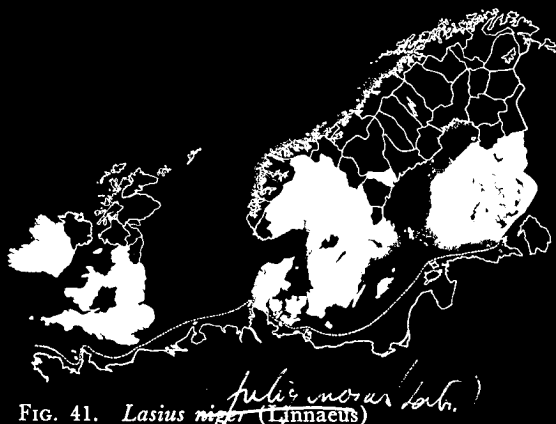


FIG. 39. *Lasius mixtus* (Nylander).FIG. 42. *Lasius flavus* (Fabricius).FIG. 40. *Lasius fuliginosus* (Latreille).FIG. 43. *Formica rufibarbis* FabriciusFIG. 41. *Lasius niger* (Linnaeus)

and is sometimes imported into the country in timber from Eastern Europe.

The lower density of species to the north in this group is clearly related to the positive association with summer climate and the species included range from the universally distributed *Myrmica ruginodis* and *Leptothorax acervorum*

through to the more local *L. muscorum*, *M. schencki* and *C. ligniperda*. The inclusion of Northeast Finnmark is probab-

ly related to the relatively higher number of species recorded there than from immediately adjacent area units through its geographical situation, sheltered from exposure to western gales and the more intense summer linking it with more southern areas of Scandinavia. For example, *Lasius flavus*, *M. rubra* and *Formicoxenus nitidulus* are recorded from Northeast Finnmark but not from adjacent areas

FIG. 44. *Formica pratensis* Retzius.