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ANTS OF UTAH

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Abstract.—Distribution records, including 26 maps of specific collection localities and counties are given for 169 species in 29 genera of ants known to occur in Utah. In some cases intraspecific and interspecific morphological variations and behavior are noted. Taxonomic keys are included for the identification of subfamilies, genera, and species.

Like others who have traversed and studied in the deserts of the western United States and seen the cleared areas around the mounds of harvester ants along roadways, or their patterns of occurrence from an aircraft, I have had a desire to learn more about them and their distribution in Utah. Little published information is existent about the ecological distribution of any species of ant in the state. In 1979 I traveled 4000 miles and in 1980 1300 miles along many of the roads of Utah collecting harvester ants (Map 27). My intent to study only the harvesters gave way to basic training as an entomologist to collect specimens wherever and whenever the opportunity arose. Thus, I collected other ants whenever possible. My intent to report only on the harvesters weakened when it became evident from the literature and a study of the specimens in the collections of the universities in Utah that an accumulation of the distributional data for all of the known species of the state would benefit scientists in a variety of disciplines. Together with Rees and Grundmann (1940), who listed 57 species of 18 genera, and Cole (1942), who listed 64 species of 21 genera, this is the third state-wide treatment of the ants of Utah. It treats 169 species in 29 genera. This should serve as a basis and stimulus for others to study these interesting arthropods in Utah, where a paucity of information exists concerning many species, particularly their natural history.

Review of Literature

Earliest reports of ants from Utah were made by Cresson (1874). Garrett (1910) listed some honey ants (Myrmecocystus) from the state. Grundmann (1939, 1958) studied the ants of Salt Lake County as part of an unpublished master’s thesis and published an annotated list of ants of the Glen Canyon Reservoir area as part of archaeological and biological surveys of that region prior to its being filled with water. Rees and Grundmann (1940) published the first Ants of Utah based on specimens and data contained in collections of the Department of Biology at the University of Utah. Some of their records are of collections that date back as far as 1902. Cole (1942) published the second Ants of Utah based on collections he made, as well as ants sent to him from the University of Utah and Utah State University. Hayward (1945) listed ants taken in a study of the biotic com-

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munities of some mountains of Utah. Knowlton (1946, 1963, 1970, 1975) reported on birds feeding on ants, discussed harvester ant control, and published lists of ants collected in Curlew Valley in northern Box Elder County as part of the Desert Biome Studies of the International Biological Program. Knowlton and Nye (1946) reported on lizards feeding on ants. James (1949) made an ecological study of the ants of Red Butte Canyon in eastern Salt Lake County. Bohart and Knowlton (1953) studied the food habits of the western harvester ant. Ingham (1959, 1963) studied the ants of the Virgin River Basin in extreme southwestern Utah, encompassing primarily Washington County, the southern part of Iron County, and the western end of Kane County, and compared the ecological distribution of ants in 18 biotic communities of the Great Basin region in Iron County with the Mohave Desert in Washington County. Beck et al. (1967) published a record of predaceous-scavenger ants of Utah collected during 20 years of trapping rodents as part of a study on the parasitic arthropods of the state. Allred and Cole (1979) published on ants collected in southeastern Utah as part of an ecological study on the environmental impact of electric generating plants in that area. Allred (1980) published notes on the swarming activities of harvester ants as part of his observations contributing to this present paper. Other workers have published incidental records of Utah collections and dealt with species known to occur in the state. Notable among those who have published major works are Olsen (1934), Weber (1947), Creighton (1950), Wilson (1955), M. Smith (1957), Gregg (1963), Wheeler and Wheeler (1963), Buren (1968), Cole (1968), Wing (1968), Francoeur (1973), Snelling (1973, 1976), and D. Smith (1979).

Methods

Utah demonstrates a tremendous variety of ecological habitats, from barren clay hills to sand dunes, from Lower Sonoran desert to montane forests and alpine situations. Within any ecological zone the variety of plant habitats varies extensively, frequently within a short distance. Most of my collecting was done in desert and low elevation habitats that were acceptable to harvester ants. Little time was spent in cultivated areas, in cities, around domestic dwellings, or in mesic habitats other than some montane forests. In the latter case, relatively little collecting was done in coniferous forests except alongside roads that were connecting links enroute to other harvester ant habitats. Most collections were made adjacent to roads, some of which were major highways, others essentially “cow trails.” Specific collecting stops were made approximately every 10 miles when plant communities appeared to be generally uniform over long distances. In areas of frequent vegetative change, or where a distribution borderline was suspected to occur, stops were made every 5 miles. Within these distance guidelines in harvester ant areas, the criterion for a specific site stop was the presence of a harvester mound alongside the road. Otherwise, distance stops were rather strictly held to, and a search was made for any ant colony or single individuals at that particular mileage point. Mileages related to a city were measured from the “entering 'city'” sign at the city limits. Where colonies (nests) could be located, little attention was given to single individuals apart from a nest unless they appeared to be of a different species.

Where possible, a large series of workers (20 or more) was taken, as well as winged males and females and immature stages that were present. Large series are desirable because intraspecific variation in workers of some species is significant, and having all sizes of workers is important for identification. When a sizable series was taken, some were mounted on pins (usually indirectly on paper tips) and others preserved in 70 percent ethyl alcohol. If only a few were taken, then all were stored in alcohol. Manipulation of mandibles, antennae, and legs is necessary for observation of some taxonomic characters in many instances, and dried, pinned specimens are too brittle for such manipulation without significant damage to the specimen.

Mounds or burrows were shallowly excavated only sufficient to collect representative samples, or in the case of the harvesters to
determine the presence of winged and immature forms. Relatively few excavations were made under rocks or logs where colonies were exposed by removal of that protective cover.

Most ants were retrieved with an aspirator with a large rubber bulb as the vacuum source, an especially useful tool for collecting most of the species. Blowing air from the bulb into the entrance of the nest of some harvesters usually resulted in a "boiling" of the workers from the entrance, and collection of a series required less than a minute. Other species were not so affected, and some, especially in the genus Formica, clung tenaciously to the substrate, whereas others attempted to hide under debris or in an exposed tunnel and were picked up with fingers or forceps.

Based on listings and distribution of collection localities, counties that apparently have been most thoroughly collected, likely because of the presence of a major university in the vicinity, are Cache County (except the mountainous southeastern part) by Utah State University, Salt Lake County (except the western and northwestern parts, which are primarily mountainous and salty, mesic areas, respectively) by the University of Utah, and Utah County (except the southwestern part, which is partly mountainous area) by Brigham Young University. Southeastern Iron County, central and eastern Washington County, and western Kane County were fairly well collected by Ingham (1959) in studies for his master's thesis. Plotting of all of the collection localities listed for the state shows an interesting distribution pattern (Map 28). Comparatively speaking, relatively little of the state has been adequately collected, even within many collected (unshaded) areas of the map. The southern and northern areas of Box Elder and Tooele counties, respectively, are covered by salt flats of the Great Salt Lake desert and would be expected to have only rather isolated habitats favorable for ants, such as some of the knolls and mountains above the level of the perennial salt deposits. Other noncollected areas of the state are mountainous, plateau, or desert areas not readily accessible except by four-wheel drive vehicles, horseback, or walking. However, even in some of those areas, limited access is possible because of the building of many roads for mineral explorations in recent years.

Some areas visited demonstrated a uniqueness of abundance or absence of ants. In the plateau areas of southern Utah where sandstone was the predominant exposed strata, no ants were found under sandstone slabs or boulders, whereas in other parts of the state other types of rocks most frequently sheltered ant colonies. Perhaps one reason for their absence under sandstone was the dryness of the area and inability of the porous sandstone to maintain a moist habitat underneath. In coniferous forest areas where almost pure stands of lodgepole pine occurred, extensive searching in and under fallen logs failed to disclose more than a few ants of any species, particularly the carpenters. In one particular area 13.4 miles north of Utah Highway 121 on the Dry Fork-Red Cloud Loop road in the foothills of the Uinta Mountains in northern Uintah County at an elevation of 7000 ft, a greater diversity of ants was encountered than in any other place in the state. The specific site was a west-facing slope that was covered with many medium-sized to large boulders in a dense stand of sagebrush and snowberry. Ingham (1963) indicated that in southern Utah the greatest numbers of species occur in sagebrush, rabbitbrush, and juniper habitats. About half as many species were found in more alkaline situations supporting greasewood, shadscale, and saltbush. Fewest species were found in Sonoran habitats supporting joshua trees, creosote bush, and bur sage.

Systematics

The listing of species in the main body of the report follows Creighton (1950) and Smith (1979) except that I have dropped their subspecies designations. In the keys I have included subspecies and varieties only to their specific level. This is not intended to indicate synonymy, but is only for convenience and brevity. Likewise, species, subspecies, and variety names and references applicable to them (except for the first reference that cites the description of the species) listed immediately under the centered species headings in the body of the report are as recorded in published and
Map 1. Distribution of *Aphaenogaster occidentalis* and *uinta* in Utah. Number in circle indicates specific plot in county unknown.

Map 2. Distribution of *Camponotus essigi, hyatti, laevigatus, nearcticus, ocreatus, and semitestaceus* in Utah.
Map 4. Distribution of Camponotus vicinus in Utah.

Map 3. Distribution of Camponotus herculeanus, madoc, novocentrensis, and nanosubterraneus in Utah. Number in circle indicates specific plot in county unknown.
Map 5. Distribution of *Conomyrma* bicolor and insana in Utah. Number in circle indicates specific plot in county unknown.

Map 6. Distribution of *Crematogaster* depilis, emeryana, and mormonum in Utah. Number in circle indicates specific plot in county unknown.
Map 7. Distribution of *Formica argentea*, *alpigena*, and *canadensis* in Utah. Number in circle indicates specific plot in county unknown.

Map 8. Distribution of *Formica criniventris*, *densiventris*, *fusca*, and *gianta* in Utah. Number in circle indicates specific plot in county unknown.
Map 9. Distribution of *Formica* haemorrhoidalis, integroides, laeviceps, and lasioides in Utah. Number in circle indicates specific plot in county unknown.

Map 10. Distribution of *Formica limata*, manni, and neoclara in Utah. Number in circle indicates specific plot in county unknown.
Map 11. Distribution of Formica neogagates, neorufibaris, obscuriventris, and occulta in Utah. Number in circle indicates specific plot in county unknown.

Map 12. Distribution of Formica obscuripes, obtusopilosa, oresas, and pallidefulva in Utah. Number in circle indicates specific plot in county unknown.
Map 13. Distribution of *Formica* perpilosa, podzolica, puberula, and rasilis in Utah. Number in circle indicates specific plot in county unknown.

