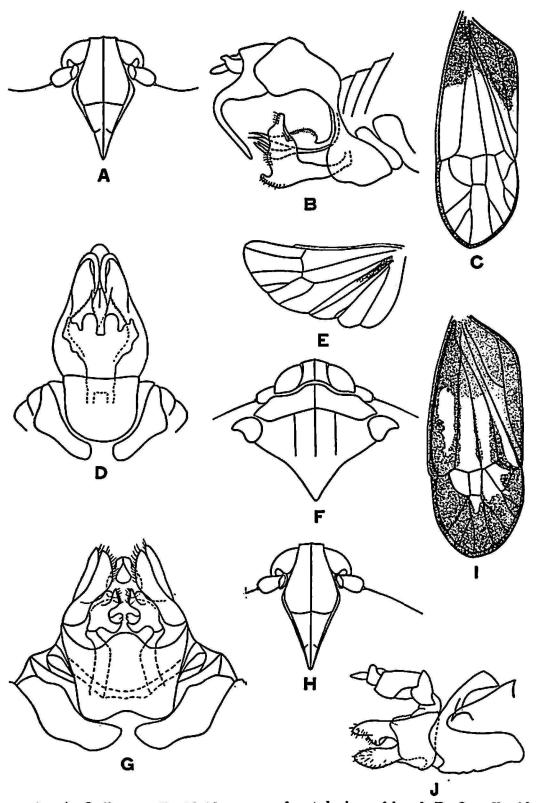


FIG. 3.—A, Quilessa pellucidoides sp. n., frontal view of head. B, Q. pellucidoides sp. n., lateral view of male genitalia. C, Q. pellucidoides sp. n., tegmen. D, Q. pellucidoides sp. n., ventral view of male genitalia. E, Q. pellucidoides sp. n., wing. F, Q. tristis Fennah, dorsal view of head and thorax. G, Q. tristis Fennah, ventral view of female genitalia. H, Q. tristis Fennah, frontal view of head. I, Q. tristis Fennah, tegmen. J, Q. tristis Fennah, lateral view of female genitalia.

Vertex with base slightly arched; sides moderately widening to base; apex angulate at middle; median and lateral carinae very prominent. Frons longer than its greatest width; sides diverging from base, then slightly incurving to nearly straight apex; median carina strong, especially on disc. Clypeus broader than long; disc elevated; lateral carinae prominent. Pronotum with anterior margin ecarinate and slightly produced forward behind vertex; sinuate and strongly carinate behind eyes, carinae becoming submarginal behind posterior lateral angles of vertex; disc conspicuously sunken at sides; hind margin very shallowly emarginate. Mesonotum strongly declivous on basal half, sunken mesally from tegulae.

Male pygofer, in profile, rather oblique and very strongly constricted at middle, anterior lateral margin with a broad sinus near middle, posterior one with a deep, large sinus behind constriction; genital plate, in ventral aspect, small, front margin strongly arched, lateral margins nearly straight, hind margin very shallowly emarginate; genital styles somewhat reduced in size, with a short, broad lobe at apex and a comparatively large preapical dorsal process bearing a short, narrow attenuation on anterior border; aedeagus with a narrow, membranous, apically slit, ventral process and two large, asymmetrical, heavily chitinized, lanceolate lateral processes ending in a stinglike spine and bearing numerous short teeth along external margins; anal segment large, lateral processes long, slender, acuminate, sharply bent downward, tips almost touching apical lobes of genital styles.

General color piceous; vertex fuscous at base, especially on basal half of lateral carinae; eyes fusco-rufous; antennae fuscous. Tegmina milky hyaline, basal fourth shaded with reddish brown; veins dark brown, paler distally. Wings milky hyaline, iridescent, slightly infuscated at base; veins light yellowish brown. Legs fuscous. Abdomen nigrescent, first tergite with red streaks on anterior margin, membrane blood red.

Length of male to tip of abdomen: 2.60 mm.; tegmen: 2.12 mm.

Holotype &: Maricao State Forest, P. R.: 22 November 1952; J. A. Ramos.

Paratypes: 1 &: Maricao State Forest, P. R.; 13 November 1947; J. S. Caldwell and L. F. Martorell; 2 & &: same locality; 5 November 1952; J. A. Ramos; 3 & &: same locality; 27 November 1952; J. A. Ramos; 1 &: same locality: 29 July 1953; J. A. Ramos.

Q. pellucidoides sp. n. exhibits a striking superficial resemblance to Q. pellucida Fennah. It can be easily separated from this species by the prominent lateral constriction in the male pygofer, the longer lateral processes of the male anal segment, and by the completely different structure of the aedeagus.

Quilessa tristis Fennah (fig. 3, F to J).

1945. Quilessa tristis Fennah, Psyche 52: 125.

This is a medium size, piceous species with the tegmina contrastingly marked with black.

Vertex with apex nearly arcuate. Frons a little longer than broad; sides diverging from base, then gradually curving to apex which is much narrower; median carina conspicuously elevated on disc. Clypeus about half as long as frons; base narrower than frons. Pronotum with anterior margin slightly produced behind vertex and slightly sinuate behind eyes; posterior margin shallowly emarginate; disc with a sunken spot at each side of median carina.

Pregenital plate of female broader than long, basal margin sinuate, lateral margins divergent posteriorly, hind margin with a prominent round lobe at middle, disc elevated in line with lobe of hind margin; valvulae broad, obtusely rounded apically, dorsal one with a conspicuous lobe on middle of ventral side.

General color pitch black; lateral carinae of vertex, frons and clypeus brownish black; labium yellowish brown; eyes dark brown with narrow rufous margins; antennae brown. Tegmina strongly shaded with dark brown, especially on basal third, clavus and apical cells, apical half of corium and region of anteapical cells largely transparent, veins dark brown. Wings hyaline, somewhat suffused with light smoky brown; veins dark brown. Front legs testaceous, middle and hind pairs fuscous, abdomen, nigrescent brown, membrane blood red.

Length of female to tip of abdomen: 2.82 mm.; tegmen: 2.53 mm.

This species was originally described by Fennah (1945:125) from a single female taken at Maricao State Forest, P. R. The present collection includes nine specimens, all females, taken at the same locality, 22 and 27 November 1952 and 29 July 1953 (at light); J. A. Ramos. These specimens have been designated as plesiotypes.

The prominent lobe in the posterior margin of the female genital plate with the corresponding raised area of the disc will sufficiently serve to separate this species from its closely related forms, namely Q. atrata sp. n. and Q. funebris Fennah. The male of this species is not known.

Quilessa atrata, sp. n. (fig. 4, A to G, and also I).

This is another medium-sized species of a pitch-black color with the tegmina marked with black.

Vertex with sides very shallowly sinuate near middle; apex feebly angulate. Frons a little longer than wide; sides diverging from base; apex shallowly emarginate. Base of clypeus narrower than frons. Posterior margin

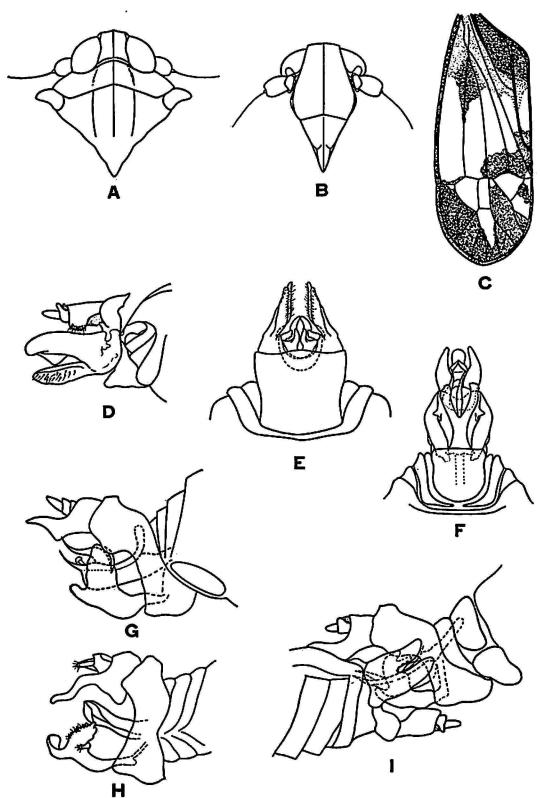


FIG. 4.—A, Quilessa atrata sp. n., dorsal view of head and thorax. B, Q. atrata sp. n., frontal view of head. C, Q. atrata sp. n., tegmen. D, Q. atrata sp. n., lateral view of female genitalia. E, Q. atrata sp. n., ventral view of female genitalia. F, Q. atrata sp. n., ventral view of male genitalia. G, Q. atrata sp. n., lateral view of male genitalia. H, Q. nahiba sp. n., lateral view of male genitalia. I, Q. atrata sp. n., copulation, lateral view.

of pronotum angularly emarginate. Mesonotum moderately flat on disc; sides sloping down; scutellum flat.

Male pygofer oblique in profile, anterior lateral margins moderately sinuate, posterior ones with a wide lobe on upper half directed ventrally; genital plate about as wide as long, anterior margin strongly arched, lateral margins feebly sinuous, posterior margin nearly straight; genital style scooplike, with a fairly wide, rounded apical lobe and a large anteapical dorsal process bearing a membranous prolongation directed outward and downward; aedeagus broad, ventral margin almost straight, abruptly turned upward at apex, dorsal margin somewhat sinuate, ending into an acute, slightly upturned apical spine, left side with a heavily chitinized upcurved spine near middle and a short membranous posterior process; anal segment with lateral processes short and broadened distally.

Genital plate of female large, roughly quadrangular in ventral outline, about as broad as long, convex, lateral margins shallowly sinuate, posterior margin with a short broad lobule at central portion; valvulae proportionately very large and broad, apices broadly rounded.

General color piceous; genae dark brown; ocelli shining, light reddish; eyes light brown, broadly margined with rufous; antennae dark brown. Tegmina shaded with dark brown on basal two-fifths of corium, with black on basal half and apical region of clavus, apical region of corium from vein M to tip of clavus, and on membrane except anteapical cells, basal two-thirds of middle apical cell and inner cell, which is marked on central portion only; veins dark brown. Wings milky hyaline, shaded with dark brown near articulation, where there is also a tiny reddish spot; veins dark brown. Legs yellowish, suffused with dark brown. Abdomen velvety brownish black; membrane reddish; a dark spot of reddish orange at each side on anterior margin of first abdominal tergite. Female terminalia orange yellow.

Length of male to tip of abdomen: 2.66 mm.; tegmen: 2.24 mm.

Length of female to tip of abdomen: 2.85 mm.; tegmen 2.26 mm. Holotype & Maricao State Forest, P. R.; 14 September 1952; J. A. Ramos.

Allotype 9:1 9: Alto de la Bandera, P. R.; 25 September 1947; J. S. Caldwell and L. F. Martorell; 1 9: Maricao State Forest, P. R.; 14 September 1952; J. A. Ramos; 1 9: same locality; 5 November 1952; J. A. Ramos; 2 9 9: same locality; 27 November 1952: J. A. Ramos.

This species might be confused with *Q. tristis* Fennah or with *Q. funebris* Fennah because of the similar superficial resemblance of these three forms. Differences in the shape and proportions of the female genital plate, as well as the details in the coloration of the tegmina, will readily separate these closely related species.

Quilessa funebris Fennah.

1945. Quilessa funebris Fennah, Psyche 52: 127-8.

This is another piceous species with the tegmina almost completely marked with smoky brown.

Genital plate of female subquadrate, twice as broad as long, anterior margin straight, lateral margins in ventral view parallel, posterior margin rather strongly arched; third valvulae fairly broad, dorsal and ventral margins almost parallel, apical margin very oblique; first valvulae about two and one-half times as long as broad, bluntly rounded apically, dorsal and ventral margins weakly arched.

General color piceous; rostrum and legs, except pro- and mesocoxae, testaceous, slightly suffused with fuseous. Tegmina smoky brown, a hyaline spot in middle of corium, between M and Cu₁ extending slightly beyond M towards R, a smaller hyaline spot at base of longest apical cell (M₂), a pale line just distad of nodal line; first subapical and inner margin of posterior subapical cell amost hyaline; veins fuscous. Wings hyaline, very slightly tinged with fuscous; veins fuscous. Membrane of abdomen red.

Length of female to tip of abdomen: 1.70 mm.; tegmen: 2.10 mm.

The above description was prepared from the original one. The species was described and is known only from a single female specimen collected at El Yunque, P. R.; May 1938; by P. J. Darlington.

The tegminal coloration and shape of the female genital plate and of the valvulae will serve to separate immediately this species from Q. tristis Fennah and Q. atrata sp. n. to which it is very closely related.

Quilessa nahiba sp. n. (figs. 4, H, and 5, A to E, and also K).

A large piceous species with clear tegmina.

Vertex with median and lateral carinae very strongly elevated; apex angulate. Frons conspicuously longer than wide; median carina very strongly elevated. Clypeus nearly as wide as long; base nearly as wide as frons; genae swollen. Pronotum strongly carinate on anterior margin; median carina very prominent, much longer than lateral carinae. Mesonotum moderately convex; scutellum much sunken.

Male pygofer, in profile, rather erect, anterior lateral margins angularly sinuate, posterior one with a broad sinus; genital plate, in ventral view, proportionately small, cup-shaped, posterior margin straight; genital styles long and narrow, with an apical scooplike process directed mesally and a large protuberance arising near middle from dorsal margin and bearing an outward attenuation near base on anterior margin; aedeagus simple, short, nearly cylindrical, somewhat expanded distally; anal segment moderately short but broad, lateral processes long, slender and undulate.

Female genital plate large, broader than long, anterior margin slightly

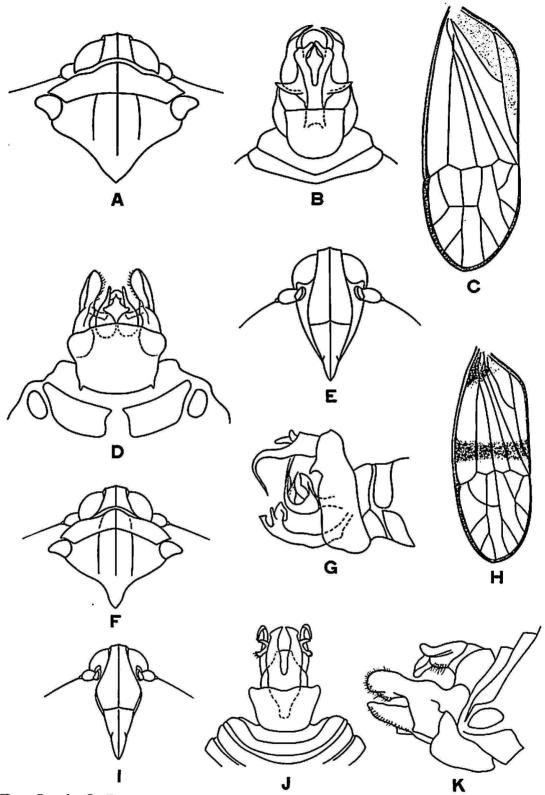


Fig. 5.—A, Quilessa nahiba sp. n., dorsal view of head and thorax. B, Q. nahiba sp. n., ventral view of male genitalia. C, Q. nahiba sp. n., tegmen. D, Q. nahiba sp. n., ventral view of female genitalia. E, Q. nahiba sp. n., frontal view of head. F, Q. fasciata Fennah, dorsal view of head and thorax. G, Q. fasciata Fennah, lateral view of male genitalia. H, Q. fasciata Fennah, tegmen. I, Q. fasciata Fennah, frontal view of head. J, Q. fasciata Fennah, ventral view of male genitalia. K, Q. nahiba sp. n., lateral view of female genitalia.

concave, lateral margins sinuous, posterior margin slightly convex, posterior lateral angles conspicuously swollen; valvulae greatly enlarged, broad and rounded apically.

General color piceous; base and lateral carinae of vertex, lateral carinae of frons, clypeus, and labium fuscous; genae contrastingly brownish yellow; eyes pinkish brown, black on central portion; antennae dark fuscous. Tegmina hyaline, suffused with brownish yellow on upper inner area of clavus; veins dark testaceous. Wings milky hyaline, slightly suffused with fuscous along anal margin; veins dark brown. Legs dark testaceous. Abdomen dark brown; membrane reddish.

Length of male to tip of abdomen: 2.90 mm.; tegmen: 2.44 mm.

Length of female to tip of abdomen: 3.18 mm.; tegmen: 2.66 mm.

Holotype &: Maricao State Forest, P. R.; 27 November 1952; J. A. Ramos.

Allotype 9: Same locality; 22 November 1952; J. A. Ramos.

Paratypes: 1 &: Ponce, P. R.; 10 January 1948; J. Maldonado Capriles; 1 &: Doña Juana Forest, Villalba, P. R.; 3 November 1952; J. A. Ramos: 1 &: El Yunque, P. R.; 4 April 1947; J. A. Ramos; 1 &: Carite Mts., P. R.; 2 October 1947; J. S. Caldwell and L. F. Martorell; 2 & &: Maricao State Forest, P. R.; 1 November 1947; J. A. Ramos; 1 &: Doña Juana Forest, Villalba, P. R.; 3 November 1952; J. A. Ramos.

This species is readily distinguished from the other local forms of the genus by its piceous color, clear tegmina and very simple aedeagus which does not bear any processes at all.

Quilessa fasciata Fennah (figs. 5, F to J, and 6, A and B).

1945. Quilessa fasciata Fennah, Psyche 52: 126.

A small brownish species with a characteristic broad brown band across the middle of the tegmina.

Vertex with apex angulate. From about one and one-half times as long as wide; slightly curved; median and lateral carinae distinct. Clypeus at base narrower than from. Pronotum with anterior border weakly sinuate behind eyes; posterior border deeply emarginate; median carina well defined; lateral carinae obsolescent; a depression between them and median carina.

