

ENTOMOLOGY

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ABSTRACTS

Notes on a Coleopterous Parasite of Beaver, *Platypsylla castoris*. JOHN J. FAVINGER, Indiana Department of Conservation.—An effort was made by the author to ascertain if the coleopterous parasite of beaver, *Platypsylla castoris*, was introduced into Indiana at the time beaver were reintroduced from Michigan and Wisconsin in 1935, 1936, and 1937.

One specimen was obtained by beating a dried beaver pelt taken in the Kankakee area during the first open season on beaver since the reintroduction of the species to Indiana.

Since the initial collection in March, 1952, numerous specimens of *Platypsylla castoris* have been collected, from living beaver as well as from skins. At this writing the author has only adult specimens at hand but is interested in obtaining the larval forms and learning more of the life history of this curious parasitic beetle.

A Preliminary List of the Trichoptera of Tippecanoe County, Indiana. JOHN M. KINGSOLVER, Indianapolis, Indiana.—A list was compiled of the Trichoptera of Tippecanoe County, Indiana. Thirty-four species are listed and include twelve new state records. Six new state records outside of Tippecanoe County are also listed.