Map 14. Distribution of *Formica* subnitens, subnuda, subpolita, and xerophila in Utah. Number in circle indicates specific plot in county unknown.
Map 15. Distribution of *Iridomyrmex pruinosus*, *Lasius alienus*, *crypticus*, and *fallax* in Utah. Number in circle indicates specific plot in county unknown.

Map 16. Distribution of *Lasius niger*, *pallitarsus*, *rubinumbratus*, and *umbatus* in Utah. Number in circle indicates specific plot in county unknown.
Map 17. Distribution of _Lasius nevadensis_, _sitiens_, _Leptothenax muscorum_, and _nevadensis_ in Utah. Number in circle indicates specific plot in county unknown.

Map 18. Distribution of _Leptothenax nitens_, _rugatulus_, _tricarinatus_, and _Liogetopum occidentale_ in Utah. Number in circle indicates specific plot in county unknown.
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Map 21. Distribution of *Myrmica* emeryana, incompleta, lobicornis, and monticola in Utah. Number in circle indicates specific plot in county unknown.

Map 22. Distribution of *Pheidole* bicaudata, californica, desertorum, and pilifera in Utah. Number in circle indicates specific plot in county unknown.
Map 23. Distribution of *Pheidole* sitarches, *Pogonomyrmex californicus*, *maricopa*, and *rugosus* in Utah. Number in circle indicates specific plot in county unknown.

Map 24. Distribution of *Pogonomyrmex occidentalis*, *owyheei*, and *salinus* in Utah.
Map 25: Distribution of Polyergus breviceps, Solenopsis modesta, Steganothere diecki, and occidentale in Utah.

Map 26: Distribution of Steganothere smithii and Topinoma sessile in Utah. Number in circle indicates specific plot in county unknown.

Map 28. Areas of ant collections in Utah (clear areas). Shaded areas indicate where no (or few) collections have been reported.
unpublished data for Utah records, and are not intended as synonyms except in those cases as indicated by Creighton (1950), Smith (1979), and other contemporary workers. These and other names applicable to unpublished records and identification labels on specimens in collections examined are given in a separate list at the end of this paper as a means to relate those names to the ones I have used in the body of this report. Where two or more subspecies under a given species have been reported from Utah, they can be separated by characters discussed under the respective species listing in the main body of the paper.

In the treatment of species, generic and trivial names are listed alphabetically in the form of a checklist without regard to subfamily designations, which may be ascertained by reference to the keys. This facilitates location of a species where an index is not present, and extensive searching need not be done by the person who is not well versed in its phylogenetic placement.

Terminology in the keys to subfamilies, genera, and species has been simplified to the lay person’s language as far as possible to avoid frustration for those who are not well versed in taxonomic jargon. A glossary of most of the structures referred to in the keys is included, and many structures are figured. Figures 1 and 9 will help in overall structural orientation (Figure 8 was deleted).

**Glossary**

**Abdomen:** the hindmost of the three major body regions of an insect, situated behind the thorax.

**Antennal club:** last two or three antennal segments that are abruptly enlarged to form clublike appearance, sometimes gradually enlarged to much larger terminal segment.

**Antennal fossa:** pit or base of antenna where it attaches to head.

**Clavate:** clubbed, gradually thickening toward tip.

**Clypeus:** the broad plate, frequently triangular, situated on the front of the head between the base of the antennae and the mandibles.

**Depressed:** flattened or indented.

**Epinotum (propodeum of some authors):** the posterior major subdivision of the thorax (the second major body part of the ant), actually a structural part of the abdomen anterior to the pedicel, fused to the thorax.

**Erect hair:** a hair projecting at essentially a right angle to the surface of the integument.

**Eye length:** maximum measurable length, usually from ventral to dorsal (anterior to posterior).

**Facet:** one of the small lenses of the compound (large) eye.

**Femur:** the third segment of the leg (first long one from the base).

**Flexor surface:** that surface of the segment of a leg that faces and comes close to another such surface when a leg is bent.

**Fossa:** a pit or deep groove.

**Frontal area:** a small triangular plate attached to the dorsal edge of the clypeus, situated between the bases of the antennae.

**Frontal carina:** a distinct ridge or line running upward from the clypeus, and separating the cheek and antennal base from the median part of the head.

**Funiculus:** that part of the antenna terminal to the scape (the first greatly elongated segment attached to the head) consisting of 8 to 11 segments.

**Gaster:** the globular or ovoid segments of the abdomen posterior to the pedicel.

**Gena:** area of head below and behind posterior margin of eye.

**Head length:** maximum measureable length from ventral (anterior) border of clypeus to median dorsal (posterior) border of head, or to line equal with corners if posterior edge of head is concave.

**Head width:** maximum width of head exclusive of compound eyes if they extend beyond lateral margins of head.

**Humeral angle:** the shoulder angle of the prothorax.

**Impressed:** shallow depressed area or marking.

**Integument:** the outer covering of the body.

**Keel:** a sharply angled, elevated ridge.

**Labial palps:** the two antennalike appendages from the lower lip situated between the mandibles.

**Major:** a worker of the largest subcaste.

**Mandible:** one of the paired, heavily chitinized and usually toothed processes on the extreme lateral-ventral sides of the head.

**Maxillary palps:** the antennalike appendages from the second jaws situated on each side between the mandibles and the labium (lower lip).

**Mesepinotal suture:** the transverse indentation that separates the mesonotum from the epinotum.

**Mesonotum:** dorsal surface of mesothorax.

**Mesopleura:** side of mesothorax.

**Mesothorax:** the second major subdivision of the thorax (the second major part of the ant).

**Metasternum:** the ventral area of the thorax between coxae 3.

**Minor:** a worker of the smallest subcaste.

**Pedicel:** the one or two segments between the thorax and gaster, much reduced in diameter and sometimes bearing a scale.

**Pettiole:** a single-segmented pedicel, or the first segment of a two-segmented pedicel.

**Postpediole:** the posterior segment of a two-segmented pedicel.

**Pronotum:** the dorsal surface of the prothorax.

**Prothorax:** the anterior major subdivision of the thorax (the second major part of the ant).

**Psammophore:** two rows of long hairs or bristles, one row on each side of the underside of the head.
Figs. 1–7. 1. Dorsal view of worker showing major structures (from Wheeler and Wheeler 1963); 2. Sickle-shaped mandibles; 3. Frontal carinae covering antennal insertions, and strongly projected laterally; 4. Frontal carinae not strongly projecting laterally; 5. Triangular mandible with large teeth, the basal tooth offset from other teeth; 6. Basal tooth aligned with other teeth and with mandibular margin; 7. Basal tooth offset and at angle to mandibular margin.

Pubescence: a covering of fine soft hairs, usually lying flat against the integument.
Puncta: minute holes or pits in the integument.
Punctate: possessing puncta.
Ruga: see Wrinkle.
Scale of petiole: a scalelike, somewhat oval vertical or angled projection arising from the dorsal surface of the petiole.
Scale of scape: thick plate at base of scape.

Scape: first greatly elongated segment of the antenna attached to the head.
Sculptured: pattern of elevations and depressions on the integument.
Spinasternal cavity: a minute cavity situated on the ventral side of the metathorax medially between coxae 2 and 3 (can be seen only by removing coxae 2 and 3 on one side).
Striae: longitudinal impressed lines.
Fig. 9-20. 9, Frontal view of head of worker showing structures and areas of measurement (from Wheeler and Wheeler 1963); 10, Ventral view of head showing short 4-segmented labial palps and longer 6-segmented maxillary palps; 11, 10-segmented antenna with 2-segmented club; 12, 12-segmented antenna with club of 3 or more segments; 13, Terminal, circular anus fringed with hairs; 14, Subterminal, slitlike anus not fringed with hairs; 15, Scape evenly curved near base; 16, Scape abruptly bent at base; 17, Scape with lobed plate extending one-third along its length; 18, Scape with basal collar or flange; 19, 12-segmented antenna without club; 20, Toothed tibial spur of coxa 3.

Suberect hair: a small hair that projects from the integument at an angle less than 90 degrees but more than 45 degrees.

Tegrite: the dorsal plate or surface of a segment, usually applicable to the gaster.

Thorax: second major division of ant between head and pedicel, composed of prothorax, mesothorax, and epinotum ("metathorax").

Tibia: the fourth segment of the leg (second long one from the base).

Vertex: top of head between and posterior to eyes.

Whorls: in concentric rings.

Wrinkle (rugae): a small ridge or furrow on the surface.

Specimens in the Utah State University collection and of unpublished records of
Figs. 21-34. 21, Worker of *Camponotus sansabeanus* showing lack of constriction between 1st two segments of gaster, well-developed eye, and even convexity of thorax (from Creighton 1950); 22, Worker of *Ponera opacior* showing constriction between 1st two segments of gaster, and poorly developed eye (from Creighton 1950); 23, Worker of *Myrmica brevinodis* showing attachment of postpetiole to anterior end of gaster, and epinotal spines (from Creighton 1950); 24, Worker of *Pogonomyrmex occidentalis* showing pedicel consisting of two segments, and psammophore on underside of head (from Creighton 1950); 25, Worker of *Formica rubicunda* showing well-developed scale on pedicel of one segment, and dorsal convexity of thorax (from Creighton 1950); 26, Side of epinotum evenly curved and lacking abrupt angle; 27, Epinotum with dorsal, conical elevation; 28, Base of scape with rounded corner and poorly developed flange; 29, Base of scape thin with thin flange; 30, Side of epinotum not evenly curved, but with abrupt angle; 31, Spinasternal cavity; 32, Elevated and fringed lateral lobes of spinasternal cavity; 33, Attachment of postpetiole to dorsal surface of pointed gaster; 34, Base of scape with thick flange.
George Knowlton were identified predominantly by George Wheeler, Roy Snelling, and Andre Francoeur; those in the Brigham Young University collection by Arthur Cole; and those in the University of Utah collection by Albert Grundmann and Arthur Cole. Ingham identified his own collections, and verified them by comparison with identified specimens in the University of Utah collection. I identified the ants, most of which were in the genus *Pogonomyrme*, which I collected during my two summers of travel over Utah.

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Treatment of Species

Under each species are listed its known collection localities in Utah, grouped by county (in boldface type), and its general distribution in the United States. Specific states of occurrence are listed only for those intermountain ones immediately adjacent to Utah (Colorado, Arizona, Nevada, Idaho, and Wyoming), which may in certain cases support some records for Utah that are questionable. In the specific locality listings for Utah, the source of the collection record is designated in parentheses for each locality, or for a series of localities listed between two record sources.