Male pygofer with anterior lateral margins evenly and smoothly sinuate, posterior ones with a process just above horizontal axis; genital plate roughly cup-shaped in ventral outline, posterior border sinuate; genital styles with a narrow, blunt lobe at apex and an anteapical dorsal process bearing an anterior clavate curved projection, directed downward and outward and an obtuse posterior one pointing dorsad and outward; aedeagus with two large, awl-like terminal spines pointing dorsad, a shorter one at

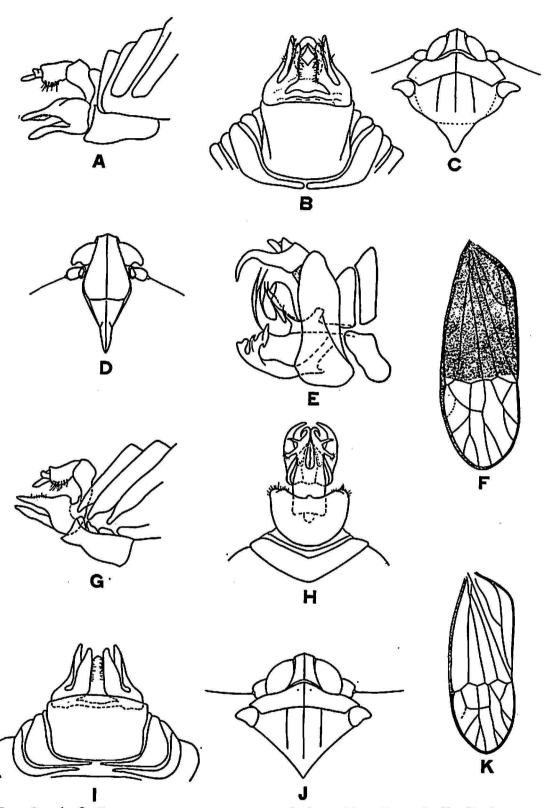


Fig. 6.—A, Quilessa fasciata Fennah, lateral view of female genitalia. B, Q. fasciata Fennah, ventral view of female genitalia. C, Q. heminfuscata sp. n., dorsal view of head and thorax. D, Q. heminfuscata sp. n., frontal view of head. E, Q. heminfuscata sp. n., lateral view of male genitalia. F, Q. heminfuscata sp. n., tegmen. G, Q. heminfuscata sp. n., lateral view of female genitalia. H, Q. heminfuscata sp. n., ventral view of male genitalia. I, Q. heminfuscata sp. n., ventral view of female genitalia. J, Q. oraria sp. n., dorsal view of head and thorax. K, Q. oraria sp. n., tegmen.

sides near anterior end, and a membranous, hooklike dorsal covering; penis ending in two sharp, asymmetrical spines; anal segment proportionately large, lateral processes very long and slender, tapering to a narrow point and acutely arched downward and forward.

Genital plate of female large, roughly square-shaped; valvulae a little shorter than genital plate, narrow, tapering distally.

Vertex testaceous, marked with fuscous between carinae; frons testaceous orange; clypeus and labium stramineous; eyes fuscous, bordered with rufous; antennae fusco-testaceous. Pronotum fuscous; median carina, anterior margins behind eyes, lateral margins and posterior and lateral borders testaceous. Mesonotum fuscous, lateral margins reddish yellow; tip of scutellum pale yellow. Tegulae fuscous, inner margins testaceous. Tegmina testaceous-hyaline, suffused with fuscous near base, with a broad fuscous band across middle from costa to commissural margin; veins yellowish brown, paler on membrane. Wings hyaline, somewhat infuscated on anal area; veins brownish. Pleurites dark brown; legs light yellow. Abdomen fuscous; membrane orange red.

Length of male to tip of abdomen: 2.19 mm.; tegmen: 1.80 mm.

Length of female to tip of abdomen: 2.37 mm.; tegmen: 1.93 mm.

This species was originally described by Fennah (1945:126) from two female specimens collected at Maricao State Forest, P. R. The present collection includes the following specimens:

1 ♂: Mayagüez, P. R.; 6 April 1940: W. E. Lang; 1 ♂: Guánica State Forest, P. R. 20 September 1952; J. A. Ramos; 3 ♀♀: same locality; 11 November 1952; J. A. Ramos.

These specimens have been designated as plesiotypes.

This species is easily recognized by the characteristic brown band across the middle of the tegmina.

Quilessa heminfuscata sp. n. (fig. 6, C to I).

A small dark-brown species with the tegmina conspicuously suffused with reddish brown from base to nodal line.

Vertex with apex angulate; disc deeply sunken between carinae. Frons about one and a half times as long as wide; apical half inflated in profile. Clypeus short, twice as wide as base of frons. Pronotum with anterior margin well excavated behind eyes; central portion moderately produced anteriorly; posterior margin deeply and angularly emarginate. Lateral borders of pronotum behind tegulae flat and sunken.

Male pygofer with anterior and posterior lateral margins shallowly and smoothly sinuate; genital plate broadly semilunar in outline, posterior margin with a short, small lobule on center; genital styles with a complicated terminal structure divided by a deep sinus into a smaller bilobed api-

cal extension and an anteapical dorsal process that ends in a short spine and a broad lobe, both directed upward and outward; aedeagus with two large, awl-shaped terminal spines curved upward, two similar but smaller anterior ones and a membranous, hoodlike dorsal covering; penis ending in two sharp and short spines; anal segment short and broad, lateral processes long and narrow, sharply curving mesally.

Genital plate of female roughly quadrangular in ventral view, one and a half times as broad as long, anterior margin almost straight, lateral margins sinuate, posterior margin slightly arched; valvulae long and tapering to a rounded point.

General color dark reddish brown, somewhat nigrescent on mesonotum. Frons yellowish brown; clypeus and labium pale yellowish brown. Tegmina strongly suffused with reddish brown from base to nodal line, membrane yellowish hyaline; veins and margins dark brown, becoming yellowish brown in membrane. Wings brownish hyaline; veins yellowish brown. Legs pale stramineous. Abdomen dark brown; membrane reddish; genital styles and lateral processes of anal segment whitish.

Length of male to tip of abdomen: 2.37 mm.; tegmen: 1.90 mm.

Length of female to tip of abdomen: 2.44 mm.; tegmen: 1.94 mm.

Holotype 3: Aibonito P. R.; 20 March 1940; W. E. Lang.

Allotype 9: Peñón Collao, Cayey, P. R.; 9 September 1947; J. S. Caldwell and L. F. Martorell.

Paratypes: 1 &: Cayey, P. R.; 11 September 1947; J. S. Caldwell and L. F. Martorell; 1 Q: Same data as allotype.

This species might be readily recognized by the color of the tegmina. It is very closely related to Q. fasciata Fennah, both species having the same general aedeagal pattern.

Quilessa oraria sp. n. (figs. 6, J and K, and 7, A to G).

A small species of a uniform orange-buff color and clear tegmina. The female tegmina have a brown oval spot at the stigma.

Vertex with sides sharply widening to base; median and lateral carinae strongly elevated. Frons longer than wide, inflated in profile. Clypeus and labium together shorter than frons; base about twice as wide as frons at base, somewhat inflated; lateral carinae thin and prominently elevated. Posterior margin of pronotum shallowly emarginate; median carina not prominent; disc with a deep puncture on anterior region at each side of median carina. Mesonotum with disc slightly convex; median and lateral carinae running almost to hind border, especially median one which is longer.

Male pygofer short, posterior lateral border with two strong processes separated by a wide and deep sinus; genital styles with two long, narrow,

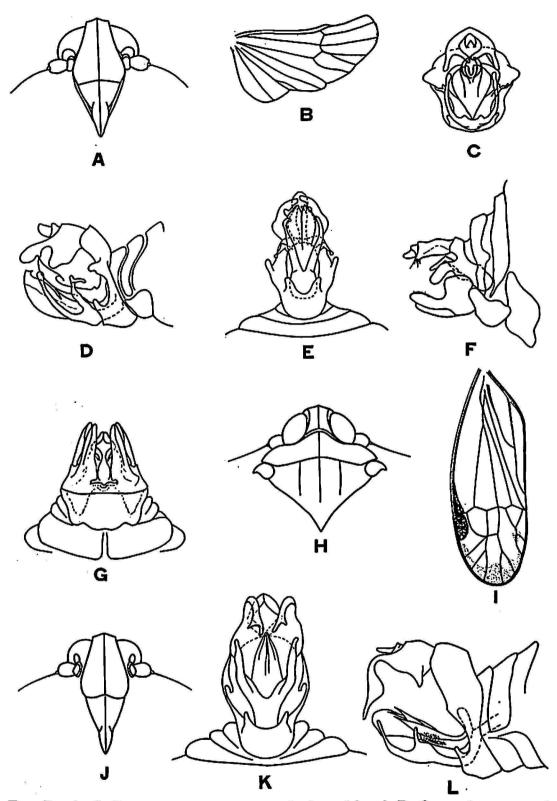


Fig. 7.—A, Quilessa oraria sp. n., frontal view of head. B, Q. oraria sp. n., wing. C, Q. oraria sp. n., posterior view of male genitalia. D, Q. oraria sp. n., lateral view of male genitalia. E, Q. oraria sp. n., ventral view of male genitalia. F, Q. oraria sp. n., lateral view of female genitalia. G, Q. oraria sp. n., ventral view of female genitalia. H, Q. wirshingi sp. n., dorsal view of head and thorax. I, Q. wirshingi sp. n., tegmen. J, Q. wirshingi sp. n., frontal view of head. K, Q. wirshingi sp. n., ventral view of male genitalia. L, Q. wirshingi sp. n., lateral view of male genitalia.

rodlike processes projecting backward and upward, anterior one with a blunt, slender extension bent acutely forward and outward, posterior one clavate; aedeagus with a ventral slit, thin and membranous, dorsal margin with a spine near middle, tip blunt; penis membranous, tip pointed and with an anteriorly directed, curved spine on dorsal side; anal segment large, sides expanding into two wide lobes separated by a deep sinus and a small lobe-like process, posterior lobe incurved.

Pregenital plate of female over twice as wide as long, anterior margin strongly sinuate, lateral margins sinuate and diverging, posterior margin nearly straight.

General color orange buff; eyes brownish gray on central portion; pronotum lighter. Tegmina and wings hyaline; veins brownish yellow. Tegmina of female with a small, dark brown spot on stigma. Legs pale yellow. Abdomen reddish orange.

Length of male to tip of abdomen: 2.22 mm.; tegmen: 1.78 mm.

Length of female to tip of abdomen: 2.30 mm.; tegmen: 1.93 mm.

Holotype &: Guánica Forest, P. R.; 11 October 1947; J. A. Ramos.

Allotype 9: Guánica Forest, P. R.; 11 November 1952; J. A. Ramos.

Paratypes: 1σ and $1 \circ Same data as holotype.$

The orange color of this species will serve to separate it from all other local forms of the genus with the exception of Q. wirshingi sp. n. From this species it can be readily distinguished by the details of the male and female genitalia.

Quilessa wirshingi sp. n. (figs. 7, H to L, and 8, A and B).

A small ochraceous orange species with yellowish translucent tegmina. The female has a brown spot on the stigma of the tegmina.

Vertex with apex rounded. Frons longer than wide; base about half as wide as apex; median carina strongly elevated. Clypeus about half as long as frons. Pronotum with anterior margin produced behind vertex.

Male pygofer, in profile, somewhat oblique and narrow, constricted in lower half, anterior lateral margins broadly sinuate, posterior lateral margins bearing a long, narrow dorsally pointed process below constriction and, well above it, a thin, membranous, blunt one which is folded in and concealed; genital plate small, wider than long, front margin strongly arched, lateral margins slightly diverging, hind margin strongly curved, with a short, obtuse process at each side; genital styles long and narrow in profile, ending in a long, slender apical process directed upward and backward, and a similar but shorter one with a low, wide lobe anterior to it on dorsal margin near middle; aedeagus elongated, keeled ventrally, broadly rounded and expanded apically, with minute, toothlike spines at sides near middle and three dorsal, elongate, spearlike, heavily chitinized proc-

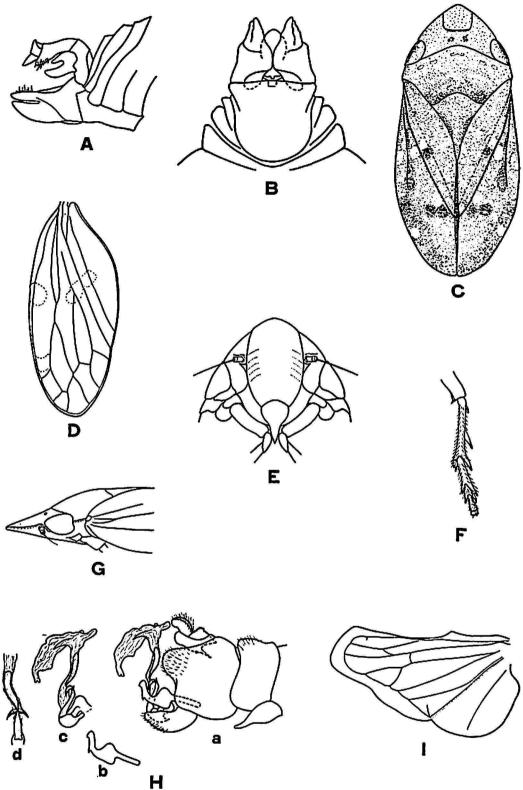


Fig. 8.—A, Quilessa wirshingi sp. n., lateral view of female genitalia. B, Q. wirshingi sp. n., ventral view of female genitalia. C, Leocomia uprae sp. n., dorsal view. D, L. uprae sp. n., tegmen. E, L. uprae sp. n., frontal view. F, L. uprae sp. n., hind leg. G, L. uprae sp. n., lateral view of head and thorax. H, L. uprae sp. n. (a) Lateral view of male genitalia; (b) Lateral view of genital style; (c) Aedeagus; (d) Detail of aedeagus. I, L. uprae sp. n., wing.

esses on dorsal side; anal segment moderately long and broad, anterior lateral angles extended into an elongated projection, lateral processes very large, somewhat asymmetrical, sharply bent downward, with a broadened anteapical lobe on anterior border, terminating in a slender attenuation.

Female genital plate about as broad as long, frontal margin strongly arched, lateral margins slightly sinuate, hind margin nearly straight; valvulae large, broadly rounded apically.

General color ochraceous orange; median and lateral carinae of vertex, pronotum, and tegulae yellow ochre. Tegmina yellow-hyaline; veins yellowish; female with an oval brown spot on stigma, a narrow brown suffusion below costa near nodus, and with apical border of membrane slightly shaded with fuscous. Legs light tawny. Abdomen dark brown; membrane orange red.

Length of male to tip of abdomen: 1.40 mm.; tegmen: 1.70 mm.

Length of female to tip of abdomen: 1.63 mm.; tegmen: 1.88 mm.

Holotype &: Caja de Muertos Island, P. R.; 5 December 1947; J. S. Caldwell and L. F. Martorell.

Allotype Q: Same data.

Paratypes: Same data. 2 9 9.

This species may be confused only with Q. oraria sp. n. The different male and female genitalia will readily separate these two closely related forms.

The writer takes great pleasure in naming this species after Juan A. Wirshing, of Ponce, P. R., in recognition of his friendliness and attentiveness to biologists visiting Caja de Muertos Island, a place which he has endeavored to develop into a sanctuary of natural history.

FAMILY CERCOPIDAE

The members of this family may be readily recognized by the hind tibiae, which characteristically possess one or two prominent marginal spines and a circlet of strong spines at the apex. The insects are of small or medium size, generally of somber coloration but usually with strongly contrasting spots or markings of vivid colors. The head is strongly deflexed, with two ocelli on the crown; the face is usually inflated. The pronotum is prominent but not greatly enlarged; the scutellum is of moderate size. The tegmina are strongly opaque or coriaceous with the venation sometimes greatly obscured. The wings are large and membranous. The hind legs are usually elongate and well adapted for leaping.

The nymphs are striking from the fact that they live inside a characteristic mass of a frothy, spittlelike secretion which apparently serves for protection.

KEY TO THE GENERA AND SPECIES OF PUERTO RICAN CERCOPIDAE		
1. Apex of clavus acute; form elongate, not globose		
1. Apex of clavus broadly rounded; form globose Genus Clastoptera Ger-		
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2. Strongly bicolored		
2. More or less uniformly colored4		
3. Contrastingly black and yellow above; crown comparatively short,		
frontoclypeus not protuberant anteriorly		
Clastoptera flavidorsa Metcalf and Bruner		
3. A broad brown band transversely dividing the yellow portion on back;		
crown comparatively longer, frontoclypeus distinctly protuberant		
Clastoptera signifera (Walker)		
4. Color piceous, size very small		
4. Color fulvous, size larger		
5. Head flattened, crown with anterior margin thin and foliaceous; face		
straight and nearly horizontal in profile6		
5. Head thick, shorter, crown with anterior margin not thin or foliaceous;		
face more or less convex in profile		
6. Size less than 5.00 mm.; tegmina broad, apex broadly rounded		
Leocomia uprae sp. n.		
6. Size over 5.00 mm.; tegmina narrower, apex somewhat pointed		
Leocomiopsis scaramuzzai Metcalf and Bruner		
7. Size less than 4.00 mm.; form elongate and slender		
Asprocranites variegata sp. n.		
7. Size about 7.00 mm.; form broad Gaetopsis juanalis sp. n.		
Leocomia Ball		
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1919. Leocomia Ball, Proc. Iowa Acad. Sci. 26: 148-9.

This genus is apparently restricted to the Greater Antilles. It may be readily recognized by the elongate, depressed general form of the body. The head is much flattened, with the anterior border very thin and foliaceous. The tegmina are broad, elongate, with the apex rounded. The aedeagus terminates in an enlarged, amorphous, membranous structure.

Head narrower than pronotum, produced and foliaceous anteriorly; crown rather flat, roughly triangular or paraboloid in outline; ocelli very small, nearer to each other than to eyes and closer to posterior margin than to anterior one; face very flat, with ventral margin nearly horizontal and almost at same level of costal border of tegmina when seen in profile; postelypeus with anterior margin very slightly swollen, transverse ridges usually obsolescent. Pronotum wide, slightly but definitely convex above; anterior margin arched; anterolateral margins short; posterolateral margins slightly sinuous; posterior margin moderately or deeply emarginate. Scutellum large, longer than wide, its length greater than median length of pronotum; sides slightly curved and narrowing to an elongate, acute apex. Tegmina elongate; broadly rounded apically; venation as in *Aphrophora* Germar but with third anal vein absent. Wings with four apical cells; submarginal vein not sinuate. Posterior tibiae with two preapical spines, second much stronger. Aedeagus elongate, terminal portion coiled, membranous, thin and fibrous.

