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The American Museum of Natural History announces that the "Butterflies of the American Tropics, the genus Anaea" (Lepidoptera, Nymphalidae), by the late William Phillips Comstock, is now available for mailing.

The book completely covers the large and beautiful genus Anaea, with practically every species and subspecies being illustrated. In addition to the taxonomic section, there is a wealth of information and ideas of the greatest importance to the study of animal classification and distribution, and of the New World tropical fauna in general. This book, in addition to the basic subject matter, is noteworthy because of its superb beauty of illustration and excellence of design, and it is destined to have the strongest appeal to bibliophiles the world over, as well as to everyone genuinely interested in natural history.

This magnificent book of xvi + 276 pages includes 19 pages of black and white drawings and 30 full pages of color plates, some of these being printed in nine colors. The cost is \$25.00 (USA) per copy, and it may be ordered from the American Museum of Natural History, Central Park West at 79th Street, New York 24, N.Y.

Dr. W.J. Reinthal, Knoxville, Tenn., is presently engaged in the following

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entomological research:

1. Continuing the revisional study of Asterocampa, with the main emphasis in 1961, on making observations and collecting material in the Southeast (Tenn., Ala., Miss., La., Fla., Ga., S.C., N.C.), breeding several species ex ova and describing their early stages. A grant has been awarded to him by the American Philosophical Society to assist with the above research.
2. Working over all available material and distribution data on butterflies of Oklahoma and preparing an annotated list to be published in 1962 with Mr. Clarence McCoy, University of Colorado, as junior co-author.
3. A systematic study of the butterfly fauna of the Great Smoky Mts. National Park has been initiated. The Park collection is being revised and all available distribution data are being assembled; additional material is being collected in the Park area.

The attention of the members is called to the existence of the Society Library, which is in the care of Dr. Peter Bellinger, Dept. of Natural Sciences, San Fernando Valley State College, Northridge, Calif., U.S.A. Members may borrow issues of periodicals and other publications by writing to the Librarian at the above address. Material on loan should be returned as promptly as possible. Members living in the United States are asked to include stamps to match the mailing costs.

Members are urged to enhance the permanent value of the Library by sending copies of their publications to the Librarian. This will also insure the appearance of abstracts in the Recent Literature section of the JOURNAL. Donations of other publications will be gratefully received also. At present the bulk of the Library consists of serials received in exchange for the JOURNAL. The list of these serials will be given in succeeding numbers of the NEWS.

The 1961 SUMMARY

To facilitate the work of the coordinators, members are urged to send in their individual reports as early as is convenient, so that the coordinators may have ample time to incorporate each report into the area summary. It is hoped that individual reports will reach coordinators not later than January 1, 1962.

Some selection and processing by individual collaborators prior to submitting these reports to the coordinators, will make their work easier and result in an improved SUMMARY. Mr. Fred Thorne is trying out a report form, which, if it works well, may be used next year for all members reporting for the SUMMARY. Here are the Coordinators for each zone:

- Zone I: California, Arizona, and Nevada - Fred Thorne
- Zone II: Pacific Northwest (Ore., Wash., Idaho, Mont., British Columbia) - E.J. Newcomer
- Zone III: Rocky Mt. Area (Alberta, Wyo., Utah, Colo., N. Mex.) - Don Eff
- Zone IV: Great Plains (Canada to Texas) - H.A. Freeman
- Zone V: Central Region (Missouri to West Virginia and north to Ontario) - E.G. Voss
- Zone VI: Southeast (Florida to Louisiana and north to Arkansas and Maryland) - Bryant Mather
- Zone VII: Northeast (Pennsylvania to Maine and Quebec) - L.P. Grey
- Zone VIII: Far North (Alaska and Northwest Territory east to Labrador and Baffin Land) - L.D. Miller
- Zone IX: Northern Neotropics - Eduardo Welling

NOTICES

Lepidopterists' Society members may use this section free of charge to advertise their offerings and needs in Lepidoptera. The Editors reserve the right to rewrite notices for clarity or to reject unsuitable notices. We cannot guarantee any notices but all are expected to be bona fide.

A new list of Connecticut Lepidoptera is being prepared for publication. Records would be very much appreciated of all moths and any uncommon butterflies. S.A. Hessel, Entomology Room, Peabody Museum, Yale University, New Haven, Conn., U.S.A.

WANTED: Records, information and data of variations in populations of the Monarch Butterfly, Danaus plexippus, for the last 10 years or more. Numbers of insects caught or observed per season, also sizes of migrating flocks. Especially interested in East Coast, West Coast and Central Plains. Mrs. Alice Hopf, 136 W. 16th St., New York 11, N.Y., U.S.A.

