

in an old lumber pile at Kaimuki. This predaceous bug feeds on insects. In turning over the lumber, one was found with its beak inserted in a dead American roach. One has to use care in handling them for, if given an opportunity they quickly sink their beak into one's skin. This is an introduced species, long in the Islands, and apparently rather abundant, yet it has seldom been reported in our Proceedings.

Mr. R. H. Van Zwaluwenburg said that the elaterid beetle, *Conoderus eveillardii* Le Guill., first noted here in 1931, was extending its range on Oahu.

Dr. F. X. Williams stated that the recently found sarcophagid fly *Helicobia helicus* Towns. had been noted by Mr. Ehrhorn associated with the immigrant *Eulota similis* snail. A puparium, probably of *Helicobia* had later been formed from a maggot which issued from the dead snail.

Dr. F. X. Williams exhibited winged female specimens of the endemic ponerine ant *Pseudocryptopone swezeyi*, one of the two species of the genus described from Hawaii by Dr. W. M. Wheeler. These ants were collected on the Mount Olympus trail, at about 1,800 ft. on a bit of mossy ground, on November 1, 1936. Two days later a single de-alated female was taken from under moss a little farther along. There and elsewhere small colonies of the sluggish immigrant *Strumigenys lewisi* Cameron, with long falcate mandibles were encountered in the larval, pupal, and adult worker, and queen stages. *Pseudocryptopone swezeyi* as well as *Ps. zwaluwenburgi* were first taken by Mr. R. H. Van Zwaluwenburg in his soil fauna studies of Hawaiian sugar cane fields, some years ago. He mentioned that the region about Koko Head has recently been freshened by recent rains so that weed plants, etc. are springing up, and the sphinx moth *Deilephila lineata* is about, its green eggs being already found on one of its food plants.

EXHIBITION AND DISCUSSION OF FOREIGN MATERIAL

Mr. F. C. Hadden exhibited some fruit flies and their parasites from the Malay Peninsula. He spoke briefly of his fruit fly parasite work in the Orient on behalf of the Bureau of Entomology, U. S. Department of Agriculture. Among the localities visited were Singapore, Kuala Lumpur, India, and Ceylon, the last country being the most pleasant and interesting.