Genotype: Leocomia parabolocrata Ball (1919: 149), described from Port-Au-Prince, Haiti.

Leocomia uprae sp. n. (fig. 8, C to I).

- 1917. Epicranion championi Van Zwaluwenburg, J. Econ. Ent. 10: 516.
- 1923. Epicranion championi Wolcott, J. Dept. Agr. P. R. 7: 257.
- 1935. Epicranion championi Osborn, Sci. Surv. Porto Rico and Virgin Islands 14: 127.
- 1936. Epicranion championi Wolcott, J. Agr. Univ. P. R. 20: 75.
- 1950. Epicranion championi Wolcott, J. Agr. Univ. P. R. 32: 103.

This is an elongate species of moderately large size and strongly produced crown. It shows the general form and appearance of *L. balloui* Metcalf and Bruner but it is somewhat stouter and of a different coloration. The species may be easily distinguished from this, as well as from other similar forms, by the internal male genitalia, which is very characteristic.

General form moderately robust, rather elongate, slightly over two and a half times as long as broad. Head distinctly narrower than pronotum, paraboloid, sides continuing curve of outer border of eyes in dorsal view, extreme apex rounded and slightly raised, margins very thinly carinate, surface sculptured, with very short pubescence; ocelli very small, slightly closer to each other than to eyes, well separated from hind border of crown but about five times closer to it than to anterior border; entire face completely flat, densely covered with short, appressed hairs; postclypeus almost one and a half times as long as broad, sides gently arched, transverse ridges well defined. Pronotum twice as broad as long, moderately convex, anterior submarginal depressions distinct, entire surface similar to that of crown, anterior lateral margins strongly carinate. Scutellum about one and onehalf times as long as pronotum along median line; basal half sculptured and pilose; terminal half pubescent. Tegmina about two and one-third times as long as broad; venation completely obscure; entire surface densely pubescent. Legs, especially tibiae, covered with long, abundant hairs; first preapical spine of hind tibiae much weaker than second.

Male pygofer large, robust; posterior margin strongly bilobed in lateral

view; sternal plate small, short, scooplike, with ventral margin strongly arched; styles much widened near middle, posterior process narrow, upcurved, bearing a small short spine on ventral margin, apex slightly rounded; aedeagus greatly enlarged, terminal portion forming an amorphous, transparent, membranous structure, base with a long, chitinized, rodlike process, median area with a narrow, chitinized, ribbonlike appendage on anterior aspect and two small, spurlike processes below it.

General color uniform light yellowish buff to dark yellowish brown. Head, anterior half of pronotum and disc of scutellum lighter on dark forms. Tegmina with a pale irregular arc from center of costa to middle of clavus and a similar marking on costal margin well before apex; these markings obsolescent in pale forms. Face concolorous with head, dark brown or almost black. Entire pubescence golden yellow above except on pale markings and on face where it is whitish.

Nymphs light yellowish; eyes brownish black.

Length to tip of tegmina, σ : 4.52 mm., φ : 4.89 mm.; width, σ : 1.70 mm., φ : 1.89 mm.

Holotype &: Consumo, P. R.; 5 October 1952; on Psidium Guajava L.; J. A. Ramos.

Allotype 9: Same data.

Paratypes 1 &: Río Piedras, P. R.; 3 November 1917; R. T. Cotton; 1 &: Rosario, P. R.; 12 July 1936; J. A. Ramos; 1 &: Jayuya, P. R.; 20 November 1945; W. González; 1 &: Carite Mts., P. R.; 2 October 1947; J. S. Caldwell and L. F. Martorell; 1 &: Cambalache Experimental Forest, P. R.; 7 October 1947; J. S. Caldwell and L. F. Martorell; 3 & &; Peñón Collao, Cayey, P. R.; December 1947; J. S. Caldwell and L. F. Martorell; 2 & &; El Yunque, P. R.; 12 December 1947; J. S. Caldwell and L. F. Martorell; 6 & &; same data as types; 1 &: Lares, P. R.; 2 November 1952; J. A. Ramos; 1 &: Río Piedras, P. R.; 1 January 1947; R. Olivencia; 1 &: Maricao State Forest, P. R.; 29 March 1947; J. A. Ramos; 2 & &: Río Abajo Forest, P. R.; 20 September 1947; J. A. Ramos; 3 & &: Peñón Collao, Cayey, P. R.; 4 December 1947; J. S. Caldwell and L. F. Martorell; 9 & &: same data as types; 6 & &: Maricao State Forest, P. R.; 27 November 1952; J. A. Ramos.

This is the most common and abundant cercopid in Puerto Rico. It occurs all over the island on *Psidium Guajava* L., coffee, *Inga vera* Willd., and several other host and food plants. It has been repeatedly reported under the name *Epicranion championi* Fowler, an entirely different Central American species. All previous records under this name should hence be referred to *Leocomia uprae* sp. n.

Leocomiopsis Metcalf and Bruner

1944. Leocomiopsis Metcalf and Bruner, J. Elisha Mitchell Sci. Soc. 60: 119-20.

This genus is closely allied to *Leocomia* Ball. It differs principally in the more elongate form and general appearance, in having the tegmina proportionately narrower and more pointed apically and in possessing a very different male genitalia.

General form elongate and moderately narrow. Head, including eyes, almost as broad as anterior margin of pronotum, strongly flattened and rather foliaceous anteriorly; crown flat, anterior border carinate; ocelli inconspicuous, decidedly closer to each other than to eyes; face, when seen in profile, very flat, nearly horizontal and lying on same level as costal margin of tegmina; postclypeus very slightly projecting beyond anterior curvature of crown, longer than wide, lateral ridges distinct. Pronotum comparatively longer than in *Leocomia* Ball, moderately convex, finely sculptured above; anterior margin broadly rounded; anterolateral borders feebly oblique, carinate; posterolateral borders sinuous, very thinly carinate; posterior border deeply emarginate. Scutellum large, longer than pronotum, slightly convex; lateral margins carinate; apex pointed. Tegmina elongate, sides subparallel, apex roughly subacute; venation as in *Leocomia* Ball, third anal vein absent. Wings as in *Leocomia* Ball. Hind tibiae with first marginal spine weak, close to base; second much stronger, near middle.

Male pygofer short and broad; sternal plate narrow; styles prominent; aedeagus very large, mostly membranous and transparent, coiled, with a pair of lateral processes at base and a pointed, chitinized, prominent spine at apex.

Genotype: Leocomiopsis scaramuzzai Metcalf and Bruner, originally described from Cuba.

Leocomiopsis scaramuzzai Metcalf and Bruner (fig. 9, A to F).

1944. Leocomiopsis scaramuzzai Metcalf and Bruner, J. Elisha Mitchell Sci. Soc. 60: 120.

1950. Epicranion championi Wolcott, J. Agr. Univ. P. R., 32: 103.

This species may be readily distinguished from all other Puerto Rican cercopids by the large size, the elongate and depressed general form of the body, the strongly produced head, and the uniform reddish brown color.

General form distinctly elongate, about two and one half times as long as wide across shoulders; sides nearly parallel. Head a little narrower than pronotum, much flattened; crown well-produced anteriorly, rather foliaceous, decidedly shorter than pronotum, acutely rounded apically; sides

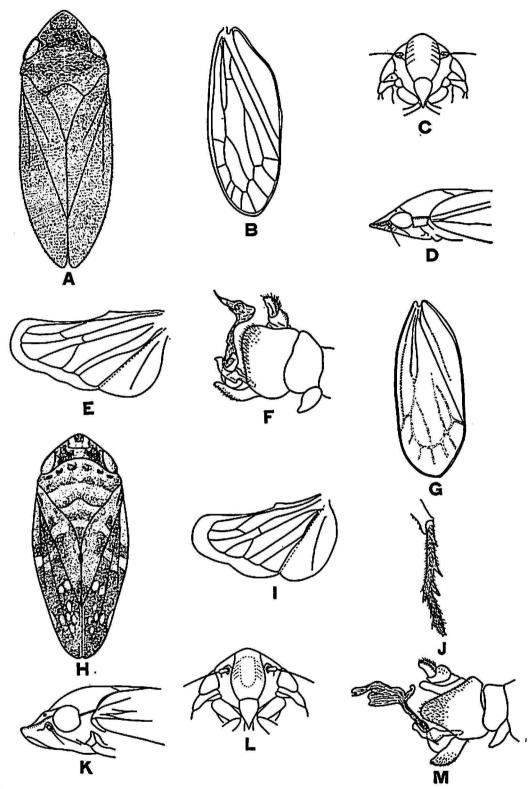


Fig. 9.—A, Leocomiopsis scaramuzzai Metcalf and Bruner dorsal view. B, L. scaramuzzai Metcalf and Bruner, tegmen. C, L. scaramuzzai Metcalf and Bruner, frontal view. D, L. scaramuzzai Metcalf and Bruner, lateral view of head and thorax. E, L. scaramuzzai Metcalf and Bruner, wing. F, L. scaramuzzai Metcalf and Bruner, lateral view of male genitalia. G, Asprocranites variegata sp. n., tegmen. H, A. variegata sp. n., dorsal view. I, A. variegata sp. n., wing. J, A. variegata sp. n., hind leg. K, A. variegata sp. n., lateral view of head and thorax. L, A. variegata sp. n., frontal view. M, A. variegata sp. n., lateral view of male genitalia.

slightly arched; surface finely sculptured; ocelli very close to hind border. Pronotum not quite twice as broad as long; anterior margin broadly rounded; anterolateral borders carinate, oblique, rather long; dorsum moderately convex; surface finely sculptured, tending to become rugulose on posterior half; submarginal depressions behind anterior border almost obsolete. Scutellum conspicuously longer than pronotum; sides very faintly curved and distinctly carinate; surface slightly convex, pubescent. Tegmina relatively narrow, apex obtusely pointed; veins distinct; entire surface pubescent.

Male pygofer, in lateral view, much broader than long dorsal margin slightly sinuate; ventral margin rounded; posterior margin nearly straight, upper posterior angle rounded; sternal plate very narrow, obtusely pointed, scooplike; styles broadest at middle, curved up apically, apex rather blunt; aedeagus very membranous, with a short, spine-like process at each side near base; membranous apical portion ending in a prominent, sharp, chitinized spine.

General color uniform reddish brown covered with dense, short, yellowish pubescence. Wings hyaline; veins dark brown.

Length to tip of tegmina, σ ; 5.50 mm., φ : 6.30 mm.; width, σ : 2.00 mm., φ : 2.37 mm.

The record of this species is based on the following specimens at hand: 2 o' o': Camuy, P. R.; 2 October 1940 on "Jagüey", Ficus Stahlii Warb.; G. N. Wolcott and L. F. Martorell; 1 o' and 4 Q Q: Tallaboa, P. R.; 28 August 1947; on Ficus laevigata Vahl; J. S. Caldwell and L. F. Martorell; 1 Q: Maricao State Forest, P. R.; 14 September 1952; J. A. Ramos.

Asprocranites gen. n.

This genus superficially resembles *Dasyoptera* Metcalf and Bruner but is more elongate and depressed in form. The head is more pointed and prolonged anteriorly; the crown is very uneven, with conspicuous depressions and callosities; the face is not flat but swollen, with the postclypeus sulcate longitudinally along the median line.

General form elongate, depressed. Head, with eyes, narrower than pronotum, moderately projected anteriorly; crown very uneven, with deep depressions and callosities; anterior margin subacutely curved, carinate; extreme apex very slightly projecting outward; ocelli very prominent, closer to each other than to eyes and very close to posterior margin; eyes moderately large; face moderately swollen, postclypeus longer than broad, shallowly sulcate along median line, lateral striations rather indistinct; antennal fossae and ridges very prominent. Pronotum depressed, slightly convex, much broader than long; submarginal depressions prominent, calloused, principally behind eyes. Scutellum large; longer than pronotum;

nearly flat, apex very acute. Tegmina elongate; convex, with prominent undulations and callosities; sides subparallel; apex obtusely pointed; venation almost completely obsolete. Wings with venation as in *Leocomia* Ball. Middle tibiae rather short; first marginal spine short and strong, on basal third; second marginal spine long and sharp, on apical two-thirds.

Male genitalia about as in *Leocomia* Ball. Pygofer about as wide as long, roughly triangular in shape; aedeagus large, membranous, with a pair of small sclerotized appendages.

Genotype: Asprocranites variegata sp. n.

Asprocranites variegata sp. n. (fig. 9, G to M)

- 1923. Philaenus fusco-varius Wolcott, J. Dept. Agr. P. R. 7: 257.
- 1929. Philaenus fusco varius Osborn, J. Dept. Agr. P. R. 13: 91.
- 1933. Philaenus fusco-varius Leonard, J. Dept. Agr. P. R. 17: 123.
- 1935. Philaenus fusco-varius Osborn, Sci. Surv. Porto Rico and Virgin Islands. 14: 127.
- 1936. Philaenus fusco-varius Wolcott, J. Agr. Univ. P. R. 20: 75.
- 1950. Philaenus fusco-varius Wolcott, J. Agr. Univ. P. R. 32: 104.

This is a small, elongate, depressed species which may be easily recognized by the variegated coloration and dense pubescence.

Crown about twice as broad as long; anterior margin angularly curved and carinate; entire surface uneven, calloused, with stiff, spinelike hairs; ocelli large, inclined, closer to each other than to eyes, separated from hind border of crown by a distance about equivalent to their own diameter; eyes oval in dorsal aspect; face tumid; postclypeus longer than broad, entire surface covered with long pile. Pronotum much depressed; slightly convex; about half as long as wide; surface rugulose, beset with short, stiff, erect hairs and finer pubescence; submarginal depressions very prominent, calloused, particularly behind eyes; anterior margin evenly rounded; anterolateral margins long, oblique, carinate; humeri prominent; posterolateral margins sinuous, feebly carinate. Scutellum almost flat, about one and one-third times longer than pronotum. Tegmina densely covered with silken pubescence; claval suture forming a very deep furrow. Wings much broader than long, densely pilose; venation strong.

Male pygofer, in lateral view, about as long as wide, triangular in shape, posterior angle lobate; sternal plate proportionately large, rather broad, scooplike; styles shaped like in *Leocomia* Ball but comparatively much more prominent; aedeagus very large, fibrous, amorphous, with a chitinized, elongate median structure and two spinelike sclerotized hooks basally.

General color grayish brown variegated with dark brown, light yellowish and black. Whole body covered with golden pubescence; head with

irregular black markings between ocelli and eyes; postclypeus with a large black median spot on superior border and a broad transverse black band across middle; anteclypeus with a dark brown or black spot at base which often coalesces with transverse band on postclypeus; basal joint of antennae black; eyes with central portion infuscated. Pronotum with a broad, curved transverse yellowish band on apical third, generally becoming darker toward posterior border; submarginal depressions behind eyes fusco-piceous. Scutellum light yellowish, with a transverse darker band across middle. Tegmina variegated with darker brown, with an irregular light yellowish fascia on basal third, a crescent-shaped similar fascia on clavus, a little before middle, and numerous small yellowish or ochraceous irregular spots on subterminal portion. Wings smoky hyaline, covered with dense brown pubescence; veins dark brown. Legs strongly marked with black. Venter dark fuscous.

Length to tip of tegmina, σ : 3.74 mm., φ : 3.78 mm.; width across humerals, σ : 1.48 mm., φ : 1.55 mm.

Holotype &: Maricao State Forest, P. R.; 27 November 1952; on Rubus rosaefolius Smith; J. A. Ramos.

Allotype 9: Same data.

Paratypes: 1 3: Indiera Alta, Maricao, P. R.; 12 September 1946; J. A. Ramos; 2 3: Carite Mts., P. R.; 2 October 1947; J. S. Caldwell and L. F. Martorell; 13: Maricao State Forest, P. R.; 13 November 1947; J. S. Caldwell and L. F. Martorell; 2 3: El Yunque, P. R.; 12 December 1947 J. S. Caldwell and L. F. Martorell; 3 3: same locality; December 1951; J. Maldonado Capriles; 1 9: Maricao P. R.; 8 February 1936; on Rubus rosaefolius Smith; J. A. Ramos; 3 9 9: Mayaguez, P. R.; 19 August 1945; J. A. Ramos; 1 9: El Yunque, P. R. 4 April 1947; J. A. Ramos; 3 9 9: Carite Mts., P. R.; 2 October; 1947; J. S. Caldwell and L. R. Martorell; 2 9 9: El Yunque, P. R.; 12 December 1947; J. S. Caldwell and L. F. Martorell; 1 9: same locality; December 1951; J. Maldonado Capriles.

This is apparently the second most abundant cercopid in Puerto Rico. It occurs commonly throughout the interior of the island but it may be found also in the lowlands. The species usually breeds on the wild mountain mulberry, Rubus rosaefolius Smith. Wolcott (1950: 104) reports it also from several other food plants, including coffee and Jambos Jambos (L.) Millsp.

The species has been repeatedly reported from Puerto Rico by various authors under the name *Philaenus fusco-varius* Stal, a different Central American cercopid. All these records should thus be referred to *Asprocranites variegata* sp. n.

Gaetopsis gen. n.

Superficially resembling Gaeta Metcalf and Bruner in general appearance but stouter and much larger in form. The anterior margin of the head is more angulate and the face is not flat but swollen. The pronotum is more convex. The tegmina are proportionately longer and narrower, slightly tapering on terminal half; the venation is different and the veins more prominent.