Isolated collections may be made of a species out of its normal range, elevation, or habitat. Such instances may be the result of accidental transport of winged females by directional winds or on vehicles. In most instances such individuals or small resulting
colonies are not apt to survive long in unfavorable habitats. Where only one or two records are listed for the state, or its occurrence in Utah is out of place in its otherwise known range, such should be considered as temporarily questionable. Specimens representing some of these records are not available for examination; hence, the records must remain as tentative until verified by additional collections. However, one must realize that any new distribution record must always begin with one collection.

Following the Utah records, findings of other workers with reference to specific habitat, plant community relationships, and elevation are indicated. Finally, collection data taken in my study are given with pertinent field observations.

**Code for Collection Locality Sources**

A  Dorald M. Allred unpublished records
AC  Allred and Cole 1979
B  Buren 1968
BAD  Beck et al. 1967
BY  Brigham Young University entomology museum
C42  Cole 1942
C56  Cole 1956
C68  Cole 1968
Cr  Creighton 1950
F  Francoeur 1973
G52  Grundmann 1952
G58  Grundmann 1958
Gr63  Gregg 1963
Gr72  Gregg 1972
H  Hayward 1945
I59  Ingham 1959
I63  Ingham 1963
K70  Knowlton 1970
K75  Knowlton 1975
KU  George F. Knowlton unpublished records
O  Olsen 1934
RAU  Russell Anderson unpublished records
RG  Rees and Grundmann 1940
S73  Snelling 1973
S76  Snelling 1976
Sm52  Smith 1952
Sm53  Smith 1953
Sm57  Smith 1957
Sm79  Smith 1979
U  University of Utah entomology museum
US  Utah State University entomology museum
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WU  George C. Wheeler unpublished records

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**Keys to the Identification of Utah Ants**

Key to Subfamilies of Formicidae Workers
(Modified by Cole 1942)

1. Pedicel of two segments (Fig. 24) .............................. 2
   — Pedicel of one segment (Fig. 25) ............................ 3

2(1). Frontal carinae close together, do not cover antennal insertions (one species known from Utah, Neivamyrmex californicus) .................. Ecitoninae
   — Frontal carinae wide apart, cover antennal insertions (Fig. 3) ....... Myrmicinae

3(1). Gaster constricted between first two segments (Fig. 22) .......... Ponerinae
   — Gaster not constricted as above (Fig. 21) .................... 4

4(3). Anus (acidopore) terminal, circular and fringed with hairs (Fig. 13) .... Formicinae
   — Anus (acidopore) subterminal and ventral, slit-shaped and not fringed with hairs (Fig. 14) .......................... Dolichoderinae
Key to Utah Genera and Species of Ponerinae Workers
(Modified from Creighton 1950)

1. Petiole slender, narrower dorsally than ventrally ................................... *Hypoponera opacior*
   — Petiole robust, as wide dorsally as ventrally ........................................ 2

2(1). Head has coarse puncta ................................................................. *Ponera pennsylvanica*
   — Head has fine puncta ............................................................................ *Hypoponera opaciceps*

Key to Utah Genera of Myrmicinae Workers
(Modified from Cole 1942, Creighton 1950)

1. Postpetiole attached to dorsal surface of gaster, which is flattened dorsally, convex ventrally, and acutely pointed (Fig. 33) ......................................................... *Crematogaster*
   — Postpetiole attached to medioanterior or ventroanterior end of gaster, which is of usual shape, not as above (Fig. 23) ......................................................... 2

2(1). Antenna 10-segmented, has 2-segmented club (Fig. 11) ....................... *Solenopsis*
   — Antenna has more than 10 segments; club, when developed, has more than 2 segments (Fig. 12) ................................................................. 3

3(2). Antenna 11-segmented ....................................................................... 4
   — Antenna 12-segmented ........................................................................ 6

4(3). Thorax and petiole lack spines or teeth; pronotum never angular (one species known from Utah, *M. minimum*) .................................................. *Monomorium*
   — Epinotum has spines or teeth (Fig. 23) ................................................... 5

5(4). Mesepinotal suture relatively deep (one species known from Utah, *F. chamberlini*) ................................................................. *Formicoxenus*
   — Mesepinotal suture faint or absent ....................................................... *Leptothorax*

6(3). Laterodorsal part of clypeus elevated as a narrow ridge that forms abrupt semicircular boundary at front of antennal fossa (one species known from Utah, *T. caespitum*) .................................................. *Tetramorium*
   — Laterodorsal part of clypeus not as above ........................................ 7

7(6). Ants of two distinct sizes, no intermediates between the extremes; antenna has a 3-segmented club that is longer than remainder of funiculus .......... *Pheidole*
   — Ants of several sizes, with intermediates between the extremes; antenna lacks distinct club, or, if club present, it is shorter or no longer than remainder of funiculus ....................................................... 8

8(7). Last 3 antennal segments together much shorter than remainder of funiculus, do not form an abrupt club, although they may gradually enlarge to the terminal largest segment .............................................................. 9
   — Last 3 antennal segments together form an abrupt club nearly as long as remainder of funiculus ......................................................... *Leptothorax*

9(8). Dorsum of thorax has a relatively deep mesepinotal suture; psammophore absent; head, thorax and petiole sometimes with widely spaced, deep parallel wrinkles ................................................................................................. 10
   — Dorsum of thorax lacks such a suture or at most has a slight impression; psammophore present (Fig. 24); head, thorax and petiole not as above ................................................................. *Pogonomyrmex*
10(9). Posterior tibial spurs comblike (Fig. 20) .................................................. 11
- Posterior tibial spurs lack teeth ................................................................. 12
11(10). Epinotum has spines (Fig. 23) ............................................................... Myrmica
- Epinotum lacks spines ................................. Manica
12(10). Eyes small, poorly developed (Fig. 22); clypeus has 2 keels .................. Stenamma
- Eyes large, well developed (Fig. 21); clypeus lacks keels ............................. 13
13(12). Spines of epinotum long and narrow, about as long as petiole; head not longer than broad (one species known from Utah, V. lobognathus) ................. Veromessor
- Spines of epinotum short and robust, shorter than petiole; head longer than broad ................................................................. Aphaenogaster

Key to Utah Species of Aphaenogaster Workers
(Modified from Cole 1942, Creighton 1950)

1. Scape of larger workers (sometimes smaller ones) surpasses corner of head by amount less than length of 1st two funicular segments .................................................. 2
- Scape of large and small workers surpasses corner of head by amount greater than length of 1st two funicular segments .................................................. 3
2(1). Epinotal spines prominent; body chestnut brown ..................................... occidentalis
- Epinotal spines small tubercles; head and thorax yellowish red, gaster dark brown or black ................................................................. uinta
3(1). Epinotum lacks teeth or spines ............................................................... boulderensis
- Epinotum has teeth or spines ...................................................................... huachucana

Key to Utah Species of Crematogaster Workers
(Modified from Creighton 1950, Buren 1968)

1. Postpetiole lacks median groove ............................................................... minutissima
- Postpetiole divided by distinct median groove ......................................... 2
2(1). Dorsum of thorax lacks erect hairs, or has not more than 8 confined to humeral angle of pronotum; rarely has 3 or 4 short hairs in mesepinotal suture .................. 3
- Dorsum of thorax has at least 15 scattered erect hairs ............................... 7
3(2). Thorax densely punctate; has one or no erect hairs on humeral angle of pronotum ................................................................. 4
- Thorax not punctate, or, if so, has 2 or more erect hairs on humeral angle of pronotum ................................................................. 5
4(3). Thorax lacks erect hairs ........................................................................ depilis
- Thorax has one erect hair on humeral angle of pronotum ......................... nocturna
5(3). Lower mesopleura has distinct striae ..................................................... 6
- Lower mesopleura lacks striae ................................................................... hespera
6(5). Head completely covered with striae and puncta ................................ coarctata
- Head smooth and shining at least behind eye, sometimes has weak impressed lines elsewhere ................................................................. mormonum
7(2). Hairs on thorax short, 4 or more on each pronotal shoulder, 2 or more at rear of mesonotum ................................................................. emeryana
- Hairs on thorax long, 1 to 3 on each pronotal shoulder; mesonotum lacks hairs ................................................................................... cerasi
Key to Utah Species of *Leptothorax* Workers
(Modified from Creighton 1950)

1. Antenna 11-segmented ........................................................................................................ 2
– Antenna 12-segmented .......................................................................................................... 3
2(1). Scape has abundant erect hairs ..................................................................................... hirticornis
– Scape lacks erect hairs, or has only a few ........................................................................... 9
3(1). Anterior part of 1st gastric tergite covered with striae and puncta ......................... silvestrii
– Anterior part of 1st gastric tergite smooth and shining ..................................................... 4
4(3). Posterior half of head mostly smooth and shining; broad central strip that
extends forward to antennal lobes lacks sculpture ......................................................... nitens
– Head largely or entirely sculptured, its entire surface opaque or feebly shining ....... 5
5(4). Dorsum of thorax densely and evenly punctate, wrinkles absent or feeble; sides
of thorax have heavy puncta that obscure wrinkles ...................................................... 6
– Dorsum of thorax has puncta interrupted by prominent wrinkles on at least
epinotum and mesonotum; wrinkles on sides of thorax not obscured by puncta ...... 7
6(5). Epinotal spines reduced to short, stumpy angles ......................................................... andrei
– Epinotal spines well developed ....................................................................................... nevadensis
7(5). Scale of petiole has feeble wrinkles and dense puncta ................................................. furunculus
– Scale of petiole has coarse wrinkles ................................................................................ 8
8(7). Dorsum of thorax completely covered with coarse longitudinal wrinkles except
for small heavy puncta on mesonotum .............................................................................. nevadensis
– Wrinkles on dorsum of thorax largely confined to epinotum and rear of
mesonotum; anterior prothorax has puncta only ............................................................ tricarinatus
9(2). Clypeus lacks ridges, its center usually flattened; mesepinotal suture present
and deeply depressed ........................................................................................................ 10
– Clypeus has one or more small median ridges; mesepinotal suture absent, or, if
present, is not deep ............................................................................................................ 11
10(9). Erect body hairs long, numerous, usually pointed ..................................................... crassipilis
– Erect body hairs short, sparse, usually thickened at tip ................................................ muscorum
11(9). Longitudinal wrinkles of head delicate, not much coarser than sculpture
between them .................................................................................................................. ambiguus
– Longitudinal wrinkles of head coarse, notably heavier than sculpture between
them ................................................................................................................................. rugatulus

Key to Utah Species of *Manica* Workers
(Modified from Creighton 1950)

1. Postpetiole has conspicuous ventral projection that extends anteriorly (Fig. 36)
................................................................................................................................................ hunteri
– Postpetiole lacks such a projection (Fig. 35) ..................................................................... mutica

Key to Utah Species of *Myrmica* Workers
(Modified from Cole 1942, Creighton 1950)

