A new genus and species of Thysanoptera from Chile with notes on other species

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I have the pleausure of reporting on several collections of thrips made by Messrs. Carlos Stuardo, A. Montealegre Roudolph and Dr. C. E. Porter from Chile. The new species collected by Mr. Stuardo is a pest on figs in upper Chile and the four other species collected by Mr. Montealegre R. are recorded as being found for the first time in South America.

Superfamily Thripoidea Hood Family Thripidae Uzel Subfamily Sericothripinae Karny

Graphidothrips, Moulton, gew genus (Graphido = style)

Having the general appearance of a Sericothrips. Antennae 9-segmented, tip of sixth segment set off by a definite suture making a three-segmented style, segments eight and nine elongate and together longer than six, segments three and four with forked sense cones. Ocelli fully developed. Maxillary palpus elongate, with two segments. Posterior angles of prothorax with two spines. Wings with one longitudinal vein sparsely and irregularly set with weak spines. Fore margins of fore wings with both fringe and bristles. Microscopic setae of abdomen present but transparent and difficult to observe.

This genus may be separated from Sericothrips Haliday by the two-segmented maxillary palpus, from Psilothrips Hood by the single vein in the fore wing, and from Leucothrips Reuter by the nine-segmented and elongated style of the antennae.

Graphidothrips stuardoi Moulton, n. sp.

Female holotype: Body light brownish yellow with antennae shading gradually to brown from third segment to tip. All body spines transparent. Wings clear except

for prominent yellowish veins.

Measurements: Total body length. 94 mm.; head length. 88 mm., width. 13 mm.; prothorax length. 10 mm., width. 16 mm.; antennae length (width); I, 16; II, 33 (23); III, 33 (16); IV, 36 (18); V, 30 (16); VI, 30 (13); VII, 10; VIII, 16; IX, 16; total length 220 microns.

Head wider than long, from rounded, without conspicuous spines. Eyes protruding in front. Ocelli fully developed. Mouth cone long and pointed, maxillary palpus elongate, with two segments. Antenna slender, second segment widest, style with three segments, long and slender, the two end segments together slightly longer than six.

Prothorax with faint cross striations and two spines at each posterior angle, these, however, are transparent and difficult to observe. Each fore wing with a distinct ringvein and one longitudinal vein. Costa with both fringe and spines and longitudinal vein with about

twelve weak spines placed at irregular intervals.

Microscopic setae on abdomen transparent. Comb on posterior margin of eighth segment complete but weak. Four prominent forsal spines near posterior margin of segment nine and two on segment ten which are short, being about half as long as those on nine.

Type Material: Female holotype and numerous female paratypes taken on *Ficus carica* January 16, 1929, by Mr. Carlos Stuardo, who reports the insect doing much damage to cultivated figs in the northern part of Chile. I take pleasure in naming this species after the collector. Types in author's collection. (Moulton No. 3361).

Type Locality: San Felix, Chile, South America. Rev. Ch. Hist. Nat. (1930)

Superfamily Aeolothripoidea Hood Family Aeolothripidae Uzel Subfamily Aeolothripinae Bagnall

Aeolothrips fasciatus Linn

(Ref.: 1761, Thrips fasciata Linne, Fauna Svecica, p. 266. 1926, Aeolothrips fasciatus Linne, Priesner's Monograph, p. 105).

Two female specimens taken on Aristotelia maqui at Las Condes, Chile, January 17, 1926. (Dr. C. E. Porter). These specimens are placed in this species with some hesitancy as the material is not sufficient to give it a thorough study. (Moulton N.o 562).

Superfamily Thripoidea Hood Family Thripidae Uzel Subfamily Chirothripidae Karny

Chirothrips manicatus Haliday

(Ref.: 1836, Thrips manicatus Haliday, Ent. Mag. Vol. III, p. 444.

1926, Chirothrips manicatus Haliday, Priesner's Monograph, p. 138).

Ten female specimens taken on Hordeum murinum L. and an unknown host plant at Valparaiso, Chile, in February, 1928. (A. Montealegre R.). First South American record of this species. (Moulton N.os 2695 and 2697).

Aptinothrips rufus Gmelin

(Ref.: 1788, Thrips rufa, Gmelin, Caroli a Linne Syst. Nat, p. 2224.

1926, Aptinothrips rutus Gmelin, Priesner's Monograph, p. 156).

One female specimen taken on an unknown host

plant at Valparaiso, Chile, in February, 1928. (M. A. Montealegre R.). First South American record of this species. (Moulton N.o 2697).

Subfamily Sericothripinae Karny

Anaphothrips secticornis Trybom

(Ref.: 1896, Thrips secticornis Trybom, Ofv. Vet. Akad. Forh., Vol. LIII, N.o 8, p. 620. 1926, Anaphothrips secticornis Trybom, Priesner's Monograph, p.189).

Eight female specimens taken on Hordeum murinum L. (Wild Barley) and an unknown host plant at Valparaiso, Chile, in February, 1928. (M. A. Montealegre R.). This is the first record of the finding of this species in South America. (Moulton N.os 2695 and 2697).

Subfamily Thripinae Karny

Thrips tabaci Linn.

(Ref.: 1888, Lind.. Die schold. Insekten d. Tabak in Bessarabien, p. 15. 1927, Priesner's Monograph, p. 433).

Seven female specimens taken on Zea Mays Linn. (Maize, Indian Corn) Heliotrope flowers, Ilang-ilang flowers and Digitalis flowers at Valparaiso, Chile, in February and Abril, 1928. (M. A. Montealegre R. and Dr E. P. Reed). (Moulton N.os 2696, 3391, 3392 and 3395).