General form robust. Head, including eyes, narrower than pronotum; crown rather short, flat, declivous, anterior margin angulately rounded, raised and carinate; ocelli prominent, closer to each other than to eyes; eyes roughly ellipsoidal in outline; face swollen, postclypeus distinctly longer than wide, not surpassing frontal coxae, rostrum very long, reaching hind femora. Pronotum broad, declivous on anterior two-thrids where it is also rugulose and sulcate along median line; posterior third slightly sloping backward; submarginal depressions distinct; posterior border deeply emarginate. Scutellum longer than pronotum; apex very acute. Tegmina long, narrow, terminal half gradually tapering apically, apex rounded; venation about as in Aphrophora Germar but with third anal vein obsolete. Wings with venation resembling that of Leocomia Ball. Middle tibiae comparatively short; first marginal spine very short and weak, obsolescent; second strong and prominent.

Male pygofer slightly longer than broad; sternal plate and styles somewhat reduced; aedeagus consisting of a long coiled, membranous tube ending in an acute spinous process, without median appendages.

Genotype: Gaetopsis juanalis sp. n.

Gaetopsis juanalis sp. n. (fig. 10, A to F).

A medium-large, robust, variegated, fuscous species with the entire body covered with golden pubescence and with irregular whitish spots on the tegmina.

Head moderately short, thick; crown punctulate, pilose; ocelli large, lying very near hind margin of crown; postclypeus very flat on disc. Pronotum twice as broad as long, entire surface thickly covered with long, apressed pile; anterior border curved; anterolateral margins moderately long, carinate. Scutellum about one and one-half times as long as pronotum. Tegmina with entire surface strongly pubescent. Wings long and broad, very hairy; venation conspicuous. Legs rather short, pilose; middle tibiae with second marginal spine placed a little beyond middle.

Male pygofer, in lateral view, a little longer than wide; ventral margin evenly rounded; dorsal margin nearly straight; posterior angle lobate; sternal plate widest near base, tapering to an obtuse apex; ventral margin

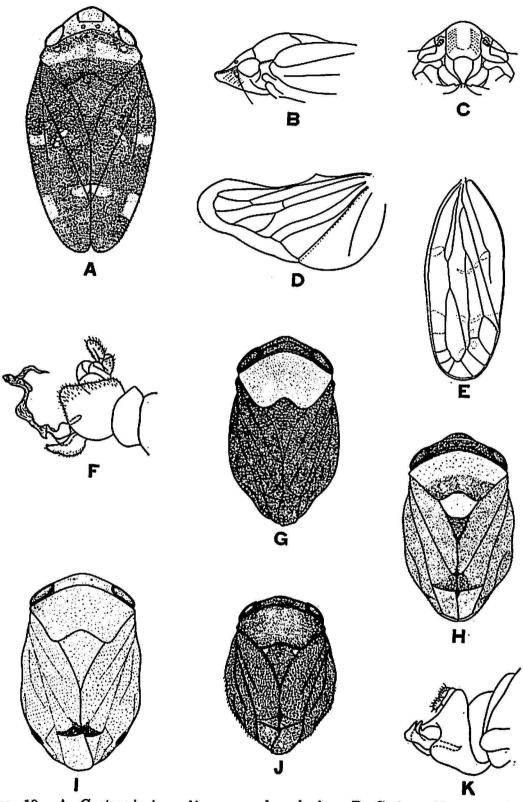


Fig. 10.—A, Gaetopsis juanalis sp. n., dorsal view. B, G. juanalis sp. n., lateral view of head and thorax. C, G. juanalis sp. n., frontal view. D, G. juanalis sp. n., wing. E, G. juanalis sp. n., tegmen. F, G. juanalis sp. n., lateral view of male genitalia. G, Clastoptera flavidorsa Metcalf and Bruner, dorsal view. H, C. signifera (Walker), dorsal view. I, C. martorelli sp. n., dorsal view. J, C. diminuata sp. n., dorsal view. K, C. diminuata sp. n., lateral view of male genitalia.

curved; dorsal margin sinuate; styles very broad near middle, terminal portion curved upward, preapically constricted, apex enlarged, blunt; aedeagus membranous, tubular, much enlarged, ending in an acute, fibrous structure.

General color dark fuscous. Head and anterior two-thirds of pronotum yellowish brown, becoming darker on anterior portion of pronotum; eyes chocolate brown. Tegmina with a clear spot at apex of basal third of costal area, a similar and larger spot about one-third from apex, another at tip of clavus, smaller and irregular spots on anteapical region, and one on middle of corium across to clavus. Entire pubescence golden yellow except on clear spots of tegmina where it is yellowish white. Wings transparent; veins dark brown.

Length to tip of tegmina, σ : 7.41 mm.; width across shoulders, σ : 2.99 mm.

Holotype ♂: Doña Juana Forest, P. R.; 10 August 1947; J. Maldonado Capriles.

Clastoptera German

This genus includes a large number of species. They are small, robust, globose insects. They may be easily recognized by having the apex of the clavus broadly rounded instead of pointed as in most cercopids.

General form robust, globose. Head considerably wider than long; crown very narrow, sloping; anterior margin rounded; ocelli distinct, usually placed about equidistant from posterior margin of frontoclypeus and posterior margin of vertex; eyes very broad, lying on same plane of crown; face inflated, ecarinate, lateral striations rather weak; antennal cavities deep, porminent. Pronotum convex, broader than long; anterior margin broadly rounded; lateral margins divergent; posterior margin deeply emarginate. Scutellum triangular, convex, deflected posteriorly. Tegmina short, broad, convex, pubescent, deflexed posteriorly, overlapping apically; clavus broadly rounded at apex; corium terminating in a more or less hyaline membrane with a conspicuous callose spot near apex. Middle tibiae with a single terminal row of spines. Ovipositors and male genital segments usually bent dorsad.

Genotype: Clastoptera achatina Germar (1839: 187), described from North America.

Clastoptera signifera (Walker) (fig. 10, H)

1851. Lepyronia? signifera Walker. List Homoptera British Mus. 3: 728.

1859. Lepyronia? signifera Dohrn, Cat. Hemip. 1859: 69.

1862. Clastoptera brevis Stal, Ofb. Svenska Vet. Akad. Förh. 19: 494.

- 1895. Clastoptera brevis Goding, Bull. Ill. St. Lab. Nat. Hist. 3: 501.
- 1912. Clastoptera brevis Lallemand, Gen. Insect. 143: 23.
- 1935. Clastoptera brevis Osborn, Sci. Surv. Porto Rico and Virgin Islands. 14: 128.
- 1936. Clastoptera brevis Wolcott, J. Agr. Univ. P. R. 20: 75.

A small shining, dark fuscous species with light-brown tegmina and two broad, bright yellow transverse bands on the back separated by a band of pale reddish brown.

Form short and compact, about twice as long as broad. Head, with eyes, somewhat narrower than pronotum; crown moderately short, a little over three and a half times as wide as long; anterior margin broadly rounded at extreme apex where it is also distinctly protuberant; vertex shallowly depressed transversely; anterior carina very strong, following curvature of posterior border; frontoclypeus about as long as vertex, very prominent from above; ocelli conspicuous, nearly equidistant from each other and from eyes; postclypeus much inflated, very convex dorsad. Pronotum rather strongly convex, smooth, transverse striae indistinct, about twice as broad as long medianly. Scutellum large, about one and one-fourth as long as pronotum along median line. Tegmina semitransparent, apex of clavus opaque; callus small, circular; corium densely covered with strong, moderately long hairs; membrane denudate.

Entire head and narrow anterior border of pronotum shining brownish black; anterior portion of pronotum and basal half of scutellum pale peach yellow; posterior third of pronotum reddish brown; terminal half of scutellum dark fuscous. Tegmina light brown, darker at apex of clavus and on callus; callus anteriorly bordered with yellowish white. Wings transparent; veins dark brown. Legs pale yellow, marked with brown. Venter fuscous.

Length to tip of tegmina, Q: 2.95 mm.; width across shoulders, Q: 1.55 mm.

This species was originally described from Puerto Rico by Walker (1851: 728). Stal (1862b: 494) and Lallemand (1912: 23) considered it to be C. brevis (Walker), which, in the opinion of the writer, is an entirely different South American species.

J. Maldonado Capriles found this insect breeding on the fern Acrostichum aureum L. at Ponce, P. R.; 2 April 1946.

Clastoptera flavidorsa Metcalf and Bruner (fig. 10, G)

1925. Clastoptera flavidorsa Metcalf and Bruner, Psyche 32: 104.

This is a small beautiful species which may be very easily identified by the contrasting yellow and black color.

Form short and broad. Head rather short; crown with anterior margin following nearly same curvature of posterior border; transverse carina on front margin of vertex prominent; posterior border of vertex well raised into a strong ridge. Pronotum convex, smooth; about twice as broad as long; broadly curved anteriorly. Scutellum large, about one and one-fourth times as long as pronotum on median line. Tegmina opaque, except for a small elongate hyaline area anterior to callus. Wings short and broad. Legs short and stout.

General color piceous; tarsi whitish. Entire pronotum, except narrow anterior border, light greenish-yellow. Scutellum sometimes with basal portion concolorous with pronotum.

This species was originally described from Cuba (Metcalf and Bruner 1925: 104). It is apparently not common in Puerto Rico, where it seems to be restricted to the mountains of the interior of the island. The following are the specimens at hand:

1 Q: Maricao, P. R.; 15 January 1930; S. T. Danforth; 1 Q: Consumo, P. R.; 12 October 1937; J. A. Ramos; 1 Q: Aibonito, P. R.; 30 November 1947; J. S. Caldwell and L. F. Martorell; 1 Q: Maricao State Forest, P. R.; 27 November 1952; J. A. Ramos.

Clastoptera martorelli sp. n. (fig. 10, I)

This is a rather small, smooth, shining species of a uniform fulvous color and semitransparent tegmina.

General body form as in *C. flavidorsa* Metcalf and Bruner. Head about as broad as pronotum; crown with anterior margin following same contour of anterior pronotal border, strongly sloping downward; transverse depression on vertex somewhat weaker between ocelli; transverse carina on anterior border of vertex very weak; ocelli large, midway between anterior and posterior margins of vertex; frontoclypeus visible from above; postclypeus tending to flatten distally. Pronotum very smooth, convex; twice as broad as long on median line; anterior border strongly curved; lateral margins sinuate; posterior margin obtusely and deeply emarginate. Scutellum moderately large, slightly longer than pronotum along median line; somewhat flattened on basal two-thirds; apex very acute. Tegmina subhyaline, pubescent only on clavus and veins of corium; callus very strongly elevated, circular, small. Legs short and strong.

Uniformly fulvous in color. Eyes reddish; face transversely infuscated at level of lower margin of eyes. Tegmina yellowish-hyaline; callus and apex of clavus contrastingly reddish-brown.

Length to tip of tegmina, Q: 3.11 mm.; width across humeri, Q: 1.62 mm.

Holotype 9: El Yunque, P. R.; 22 August 1947; J. S. Caldwell and L. F. Martorell.

Paratypes: 1 9: Toro Negro Mts., P. R.; 14 November 1947; J. S. Caldwell and L. F. Martorell.

The writer takes great pleasure in naming this species after his friend and colleague, Dr. Luis F. Martorell, Entomologist at the Agricultural Experiment Station of the University of Puerto Rico, in acknowledgment of his assistance and cooperation in the preparation of this paper.

Clastoptera diminuata n. sp. (fig. 10, J and K)

A very small, short, broad and compact species of a polished, pitch black color.

General form of the body short and very broad, about one and one-half times as long as broad. Head as broad as pronotum; crown very steep, broadly rounded anteriorly; ocelli closer to each other than to eyes; fronto-clypeus nearly concealed from above. Pronotum very smooth and polished, convex; about twice as broad as long on median line; posterior margin very shallowly emarginate. Scutellum large, slightly longer than pronotum; basal portion somewhat depressed; apex acute. Tegmina short and very broad, strongly opaque; entire corium, including clavus, with minute but conspicuous punctures, each puncture bearing a very long hair; veins clearly raised; callus comparatively very large and prominent, extending anteriorly along costa for a short distance; apex of clavus not thickened. Hind legs very strong, and robust.

Male pygofer very short and broad; posterior border with a median elongate process; lower hind angle broadly lobate; sternal plate very small, scoop-like; styles prominent, with a stout, spine-like process apically on dorsal margin; aedeagus much reduced, concealed.

General color shining black. Eyes dark vinaceous; extreme lower side of head whitish; outer angles of scutellum greenish white; anterior border of callus milky greenish white, becoming hyaline anteriorly along costal margin of tegmina. Front and middle legs light yellow with a greenish tinge; tibiae banded with dark fuscous. Hind legs fusco-piceous; apices of tibiae and tarsi whitish.

Length to tip of tegmina, ♂: 2.26 mm.; width across humeri, ♂: 1.33 mm.

Holotype &: Guilarte, P. R.; 7 February 1954; J. Maldonado Capriles.

FAMILY MEMBRACIDAE

Most membracids are easily distinguished from the other Homoptera by the peculiar structure of the pronotum which usually exhibits a curious and grotesque appearance. It is much enlarged, elevated, or hood-like in shape, with or without processes in the form of crests, horns, tubercles or gibbosities. The scutellum is generally partially or totally concealed by the posterior prolongation of the pronotum or it may be fully exposed when such prolongation is absent.

1	KEY TO THE GENERA AND SPECIES OF PUERTO RICAN MEMBRACIDAE
1.	Pronotum without a posterior process, scutellum entirely exposed2
	Pronotum extended into a posterior process, scutellum partially or
	totally concealed
2.	Base of head bicornute, suprahumerals extended into horns
	Antillotolania doramariae sp. n.
	Base of head simple, no suprahumeral horns. Deiroderes inermis sp. n.
	Scutellum partially exposed at sides of posterior pronotal process4
	Scutellum completely concealed by posterior pronotal process6
4.	Posterior process reaching only to inner angle of tegmina, pronotum
	strongly punctate, tegmina opaque on proximal half Brachycentrotus rufinervis sp. n.
4	Posterior pronotal process surpassing inner angle of tegmina, pronotum
т.	smoother, tegmina narrowly opaque at base. Genus Monobelus Stal. 5
5.	Tegmina with two discoidal cells, pronotum uniformly colored
•	M. fasciatus (Fabricius)
5.	Tegmina with one discoidal cell, pronotum bicolored
	M. maldonadoi sp. n.
	At least first two pairs of tibiae foliaceous
	All tibiae simple, not foliaceous8
7.	Form globular, pronotum corrugated and tubercled, hind tibiae not
	foliaceous
7.	Form alongate, pronotum with two dorsal, obtuse horns, hind tibiae
_	also foliaceous
8.	Median apical cell of tegmina stylate, its base not truncate
٥	Micrutalis calva (Say)
	Median apical cell of tegmina sessile, its base truncate9
J.	Pronotum produced anteriorly into a porrect, sulcate horn Genus Nessorhinus Amyot and Serville 10
q	Pronotum not produced anteriorly into a horn
	Dorsum of pronotum elevated into a spinelike median dorsal horn,
	humerals spinous
10.	Dorsum of pronotum not elevated into a spinelike median dorsal horn,
	humerals short, not spinous11
11.	Dorsum of pronotum elevated into a low broad gibbosity, form stout
	N. gibberulus Stal

- 12. Posterior pronotal process spatulate, apex tridentate

Spathenotus tridentatus sp. n.

- 12. Posterior pronotal process slender, apex pointed or rounded 13

- 14. Pronotum strongly punctate, posterior pronotal process surpassing inner angle of tegmina, size over 4.50 mm

Paradarnoides caldwelli sp. n.

14. Pronotum punctulate, posterior pronotal process reaching only to inner angle of tegmina, size about 3.00 mm

Brachytalis punctulatus sp. n.

Subfamily Membracinae

The members of this subfamily may be readily recognized by having at least the fore and middle legs with the tibiae foliaceous or much flattened. The venation of the tegmina is sometimes reduced or obscured. The subfamily is abundantly represented in the Neotropical Region where many of the species are most bizarre and grotesque in appearance.

Jibarita gen. n.

A genus of small elongate membracids with the pronotum conspicuously marked with large, strong punctures and elevated into two prominent dorsal processes. In the female the two dorsal processes of the pronotum are considerably less pronounced.

Head, across eyes, much narrower than pronotum; face strongly deflexed caudad, longer than wide; ocelli prominent, closer to eyes than to each other and lying well above a line connecting center of eyes; clypeus large, about half as long as entire face; eyes prominent. Pronotum strongly raised, lowered behind eyes to form prominent postocular lobes; humeral angles short, obtuse; posterior process wide, elongate, extending to apex of tegmina; entire surface heavily punctate, with a well defined median carina; dorsum with two large processes. Tegmina not free; strongly coriaceous and punctate; venation obsolescent, reticulate on apex; apical limbus broad. Wings with four apical cells. Legs with tibiae much dilated, especially front ones.

Female with anterior dorsal process of pronotum less conspicuous, directed anteriorly and upward, crest-like; posterior dorsal process very low, obsolescent.

Genotype: Jibarita borincana sp. n.

Jibarita borincana sp. n. (fig. 11)

A small densely punctate species of a general testaceous color.

Head a little wider than long; face rugose-punctate, covered with scattered pile; basal margin convex; ocular margins vertical; lower margins of genae prominent, foliaceous; clypeus very large, base angular, lateral margins rounded, foliaceous, apical margin nearly straight. Pronotum uniformly and densely covered with large, deep, pit-like punctures which impart to it a lacelike appearance, principally on posterior process; median carina obscure on terminal half of posterior process; anterior dorsal process about as high as long, longer than broad, its base deeply constricted on each side; posterior dorsal process humplike, with a conspicuous depression on each side. Tegmina wholly opaque; entire surface densely punctate, each puncture with a short, stiff hair. Sides and ventral parts of thorax punctate and tomentose. Legs with femora pilose; tibiae much dilated, strongly punctate on outer surface, pilose and with heavy denticles on margins. Venter pubescent.

Male pygofer long and broad, sides narrowing ventrad; lateral valves prominent, posterior margin broadly and shallowly emarginate, apex broad, obtusely rounded; sternal plate elongate, narrow, terminal half strongly curved upward, apex broadly rounded; in ventral aspect, about three times as long as wide at base, narrowing gradually to apex which is slightly widened, rounded and divided by a short incision; styles comparatively small, very slender, curved, with a small obtuse anteapical spine on dorsal margin; aedeagus with anterior arm as long as posterior arm but stouter, posterior arm elongate, attenuated to an obtuse point.