1. Scape gradually and evenly bent at base, upper area does not form right angle
at bend (Fig. 15) ................................................................................................................. 2
– Scape abruptly bent at base, upper area forms right angle (Fig. 16) ............................. 3
2(1). Lateral margin of frontal carina strongly angular above antennal insertion, thick and deflected downward toward base of antenna (Fig. 3) incompleta
   — Lateral margin of frontal carina rounded and thin, deflected upward (Fig. 4) brevispinosa

3(1). Bend of scape has large, thick lobed plate that extends backward along basal third of scape (Fig. 17) monticola
   — Bend of scape has small transverse plate, or thin scale, which surrounds bend like a collar and does not extend backward (Fig. 18) americana

4(3). Ventral surface of postpetiole flat or nearly so, does not form projection in front (Fig. 35) americana
   — Ventral surface of postpetiole convex, or forms prominent anterior projection (Fig. 36) californica

5(4). Scale of scape forms high, semicircular welt that surrounds scape at bend hamulata
   — Scale of scape not as above emeryana

6(5). Scale of scape small and diagonally transverse on upper surface of scape, continues as prominent transparent flange along inner surface of scape below bend... emeryana
   — Scale of scape not as above lobicornis

7(6). Epinotal spines bent downward; thorax reddish yellow, head and gaster black with reddish tinge emeryana
   — Epinotal spines straight, color combination not as above lobicornis

Key to Utah Species of Pheidole Workers
(Modified from Creighton 1950)

1. Scape of major reaches or surpasses corner of head...
   — Scape does not reach corner of head...

2(1). Eye has more than 20 facets; head unicolored, dark brown to black desertorum
   — Eye has less than 15 facets; dorsal surface of head bicolored grundmanni

3(1). Scape of major bent laterally at base toward midline of head, its flattened basal portion as wide as distal part... hyatti
   — Scape not bent at base, or, if slightly so, flat part at base not as wide as distal part...

4(3). Top of head above eye and usually front face of major marked with elevations or depressions, surface opaque or feebly shining...
   — Top of head not so marked except for hair pits; surface strongly shining...

5(4). Humeral angles of pronotum of major feebly developed, do not form lateral knobs... sitarches
   — Humeral angles strongly developed into epauletlke lateral knobs...

6(5). Postpetiole of major lens-shaped, lateral projections well developed pilifera
   — Postpetiole four-sided, lateral projections absent or poorly developed californica

7(4). Head of major at least 2 mm long... virago
   — Head of major not over 1.5 mm long...
8(7). Sculpture on head of major extends to top of head, only the corners above the eyes smooth and shining ........................................................................................................... ceres
   - Sculpture largely confined to anterior half of head, all the posterior half smooth and shining ........................................................................................................... 9

9(8). Mesonotum of major depressed below adjacent portion of pronotum to form distinct step or angular projection between pronotum and mesonotum .................. dentata
   - Mesonotum not so depressed, forms evenly curved outline with pronotum ........ bicarinata

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Key to Utah Species of *Pogonomyrmex* Workers
(Modified from Cole 1968)

1. Mandible has 6 teeth, the basal one much reduced; eye situated below approximate center of side of head; epinotal spines short, blunt, laterally compressed, joined posteriorly by transverse keel ................................................................. imberbiculus
   - Mandible has 7 teeth, basal one not reduced; eye at about center of side of head; epinotal spines not as above ........................................................................................................... 2

2(1). Viewed dorsally, lateral lobe of clypeus in front of base of antenna forms anteriorly-projecting broad blunt process; head much broader than long; eye small, in front view does not extend beyond side of head; 1st segment of gaster broader than long ................................................................. rugosus
   - Viewed dorsally, lateral lobe of clypeus does not extend anteriorly; head not broader than long or only slightly so; eye large, extends beyond side of head; 1st segment of gaster not broader than long ........................................... 3

3(2). Base of scape strongly enlarged, broad, its basal flange thick (Fig. 34); wrinkles on head above eye not in concentric whorls; dorsum of postpetiole not longer than broad; epinotal spines always present ........................................................................................................... 4
   - Base of scape weakly enlarged, its basal flange thin (Fig. 29); wrinkles of head above eye in concentric whorls; dorsum of postpetiole longer than broad; epinotal spines absent or present ........................................................................................................... 7

4(3). Spaces between wrinkles on head opaque, densely and strongly punctate, producing beaded appearance ........................................................................................................... 5
   - Spaces between wrinkles subopaque or shining, not densely or strongly punctate, do not produce beaded appearance; spines may be reduced to tubercles ...
     .......................................................................................................................... subnitidus

5(4). Basal tooth of mandible offset, meets short basal mandibular margin at pronounced angle (Fig. 7), or forms a gradual curve with margin ......................... occidentalis
   - Basal tooth not offset, meets long basal mandibular margin at straight angle (Fig. 6) ................................................................................................................................. 6

6(5). Dorsum of petiole and postpetiole has numerous strong, wavy, closely spaced, subparallel, usually transverse wrinkles; upper edge of base of scape broadly rounded, thin collar does not project beyond rounded corner (Fig. 28) ........ salinus
   - Dorsum of petiole and postpetiole not as above, but may have irregular wrinkles or lines; base of scape not broadly rounded, may be angled, thin collar projects beyond upper corner ................................................................. owyhee

7(3). Puncta of head and side of epinotum deep, spaces between wrinkles subopaque ................................................................................................................................. maricopa
   - Puncta of head and thorax weak or absent; spaces between wrinkles strongly shining ................................................................................................................................. californicus
Key to Utah Species of Solenopsis Workers
(Modified from Creighton 1950)

1. 2nd segment of funiculus at least 1½ times as long as broad ........................................... 2
    — 2nd segment of funiculus at most only slightly longer than broad ................................ 3

2(1). Distance between eye and base of mandible 1½ times maximum diameter of eye .......................................................... xyloni
    — Distance between eye and base of mandible at least 2 times maximum diameter of eye ................................................................. aurea

3(1). Puncta of head much larger in diameter than hairs that arise from them .......... salina
    — Puncta of head barely larger than hairs that arise from them ................................... molesta

Key to Utah Species of Stenamma Workers
(Modified from Snelling 1973)

1. Median lobe of clypeus extends beyond clypeal ventral margin, in frontal view its apex rounded or truncate (Fig. 42); eyes large, distance between eye and mandible less than 2 times eye length ......................................................... 2
    — Median lobe of clypeus does not extend beyond clypeal anterior margin, its apex notched (Fig. 41); eye small, distance between eye and mandible more than 2 times eye length ......................................................... 3

2(1). Eye large, has 8–12 facets in greatest diameter .................................................. smithi
    — Eye small, has 6–7 facets in greatest diameter .................................................. chiricahua

3(1). Frontal carinae of median lobe of clypeus subparallel or slightly divergent apically, area between carinae concave, which gives apex notched appearance ...... 4
    — Frontal carinae of clypeus strongly divergent from base, area between them flattened, apex not notched ................................................................. huachucanum

4(3). Sides of mesothorax have dense puncta; pronotal sides have coarse puncta between wrinkles .................................................. occidentale
    — Sides of mesothorax have coarse wrinkles; pronotal sides lack puncta between wrinkles ................................................................. diecki

Key to Utah Genera of Dolichoderinae Workers
(Modified from Cole 1942, Creighton 1950)

1. Scale of petiole well developed (Fig. 25) ................................................................. 2
    — Scale of petiole vestigial or absent (one species known from Utah, T. sessile) ....
        ................................................................. Tapinoma

2(1). Epinotum has conical elevation (Fig. 27) .................................................. Conomyrma
    — Epinotum lacks conical elevation ............................................................................. 3

3(2). Dorsum of thorax lacks impression at mesepinotal suture; workers of several sizes (one species known from Utah, L. occidentale) .................................................. Liometopum
    — Dorsum of thorax has slight to moderate impression at mesepinotal suture; workers of one size .................................................. 4

4(3). Erect body hairs long and sparse, absent on scape and tibia ....................... Iridomyrmex
    — Erect body hairs short and numerous, present on scape and tibia (one species known from Utah, F. foetidus) .................................................. Forelius
Key to Utah Species of *Conomyrma* Workers  
(Modified from Creighton 1950)

1. Head and thorax deep reddish yellow, gaster brownish black ................................*bicolor*
   – Color not as above .................................................................................................................. *insana*

Key to Utah Species of *Iridomyrmex* Workers  
(Modified from Creighton 1950)

1. Scape extends beyond corner of head by amount equal to or greater than length of 1st funicular segment ................................................................. *humilis*
   – Scape extends beyond corner of head by amount less than length of 1st funicular segment ........................................................................................................... *pruinosus*

Key to Utah Genera of Formicinae Workers  
(Modified from Creighton 1950)

1. Antenna has 9 segments (one species known from Utah, *B. depilis*) ..... *Brachymyrmex*
   – Antenna has 12 segments (Fig. 19) ........................................................................................ 2
2(1). Dorsum of thorax in profile evenly convex (Fig. 21) ................................................. *Camponotus*
   – Dorsum of thorax distinctly depressed behind level of mesonotum (Fig. 25) ................. 3
3(2). Mandible sickle-shaped, inner border has tiny teeth (Fig. 2); maxillary palp 4-segmented, labial palp 2-segmented (one species known from Utah, *P. breviceps*) ................................................................. *Polygerus*
   – Mandible triangular, inner border has large teeth (Fig. 5); maxillary and labial palps not as above .................................................................................................................. 4
4(3). Maxillary palp short, 3-segmented ............................................................................. *Acanthomyops*
   – Maxillary palp longer, has at least 5 apparent segments (Fig. 10) ................................ 5
5(4). Psammophore present (Fig. 24); maxillary palp longer than head .......... *Myrmecocystus*
   – Psammophore absent; maxillary palp not longer than head .................................... 6
6(5). Frontal carinae prominent, their lateral margins slightly deflected upward; ocelli large and conspicuous ................................................................. *Formica*
   – Frontal carinae poorly marked, their lateral margins flat; ocelli small and indistinct or absent ................................................................................................. 7
7(6). Scape extends past corner of head by at least one-third length of scape, usually more; erect body hairs coarse, long, usually brown or black (one species known from Utah, *P. parvula*) .................................................................................. *Paratrechina*
   – Scape does not surpass corner of head; erect body hairs fine, short, and golden. ........................................................................................................... *Lasius*

Key to Utah Species of *Acanthomyops* Workers  
(Modified from Wing 1968)

