

Even making allowances for the possibly mixed nature of some of Chapman's series, certain of the Dumaguete-area samples appear to be intergradient in the crucial character of striation of the vertex. Furthermore, the striation of the pronotum, characteristically longitudinally-whorled in Luzon *infandus* series, but often transverse farther south, is inconstant and often discordant with head sculpture in the Dumaguete samples. Further signs of intermediacy may be seen in samples from northern Mindanao: Anakan Lumber Co., Ginoog, Misamis (A. Reyes); Lanao (D. Empeso); Masawan, Zamboanga del Norte, 4400 [ft?] (D. Empeso).

*O. banksi* could also be a part of this intergradation, since samples with light-colored head, but striate vertex, come from Samar I. (McGregor et al.), and Bohol I. (A. Alcala) «from leaf bases of coconuts». The Bohol series has the striation of the vertex somewhat weak, shining and partly effaced behind, but the pubescence is only weakly developed. Collections of «typical» *O. banksi* are restricted to a small part of Luzon south and east of Laguna de Bay, in Laguna and the adjacent part of Quezon provinces, and both *banksi* and «typical» *infandus* bear labels from Lucban in Quezon Province. Only careful collecting in south central Luzon will resolve the relationship between these two forms. They could be morphs of one variable species, or else locally-displacing species of a character-displacement pair.

We may summarize the Philippine situation by indicating the conspecificity of *philippinus* and *infandus*. Stitz' race *striaticeps* is of course the «typical» form of *infandus*, and *O. banksi* is left provisionally as a distinct species.

From northeastern New Guinea, we have a reasonably uniform set of collections made by E. O. Wilson, referable to *O. papuanus*; these samples all have the upper vertex smooth and shining, but in a few specimens, weak traces of striation extend back beyond the extraocular furrows onto the temples. In the type of *O. animosus* and in 2 specimens (BMNH-London and MCZ) from Madew, St. Joseph R., 2000-3000 ft., N. Guinea, (A. Wollaston) the vertex is almost completely striate, becoming indistinct on the posterior downslope of the head, just before the nuchal carina. Although I am inclined to regard *papuanus* and *animosus* as sculptural variants of one species, there is not enough material available, nor are there clear enough signs of intergradation, to serve as a basis for formal synonymy.