General color uniform pale testaceous, very slightly darker on head and on sides and ventral parts of thorax. Posterior dorsal process of pronotum slightly fuscous at sides. Wings yellow hyaline; veins reddish brown. Denticles on tibiae dark brown.

Length, front of pronotum to apex of tegmina, ♂: 3.33 mm., ♀: 3.66 mm.,; width across humeral angles, ♂: 1.30 mm., ♀: 1.43 mm.

Holotype ♂: Aguas Buenas, P. R.; 14 October 1947; J. S. Caldwell and L. F. Martorell.

Allotype 9: Same data.

Paratypes: 1 7: same data; 1 9: Same data.

Bolbonota Amyot and Serville

1843. Bolbonota Amyot and Serville, Hemiptères. 1843: 537.

The members of this genus may be readily recognized by the small size, globular form and the wrinkled, corrugated appearance of the pronotum.

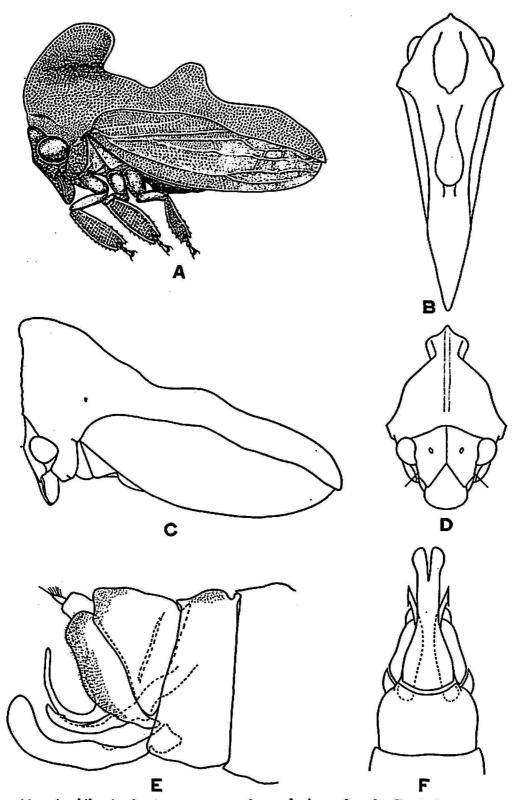


Fig. 11.—A, Jibarita borincana sp. n., lateral view of male. B, J. borincana sp. n., dorsal outline of male. C, J. borincana sp. n., lateral outline of female. D, J. borincana sp. n., frontal view of male. E, J. borincana sp. n., lateral view of male genitalia. F, J. borincana sp. n., ventral view of male genitalia.

Face longer than wide, somewhat flattened, superior margin arched; ocelli closer to eyes than to each other; clypeus comparatively large lower margin angulate, extending below lower margins of genae for a distance. Pronotum with metopidium steep; humeral angles rounded, broad, prominent; posterior process very wide; entire surface very rough, wrinkled, tuberculate. Tegmina with two discoidal cells. Fore and middle tibiae broadly dilated.

Genotype: Membracis nisus Germar (1835: 229)

Bolbonota melaena (Germar) (fig. 12, A to C).

1835. Membracis melaena Germar, Rev. Ent. Silbermann 3: 299.

An entirely dark fuscous species with inconspicuous small dots on corium and apex of tegmina yellowish-hyaline.

The record for this species is based on a single female specimen in the U. S. National Museum collected at Toa Alta, P. R., September 6, 1921 by G. N. Wolcott. This specimen was determined to belong to this species by W. D. Funkhouser.

Subfamily Darninae

In this subfamily the median apical cell of the tegmina is sessile, with the base truncate and never stylate. The tibiae are simple and the lower margins of the head are not thin or foliaceous. The scutellum is completely concealed by the posterior process of the pronotum. This is the largest subfamily of the Puerto Rican membracid fauna.

Nessorhinus Amyot and Serville

1843. Nessorhinus Amyot and Serville, Hemiptères, 1843: 542.

This genus may be readily recognized by the prominent porrect prolongation of the pronotum in front of the head.

Head very small, nearly concealed from above by anterior process of pronotum; width across eyes considerably less than width of pronotum; face short and broad, strongly inclined in profile; eyes large, prominent, strongly protuding; ocelli placed high on face, very close to eyes and to upper margin. Pronotum, in lateral view, nearly straight, strongly arched or with a variable median dorsal elevation; anterior process long, straight, or slightly curved in profile, broad or tapering to an obtuse point, basal portion entire, apical remainder consisting of two closely contiguous carinate processes with a sulcus between them both dorsally and ventrally; metopidium moderately declivous; humeral angles broadly pointed or developed into spinelike lateral horns; posterior process elongate, slender, slightly constricted near middle, extending to tip of tegmina or nearly so; sides deflexed, margins carinate; dorsum tricarinate, median carina per-

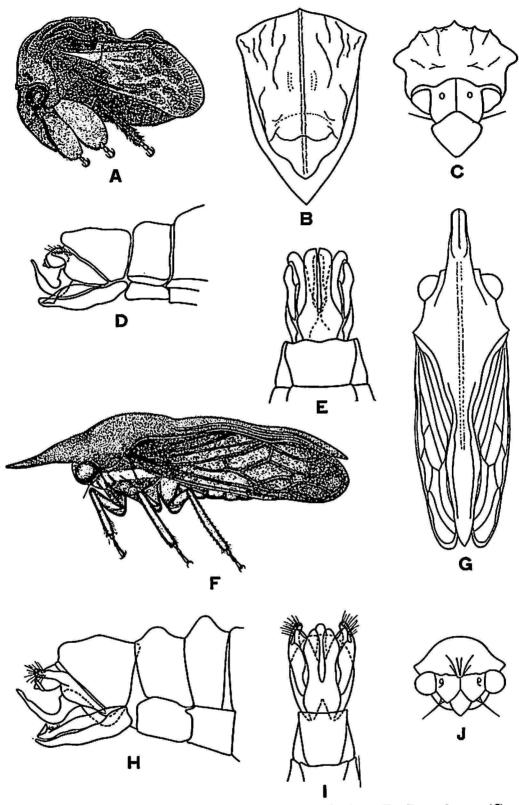


Fig. 12.—A, Bolbonota melaena (Germar), lateral view. B, B. melaena (Germar), dorsal outline. C, B. melaena (Germar), frontal view. D, Nessorhinus gibberulus Stal, lateral view of male genitalia. E, N. gibberulus Stal, ventral view of male genitalia. F, N. esbeltus sp. n., lateral view. E, N. esbeltus sp. n., dorsal outline. H, N. esbeltus sp. n., lateral view of male genitalia. J, N. esbeltus sp. n., ventral view of male genitalia. J, N. esbeltus sp. n., frontal view.

current to base of anterior process. Tegmina slightly concealed by sides of posterior pronotal process, long, moderately narrow; veins prominent; corium with five apical cells, fourth and fifth curved; usually three discoidal cells; apical limbus narrow.

Genotype: Nessorhinus vulpes Amyot and Serville (1843a: 542) described from Hispaniola.

Nessorhinus gibberulus Stal (fig. 12, D and E)

- 1869. Nessorhinus gibberulus Stal, Ofv. Svenska Akad. Förh. 1869: 294.
- 1927. Nessorhinus gibberulus Funkhouser, Gen. Cat. Hemiptera Fasc. 1: 150.
 - 1931. Nessorhinus gibberulus Dozier, American Mus. Nov. 510: 3.
 - 1935. Nessorhinus gibberulus Osborn, Sci. Surv. Porto Rico and Virgin Islands 14: 124-5.
 - 1936. Nessorhinus gibberulus Wolcott, J. Agr. Univ. P. R. 20: 72.
 - 1950. Nessorhinus gibberulus Wolcott, J. Agr. Univ. P. R. 32: 104.
 - 1951. Nessorhinus gibberulus Funkhouser, Gen. Insect. Homoptera. Membracidae. Fasc. 208: 89.

This species differs from the other known species of the genus, except N. esbeltus sp. n., in lacking the pronounced dorsal crest or median horn on the pronotum and in not having the humeral angles produced into horns. From N. esbeltus sp. n. it differs in being stouter, more gibbous, and in the different male genitalia.

Head very short, broad, deflexed; entire face densely pilose. Pronotum, in profile, strongly arched dorsally, slightly gibbous at base of posterior process; anterior process moderately long, straight, inclined downward, margins conspicuously carinate; humeral angles prominent, short, not produced into horns; posterior process with five carinae, marginal ones running from humeri to apex; median carina running from base of anterior process to apex; entire pronotum conspicuously punctate and covered with short hairs which form solid patches on sides of posterior process; punctures on metopidium forming transverse rugae. Ventral parts and sides of thorax covered with short pile, denser behind eyes and below humeri where it forms a solid coat which is very prominent. Tegmina membranous, base coriaceous; veins very strong, with short inclined hairs. Legs completely covered with short pubescence; hind tibiae longer and thinner than front and middle tibiae. Entire venter covered with hairs, somewhat rugose.

Male pygofer, in lateral aspect, with dorsal margin nearly straight; lateral valves with superior angle prolonged into a spinelike process narrowed to an obtuse point and directed straight backward; sternal plate, in ventral view, about twice as long as wide, broadened near base, then

abruptly narrowed, sides of narrower portion almost parallel, apex evenly rounded, medianly incised nearly to region of greatest width; in lateral view medianly with dorsal and ventral margins sinuate, widest near base, apex broadly rounded; styles long and narrow, terminal portion abruptly twisted outward, apex truncate; aedeagus with posterior arm enlarge basally, rather abruptly attenuated distally, anterior arm subequal in size to posterior arm, broad at base.

General color dark fuscous with whitish pubescence. Head fuscous black; ocelli and eyes yellowish brown. Pronotum with a black blotch behind eyes; posterior process with several irregular small patches of white or yellowish pubescence along sides; sides of thorax with a broad band of white or yellowish-white behind eyes; ventral parts of thorax almost black. Tegmina yellowish-hyaline, dark brown at base, a lighter small area distad of this; veins fuscous, darker on apical half of costal cell; corium sometimes with fuscous black markings at base of anteapical cells, base of apical cells and tip of limbus. Wings milky hyaline; veins light brown. Legs fusco-ferrugineous; tibiae testaceous. Venter dark fuscous or fuscous black.

Length, apex of anterior pronotal process to apex of tegmina, σ : 6.10 mm., φ : 7.34 mm.; width across humeri, σ : 2.00 mm., φ : 2.60 mm.

This is apparently the most abundant membracid in Puerto Rico. It ranges all over the Island as is evident from the extensive collection at hand. Wolcott (1950: 104) records this species from cotton and coffee and states that it does not show any clearly defined host preference since it has been collected also on several trees and many other plants.

The record of *N. vulpes* Amyot and Serville given by Osborn, (1935: 125-6), based on specimens in the U. S. National Museum determined by W. D. Funkhouser, should be referred to this species. These specimens were examined by the writer and found to be typical *N. gibberulus* Stal, as they lack the dorsal crest on the pronotum and the humeral horns which characterize the first species.

Nessorhinus graciloides Dozier

- 1931. Nessorhinus graciloides Dozier, Amer. Mus. Nov. 510: 3.
- 1935. Nessorhinus graciloides Osborn, Sci. Surv. Porto Rico and Virgin Islands 14: 125.
- 1936. Nessorhinus graciloides Wolcott, J. Agr. Univ. P. R. 20: 74.
- 1950. Nessorhinus graciloides Wolcott, J. Agr. Univ. P. R. 32: 104.
- 1951. Nessorhinus graciloides Funkhouser, Gen. Insect. Homoptera Membracidae. Fasc. 208: 89.

This species is very similar to *N. gracilis* Metcalf and Bruner and to *N. vulpes* Amyot and Serville in that it also possesses a dorsal horn on the pronotum and the humeral angles are produced into horns. It differs from

both these species in the shorter and differently shaped dorsal process and in the distinctly shorter humeral angles. There are also minor differences in coloration in the three species.

Since this species has not been seen by the writer, the following description is taken from the original one.

Anterior process rather short, strongly deflexed, distinctly narrowing to apex, with two longitudinal lateral carinae, decidedly closer to lateral margins than to each other; pronotum densely punctate; lateral processes or horns very short, distinctly turned; dorsal process compressed, comparatively short, subacute at tip, sides sloping downward, reminding one of a mountain peak; posterior process elongate, slender, following contour of tegmina but distinctly shorter than latter.

General color dark brown-black, covered very lightly with inconspicuous grayish hairs; clumps of grayish white hairs form a distinct whitish stripe along lower side of thorax and four whitish spots along posterior process, apical spot being smaller than others. Tegmina semi-opaque, fuscous black; veins paler. Legs and eyes reddish testaceous. Venter fuscous.

Length, apex of anterior process of pronotum to apex of tegmina, σ : 7.00 mm.; width across lateral processes, σ : 2.80 mm.

Known only from the type, a male collected at Caguas, P. R., 25 May 1924, H. L. Dozier.

Nessorhinus esbeltus sp. n. (fig. 12, F to J)

This species is related to *N. gibberulus* Stal but differs substantially from it in being much narrower, not gibbous and in having different male genitalia.

Head extremely short, broad; face recumbent, densely pilose; ocelli closer to eyes than to base of head. Pronotum much flattened, slightly sloping on metopidium; anterior process as in N. gibberulus Stal but slightly longer and much narrower; humeral angles broadly pointed, not produced into spines; posterior process feebly tectiform, marginal carinae very thin, lateral carinae evident on terminal half only, median carina percurrent from base of anterior process to tip of posterior process; entire pronotum uniformly and densely punctate and covered with very short appressed hairs. Sides and ventral parts of thorax and venter with similar but much denser pubescence. Tegmina opaque; veins very heavy. Legs covered with scant pile.

Male pygofer, in profile, with dorsal margin slightly raised at middle, long and broad; lateral valves with superior angle produced into a prominent, elongate process with a rounded end; sternal plate in ventral aspect about twice as long as wide, with a shallow but very wide constriction at middle, apex rather acutely rounded, a deep incision reaching a little beyond

middle; in profile, both ventral and dorsal margins sinuate, widest at base, tip narrowed to a point; styles long and narrow, tip broadly rounded and bent forward and downward; aedeagus as in N. gibberulus Stal but with the posterior arm thinner at base and with the tip slightly broader, anterior arm smaller than posterior arm.

General color fusco-piceous to black, covered with yellowish pile above and whitish pile below; pubescence denser on face, sides and ventral portions of thorax. Eyes reddish brown. Tegmina yellowish brown, marked with black at base, costal cell, apex, and veins. Wings brownish-hyaline; veins dark brown. Legs yellowish ferrugineous; tarsi darker.

Length, apex of anterior process to tip of tegmina, σ : 7.20 mm., φ : 7.70 mm.; width across humeral angles, σ : 2.10 mm., φ : 2.30 mm.

Holotype ♂: El Yunque, P. R.; December 1951; J. Maldonado Capriles Allotype ♀: Same data.

Paratypes: 1 of; Maricao State Forest, P. R.; 30 May 1938; J. A. Ramos; Matrullas, Villalba, P. R.; 11 October 1946; J. A. Ramos; 1 Q: Carite Mts., P. R.; 2 October 1947; J. S. Caldwell and L. F. Martorell; 1 Q: El Yunque, P. R.; 12 December 1947; J. S. Caldwell and L. F. Martorell.

Spinodarnoides Funkhouser

1930. Spinodarnoides Funkhouser, J. N. Y. Ent. Soc. 28: 413.

This genus is characterized by the absence of an anterior prolongation of the pronotum, by the spinous humeral angles and the spine-like median dorsal process. The face has a transverse ridge with the base and lower surface at a slanting position from it when viewed laterally.

Head much broader than long; face with superior margin sinuate; ocelli prominent, much closer to eyes than to each other and lying just above transverse ridge; clypeus broad, extending for about two-thirds of its length below sinuate margins of genae. Pronotum low, convex; metopidium sloping; median carina strongly percurrent; humeral angles extended into long, sharp spines; dorsum with a short, sharp median horn; posterior process elongate, slender, pointed, tricarinate, tip not reaching apex of tegmina. Tegmina free, long and narrow, hyaline; five apical cells; three discoidal cells; apical limbus narrow.

Genotype: Spinodarnoides typus Funkhouser (1930: 413-4).

Spinodarnoides typus Funkhouser

- 1930. Spinodarnoides typus Funkhouser, J. N. Y. Ent. Soc. 28: 413-4.
- 1933. Spinodarnoides typus Leonard, J. Dept. Agr. P. R. 17: 37.
- 1936. Spinodarnoides typus Wolcott, J. Agr. Univ. P. R. 20: 75.
- 1950. Spinodarnoides typus Wolcott, J. Agr. Univ. P. R. 32: 106.

1951. Spinodarnoides typus Funkhouser, Gen. Insect. Homoptera. Membracidae. Fasc. 208: 89-90.

This species is easily identified by the elongate, slender, punctate body; the spinous humeral angles and by the prominent spiniform horn on the pronotum. The head has a transverse ridge on the face from which the base and lower regions slope down.

Head punctate, pubescent, twice as wide as long; frontal angle sharp; base sinuate; ocelli prominent, more than twice as close to eyes than to each other, lying about on across middle of eyes; eyes large; clypeus twice as long as wide, protruding from inferior margin of genae for two-thirds of its length. Pronotum punctate, slightly tumentose; metopidium sloping, twice as wide as high; median carina percurrent; humeral angles developed into sharp spines; dorsum elevated into a strongly angular, blunt spine situated just back of humeral angles; posterior process elongate, slender, straight, tricarinate; apex not quite reaching tip of abdomen. Tegmina free, hyaline; base narrowly coriaceous and punctate; veins heavy. Sides of thorax tomentose.

General color brown. Legs yellow brown. Abdomen brown with yellow lateral margins.

Length, front of head to tip of tegmina, 9:7.30 mm.; width across humeral spines, 9:3.50 mm.