1. Erect hairs on dorsum of gaster segments restricted to or concentrated near posterior margins; in side profile top of scale sharp to moderately sharp; top of scale usually with median indentation ................................................................. *interjectus*
   – Erect hairs on dorsum of gaster segments uniformly distributed over entire surface; scale variable in shape ........................................................................................................... 2
In side profile, top of scale moderately to greatly blunt; throat has erect hairs from front to rear .......................................................... 3
In side profile, top of scale moderately to greatly sharp; throat has erect hairs only on one-half to three-fourths of posterior surface ............................................. 4
Erect hairs more numerous on dorsum of epinotum than on pro- and mesothorax; 1st femur has 10 or less erect hairs; scape lacks erect hairs ...... murphyi
Erect hairs about evenly distributed over entire dorsum of thorax; 1st femur has 12 or more erect hairs; scape may have or lack erect hairs ..................................... latipes
Side of 2nd segment of gaster densely covered with hairs, the distance between hairs less than one-third their length; appendages and most of body densely covered with hairs ............................................. occidentalis
Side of 2nd segment of gaster moderately to thinly covered with hairs, the distance between hairs more than one-half their length; appendages and body moderately to thinly covered with hairs .................................. 5
Body color yellow; erect hairs on throat 0.13 mm or more in length, those on gaster 0.18 mm or more; hairs delicate ....................................................... creightoni
Body color yellowish brown to brown; erect hairs on throat 0.12 mm or less in length, those on gaster 0.17 mm or less; hairs coarse .................................. coloradensis

Key to Utah Species of Camponotus Major Workers
(Modified from Creighton 1950, Gregg 1963)

1. Ventral border of clypeus depressed in middle to form thin anterior edge, usually with narrow median notch (Fig. 37); clypeus usually has short triangular depression behind notch .................................................. 2
  Ventral border of clypeus not depressed, edge wide, sometimes with notch; short triangular depression absent .................................................. 5
2(1). Mesepinotal suture broadly impressed, involves rear of mesonotum and front of epinotum ................................................................. hyatti
  Mesepinotal suture not impressed, or, if slightly so, only as groove on front of epinotum ................................................................. 3
3(2). Corner of head strongly shining, sides of head notably narrowed at level of mandibles ................................................................. essigii
  Corner of head opaque or feebly shining, sides of head not unusually narrowed at level of mandibles .................................................. 4
4(3). Clypeus much broader than long .............................................. nearcticus
  Clypeus only slightly broader than long ........................................ rasilis
5(1). Clypeus lacks distinct ridge or keel, but sometimes has slight one; scape not flattened at base; head broader than long .................................. 6
  Clypeus has distinct ridge or keel, sometimes reduced; if reduced, scape flattened at base; head as long as or longer than broad .................................. 9
6(5). Scape has scattered erect hairs; entire ant jet black and shining, often with bluish reflections ......................................................... laevigatus
  Scape lacks erect hairs except for small cluster at extreme tip; color not as above, but if black then not shining and lacks bluish luster .................................. 7
7(6). Scape reaches only to or barely extends beyond corner of head ........... herculeanus
  Scape extends beyond corner of head by amount greater than maximum diameter of scape ................................................................. 8
8(7). Pubescence on gaster absent or fine and sparse; entire surface of gaster shining .......................................................... *novaeboracensis*
- Pubescence on gaster coarse and relatively dense, surface dull except for narrow lighter-colored band at posterior edge of each segment .................................. *modoc*

9(5). Scape extends beyond corner of head by amount equal to or greater than length of 1st funicular joint .......................................................... 10
- Scape does not extend beyond corner of head, or, if so, by amount less than length of 1st funicular joint ......................................................... *sansabeanus*

10(9). Scape distinctly flattened at base, flattened portion forms small lateral lobe ..... .......................................................... *semitestaceus*
- Scape not flattened at base, or, if flattened, lacks lateral lobe .................... 11

11(10). Cheek strongly shining, has tiny inconspicuous puncta ......................... *ocreatus*
- Cheek dull or feebly shining, has coarse and conspicuous puncta .................. *vicinus*

**Key to Utah Species of *Formica* Workers**

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   – Erect hairs on gaster yellow, not blunt at tip; erect hairs on other parts of body much more sparse than on gaster ......................................................... 9

9(8). Scape has abundant suberect hairs, those on inner surface near tip distinctly erect ................................................................. puberula
   – Scape lacks suberect or erect hairs .......................................................... wheeleri

10(1). From posterior profile, upper surface of side of epinotum evenly curved to base (Fig. 26); body surface shining ......................................................... 11
   – From posterior profile, upper surface of side of epinotum angled before its base (Fig. 30); body surface dull ............................................................... 14

11(10). Scale more than 1½ length of head; frontal carinae diverge dorsally; posterior face of petiole scale convex ........................................... pallidefulva
   – Scale less than 1½ length of head; frontal carinae subparallel, do not diverge dorsally; posterior face of petiole scale not convex .................................... 12

12(11). Scape has short, delicate, whitish, erect hairs ........................................ lasioides
   – Scape lacks erect hairs except for small cluster at extreme tip ..................... 13

13(12). Thorax has numerous erect hairs ......................................................... neogagates
   – Thorax lacks erect hairs, or has only 1 or 2 ........................................... limata

14(10). Dorsal border of head of larger workers strongly concave; pronotum in profile angled between base and upper surface ........................................ opaciventris
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15(14). Erect hairs on pronotum distinctly broader at tip than at base ................ 16
   – Erect hairs on pronotum absent, or, if present, taper from base to pointed tip or of equal width throughout their length ........................................... 20

16(15). Tibia has erect or suberect hairs in addition to double row on flexor surface; scape hairs variable, often erect ........................................ microgyna
   – Tibia lacks erect hairs except for double row on flexor surface; scape lacks erect hairs except for few at extreme tip ............................................ 17

17(16). Dorsal border of head evenly convex ................................................... querquetulana
   – Dorsal border of head flat or concave ..................................................... 18

18(17). Crest of petiole lacks erect hairs; pubescence on dorsum of gaster thin, does not wholly conceal surface at rear edges of segments ............................ whymperi
   – Crest of petiole has erect hairs; pubescence on dorsum of gaster dense, wholly conceals surface .......................................................... 19

19(18). Erect hairs on dorsum of head and thorax sparse, or inconspicuous or absent .... rasilis
   – Erect hairs on dorsum of head and thorax abundant and conspicuous ...... densiventris

20(15). Body bicolored with head and thorax reddish or yellowish red, both lighter than dark gaster; front of head shining; frontal carinae strongly divergent ............... 21
   – Body unicolored or bicolored—if bicolored then only thorax lighter than gaster; front of head opaque; frontal carinae parallel or moderately divergent dorsally .... 33

21(20). Scape has numerous delicate erect or suberect hairs ................................ oreas
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- Middle and hind tibiae have many erect hairs in addition to double row of bristles ................................................................. obscuriventris
24(23). Upper surface of body lacks erect hairs; gaster pubescence thin, surface strongly shining ..................................................... fossaceps
- Upper surface of body has abundant erect hairs; gaster pubescence dense, whitish, surface opaque ...................................................... laeviceps
25(22). Middle and hind tibiae have many erect hairs on all surfaces besides bristles on flexor surface ....................................................................... 26
- Middle and hind tibiae lack or rarely have 1 or 2 erect hairs other than bristles on flexor surface .................................................. 27
26(25). Head of major as broad as or broader than long; erect hairs on thorax unequal in length ............................................................... obscuripes
- Head of major longer than broad; erect hairs on thorax short and about equal in length ................................................................. subnitens
27(25). Gaster densely covered with short erect hairs of plushlike appearance viewed in profile .......................................................... 28
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28(27). Throat lacks erect hairs, or has 1 or 2 suberect ones ...................... ciliata
- Throat has several to 12 or more erect hairs ........................................ 29
29(28). Erect hairs on gaster short, average about 0.06 mm ...................... comata
- Erect hairs on gaster long, average about 0.12 mm .......................... muescens
30(27). Mid and hind tibiae lack row of bristles but have 3 or 4 near spur criniventris
- Mid and hind tibiae have row of erect bristles that extend for one-half length or more of tibiae ...................................................... 31
31(30). Head of largest worker as broad as long ........................................ obscuripes
- Head of largest worker longer than broad ........................................... 32
32(31). Throat, crest of petiole, and dorsum of thorax lack erect hairs, sometimes few present ............................................................. haemorrhoidalis
- Throat, crest of petiole, and dorsum of thorax have numerous erect hairs, sometimes throat and petiole have only 1 or 2 ........ integrides
33(20). Metasternum has 2 distinct hairy lobes that arise on each side of spinasternal cavity (Figs. 31, 32) ........................................ 34
- Metasternum lacks such lobes .......................................................... 42
34(33). Head and body of uniform color ................................................... 35
- Head and body each bicolored .......................................................... 39
35(34). Dark brown or black .................................................................. 36
- Pale brown or yellowish brown ......................................................... 38
36(35). Throat lacks erect hairs .............................................................. occulta
- Throat has erect hairs ..................................................................... 37
37(36). Cheek and side of prothorax have erect hairs ........................................... \textit{canadensis}
– Cheek and side of prothorax lack erect hairs ................................................... \textit{altipetens}
38(35). Throat lacks erect hairs .............................................................................. \textit{neoclara}
– Throat has erect hairs ......................................................................................... \textit{canadensis}
39(34). Throat lacks erect hairs .............................................................................. \textit{neoclara}
– Throat has erect hairs ......................................................................................... \textit{canadensis}
40(39). Yellowish brown to brownish black; gaster darker than head, which is darker
than thorax; head of largest worker as broad as long; gaster pubescence thin,
surface strongly shining ..................................................................................... \textit{subpolita}
– Gaster and upper portion of head yellowish brown to dark brown, thorax and
lower part of head paler; head of largest worker longer than broad; gaster
pubescence normal or dense, surface opaque or feebly shining ......................... 41
41(40). Corner of head and side of prothorax have erect hairs ................................ \textit{canadensis}
– Corner of head and side of prothorax lack erect hairs ....................................... \textit{altipetens}
42(33). Head and body of uniform color ................................................................. 43
– Head and body each bicolored ........................................................................... 52
43(42). Dark brown or black .................................................................................. 44
– Pale brown or yellowish brown ........................................................................ 51
44(43). Cheek between eye and mandible has coarse, elongate puncta widely spaced
on upper half ........................................................................................................ \textit{hewitti}
– Cheek between eye and mandible lacks coarse, elongate puncta, or, if present,
concentrated mostly on upper half .................................................................. 45
45(44). Throat lacks erect hairs .............................................................................. 46
– Throat has erect hairs ......................................................................................... 50
46(45). Hairs on dorsum of 1st segment of gaster (exclusive of posterior row) usually
more than 10; spinasternal cavity not surrounded by hairs (Fig. 31) ................... 48
– Hairs on dorsum of 1st segment of gaster (exclusive of posterior row) less than
10; spinasternal cavity surrounded by hairs ..................................................... 47
47(46). Length of scape greater than length of head; anterior margin of clypeus
angled .................................................................................................................. \textit{accreta}
– Length of scape less than length of head; anterior margin of clypeus broadly
convex .................................................................................................................. \textit{fusca}
48(46). Cheek and dorsum of 1st 4 segments of gaster have dense pubescence
producing a silvery luster .................................................................................... \textit{argentea}
– Cheek and dorsum of 1st 4 segments of gaster have normal to thin pubescence,
not silvery, but may have silky luster ................................................................. 49
49(48). Length of scape shorter than length of head; sides of head only slightly
rounded, diverge toward base of mandibles; posterior margin of head straight
or slightly convex ................................................................................................. \textit{podzolica}
– Length of scape equal to or longer than length of head; sides of head broadly
rounded; posterior margin of head strongly convex .......................................... \textit{subsericea}
50(45). Length of scape greater than length of head; scale of petiole has dorsal median
notch .................................................................................................................... \textit{transmornanis}
– Length of scape not greater than length of head; scale of petiole not notched ...
.............................................................................................................................. \textit{aerata}
51(43). Throat has erect hairs .............................................................. aerata
   — Throat lacks erect hairs ............................................................ argentea
52(42). Throat has erect hairs .............................................................. 53
   — Throat lacks erect hairs .............................................................. 54
53(52). Cheek between eye and mandible has coarse, elongate puncta, widely spaced on upper half ........................................... hewitti
   — Cheek between eye and mandible lacks coarse, elongate puncta, or, if present, concentrated on upper half .................................... aerata
54(52). Cheek between eye and mandible has coarse, elongate puncta, widely spaced on upper half ............................................... neorufibarbis
   — Cheek between eye and mandible lacks coarse, elongate puncta, or, if present, concentrated on upper half .................................... 55
55(54). Epinotum high with distinct angle ........................................... gnava
   — Epinotum long and low with even convexity ................................... xerophila

