ON THE GENUS *LYRISTES* HORVATH
AND TWO NEW SPECIES OF *CICADIDAE*

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(With two Textfigures)

The genus *Lyristes*, with *Cicada plebeja Scop.* as its genotype, was established by G. HORVATH in the “Annales Histrico Naturales Musei Nationalis Hungarici, Budapest, Vol. XXIII, p. 95, 1926”.

When LINNAEUS described the genus *Cicada* in his Systema Naturae in 1758, the generic type was not stated, and many authors afterwards erected *C. plebeja* as its generic type. Even W. L. DISTANT in the “Synonimic Catalogue of Homoptera, Pt. 1, Cicadidae, p. 38, 1905” mentioned *C. plebeja Scop.* as the type of *Cicada L.* But according to G. HORVATH, *C. plebeja Scop.* can not be the genotype, because it was described 5 years later (1763) when the genus was described.

VAN DUZEE in his Catalogue claimed that *Cicada ornii L.*, which was described only by LINNAEUS in 1758, is the logotype of *Cicada*. The haplotype of the genus *Tibicen Latr.* (Orat. Regne Anim., p. 406, 1825) was established by VAN DUZEE in his Catalogue, but the diagnosis of this genus was not described and *C. plebeja* was only mentioned as the type. As the rational consequence G. HORVATH described the new genus *Lyristes* to receive *C. plebeja Scop.*

In 1932, when E. SCHMIDT described and enumerated the Chinese Cicadidae, he referred to the genus *Lyristes Horv.*, and brought the following 6 species under this genus:

- altaiensis SCHMIDT
- flammata (DIST.) (*Cicada*)
- Leechi (DIST.) (*Cicada*)
- pekinensis (HAUPT) (*Cicada*)
- sinensis (DIST.) (*Cicada*)
- wui SCHMIDT

In the Oriental Region the following 12 species of Cicadidae ought to be placed in this genus *Lyristes*:

1. *Lyristes altaiensis SCHMIDT*


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Distr.: China (Altai).

2. *Lyristes bhamata* (MOTSCH.)
   Etud. Ent., p. 24 (1861) (*Cicada*).
   Distr.: Japan, Korea, China.

   form. *babai* (Kato)
   Ent. World, VI (47) p. 91 (1938) (*Tibicen*).
   Distr.: Honshu (Sado).

3. *L.* *chujoi* (ESAKI)
   Distr.: Formosa.

4. *L.* *flammata* (DIST.)
   Monog. Orient. Cic., p. 99 (1892) (*Cicada*).
   Distr.: Japan, Korea, China (Sushan).

   a. form. *adonis* (Kato)
      Ent. World, I (1) p. 32, Pl. 2 (1933) (*Tibicen*).
      Distr.: Honshu.

   b. form. *concolor* (Kato)
      Ent. World, II (7), p. 9, Pl. 9, f. 2 (*Tibicen*).
      Distr.: Honshu (Nara).

5. *L.* *intermedia* (Mori)
   Distr.: Korea.

6. *L.* *japonica* (Kato)
   Distr.: Japan, Korea.

   a. form. *dolichopterus* Mori
      Distr.: Japan (Honshu), Korea.

   b. form. *echigo* Kato
      Ent. World, I (1), p. 31, Pl. 2 (1937) (*Tibicen*).
      Distr.: Honshu (Echigo).

   c. form. *hooshiana* Mats.
      Ins. Mats., XI, p. 38 (1936) (*Cicada*).
      Distr.: Honshu (Hooshi).

* According to the author’s investigation the type of *andrewsi* Dist. is merely an immatured specimen of *bhamata* MOTSCHE, being now preserved in the British Museum, South Kensington, London.
d. form, *inmaculata* Kato
   Ent. World, I (1), p. 31, Pl. 2 (1937) (*Tibicen*).
   Distr.: Honshu (Tsukubasan).

7. *L. kyushuensis* (Kato)
   Distr.: Japan (Shikoku, Kiushu).

8. *L. leechi* (Dist.)
   Entomologist, XXIII, p. 90 (1890) (*Cicada*).
   Distr.: China (Wa-shan, Chia-konho).

9. *L. nagashimai* (Kato)
   Trans. Nat. Hist. Soc. Formosa, XV, p. 6 (1925) (*Cicada*).
   Distr.: Japan (Hokkaido).

10. *L. pekinensis* (Haupt)
    Ent. Zeitschr., p. 296 (1923) (*Cicada*).
    Distr.: China (Peking).

11. *L. sinensis* (Dist.)
    Entomologist, XXIII, p. 90 (1890) (*Cicada*).
    Distr.: China (Chia-kon-ho).

12. *L. wui* Schmidt
    Distr.: China (Kwangsi).
**Tanna** (? ) *sasaii* n. sp.

Somewhat allied to *Tanna japonensis* Dist., but differs from the latter as follows:

♀. Body dark brown, loriae, clypeus and antennae (except the base) black; vertex and mesonotum largely black, with some yellowish markings; abdomen at the dorsum on the upper area and at the base of each segment brownish, the last 2 segments being entirely black; venter olivaceous, each segment at the end fuscous, except the last 2 which are darker; pygophor black, with a large olivaceous patch on each side. Tegmina distinctly shorter, with one extra small cell between the 2nd ulnar and the same apical cells, all the cross-veins broadly infuscated, the veins being mostly black, except the costal margin and the claval suture which are yellowish; the spots of the apical series large and more conspicuous; the hind wing with the veins black except the 4th longitudinal vein and the claval suture which are yellowish.

Body-length: 26 mm.; Tegmina-length: 38 mm.
Habitat: Sarugakio in the Prov. Gumma.

Only one female specimen was collected by MAKOTO SASAI.

The venation of this species differs from that of the *Tanna* Dist., but the author waits its generic identification till the capture of the male.

**Graptopsaltria nigrofuscata** f. *tsuchidai* n. f.

Differs from the form *testaceomaculata* Kato (Ent. World, V (40), p. 385, 1937) in the following points:

Pronotum with the discal marking darker, so that it is not very conspicuous.

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*Fig. 2*

*Graptopsaltria nigrofuscata* f. *tsuchidai* n. f.
Mesonotum lacks entirely the humeral and discal testaceous markings. Underside largely fuscous, the genital plate also of the same colour. Tegmina with only 4 pale testaceous spots at the marginal series.

Body-length: 39 mm.; Tegmina-length: 50 mm.

Hab.: Kiushu; one male specimen was collected by Toshio Tsuchida (23. Sept., 1922), and was presented to the author for identification through S. Hirayama.

RHOGAS PRAETOR REINHARD AS A PARASITE OF SMERINTHUS PLANUS WALKER
(HOST RECORD OF BRACONIDAE, II)

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Rhogas praetor REINHARD


Host—Smerinthus planus WALKER

In 1937 the present writer gave Japan and Korea as habitats of this Braconid, but nothing was known in regard to its host-relationships in those districts. There are, however, one female and one male reared from half-grown larvae of Smerinthus planus WALKER at Sapporo. The host-larva after death continues to cling to a twig of the food-plant, and the parasite makes a cocoon inside, protected by the indurated skins of the victim. It passes the winter in such a cocoon and finally emerges through a hole just in front of the horn of the 8th abdominal segment. Further, this species has been recognized as a parasite of Smerinthus populii LINNÉ in Europe.

Habitat: Hokkaido (Sapporo, 1 ♀, 1 ♂, 1938, H. KÔÔNO leg.)

General Distribution: Europe; Japan; Korea.

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