Known only from the type, a female in the Funkhouser collection in the University of Kentucky (Allen 1951: 486).

Paradarnoides Fowler

1894. Paradarnoides Fowler, Trans. Ent. Soc. London. 1894: 422.

This genus resembles *Darnoides* Fairmaire but differs from it in possessing three discoidal cells in the tegmina and having the ocelli located very close to the eyes.

Head much deflexed, about half as long as wide; ocelli much closer to eyes than to each other; clypeus relatively large, projecting for more than half its length below lower borders of genae. Pronotum not elevated, convex, sculptured, with a percurrent median carina; base almost completely concealing head from above; humeral angles rather wide; no suprahumeral processes; posterior process long, slender, moderately tectiform, tip subacute and not quite reaching apex of tegmina. Tegmina free, subopaque, coriaceous and punctate near base; venation very strong; five elongate apical cells; three discoidal cells; apical limbus moderately narrow. Wings with four apical cells.

Genotype: Paradarnoides severini Fowler (1894: 422), described from Guadeloupe, Lesser Antilles.

Paradarnoides caldwelli sp. n. (fig. 13, A to D, and also F)

A medium size species easily separated from the other three species of the genus, *P. severini* Fowler, *P. ignipes* Fowler and *P. danforthi* Ramos, by the shape of the pronotum, which extends over the head in a hoodlike manner, and by the different coloration.

Face convex, clothed with moderately long pubescence; antennal ledges prominent; clypeus long and broad, projecting below lower borders of genae for nearly half its length into a prominent semicircular lobe; ocelli on upper corners of face, very close to eyes, with a conspicuous transverse ridge below. Pronotum convex; entire surface densely and strongly punctate, except for a smooth area behind eyes; median carina prominent, percurrent; anterior border strongly convex, extended over base of head; metopidium gently sloping; humeral angles short and broad; posterior process wide at base, elongate, narrowing to an obtuse apex, slightly tectiform, with two rather obsolete lateral carinae near middle, lateral margins carinate. Tegmina semiopaque; base coriaceous, punctate. Sides of thorax and entire undersurface densely pubescent. Legs moderately pilose, pilosity stronger on tibiae; metatibiae with a double row of close, short denticles.

Male pygofer a little longer than wide, as seen in profile, with sides narrowing ventrad and dorsal margin nearly straight, except on terminal third where it curves downward; lateral valves prominent, elongate, superior angle produced into a large spine-like process, posterior margin with a wide, short lobe; sternal plate elongate, wider at base, narrowing to a rounded apex, dorsal margin slightly deflexed outward before apex, ventrally slit by a median incision which reaches forward just before middle; styles elongate, wider at middle, ventral margin sinuate, dorsal margin irregular, terminal portion narrow, slender, reaching tips of sternal plate, then sharply bent forward into a hook; aedeagus with anterior arm shorter, much stouter, posterior arm longer, slightly curved in profile, attenuated into a fine sharp point bearing minute teeth.

General color yellowish fuscous. Head (except genae in female), smooth area on pronotum behind eyes, sides and ventral parts of thorax piceous.

Length, front of pronotum to tip of tegmina, $\sigma: 4.61$ mm., 9: 5.74 mm.; width across humeral angles, $\sigma: 1.85$ mm., 9: 2.07 mm.

Holotype &: Guánica State Forest, P. R.; 11 October 1947; J. A. Ramos. Allotype Q: Km. 13.5, Road 36 Ponce, P. R.; 5 October 1933; on *Tabebuia* sp.; R. G. Oakley (U. S. National Museum)

Paratypes: 1 &: Same locality as holotype; 4 October 1947; J. A. Ramos. The writer takes great pleasure in naming this species in honor of J. S. Caldwell in recognition of his valuable contributions to our knowledge of the Puerto Rican homopterous fauna.

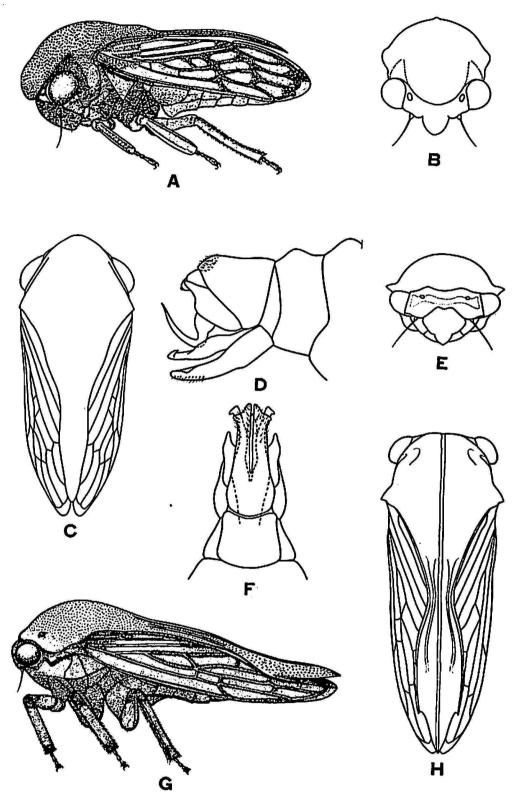


Fig. 13.—A, Paradarnoides caldwelli sp. n., lateral view. B, P. caldwelli sp. n., frontal view. C, P. caldwelli sp. n., dorsal outline. D, P. caldwelli sp. n., lateral veiw of male genitalia. E, Spathenotus tridentatus sp. n., frontal view. F, P. caldwelli sp. n., ventral view of male genitalia. G, S. tridentatus sp. n., lateral view. H, S. tridentatus sp. n., dorsal outline.

Spathenotus gen. n.

This genus may be easily identified by the low, moderately convex pronotum which is destitute of tubercles, horns, or any other processes, and by the greatly elongate, spatulate posterior pronotal process.

Head as wide as pronotum across humeri; face about twice as long as wide, upper margin nearly straight, carinate; base with a short sulcus at middle; ocular margins slightly slanting; lower borders of genae curved, ridged; entire surface smooth, with a wide transverse carina; ocelli lying just above this carina; clypeus longer than wide, strongly deflexed; eyes large, protuberant. Pronotum low, moderately convex; anterior border broadly rounded, antehumeral borders not projected into postocular lobes; humeral angles strong, prominent; posterior process elongate, tectiform, spatulate on terminal half, abruptly acuminate at apex, margins very strongly carinate except on terminal acumination; surface heavily punctate, pilose, with a median carina along entire length and two lateral ones only at middle. Tegmina much covered by sides of spatulate portion of posterior pronotal process, elongate, membranous, coriaceous at base, veins strong; five apical cells, all elongate; three anteapical cells; apical limbus broad. Wings with four apical cells.

Genotype: Spathenotus tridentatus sp. n.

Spathenotus tridentatus sp. n. (fig. 13, E, G, and H)

This is an elongate, ferrugineous species with prominent eyes and low, densely punctate pronotum. The apical margin of the posterior pronotal process is conspicuously tridentate.

Head short and broad, partly exposed in front of pronotum; lower portion of face strongly deflexed, densely pubescent. Pronotum, except large smooth area behind eyes, strongly punctate, somewhat rugose on metopidium which is very gently sloping, each puncture with a short, curved bristle; humeral angles nearly auriculate; apex of posterior process tridentate, median tooth larger, lateral teeth much reduced. Tegmina membranous, base opaque and punctate; venation strong. Entire undersurface clothed with smooth pubescence which is weaker on venter. Legs densely pilose, metatibiae with a double row of small inconspicuous denticles.

General color ferrugineous, with light yellowish pubescence, becoming darker on disc of pronotum. Eyes, median carina of pronotum, portion of marginal carina of posterior process, base of tegmina, all femora, fore tibiae, base and apex of middle tibiae, base of hind tibiae, and apical portion of all tarsi fuscous. Apical limbus and inner area of tegmina smoky brown; veins dark brown. Marginal carinae of spatulate portion of posterior pronotal process, except at tips, conspicuously pale lemon yellow.

Length, apex of head to tips of tegmina, Q: 8.70 mm.; width across humeral angles, Q: 3.11 mm.

Holotype 9: Peñón Collao, Salinas, P. R.; 3 August 1953; at light; J. A. Ramos.

Brachytalis Metcalf and Bruner

1925. Brachytalis Metcalf and Bruner, Bul. Brooklyn Ent. Soc. 20: 204. These are very small cuneiform insects with low shining pronotum with the posterior process symmetrically acuminate into a fine point. The tegmina are free and coriaceous for a considerable portion of the surface.

Head, across eyes, decidely narrower than prothorax across humerals, moderately protruding in front of pronotum; face subrectangular, much shorter than wide; ocelli rather inconspicuous; lower margins of genae prolonged into prominent ledges; clypeus much reduced, broad and short, moderately deflexed, slightly produced below lower margin of genae. Pronotum broad, low, moderately smooth and shining, puncturation and median carina ill-defined; sides produced into prominent postocular lobes; humeral angles prominent but short and obtuse; metopidium gently sloping, much broader than high; posterior process nearly straight in lateral view, rounded above, moderately elongate, reaching only to inner angle of tegmina; sides straight, narrowing to an acute apex. Tegmina coriaceous and punctate on basal portion; terminal portion more membranous, with venation rather weak but clearly distinguishable; five apical cells; one discoidal cell; apical limbus broad. Wings with three apical cells.

Genotype: Brachytalis fuscus Metcalf and Bruner (1925: 204-5). described from Cuba.

Brachytalis punctulatus sp. n. (fig. 14, A to E)

Very closely related to *B. fuscoalis* Metcalf and Bruner but with the pronotum and part of the tegmina dotted with fine punctules and differently colored. The male is black with yellowish markings on the pronotum, with ferrugineous and hyaline tegmina. The female is of a uniform testaceous color.

Head well exposed in front of pronotum; face convex, about two-thirds as long as wide, upper margin very slightly sinuate at middle; ocular margins vertical; lower margin of genae slightly curved, ocelli inconspicuous, closer to eyes than to each other and well above a line across center of eyes; clypeus very small. Pronotum low, moderately convex on metopidium; surface with fine punctules, which in males are more discernible along sides; anterior margins broadly and symmetrically convex; postocular lobes

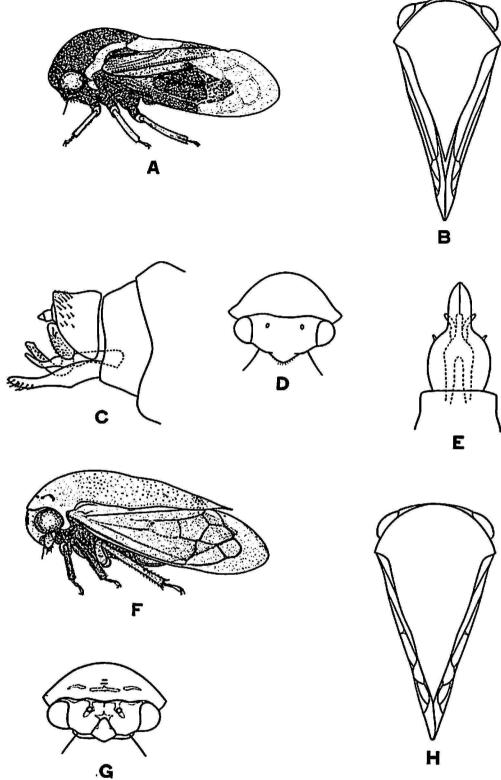


Fig. 14.—A, Brachytalis punctulatus sp. n., lateral view. B, B. punctulatus sp. n., dorsal outline. C, B. punctulatus sp. n., lateral view of male genitalia. D, B. punctulatus sp. n., frontal view. E, B. punctulatus sp. n., ventral view of male genitalia. F, Micrutalis calva (Say), lateral view. G, M. calva (Say), frontal view. H, M. calva (Say), dorsal outline.

prominent, auriculate, deflexed outward and backward, apex bluntly pointed; humeral angles moderately sharp. Tegmina coriaceous on basal two-thirds, punctate along costal cell, radial and ulnar veins, and on calvus; female tegmina with coriaceous area much more reduced but with identical puncturation; terminal third membranous, with venation more clearly defined than in opaque surface. Entire undersurface moderately pilose. Legs sparsely hairy.

Male pygofer about as long as broad, dorsal margin in profile very slightly sinuate, sides weakly narrowing ventrad; sternal plate in profile elongate, narrow, attenuated on terminal half, apex obtuse, ventral margin, angularly emarginate near middle, curving up near apex, dorsal margin broadly sinuate toward apex; in ventral aspect roughly pyriform, nearly twice as long as wide at base, apex obtusely pointed, with a median incision reaching to about two-thirds from base; lateral valves comparatively reduced, oval in outline, with a short tooth directed ventrad on upper region; styles elongate, narrowed and curved up distally, apex blunt; aedeagus U-shaped, anterior arm subequal to posterior arm, posterior arm slightly thinner, dentate on terminal half, apex almost truncate, orifice subterminal, nearly circular.

General color of male piceous. Eyes flesh colored. Postocular lobes, lateral margins of pronotum and central portion of posterior process light yellow. Basal two-thirds of tegmen ferrugineous; fuscous on costal margin, above discoidal cell and along commissural margin of clavus; terminal third yellow hyaline. Legs testaceous; femora dark fuscous. Female testaceous, lighter on dorsum of pronotum. Head with irregular spots of ferrugineous or dark fuscous; eyes rufous. Tegmina yellow hyaline with darker markings. Ventral parts of thorax fusco-piceous. Wings, in both sexes, transparent with brownish-black veins.

Length, apex of head to tip of tegmina, σ : 2.89 mm.; Q: 3.11 mm.; width across humerals, σ : 1.33 mm.; Q: 1.49 mm.

Holotype of: Maricao State Forest, P. R.; 27 November 1952; J. A. Ramos.

Allotype 9 : Same data.

Paratypes: 1 ♂ and 4 ♀ ♀: Same data.

Subfamily Smiliinae

The members of this subfamily are characterized by having the third apical cell of the tegmina petiolate, its base never sessile and truncate. The tegmina are always wholly membranous or with only the base and the costal area very narrowly coriaceous and punctate. The venation of the tegmina is often quite reduced and obscured.

Micrutalis Fowler

1895. Micrutalis Fowler, Biologia Centrali-Americana. 2: 116.

These are small, stout insects with cuneiform bodies and very low, entirely naked pronotum with the posterior process symmetrically tapering to a sharp point. The tegmina are entirely free, with indistinct venation; four apical cells and no discoidal cells.

Head nearly as wide as pronotum; face rectangular, superior margin very slightly sinuate; ocular margins nearly vertical; inferior border of genae rounded; ocelli inconspicuous; clypeus moderately small, projecting for a short distance below lower border of genae. Pronotum very low, convexly flattened, cuneate in dorsal view, entirely without processes, ecarinate; metopidium sloping, wider than high; humeral angles rounded, weak, posterior process gradually acute, not quite reaching apex of abdomen. Tegmina wholly free; hyaline or semiopaque; venation obscured; four apical cells; no discoidal cells; apical limbus broad. Wings with three apical cells, second with base truncate.

Genotype: Tragopa ephippium Burmeister (1836: 191).

Micrutalis calva (Say) (fig. 14, F to H)

1830. Membracis calva Say, J. Acad. Nat. Sci. Phila. 5: 242.

This North American species, which has been reported from other islands of the West Indies, is very variable in form and coloration.

The single female specimen at hand, collected by the writer at Doña Juana Forest, P. R., 3 November 1952, seems to agree in coloration with Cuban material referred to this species by Metcalf and Bruner (1925: 204). For this reason it seems advisable to assign it to this species until additional specimens are secured for a more detailed study.

The specimen at hand is pale yellow in color. The base of the pronotum and the face are feebly suffused with light ochraceous and marked with black, transverse lines; the entire pronotum and the legs are dotted with black. The tegmina are hyaline with the veins indicated by fuscous-black markings.

Subfamily Centrolinae

These are small, usually not abundant membracids in which the scutellum is always evident, usually only partially when the pronotum is prolonged into a posterior process or, less frequently, completely exposed when the posterior pronotal process is absent. This is the largest and most widely distributed subfamily being represented in the New and the Old World by a large number of genera and species.

Deiroderes gen. n.

This is a genus of small, delicate insects. It seems to be related to Lophyraspis Stal and Tolania Stal. It differs from the former in having the head roughly oval in outline instead of triangular and in having the ocelli closer to a line along the center of the eyes. It can be distinguished from the second of the above genera by the venation of the tegmina, principally by the possession of five apical cells instead of seven.

Head, in dorsal view, almost completely concealed by pronotum; face wider than long, slightly convex; base sulcate at middle; lower margins of genae strongly produced; ocelli closer to eyes than to each other, clypeus with terminal half lobe-like, projecting downward and backward from ventral border of face. Pronotum, in profile, well elevated, hood-like; moderately crested on median line or with a prominent median carina, base sharply bent horizontally, margin forming a prominent ledge above head; metopidium vertical, less so at sides and behind eyes; humeral angles short, not prominent; region above them simple or raised into a short, low ridge; posterior margin squarely produced distad; scutellum prominent, fully exposed. Tegmina opaque and strongly punctate, at least on basal third; venation rather weak; five apical cells, third longest, last largest; one anteapical cell. Wings with four apical cells.

Genotype: Deiroderes inermis sp. n.

Deiroderes inermis sp. n. (fig. 15, A to E).

This species closely resembles *Tolania punctata* Metcalf and Bruner, described from Cuba, which is hereby assigned to the genus *Deiroderes* gen n., but differs in being smaller, in having a less elevated pronotum without a dorsal crest and suprahumeral ridges, and in having the tegmina punctate on the basal two-thirds.

Face decidedly convex, broad, moderately long; entire surface rugose; base with a small but prominent sulcus at middle; lower margins of genae sinuous, carinate; clypeus prominent, strongly deflexed. Pronotum gibbous; base bent forward above base of head; without a dorsal crest but with a strong median carina; no suprahumeral ridges; humeral angles short and blunt; posterior margins squarely emarginate, carinate; entire surface heavily punctate. Scutellum with basal half tumid, terminal half flattened; entire surface punctate. Tegmina as in *D. punctatus* (Metcalf and Bruner) but punctate to level of apex of commissural margin. Sides and ventral parts of thorax rugose. Legs with femora rugose; tibiae with heavy, short pile and a double row of peg-like spines; metatibiae slightly curved.