Key to Utah Species of Lasius Workers
(Modified from Wilson 1955)

1. Eye length 0.2 times or more width of head ........................................ 2
   — Eye length 0.17 times or less width of head ................................... 6
2(1). Mandible has one or more offset teeth at basal angle (Fig. 5) ........... pallitarsus
   — Basal tooth of mandible aligned with adjacent teeth (Fig. 6) ........... 3
3(2). Scape lacks erect hairs; eye length usually less than 0.25 times width of head; color yellowish brown ........................................... sitiens
   — Scape has erect hairs; eye length more than 0.25 times width of head; color other than yellowish brown ....................................... 4
4(3). Next to last basal tooth of one or both mandibles markedly reduced in size relative to 2 flanking teeth, or gap between next to last and last basal teeth larger than last basal tooth ........................................... crypticus
   — Next to last basal tooth subequal in size or larger than last basal tooth, gap between them about same as last tooth ................................ 5
5(4). Scape and tibia have less than 10 or lack erect or suberect hairs .......... alienus
   — Scape and tibia have more than 10 erect or suberect hairs ................. niger
6(1). In frontal or posterior view, dorsal crest of petiole strongly convex and not notched ................................................................. humilis
   — Dorsal crest of petiole truncate or slightly convex, often notched ........ 7
7(6). Eye has less than 35 facets ............................................................. 8
   — Eye has 35 or more facets ............................................................. 9
8(6). Outer surface of tibia has numerous erect or suberect hairs ............... fallax
   — Outer surface of tibia has only 1 or 2 erect or suberect hairs ............ nearcticus
9(7). Longest hairs of posterior half of dorsum of 1st segment of gaster (exclusive of extreme posterior strip) not longer than one-half maximum width of hind tibia at midlength ......................................................... umbratus
   — Longest hairs situated as above at least three-fifths as long as tibia width .......... 10
10(9). Posterior half (except extreme posterior strip) of dorsum of 1st segment of gaster has hairs no more than semierect; erect hairs on tibia absent or sparse ....

- Posterior half (except extreme posterior strip) of dorsum of 1st segment of gaster has erect hairs; erect hairs on tibia abundant ........................................... vestitus

Key to Utah Species of Myrmecocystus Workers
(Modified from Snelling 1976)

1. Mandible has 8 to 10 teeth; integument light yellow or brownish yellow; ocelli absent or much reduced .......................................................... 2
- Mandible has 6 or 7 teeth; integument not as above, but rusty red brown, black, orange or combination; ocelli well developed .................................. 5

2(1). Dorsal surface of epinotum strongly projected upward over posterior two-thirds; erect hairs sparse; upper margin of eye barely below upper margin of head ..................................................................................... pyramicus
- Dorsal surface of epinotum flat or evenly convex; body often abundantly hairy; upper margin of eye well below upper margin of head ........................................... 3

3(2). Head, pronotum, and gaster shiny, have few if any nonerect hairs; mid and hind tibiae have no more than 3 or 4 erect hairs beyond basal third of outer face; mesepinotal suture deeply impressed .................................. nacajo
- Head, pronotum, and gaster abundantly hairy; mid and hind tibiae have numerous erect hairs; mesepinotal suture not deeply impressed, but, if so, head length exceeds 1.3 mm .............................................................. 4

4(3). Mesepinotal suture impressed; epinotum as long as or longer than high, juncture of dorsal and posterior faces broadly rounded .......................... mexicanus
- Mesepinotal suture not impressed; epinotum higher than long, juncture abruptly rounded or slightly angular ................................................. testaceus

5(1). Uniform blackish or dark brown; anterior one-third of head may be paler; hairs on head sparse, with few erect hairs ............................................ hemmettensis
- Bicolored or rusty red brown; head has abundant hairs, many of them erect .... 6

6(5). 20 or more erect hairs on cheek in front view; scape, femur, and tibia have numerous suberect hairs on all surfaces ..................................... mendax
- Less than 20 erect hairs on cheek; scape and femur have sparse suberect hairs .... 7

7(6). Cheek in frontal view has 6 or more erect hairs evenly distributed between eye and base of mandible ...................................................... 8
- Cheek in frontal view has no more than 4 erect hairs confined to lower half near mandible ................................................................. 10

8(7). Erect hairs present over at least one-half distance between inner margin of eye and base of antenna; puncta of face irregularly distributed .................. semirufus
- Erect hairs present only adjacent to inner margin of eye, do not extend more than one-fourth distance between eye and antennal base; puncta of face evenly distributed ................................................. 9

9(8). Longest pronotal hairs more than one-half length of minimum diameter of eye; cheek usually has 12 to 16 erect hairs; top of head finely punctate toward sides ................................................................. romainei
- Longest pronotal hairs less than one-half diameter of eye; cheek usually has fewer than 12 erect hairs; top of head not punctate .......................... flaviceps
10(7). Dorsum of segment 3 of gaster has dense short hairs ... \textit{flaviceps}

— Dorsum of segment 3 of gaster has few or no short hairs ... \textit{11}

11(10). Face has sparse short hairs; head shiny; head, thorax, and legs brownish ... \textit{mimicus}

— Face has abundant hairs; head not shiny; head, thorax, and legs rusty red brown ... \textit{kennedyi}

\textit{Acanthomyops coloradensis} (Wheeler)


\textit{L. claviger}: Rees and Grundmann 1940:7; Cole 1942:375.


Smith (1979:1441) lists this species from western United States, including Utah and Colorado. Most colonies have been found under stones. Gregg (1963:484) lists it in Colorado between 4654 and 8000 ft under rocks in conifers, oak, grass, and other habitats. Wing (1968) lists it from Arizona with an altitudinal range of 2000 to 7000 ft. Three elevational records for Utah are 4750, 7100, and 7463 ft.

\textit{Acanthomyops creightonii} Wing


Record: GRAND: Warner Ranger Sta (Wg68).

Smith (1979:1441) lists this species only from Utah. One elevational record is 9750 ft.

\textit{Acanthomyops interjectus} (Mayr)


\textit{A. interjectus}: Ingham 1959:75; Wing 1968:95; Smith 1979:1441.


Smith (1979:1441) lists this species from eastern to western United States, including Arizona, where it occurs in open woodlands, meadows, or pastures in earthen mounds, or under stones or at the base of stumps. Gregg (1963:486) lists it from Colorado between 4800 and 8500 ft under rocks in a variety of habitats. Wing (1968) lists it from Arizona. Cole (1966:20) found its nests under stones in pinyon-juniper in southern Nevada. Wheeler and Wheeler (1963) found it frequently under rocks in North Dakota.

One hundred thirty ants in three colonies in Utah were under rocks. Three collections were in sagebrush: one with matchbrush, one with snowberry, and one at the edge of aspen.

\textit{Acanthomyops murphyi} (Forel)


Records: DUCHESNE: locality unknown (Wg68). SAN JUAN: locality unknown (Wg68).
Smith (1979:1441) designates this species as eastern to western United States, including Utah and Idaho, where it nests under stones in open woodlands. Gregg (1963:490) lists it from Colorado between 5354 and 7200 ft under rocks in several habitats. Wing (1968) lists it from Arizona.

Acanthomyops occidentalis (Wheeler)


Record: UTAH: locality unknown (Wg68).

Smith (1979:1442) lists this species from midwestern and western United States, including Utah, Colorado, and Wyoming. Wing (1968) lists it from Arizona under stones.

*Aphaenogaster boulderensis* M.R. Smith


Records: WASHINGTON: St. George, Zion Nat Park (150).

Smith (1979:1360) lists two subspecies from the western United States, including Arizona and Nevada, probably nesting under stones. The population in Utah is likely *A. b. boulderensis*. Cole (1966:9) found it in southern Nevada in mixed desert shrubs. Ingham (1963) found it in blackbrush in southern Utah. Eight elevations for Utah are between 2500 and 7066 ft.

*Aphaenogaster huachucana* Creighton


Record: IRON, New Harmony (159).

Smith (1979:1361) lists two subspecies from western United States, including Colorado and Arizona. The race in Utah is likely *A. h. huachucana*. Gregg (1963:340) lists it between 5100 and 6300 ft under rocks in pinyon-juniper-oak areas in Colorado. Ingham (1959) found it under rocks in juniper, pinyon, sagebrush, and oak in southern Utah. Two elevation records for Utah are 5250 and 6000 ft.

*Aphaenogaster occidentalis* (Emery)

and oak, and one in mahogany. In 51 recorded Utah habitats it occurred 34 times in canyons above 5000 ft. In 27 collections where the elevation was known, it occurred about equally between 4253 and 7700 ft. One collection was at 9000. Eggs were found in late June and early July, and larvae in late June.