WISH TO PURCHASE: Parnassius smintheus behrii; P. clodius from Nevada; Pieris napi venosa females; P. napi castoria; Neophasia terlooii. Colin Wyatt, Cobbetts, Mavins Road, Farnham, Surrey, England.

WANTED TO BUY: Living pupae of many species of butterflies, including Speyeria, Boloria, Euphydryas, Chlosyne, Phyciodes, Polygonia, Nymphalis, Limenitis, As-terocampa, Lethe, Euptychia, Libytheana, Calephelis and many Lycaenidae. Glauropsyche lygdamus, Precis coenia and Nymphalis antiopa especially desired. Write giving details to Beatrice Mary Chandler, 68 E. Tallmadge Ave., Akron 10, Ohio, U.S.A.

WANTED IN EXCHANGE for local specimens, all members of the genus Pholisora Scud. found in the United States, except P. libya and P. catallus. Write first, giving details. T. Preston Webster, 179 Canon Drive, Santa Barbara, Calif., U.S.A.

WILL EXCHANGE: early stages of Epicnaptera americana carpinifolia form californica for pupae or ova of any eastern moths of the families Notodontidae and Lasiocampidae. Richard Priestaff, 692 Andy Lane, Santa Barbara, Calif., U.S.A.

FOR EXCHANGE: adults of Callophrys (Sandia) mcfarlandi (ex larvae) from type locality in exchange for some of the rarer species which are needed from North America. Raymond Jae, 1286 S. Umatilla St., Denver, Colo., U.S.A.

FOR SALE: 15 Formosan butterflies - \$1.00; 12 assorted foreign butterflies - \$1.00. Interested in Indo-Australian Rhopalocera of the genera Melanitis, Elymnias, Neorina, Prothoe, and Tenaris. William W. Thrasher, R.D. Route 2, Box 44, Garrettsville, Ohio, U.S.A.

WANTED: any information on the successful use of chemicals, hormones or artificial light in causing adults of tropical species to emerge from the pupae. Ordinarily these refuse to do so under human supervision. Reason: a man in Australia has been trying for years, unsuccessfully, to rear Papilio ulysses jolsa. He would welcome practical suggestions. Write to: W. Lembeck, Box 124, Queens Village 29, New York, U.S.A.

The Editor has received a notice and a price list from American Entomological Supplies, 7825 West Catalpa Ave., Chicago 31, Ill., who stock pins, nets, boards, etc.

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Wanted: living pupae of *Cecropia*, *Polyphemus* and *Cynthia* silkmoths. Desire to purchase these species in large quantities, also to purchase other American and foreign Saturniidae. Please contact Dr. D.G. Shappirio, Zoology Dept., University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan, U.S.A. 4

Wanted to buy: "The Nearctic members of the genus *Lycaeides*" by Nabokov, Bull. Mus. Comp. Zool. 101: 479-541; 1949. J.W. Tilden, 125 Cedar Lane, San Jose 27, Calif., U.S.A.

For sale: papered specimens, full natural bodies, 50 New Guinea *Ornithoptera priamus* poseidon males, very fine second quality, \$125.00; 50 first quality *O. priamus urvillianus* from Solomon Is., \$100.00; 80 good seconds of same, \$100.00; 36 *Urania ripheus*, 1-A, with detached degreased abdomens, \$27.00. Prefer selling to persons in New York area, who can make personal inspection. Will not sell for foreign countries nor in broken lots, but only in stated units. W. Lembeck, Box 124, Queens Village 29, New York, U.S.A.

Membership in the Lepidopterists' Society is open to all persons interested in any aspect of Lepidopterology. Prospective members should send the Treasurer the full dues for the current year (\$6.00) together with their full name, address, and special lepidopterological interests. Remittances in dollars (U.S.A.) should be made payable to the Lepidopterists' Society.

All members in good standing receive the NEWS of the Lepidopterists' Society, which is issued eight times a year, and which includes the biennial Membership List, and the JOURNAL of the Lepidopterists' Society, which is issued quarterly.

Manuscripts for formal publication in the JOURNAL of the Lepidopterists' Society should be sent to the Editor of the JOURNAL, Dr. C.L. Remington, Dept. of Zoology, Yale University, New Haven, Conn., U.S.A.

Information on membership in the Society may be obtained from the treasurer, George Ehle, 314 Atkins Ave., Lancaster, Pa., U.S.A., or from the Secretary, Dr. Paul Ehrlich, Natural History Museum, Stanford University, Stanford, Calif. Changes in address should be sent to the Treasurer only. Items or notices for inclusion in the News should be sent directly to the Editor of the News, Dr. J.W. Tilden, 125 Cedar Lane, San Jose 27, Calif., U.S.A.

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