Pygofer of male gibbous dorsally, sides gradually narrowing; lateral valves prominent, oblique, elongate, all margins nearly straight, posterior upper angle prolonged into a prominent, blunt process; sternal plate elon-

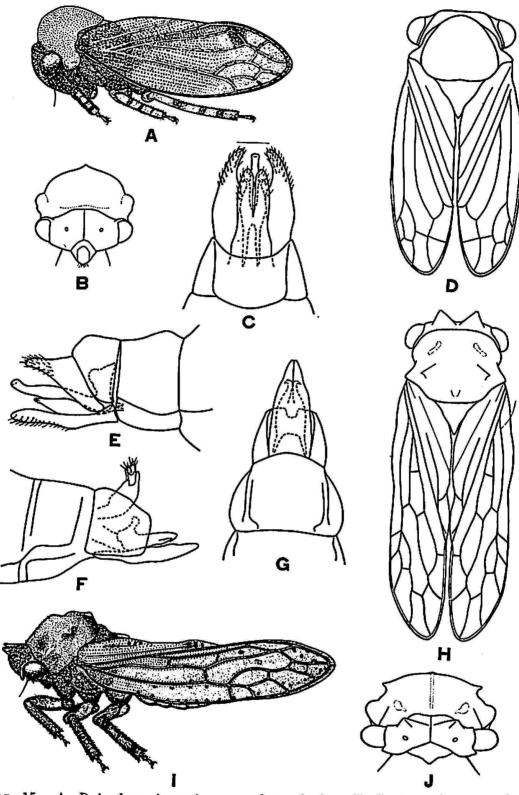


Fig. 15.—A, Deiroderes inermis sp. n., lateral view. B, D. inermis sp. n., frontal view. C, D. inermis sp. n., ventral view of male genitalia. D, D. inermis sp. n., dorsal outline. E, D. inermis sp. n., lateral view of male genitalia. F, Antillotolania doramariae sp. n., lateral view of male genitalia. G, A. doramariae sp. n., ventral view of male genitalia. H, A. doramariae sp. n., dorsal outline. I, A. doramariae sp. n., lateral view. J, A. doramariae sp. n., frontal view.

gate and narrow in profile, dorsal margin shallowly concave, ventral margin broadly angled near middle, apex bluntly rounded; in ventral view, a little over twice as long as wide, lateral margins sinuate, terminal half divided by a median incision into two long, narrow, apically rounded lobes; styles elongate, tapering to a fine point which curves outward into a short hook; aedeagus comparatively large in size, anterior arm much shorter, stout, posterior arm elongate, tubular, terminal portion slightly upcurved.

General color yellowish brown, darker on face, sides and ventral parts of thorax and femora. Terminal three-fourths of tegmina milky translucent; veins whitish, dots on veins dark yellowish brown, a large brownish yellow spot on corium below apex of commissure. Wings transparent; veins yellowish brown. Tibiae pale stramineous with darker spots; tarsi pale stramineous.

Length, front of head to apex of tegmina, $\sigma: 3.48 \text{ mm.}$, $\varphi: 3.51 \text{ mm.}$; width across humerals, $\sigma: 1.30 \text{ mm.}$, $\varphi: 1.31 \text{ mm.}$

Holotype 9: Guánica State Forest, P. R.; 3 August 1945; on *Capparis indica* (L.) Fawc. and Rendle; J. A. Ramos.

Allotype &: Same locality; 19 November 1947; J. A. Ramos.

Paratype: 1 9: Cambalache Experimental Forest, P. R.; 7 November 1947; J. S. Caldwell and L. F. Martorell.

Antillotolania gen. n.

This genus seems to be related to *Tolania* Stal but the head is wider, differently shaped and bicornute at the base. The clypeus is not trilobed and is very strongly deflected backward. The metopidium is decumbent and the scutellum ecarinate. The tegmina possess five or six apical cells and three discoidal cells.

Head wider than pronotum; base sulcate at middle, strongly bicornute; face rectangular, much wider than long, ocular margins nearly straight; lower margin of genae deflexed with outer angles produced, prominent; ocelli very prominent; clypeus large, extending below inferior margin of genae, deflexed to nearly a horizontal position; eyes very prominent, salient. Pronotum rather low; metopidium decumbent, wider than high; base with strong depressions; humeral angles short, broad; suprahumerals produced into dorsolateral horns; median carina well defined; with a small tubercle just caudad of suprahumerals. Scutellum fully exposed; swollen except at tip; ecarinate. Tegmina semiopaque, coriaceous, punctate and pubescent at base; veins indistinct on basal half; six apical cells in male, five in female; three discoidal cells; apical limbus obsolescent. Wings with four apical cells.

Genotype: Antilletolania doramariae sp. n.

Antillotolania doramariae sp. n. (Fig. 15, F to J).

This is a slender, elongate, punctate, pilose species of a fuscous color with the tegmina heavily marked with darker spots and irregular blotches. The head is strongly bicornute at the base and the pronotum possesses two suprahumeral horns which are very variable in prominence and sharpness.

Head short and wide; face punctate, tomentose, about twice as wide as long; upper margin curved; ocelli closer to eyes than to each other and lying about on a line connecting center of eyes; clypeus flat, about as long as wide; eyes curved backward, ovoid. Pronotum strongly punctate, tomentose; humerals moderate, blunt. Scutellum triangular, scarcely as long as wide, punctate, tomentose; tip acute. Tegmina with median discoidal cell longest; first apical cell fusiform, second short and narrow, third and fourth large. Sides and ventral parts of thorax tomentose. Legs with tibiae narrowly flattened, pilose. Venter with very sparse hairs.

General color yellowish fuscous, darker on dorsum of pronotum, suprahumerals, scutellum and sides of thorax. Tegmina strongly marked with reddish brown. Wings yellow hyaline; veins reddish brown. Legs with dark ferrugineous markings. Venter testaceous.

Length, tip of frontal horns to apex of tegmina, σ : 5.33 mm., φ : 5.85 mm.; width across humeral angles, σ : 1.52 mm.; φ : 1.55 mm.

Holotype &: Maricao State Forest, P. R.; 27 November 1952; J. A. Ramos.

Allotype Q: Carite State Forest, P. R.; 2 October 1947; J. S. Caldwell and L. F. Martorell.

Brachycentrotus Metcalf and Bruner

1926. Brachycentrotus Metcalf and Bruner, Bul. Brooklyn Ent. Soc. 21: 28.

These are very small insects with short, cuneiform bodies. The pronotum is strongly punctate with the posterior process broad, reaching only to the apex of the clavus. The basal half of the tegmina is conspicuously coriaceous and strongly punctate, the apical half is transparent with prominent veins.

Head almost concealed from above by pronotum; face very broad; ocelli wide apart from each other, closer to basal margin than to eyes. Pronotum well elevated, strongly and uniformly punctate; median carina obsolescent; metopidium very steep; anterior lateral borders produced downward into narrow postocular lobes; humeral angles moderately produced; posterior process broad, nearly flat, narrowing to a sharp point, reaching apex of clavus. Scutellum rather poorly exposed. Tegmina with basal half coriaceous and strongly punctate except for a narrow band along claval suture; veins on this area obscured; five apical cells; three discoidal

cells, first two smaller and similar, inner longest; apical limbus broad. Wings with four apical cells.

Genotype: Brachycentrotus punctatus Metcalf and Bruner (1925: 212-3), a Cuban species.

Brachycentrotus rufinervis sp. n. (Fig. 16, A to E).

This species differs from B. punctatus Metcalf and Bruner in being smaller and more depressed, and from B. hirsutus Metcalf and Bruner in not being hirsute and in coloration.

Head distinctly narrower than pronotum; face strongly incurved in lateral view, entire surface rugose; base slightly curved, with margin raised, lower borders of genae well produced; clypeus wider than long, forming a short lobe on lower margin of face. Pronotum in profile, smoothly convex on metopidium, nearly straight caudad; in dorsal view, with front margin strongly curved; metopidium shallowly sunken above eyes; posterior process somewhat constricted near middle, then narrowing to an acute point; entire surface with large, deep punctures. Scutellum well exposed, opposite constriction of posterior pronotal process. Tegmina typical; punctures on basal half large and very strong. Entire ventral surface covered with appressed hairs.

Male pygofer in lateral aspect long and broad, posterior margin strongly sinuous; lateral valves comparatively small, oblique, oval in outline; sternal plate, in profile, long and narrow, dorsal margin concave, ventral margin curved, with a wide lobe near base, apex obtusely pointed; in ventral aspect, twice as long as wide, lateral margins subparallel, apex broadly rounded with a moderately shallow median incision; styles elongate, wider at base, tapering to a blunt point turned slightly outward and upward; aedeagus with anterior arm shorter and stouter than posterior arm, posterior arm ending in an attenuated point and bearing a row of small peglike teeth on each side near anterior margin.

Head, a wide band on metopidium and whole ventral surface piceous. Pile on undersurface yellowish white. Eyes and ocelli pale whitish yellow. Pronotum stramineous; punctures light ferrugineous. Basal half of tegmina reddish brown to yellowish at middle, punctures fuscous; terminal half clear with a brown fascia crossing apical cells and on base; veins rufous. Wings transparent; veins light brown. Legs with coxae, trochanters and femora except apex piceous; tip of femora and tibiae ferrugineous; tarsi brownish yellow; denticles on metatibiae piceous.

Length, apex of head to apex of tegmina, ♂: 2.50 mm.; ♀: 2.70 mm.; width across humeral angles, ♂: 1.30 mm., ♀: 1.44 mm.

Holotype &: Maricao State Forest, P. R.; 27 November 1952; on Dipholis Sintenisiana Pierre; J. A. Ramos.

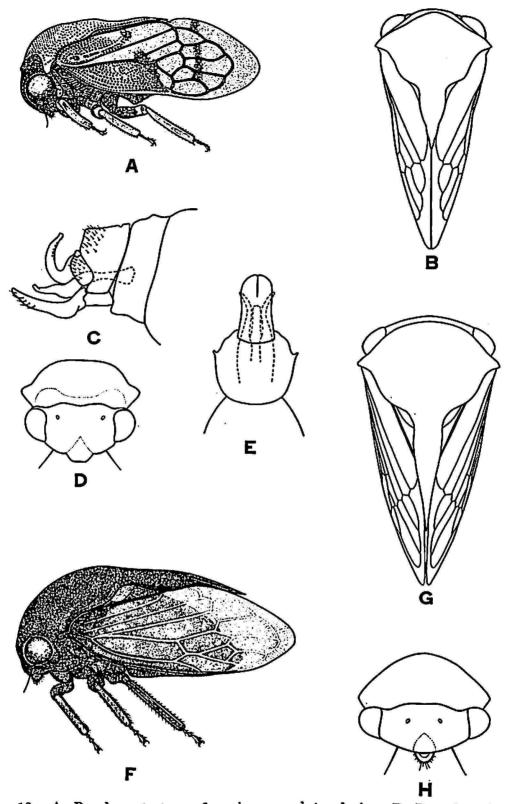


Fig. 16.—A, Brachycentrotus rufinervis sp. n., lateral view. B, B. rufinervis sp. n., dorsal outline. C, B. rufinervis sp. n., lateral view of male genitalia. D, B. rufinervis sp. n., frontal view. E, B. rufinervis sp. n., ventral view of male genitalia. F, Monobelus fasciatus (Fabricius), lateral view. G, M. fasciatus (Fabricius), dorsal outline. H, M. fasciatus (Fabricius), frontal view.

Allotype 9: Same data.

Paratypes: 1 σ : same locality; 5 November 1952; J. A. Ramos; 1 σ : same data as type; 2 \circ 2: same locality; 5 November 1952; J. A. Ramos; 3 \circ 2: same data as type. All these specimens were also collected on *Dipholis Sintenisiana* Pierre.

Monobelus Stal

1866. Monobelus Stal, Berliner Ent. Zeit. 10: 386.

Small or medium size insects in which the pronotum does not project in front of the head but is extended backward into a slender, elongate process; the humeral angles are short and not developed into horns or spines. The body is robust and cuneiform in dorsal aspect.

Head, across eyes, nearly as wide as pronotum; very short and broad; anterior margin gently arched; face wider than long, base arcuate; lower margins of genae projected downward, forming deep antennal cavities; ocelli prominent, equidistant from each other and from eyes; eyes large, globular; clypeus produced below ventral margins of genae, tip rounded. Pronotum broad, convex, feebly punctate; metopidium sloping, much broader than high; base broadly rounded; sides prolonged downward into prominent postocular lobes; humeral angles short, broad, blunt; posterior process long, attenuated into a sharp point, extending to tip of abdomen. Scutellum well exposed on each side. Tegmina completely free, hyaline; base coriaceous and punctate; veins conspicuous; corium with five apical cells and one or two discoidal cells; apical limbus moderately broad.

Genotype: Membracis fasciata Fabricius (1798: 515) was described from the West Indies

Monobelus fasciatus (Fabricius) (Figs. 16, F to H and 17, A and B).

1798. Membracis fasciata Fabricius, Suppl. Ent. Syst. 1798: 515.

1935. Monobelus fasciatus Osborn, Sci. Surv. Porto Rico and Virgin Islands 14: 122-4.

1936. Monobelus fasciatus Wolcott, J. Agr. Univ. P. R. 20: 74.

1950. Monobelus fasciatus Wolcott, J. Agr. Univ. P. R. 32: 104-6.

1951. Monobelus fasciatus Funkhouser, Gen. Insect. Homoptera. Membracidae. Fasc. 208: 192.

A small robust species of an intense black or dark ferrugineous color and yellowish hyaline tegmina.

Face slightly convex, nearly vertical in profile; eyes prominent. Pronotum very broad, strongly convex on metopidium, densely and uniformly covered with minute, rather inconspicuous punctures except on terminal half of posterior process; posthumeral borders with a submarginal row of deep punctures; humeral angles short and wide; posterior process tapering to an

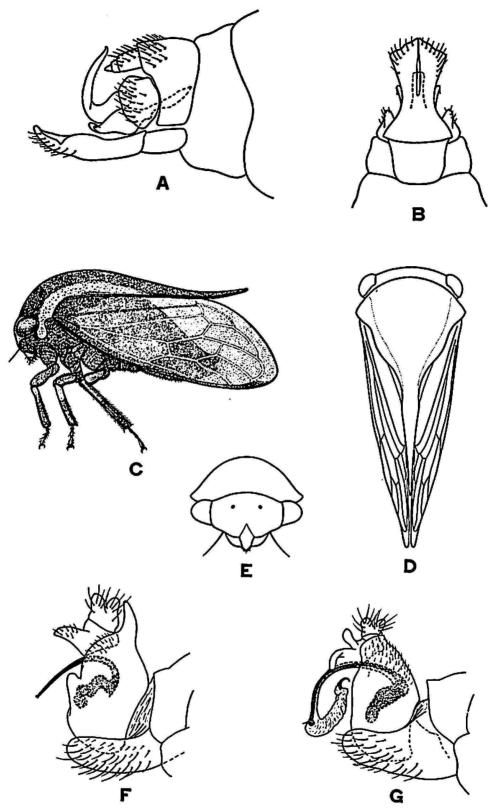


Fig. 17.—A, Monobelus fasciatus (Fabricius), lateral view of male genitalia. B, M. fasciatus (Fabricius), ventral view of male genitalia. C, M. maldonadoi sp. n., lateral view. D, M. maldonadoi sp. n., dorsal outline. E, M. maldonadoi sp. n., frontal view. F, Borencona aguadilla Davis, lateral view of male genitalia. G, Proarna hilaris (Germar), lateral view of male genitalia.

acute point, terminal half with two marginal and a median obsolescent carinae. Scutellum wide, plainly exposed, densely pubescent at base. Ventral parts, sides of thorax and venter covered with abundant short pile. Tegmina completely free, strongly tectiform; base narrowly coriaceous and punctate; corium hyaline; veins prominent, two discoidal cells. Wings with third appical cell a little longer than second. Legs with femora sparsely pilose; tibiae with longer, stiff hairs.

Male pygofer long and broad, dorsal margin in profile nearly straight; lateral valves comparatively small, roughly oval in outline; sternal plate, in profile, very long and narrow, ventral margin smoothly concave, dorsal margin sinuous, apex narrowed to a blunt point, slightly curved upward; in ventral aspect nearly twice as long as wide, base wider than apex, lateral margins strongly sinuate at middle, apex triangularly produced, a median narrow incision reaching forward to about middle; styles comparatively short, base very broad, terminal portion attenuated to an acute apex which is curved outward and then forward; aedeagus with anterior arm shorter and stouter than posterior arm, posterior arm attenuated and with minute teeth on anterior surface.

General color dark ferrugineous to piceous. Eyes reddish, Pronotum sometimes with a faint narrow stripe of yellowish on lateral margins. Hairs on sides and ventral parts of thorax and on venter grayish white. Tegmina yellow hyaline, base black; veins yellowish brown, darker on disc and on costal area. Wings transparent; veins light brown. Legs dark castaneous.

Length, apex of head to tip of tegmina, σ : 5.00 mm., φ : 5.60 mm.; width across humeral angles, σ : 2.40 mm., φ : 2.80 mm.

This is a common species occurring all over the island. Numerous specimens are at hand from different localities along the coast and in the interior of the island. According to Wolcott (1950: 104) the species occurs on a great variety of plants, showing no apparent host preference. The species is also distributed in some of the other West Indian islands.

Monobelus maldonadoi sp. n. (Fig. 17, C to E).

This species resembles M. fasciatus (Fabricius) but it is more elongate and slender. It may be easily identified by the conspicuous yellowish band at the sides of the pronotum and by the possession of one anteapical cell on the tegmina instead of two, as is the case of the other species of the genus.

Face nearly flat, almost vertical in profile. Pronotum, in lateral view, with dorsal margin evenly convex on metopidium but nearly straight on posterior process; humeral angles very short and obtuse; posterior process elongate, tapering to a sharp point, completely ecarinate; entire surface nearly smooth, except along sides where there are numerous obsolescent punctures. Scutellum exposed but comparatively less than in *M. fasciatus* (Fabricius).