In one instance, when the cover rock was removed, these ants attempted to carry the exposed larvae into their burrow. In another instance, when ants of a nearby *Formica integroides* colony periodically crawled into the home range area of *subteranea*, these latter ants quickly entered their burrow. Beck et al. (1967:68) found it feeding on dead mice in four instances in Utah.

**Aphaenogaster uinta Wheeler**


Records (Map 1): **BOX ELDER**: Dolphin Island (in Great Salt Lake) (C42), NW Kelton (K75) and 9 mi N (K70). **DUCHESNE**: NW Roosevelt (KU); **EMERY**: Goblin Valley 10 mi E (KU). **IRON**: SE Lund (163). **JUAB**: Chicken Crk Res (KU), Eureka 0.5 mi E (A). **SALT LAKE**: Big Cottonwood Cyn (U), S Dry Cyn (C42), E Mill Crk Cyn (RG), Point-of-Mt (C42), Salt Lake City (RG).

Smith (1979:1363) lists this as a western intermountain species, including Utah, Colorado, Nevada and Idaho, where it nests in fully exposed, dry areas. Cole (1942:364) indicates its nests as under stones in Utah. Ingham (1963) found it in alkali flats in southern Utah.

Forty ants of one colony were in grass, herbs, and sagebrush under a rock. In 13 recorded Utah habitats it occurred only 3 times in montane areas. In 7 recorded elevations between 4253 and 6425 ft, 5 were between 5000 and 5500.

**Brachymyrmex deplis Emery**


*B. deplis flavescens*: Grundmann 1952:117.

Records: **BOX ELDER**: Wellsville Mts (KU). **SALT LAKE**: Big Cottonwood Cyn (G52).

Smith (1979:1424) lists this species as mainly eastern United States, nesting under stones and wood. He does not list an intermountain state. Gregg (1963:449) lists it from Colorado between 4600 and 7000 ft under rocks in conifers, oak, and deciduous habitats. Wheeler and Wheeler (1963) found it frequently under rocks in North Dakota.

**Camponotus essigi** M.R. Smith


Records (Map 2): **BOX ELDER**: Hansel Mts, Mantua (KU).

Smith (1979:1432) lists this species as western United States, including Nevada and Idaho. Hunt and Snelling (1975:22) list it from Arizona. Wheeler and Wheeler (1978:393) found it between 6000 and 7800 ft in Nevada. One Utah elevational record is 5175 ft.

**Camponotus herculeanus** (Linnaeus)


Smith (1979:1426) lists this species as eastern to western United States, including Utah and Colorado, where it nests in rotting logs and stumps primarily in montane forest. Gregg (1963:658) lists it between 5150 and 12,500 ft under rocks and logs predominantly in conifer habitats in Colorado. Cole (1942:388) indicates its habitats as logs and stumps, particularly conifers, at high elevations in Utah.

One ant was taken singly in the open, three under a log, and five under a rock. Specimens were found in grass, sagebrush, and oak; chokecherry and aspen; junipers and conifers. In 33 recorded Utah habitats it occurred 20 times in montane forest. In 15 recorded elevations between 4940 and 10,050
ft, it occurred most frequently under 6000. When disturbed by removal of their covering these ants quickly hide.

*Camponotus hyatti* Emery


Record (Map 2): CACHE: Green Cyn (KU).

Smith (1979:1432) lists two subspecies as western United States, including Nevada, where they nest in the soil or in or under dead limbs. The Utah race is likely *hyatti*, which may be differentiated by its entire black or dark brown gaster, whereas in *bakeri* the baso-thorax of the 1st gastric segment is red. Cole (1966:19) found one nest under a juniper log in mixed brush in a desert area in southern Nevada.

*Camponotus laevigatus* (F. Smith)


Smith (1979:1426) lists the distribution of this species as western United States, including Colorado, where it occurs in logs and stumps in forested areas. Hunt and Snelling (1975:22) list it from Arizona. Gregg (1963:662) lists it between 5354 and 8700 ft under logs predominantly in conifer habitats in Colorado. La Rivers (1968:7) lists it from Nevada, where Wheeler and Wheeler (1978:392) found it between 6400 and 8600 ft. Cole (1942:388) indicates its habitat as dry logs in open woods in Utah. Ingham (1959) found it in logs in ash, willow, poplar, oak, and ponderosa pine in southern Utah.

In 14 recorded Utah habitats it occurred 10 times in montane forest. In 10 elevational records between 4276 and 9000 ft, it occurred four times under 4900, three times between 7000 and 7900.

*Camponotus modoc* Wheeler


Smith (1979:1426) lists this species as western United States, including Colorado, where it occurs in logs and stumps in forested areas. Gregg (1963:667) lists it in Colorado between 4800 and 11,300 ft under rocks and logs predominantly in conifer habitats. Hunt and Snelling (1975:22) list it from Arizona. La Rivers (1968:7) lists it from Nevada, where Wheeler and Wheeler (1978:392) found it between 6000 and 12,000 ft. They found it frequently in wood in North Dakota (1963). Cole (1942:388) indicates its habitat in Utah as logs and stumps of conifers at high elevations. Ingham (1959) found it in southern Utah in logs in sagebrush, fir, aspen, and ponderosa pine.

Seventy-two ants in 10 collections were found under logs. In 5 of these the ants were under the same log with ants of the genus *Formica*: once with *F. gna, once F. podzolica, once F. gna* and *F. neoclera, once F. fusca* and *F. subnuda, and once F. obscuriventris, F. podzolica, and F. subbitens*. Thirty-two ants in 2 collections were taken from inside a log, 15 ants in 2 collections from the base of a dead standing tree, one ant under a rock, one from a dead chipmunk, 12 in 4 collections crawling in the open, and 23 of 2 collections from ground burrows. The burrows did not have mounds: one of them was in an area of Oregon grape and herbs,
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where 13 ants were found, and the other, with 10 ants, was in sagebrush and grass. The burrows in the sage–grass habitat were also occupied by *F. neogagates*. Twelve collections were in aspen: 8 in association with conifers, one with grass, herbs, and shrubs, and one grass and herbs. Four collections were in conifers; one cottonwoods; one oak, grass, herbs, and sagebrush; one herbs and Oregon grape; and one grass and sagebrush. In 54 recorded Utah habitats it occurred 42 times in montane forest. In 23 elevations between 4200 and 10,399 ft, 11 collections were under 7000 and 12 over 8000.

These ants are awkward crawlers, and when they are disturbed they hide under debris. Beck et al. (1957:68) found it feeding on dead rodents in three instances in Utah.

**Camponotus nearcticus** Emery


*C. caryae decipiens*: Rees and Grundmann 1940:11.


Records (Map 2); **BOX ELDER**: Kelton Pass (K70), Wildcat Hills (KU). **CACHE**: Logan (KU). **SALT LAKE**: E Mill Crk Cyn (RG). **SUMMIT**: Mirror Lake 17.3 mi N (A). **TOOELE**: Tooele (US). **UINTAH**: Dinosaur Nat Mon (Gr63). **WASHINGTON**: St George (KU).


One collection of 10 ants was taken from under a log in sagebrush, aspen, and conifers. In seven known specific habitats, it was taken twice in montane forest. Three known elevations are between 2760 and 4923 ft.

**Camponotus novaeboracensis** (Fitch)


*C. novaeboracensis*: Smith 1979:1426.


Smith (1979:1426) lists this species as eastern to western United States, including Utah and Colorado, nesting in logs and stumps in wooded areas. Gregg (1963:663) lists it from Colorado between 5500 and 8500 ft under logs predominantly in conifer forest. Wheeler and Wheeler (1963) found it frequently in wood in North Dakota.

One collection of four ants was from under a rock in pinyon and juniper, and the other of one ant under a log in mahogany. In 15 recorded Utah habitats it was taken 9 times in montane areas. In 10 known elevations between 4042 and 9000 ft it was found most frequently under 7000. In one collection, when the cover boulder was removed, the exposed ants crawled rapidly into a burrow.

**Camponotus ocreatus** Emery


*C. ocreatus*: Ingham 1959:71.

Records: **DUCHESNE**: Duchesne 9 mi W (WU). **WASHINGTON**: Zion Nat Park (159).

Smith (1979:1429) lists this species as southwestern United States, including Arizona and Nevada, nesting under stones. Cole (1966:20) found a nest under a stone in mixed shrubs in southern Nevada. Ingham (1959, 1963) found it in southern Utah under stones in sagebrush, juniper, galletagrass, rabbitbrush, winterfat, shadscale, greasewood, and alkali flats. In four recorded Utah elevations it was taken three times between 4000 and 5000 ft and once at 7000 in desert situations.

**Camponotus rasilis** Wheeler


Records: **DUCHESNE**: Dinosaur Nat Mon (Gr63).

Gregg (1963:677) lists this species from Colorado between 4800 and 6970 ft in duff and decaying logs in pinyon-juniper-oak and cottonwood-willow habitats, and shows a Utah record. Hunt and Snelling (1975:22) list it from Arizona.
Camponotus sansabeanus (Buckley)


*Camponotus sansabeanus*: Rees and Grundmann 1940:11.

*Camponotus sansabeanus var. torrefactus*: Rees and Grundmann 1940:11.


*Camponotus sansabeanus*: Smith 1979:1429.


Smith (1979:1429) designated three subspecies, *bulimusosus, sansabeanus*, and *torrefactus*, as primarily western United States, including Utah, Colorado, Arizona, and Nevada, nesting under stones. He designated the latter two subspecies as occurring in Utah. They may be separated by the scape of the major, which is lobulate at the base in *sansabeanus*, but not lobulate in *torrefactus*. Gregg (1963:669) lists this species from Colorado between 4500 and 7000 ft under rocks, under logs, and in large mounds in pinyon-juniper and cottonwood-willow habitats, and shows a Utah record. Cole (1942:387) indicates that in Utah it nests under stones in dry woods. Grundmann (1958:165) indicates that in Utah it may be found under stones in mountain brush-juniper areas.

One collection of 10 ants was under a log in conifers. In eight recorded Utah habitats four were in montane forest. In seven recorded elevations between 4042 and 10,050 ft three were under 5000. Beck et al. (1967:68) found it feeding on dead rodents in one instance in Utah.

Camponotus semitestaceus Emery


Record (Map 2): KANE: Glen Cyn City (AC).

Smith (1979:1429) lists this species as mostly western United States, but no intermountain state is indicated. It nests under stones or in low crater mounds. Hunt and Snelling (1975:22) list it from Arizona. Allred and Cole (1979) found it in southern Utah in ephedra-grass and sagebrush. La Rivers (1968:7) lists it from Nevada. One record in Utah was taken at 3250 ft.

*Camponotus vicinus* Mayr


*Camponotus vicinus*: Rees and Grundmann 1940:11.


