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**A NEW SUBSPECIES OF URANOTAENIA UNGUICULATA
EDWARDS FROM ARABIA**

(DIPTERA: CULICIDAE)

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A light trap operated in June and early July 1960 in the Qatif Oasis, Saudi Arabia, by R. L. Peffly, entomologist with the Arabian American Oil Company captured 13 ♀♀ and 38 ♂♂, as well as others not submitted, of what appears to be a new subspecies of the widespread Mediterranean species *Uranotaenia unguiculata* Edwards 1913. Specimens from the Qatif Oasis population have been compared with the original description of the single male of *unguiculata* collected at Tiberias, Israel and with 10 specimens from France, Algeria, Macedonia, Israel, Iran, and Iraq. These typical specimens of *unguiculata* are very uniform as are those from Arabia, but the two groups differ noticeably in size and coloration. I take pleasure in naming this subspecies in honor of the collector.

***Uranotaenia unguiculata* pefflyi, New subspecies**

Agreeing with the typical subspecies in all particulars except as shown in the following comparative statements:

ssp. *pefflyi* : Smaller, the wing length 1.78 - 2.38 mm (mean of 10 ♀♀, 10 ♂♂ 1.9 mm). Integument of thorax nearly black, paler only below the pleural scale stripe; dark scales of thorax and abdomen nearly black; usually some dark scales on venter of abdomen; lateral patches of white scales usually confined to terga 5-7.

ssp. *unguiculata* : Larger, the wing length 2.21 - 3.4 mm (mean of 5 ♀♀, 5 ♂♂ 2.81 mm). Integument of thorax orange brown, slightly darker just mediad of marginal pale scale stripe of scutum; pleura mostly yellowish brown; dark scales of thorax and abdomen rich orange brown, but distinctly not black brown; scales of venter all pale; pale lateral scale patches of abdomen usually start on tergum 2.

Holotype ♀, Qatif Oasis, Al Hasa Province, Saudi Arabia, July 1960 (R. L. Peffly). Paratypes, 7 ♀♀ 20 ♂♂ same date. Additional material in too poor a condition for paratypic designation. Holotype in U. S. National Museum, paratypes in U. S. National Museum and British Museum.