Ventral parts and sides of thorax and entire venter covered with rather dense pile. Tegmina completely free, steeply tectiform, hyaline; base and greater portion of costal cell coriaceous and feebly punctate; veins rather weak; corium with a single discoidal cell instead of two. Wings with third apical cell much longer than second. Legs with femora sparsely haired; tibiae with numerous stiff hairs only on hind surface.

Head pitch-black; eyes, ocular margins of face, lower outer angles of genae, and ocelli brownish yellow. Pronotum black with a conspicuous yellowish band on sides from eyes to base of posterior process, preceded by a narrow reddish brown area which is more evident caudad. Entire undersurface and abdomen fusco-piceous, pubescence grayish white. Tegmina yellow hyaline, base and costal area fuscous; veins brownish yellow. Wings clear hyaline; veins dark brown, lighter at base. Legs pale fuscous, darker on femora; middle and hind tibiae conspicuously yellow at base.

Length, apex of head to tip of tegmina, ♂: 6.60 mm.; width across humeral angles, ♀: 2.60 mm.

Holotype Q: Cerro Maravillas, Villalba, P. R.; 2 March 1946; J. Maldonado Capriles.

Paratypes: 1 \(\text{: same data as type; 1 \(\text{: Matrullas, P. R.; 21 February 1932; S. T. Danforth.} \)

This species is named after my friend and colleague, Dr. J. Maldonado Capriles, who has contributed much to the knowledge of the Puerto Rican insect fauna.

Monobelus nasutus Stal and M. obtusiceps Stal are credited to Puerto Rico by Funkhouser (1951: 192). Since the author has not seen any specimens that answer the descriptions of these two species, in spite of the extensive series of specimens of this genus examined by him, he does not consider that these records are valid and, therefore, deletes them from the Puerto Rican fauna.

FAMILY CICADIDAE

The members of this family are generally large insects. The body is subconical and prominent; the head is short and wide with the large eyes on the outer angles; the wings are large and membranous. The ocelli are three in number and are placed near together forming a small triangle on the disc of the crown. The males possess peculiar stridulatory organs located at the base of the abdomen on the ventral side, by means of which they emit a characteristic shrill cry that explains the vernacular name of "chicharras" in Puerto Rico. The females generally insert their eggs into the twigs and branches of trees and other plants by means of their ovipositors; the nymphs live underground feeding on the roots.

KEY TO THE GENERA AND SPECIES OF PHERTO RICAN CICADIDAE

- 1. Head broader; sides of pronotum not expanded laterally; first cross vein of tegmina slightly curved; tegmina hyaline *Proarna hilaris* (Germar)

Borencona Davis

1928. Borencona Davis, J. N. Y. Ent. Soc. 36: 31.

A monotypic and autochthonous genus related in most respects to Odopoea Stal but with the first cross vein of the tegmina slanting toward the body instead of outwardly. It differs from Zammara Amyot and Serville in having the upper or Cu₁ vein of the eighth marginal cell of the tegmina curved instead of greatly arched.

Body short and robust, broader below tympana in male. Head very short and narrow, considerably narrower than pronotum; rostrum reaching posterior coxae. Pronotum very broad; sides prominently expanded outward, margins medially angulate. Tympanal coverings imperfect, concealing only extreme outer parts of orifices; opercula short, broad and rounded. Tegmina nearly opaque; first cross vein slanting toward body; upper or Cu₁ vein of eighth marginal cell curved, not greatly arched.

Genotype: Borencona aguadilla Davis (1928: 31).

Borencona aguadilla Davis (Fig. 17, F).

1923. Zammara sp. Wolcott, J. Dept. Agr. P. R. 7: 256.

1928. Borencona aguadilla Davis, J. N. Y. Ent. Soc. 36: 31-3.

A rather small species readily recognized by the lateral expansions of the pronotum, brownish green general color, and semiopaque tegmina and wings.

Head, including eyes, narrow, about half as broad as pronotum; crown with three small lobes on anterior margin. Pronotum with posterior angles produced. Tegmina rounded at apex; anterior and posterior margins considerably curved; transverse fold plainly developed; basal cell long, with front and hind margins almost parallel; first cross vein starting from basal fourth of first marginal cell and running toward body. Tympana much exposed, specially on outer part. Opercula short and rounded, not reaching third abdominal sternite. Abdomen broadest below tympanal orifices.

Male pygofer, in lateral view, much longer than wide, with a large spinelike process dorsally and a smaller, lobate one on posterior margin; sternal plate broad and long, broadly rounded apically; aedeagus consisting of a strongly chitinized, slender, sickle-shaped structure. General color brownish green about tympana and margins of pronotum, with a narrow and irregular brownish dorsal stripe extending from center of head to hind margin of pronotum; this stripe widening irregularly on mesonotum. Abdomen, in both sexes, with two pruinose curved lines above; each abdominal segment narrowly edged with greenish; in female, last two segments dorsally pruinose. Venter pallid. Tegmina and hind wings with veins flecked with fuscous; spots arranged in pairs on costal margin of tegmina; central portion of all cells, especially of fore wings, likewise marked with brown.

Length of body, ♂: 22 mm.; ♀: 21 mm.; expanse of wings, ♂: 56 mm.; ♀: 61 mm.

This is a rather common species. Although there are several records of its capture at Mayagüez and Río Piedras, the species is more abundant in the humid higher forests of the interior, especially in the western two-thirds of the island. According to the numerous specimens at hand, the adults seem to be most common from July to November.

Progrna Stal

1864. Proarna Stal, Ann. Soc. Ent. France 4: (4) 61.

This is a genus of rather small species. It may be readily recognized by the transverse vein at the base of the second apical cell of the tegmina which is more or less vertical. The sides of the pronotum are not expanded as in *Borencona* Davis.

Head, across eyes, about equal in width to base of pronotum; eyes scarcely projecting beyond anterior angles of pronotum; vertex, at area of ocelli, distinctly longer than front. Pronotum a little shorter than mesonotum; posterior angles a little prominent but not lobately produced. Metasternum with a moderately elevated transverse central plate which is not angularly produced anteriorly. Tegmina with eight apical cells; basal cell longer than broad; cross vein at base of second apical cell more or less vertical; wings about half as long as tegmina. Abdomen about as long as space between apex of head and base of cruciform elevation.

Genotype: Cicada hilaris Germar (1844: 69).

Proarna hilaris (Germar) (Fig. 17, G).

1834. Cicada hilaris Germar, Rev. Ent. Silbermann. 2: 69.

A small grayish-brown species with the wings sparsely maculate or completely clear.

Head, including eyes, a little over three-fourths as broad as pronotum; crown trilobate on anterior margin, median lobe much larger and prominent. Pronotum about two and one-half times as broad as long; posterior angles somewhat prominent but not produced. Tegmina moderately rounded at

apex; anterior and posterior margins moderately curved; basal cell elongate; first cross vein arising at middle of first apical area, slightly incurved.

Male pygofer, in lateral aspect, much longer than broad, roughly conical in shape; sternal plate long and broad, broader at base; aedeagus very large and prominent, proximal portion tubular, strongly chitinized and curved downward, terminal portion membranous, bladderlike, this structure bearing a minute, stiff spine at base on left side and a hooked chitinized apical spine.

General color grayish brown with darker markings above; eyes reddish brown; basal half of costae contrastingly cream colored; wings very sparsely maculate or completely clear.

Length of body, σ : 16 mm., φ : 18 mm.; expanse of wings, σ : 48 mm. φ : 50 mm.

This is the common cicada of Puerto Rico. It occurs all over the island, from the dry, xerophytic districts on the coast to the humid forests of the interior, as it is evident from the extensive collection at hand. The adults are found during all the months of the year but they seem to be more abundant from May to November. Wolcott (1950: 103) reports finding the nymphs apparently feeding on the roots of Wedelia trilobata (L.) Hitchcock.

DISCUSSION

The taxonomic account of the families Kinnaridae, Cercopidae, Membracidae, and Cicadidae presented in this work completes the review of the auchenorhynchous Homoptera of Puerto Rico. This study was initiated in 1950 by Caldwell and Martorell, who published a similar treatise on the Cicadellidae (1950a) and on the Fulgoroidea exclusive of the Kinnaridae (1950b). The completion of this work reveals a total of 317 forms of Auchenorhyncha known to occur in Puerto Rico. Of this number, 147 are new to science and 30 constitute new records. The families included in this report are represented by 37 species, 22 of which are described as new and 4 are given as new records (see table 1.) Six previous records of various authors, namely Epicranion championi Fowler, Philaenus fuscovarius Stal, and Clastoptera brevis (Walker) in the Cercopidae; and Nessorhinus vulpes Amyot and Serville, Monobelus nasutus Stal and M. obtusiceps Stal in the Membracidae, are not recognized because of misidentifications or synonymy.

In the following sections each of the four families included in this report is separately discussed and analyzed.

FAMILY KINNARIDAE

A total of 12 species belonging to this family are reported from Puerto Rico in the present account. These are all endemic. They are grouped into

Family	Previously known from the region (Wolcott 1950)		Reported in this paper		New to science		New records	
	Genera	Species	Genera	Species	Genera	Species	Genera	Species
Kinnaridae Cercopidae	1 3	4 3	2 5	12 8	1 2		0 2	0 2
Membracidae Cicadidae	3 2	5 2	12 2	15 2	4 0	9 0	5 0	2 0
Total	9	14	21	37	7	22	7	4

Table 1.—An analysis by families of the genera and species included in this revision

two genera one of which, Oreopenes gen. n., is monotypic and endemic and the other, Quilessa Fennah, is shared with the Lesser Antilles.

As compared to the other Antilles, Puerto Rico thus shows a rich kinnarid fauna. Cuba has only five species that fall into three genera, two of which are endemic. Jamaica claims two species only which belong to a widely distributed genus. Hispaniola possesses the same number of species and genera as Cuba, all of them endemic. The Lesser Antilles have all together 14 forms grouped into two genera, one of which is endemic (see table 2). A possible explanation accounting for the richer kinnarid fauna of Puerto Rico might be the fact that the island has been more intensively collected than any of the other Greater Antilles.

FAMILY CERCOPIDAE

The Cercopidae are very poorly represented in the Puerto Rican fauna, only 8 species being reported herein from this region. Of this number, 5 species are described as new to science and 2 constitute new records for the island (see table 1). This is really a very limited number of forms for the island as compared to the 23 species known from Cuba, as reported by Metcalf and Bruner (1944).

The eight Puerto Rican species fall into five genera, two of which are monotypic and endemic (Asprocranites gen. n. and Gaetopsis gen. n.); one is shared with Cuba only (Leocomiopsis Metcalf and Bruner); one is strictly Greater Antillean in distribution with representatives in each of these four island (Leocomia Ball) and one is widely distributed throughout North, Central and South America (Clastoptera Germar) (see table 2). This evidence shows that the Puerto Rican cercopid fauna, although very poor in number of forms, is essentially endemic and Greater Antillean in character, with very little continental affinity and with none with the Lesser Antilles.

A striking characteristic of this fauna is the interesting fact of the ab-

TABLE 2.—A zo	ogeographical	analysis o	of the	Kinnaridae,	Cercopidae,
Me	mbracidae, an	d Cicadid	ae of	Puerto Rico	

Family and genera	Number of species	Endemic to Puerto Rico	Greater Antilles	Lesser Antilles	Central America	South America	North America
KINNARIDAE							
Oreopenes	1	X				,	
Quilessa	11			\mathbf{x}			
CERCOPIDAE	1		8				
Leocomia	1		\mathbf{X}				
Leocomiopsis	1		\mathbf{X}		,	,	
Asprocranites	1	X					
Gaetopsis	1	\mathbf{x}	6 6				
Clastoptera	4		\mathbf{X}	X	\mathbf{X}	\mathbf{X}	X
MEMBRACIDAE							
Jibarita	1	X					
Bolbonota	1			\mathbf{x}	\mathbf{x}	\mathbf{x}	X
Nessorhinus	3		\mathbf{x}				
Spinodarnoides	1					\mathbf{X}	
Paradarnoides	1			\mathbf{X}			
Spathenotus	1	X					N)
Brachytalis	1		\mathbf{x}				
Micrutalis	1		\mathbf{x}	\mathbf{x}	\mathbf{x}	\mathbf{X}	\mathbf{X}
Deiroderes	1		\mathbf{x}			2 0	2
Antillotolania	1	\mathbf{X}				9	
Brachycentrotus	1		X			9	
Monobelus	2		\mathbf{x}	\mathbf{x}	Í		
CICADIDAE						,	
Borencona	1	X					
Proarna	1		X	X	X	X	X
Total	37	7	10	7	4	5	4

sence of representatives of the Tomaspidini, of which two forms are known from Cuba and others from Jamaica and other of the West Indies.

FAMILY MEMBRACIDAE

In the present account, a total of 15 species belonging to this family is recorded from Puerto Rico. This seems to be a fairly large number of forms for the island, considering that Cuba, which is much larger and with a richer flora and fauna, claims 21 forms (Metcalf and Bruner, 1925). Of these 15 forms, 9 are described herein as new to science and 2 are reported as new records (see table 1).

These 15 species represent 12 different genera, 3 of which are endemic (Jibarita gen. n., Spathenotus gen. n. and Antillotolania gen. n.); 3 are shared with Cuba only (Brachytalis Metcalf and Bruner, Deiroderes gen. n.

and Brachycentrotus Metcalf and Bruner) 1 is common with the Lesser Antilles only (Paradarnoides Fowler); 1 is widely distributed in the West Indies (Monobelus Stal); 1 is shared with Cuba and Hispaniola (Nessorhinus Amyot and Serville); 1 is also known from British Guiana (Spinodarnoides Funkhouser) and the rest are widely distributed in the Americas (Bolbonota Amyot and Serville and Micrutalis Fowler) (see table 2). This analysis shows greater affinities of the Puerto Rican membracid fauna to that of the other Greater Antilles.

An interesting peculiarity of this fauna, as compared to that of Cuba, is the presence of representatives of the Membracinae, which are absent from that island, and the absence of members of the Hoplophorioninae, which, on the other hand, occur in Cuba.

FAMILY CICADIDAE

Of the four families covered in this report, the Cicadidae show the most extreme paucity of forms. Only two species of cicadas are definitely recorded from Puerto Rico, in spite of the statement given by Davis (1928: 29) to the effect that there should be no doubt that several others are to be found and that ultimately this number would be doubled.

The common cicada of Puerto Rico, *Proarna hilaris* (Germar), is a widely distributed species in the West Indies and has also been reported from Central America. The second species, *Borencona aguadilla* Davis, represents a monotypic genus endemic to the Island. This is a most unusual and unique form due to the fact that the first cross vein of the tegmina slants toward the body instead of away from it, as is usual among all members of the family. The species is primarily a form peculiar to the mountains of the interior of the island.

SUMMARY

This work presents a taxonomic study of the Kinnaridae, Cercopidae, Membracidae and Cicadidae of Puerto Rico. With it, the entire revision of the Auchenorhyncha of the island, as initiated by Caldwell and Martorell in 1950, with a similar treatment of the Cicadellidae and of the Fulgoroidea except the Kinnaridae, is brought to conclusion.

A total of 37 species in these familes is listed from the region, with notes on their distribution, abundance and host plants. Keys are given for the identification of the species in each family.

The following new genera and species are described; Oreopenes gen. n., O. luteifacies sp. n.; Quilessa collaris sp. n., Q. pellucidoides sp. n., Q. atrata sp. n., Q. nahiba sp. n., Q. heminfuscata sp. n., Q. oraria sp. n., Q. wirshingi sp. n. in the Kinnaridae; Leocomia uprae sp. n.; Asprocranites gen. n., A. variegata sp. n.; Gaetopsis gen. n., G. juanalis sp. n.; Clastoptera martorelli

sp. n. and C. diminuata sp. n., in the Cercopidae; Jibarita gen. n., J. borincana sp. n.; Nessorhinus esbeltus sp. n.; Paradarnoides caldwelli sp. n.; Spathenotus gen. n., S. tridentatus sp. n.; Antillotolania gen. n., A. doramariae sp. n.; Brachycentrotus rufinervis sp. n. and Monobelus maldonadoi sp. n. in the Membracidae.

The Puerto Rican fauna of the families Kinnaridae, Cercopidae, Membracidae, and Cicadidae is discussed and analyzed.

RESUMEN

Este es un estudio taxonómico de las Kinnaridae, Cercopidae, Membracidae y Cicadidae de Puerto Rico. Con el mismo se concluye la revisión entera de las Auchenorhyncha de la Isla, según fué inciciado por Caldwell y Martorell en el 1950, con un tratamiento similar de las Cicadelliade y las Fulgoroidea, a excepción de las Kinnaridae.

Se cataloga un total de 37 especies de estas familias de la región con observaciones sobre su distribución, abundancia y plantas hospederas. Se dan claves para la indentificación de las especies de cada familia.

Se describen los siguientes nuevos géneros y especies; Oreopenes gen. n., O. luteifacies sp. n.; Quilessa collaris sp. n., Q. pellucidoides sp. n., Q. atrata sp. n., Q. nahiba sp. n., Q. heminfuscata sp. n., Q. oraria sp. n., Q. wirshingi sp. n. en la Kinnaridae; Leocomia uprae sp. n.; Asprocranites gen. n., A. variegata sp. n.; Gaetopsis gen. n., G. juanalis sp. n.; Clastoptera martorelli sp. n. y C. diminuata sp. n., en la Cercopidae; Jibaraita gen. n., J. borincana sp. n.; Nessorhinus esbeltus sp. n.; Paradarnoides caldwelli sp. n.; Spathenotus gen. n., S. tridentatus sp. n.; Antillotolania gen. g., A. doramariae sp. n.; Brachycentrotus rufinervis sp. n. y Monobelus maldonadoi sp. n. en la Membracidae.

Se discute y analiza la fauna puertorriqueña de las familias Kinnaridae, Cercopidae, Membracidae y Cicadidae.

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