Records (Map 4): BEAVER: Minersville (US). BOX ELDER: Brigham, Brigham Cyn, Cedar Crk (City) (US), Dolphin Island (C-42), Kelton, Kelton Pass, Locomotive Spngs (K70), Lucin (BAD), Mantua (US), Raft River Mts (BY), Snowville and 16 mi SW (KU), Willard (C42). CACHE: Cache Jet (C42), Green Cyn (KU), Logan, Logan Cyn, Providence Cyn, Trenton (C42). CARBON: Myron rd 10.5 mi E US 86 (A). DAGGETT: Bridgeport (BAD) and 8 mi S (US), Browns Park (BY), Pipe Crk (US), Willow Crk (BY). DAVIS: Farmington (C42), Farmington Cyn (US). DUCHESNE: Myton (US), Roosevelt (C42), Sheep Crk (BY), Tabiona 11.6 mi E (A). EMERY: Ferron (RG). GARFIELD: Boulder Mt (G58), Bryce Cyn Nat Park (BY), Horse Valley (in Henry Mts) (U), GRAND: Dewey 3 mi N (U), Moab (RG) 14 mi N (U) and 15 mi SE (KU). IRON: Cedar Cyn (RAU), Modena 10.4 mi NE (A), Parowan (C42), Shirts Cyn (RAU). JUAB: Callao (BAD), Diamond Cyn (C42), Lynndyl Sand Dunes (BY), Nephi 12.1 mi W, Ponderosa Cmpgn (A), Tintic, Trout Crk (City) (C42). KANE: Glen Cyn City (AC), W Mt Carmel Jet (K59), Navajo Wells (BAD), Pink Coral Sand Dunes (US). MILLARD: Gandy (BAD), Swasey Spngs (RG), White Valley (C42). MORGAN: Morgan (US), Porterville, Sage Range Mts (KU). PIUTE: Fish Lake Jet 1 mi S (U), Marysvale (A). RICH: Sage Crk Jet 5.1 mi W (A). SALT LAKE: Big Cottonwood Cyn, Butterfield Cyn (C42), City Cyn Cyn (U), Draper (US), Ft Douglas, Granite, E Mill Cyn Crk, Salt Lake City (C42). SAN JUAN: Abajo Mts (G58), Blanding (C42) and 8 mi N (U), Dead Horse Pt (BAD), Hole-in-the-Rock (U), La Sal Crk (RG), La Sal Jet (A), Mexican Water (BAD), Monticello 2 mi W (A) and 17 mi E (U), Nat Bridges Nat Mon (US), Navajo Mt (US), Pack Crk (US), Jct U95 and U261 7.7 mi W (A). SANPETE: Chester (C42), Ephraim (RG), Ephraim Cyn (U), Mt Pleasant (BAD). SEVIER: Koosharem, Paradise Valley (BAD), Salina Cyn nr Fremont Jet (U). TOOELE: Bennmore, Clover (C42), Dolomite (US), Gravinsle Cyn (C42) (? = Grantsville), Mercur (BAD), Orrs Ranch, Vernon (C42), S Willow Cyn (U), Willow Spngs (C42). UINTAH: Bo- nanza (US), Dinosaur Nat Mon (Gr63), Dry Fk rd 13.4 mi N U121 (A), Duchesne 9 mi W (WU) (? = Ft Duchesne), Pelican Lake (US). UTAH: American Fk (RG), Jordan Narrows, Mercur (US), Provo, Springville, Thistle (BY), Tibble Fk Cyn, Tibble Fk Lake 0.5 mi W (A). WASATCH: Deer Cyn Res (U), Hanna 9.2 mi W, Midway 3.7 mi NW (A). WASHINGTON: Pine Valley (City), nr Short Crk (Arizona) (I59), Sunset Cyn (nr Virgin) (RAU), Zion Nat Park (BY). WAYNE: Fruit 5 mi SE (U), Torrey (BAD). WEBER: Ogden (C42).

There were 186 ants in 12 collections found under rocks, 3 in one collection singly in an open area, and 2 in one collection under a juniper log. In a juniper-sagebrush area in late June 12 miles west of Nephi in Juab County, 20 ants in one collection were found in a mound of *Pogonomyrmex occidentalis*, although no harvester ants were present. The carpenter ants had excavated a large chamber (or cleared out and enlarged the food cache area) about eight inches from the top of the mound. About 50 workers and 50 pupae were present. Eggs were found under one rock in late June. When the rock was removed, the ants attempted to carry the exposed eggs into the burrow.

Ten collections were in sagebrush: one in association with grass and herbs, one grass and juniper, one pinyon and juniper, one pinyon, one snowberry and oak, and one snowberry. One collection was in pinyon and juniper; one grass and oak; one oak; one grass, herbs, maple and oak; and two aspen and fir. In 124 recorded Utah habitats 35 were in montane forest. In 69 recorded elevations between 3250 and 9000 ft. 51 collections were between 4000 and 6000. Only one was under 4000, two over 8000. Beck et al. (1967:68) found it feeding on dead rodents in 13 instances in Utah.

*Conomyrma bicolor* (Wheeler)


Smith (1979:1420) lists this species from southwestern United States, including Utah, Arizona, and Nevada, where it nests in irregular or craterlike mounds in exposed situations. Cole (1966:18) found it commonly in craterlike mounds in creosote bush habitats in southern Nevada. In Utah it inhabits lower elevations along canyon bottoms, where it builds craterlike mounds (Grundmann 1958:164). Ingham (1959, 1963) found it in southern Utah in flat or low crater mounds in creosote bush, sagebrush, pinyon-juniper, ponderosa pine, blackbrush, joshua trees, rabbitbrush, bur sage, sand sagebrush, four-wing saltbush, and shadscale. Allred and Cole (1979:99) found it in blackbrush in southern Utah.

There were 125 ants in four collections taken from small crater mounds less than one-half inch in height and about six inches in diameter, with the dorsal opening in the crater. One mound was at the edge of a clearing of an active colony of *Pogonomyrmex occidentalis*. One collection of 30 ants was taken from a burrow with no mound, in which winged forms were more abundant than the workers. Thirty ants in one collection were taken from a safari; the ants scurried out of line when disturbed. Twenty-two...
ants were taken in two collections crawling singly away from their burrows. These ants are fast runners. Occasionally many mounds may occur in close vicinity. Six collections were in grass; two in association with sagebrush, one old man sage, one greasewood, and one juniper. One collection was in sagebrush and matchbrush. Only once in 43 recorded Utah localities was it found in a montane area. It was taken between 2500 and 7066 ft at 35 known elevations, 24 of these between 4000 and 5000 ft. It was taken over 6000 ft only twice.

In one instance a nest of *Formica obtusopilosa*, around which *bicolor* workers were scurrying, was excavated five miles west of Modena in Iron County. When the eggs of the *Formica* were exposed, the *bicolor* ants ran into the excavated area and began carrying the eggs away. In the same area two harvester ants of *Pogonomyrmex occidentalis* were "tending" a *bicolor*, apparently dead, at the fringe of the harvester mound. Several *bicolor* ants kept darting at the harvester ants, not actually making contact, in what appeared to be a type of rescue effort. The harvesters demonstrated no apparent response to the aggressive *bicolor* ants. Beck et al. (1967:69) found it feeding on dead rodents in two instances in Utah.

**Conomyrma insana** (Buckley)


UNITAH: Bonanza (KU), Dinosaur Nat Mon (BAD), Ft Duchesne, Gusner (C42), Jensen (U) and 3.5 mi W (A), Lapoint, Ouray Valley (C42), Vernal 10 mi N (A).

UTAH: Goshen, Lehi, Orem, Provo (C42). WASHINGTON: Central (ISU), Diamond Valley (BAD), Hurricane (C42), Leeds (US), Leeds Cyn (KU), Pine Valley Res (ISU), Rockville (BAD), Snow Cyn (KU), St George (C42), Toquerville (BAD), Virgin (KU), Zion Nat Park (WU).

WAYNE: Capitol Reef Nat Park (WU), Fruitia, Hanksville (BAD), and 17 mi S (KU), Loa (A), Torrey (BAD).

Smith (1979:1420) lists this species as eastern to western United States (no intermountain state listed), where it nests in irregular or craterlike mounds in open areas. Gregg (1963:434) lists it from Colorado between 3500 and 8500 ft under rocks in a variety of habitats, predominantly pinyon-juniper and grass. Hunt and Snelling (1975:22) list it from Arizona. Wheeler and Wheeler (1963) found it frequently in soil craters in North Dakota. Cole (1966:18) found it commonly in creosote bush habitats in southern Nevada. It forms craterlike nests in Utah (Cole 1942:371). Ingham (1959, 1963) found it in southern Utah in pinyon-juniper, sagebrush, creosote bush, mesquite, galletagras, rabbitbrush, winterfat, shadseed, greasewood, and alkali flats. It was associated with *Solenopsis molesta* in one nest. Allred and Cole (1979:97) found it in a large variety of desert shrub associations in southern Utah, commonly in juniper-pinyon.

There were 178 ants of seven collections taken from small crater mounds. Two were in the cleared area of active colonies of *Pogonomyrmex occidentalis*. In Davis County 1.5 mi south of Layton on highway US89, many small craterlike mounds were in close vicinity and surrounding a mound occupied by *occidentalis*. Ten ants in one collection were taken from a mound actually on an occupied mound of *occidentalis*. Another mound occupied by *occidentalis* was covered with sticks, and many (30 collected) *insana* were crawling among the sticks. No openings or mounds for these small ants were seen, nor were any of their mounds in the vicinity of the harvester mound. No evidence was seen of the harvesters attacking the *insana*, and the two
species seemingly intermingled in their movements over the large mound. Nineteen miles north of Lund on the road to Pine Valley in Iron County, nine occupied mounds were found on a large flattened mound of *occidentalis*. In San Juan County, 19.6 mi north of the junction of US163 and U261 along U261, *insana* had parts of three *occidentalis* with some appendages and parts of the body missing, as though chewed by the *insana*. Eighty ants in two collections were taken from safaris; in one case some of the ants were grouped around a dead moth. Forty-two ants in two collections were taken under rocks. In one of these colonies eggs were present in late June. Eight collections were in sagebrush: two in association with grass, one clover, one rabbitbrush, one juniper, one pine, and one juniper and pinyon. One collection was in grass and clover, one grass and herbs, one herbs, one matchbrush and greasewood, one rabbitbrush, and one juniper. In 87 recorded Utah localities it occurred only 5 times in montane areas. In 53 recorded elevations between 2750 and 7066 ft it was taken most frequently (32 times) between 4000 and 6000. Beck et al. (1967:69) found it feeding on dead rodents in 18 instances in Utah.

**Crematogaster cerasi** (Fitch)


Record: **WASHINGTON**: Leids (US).

Smith (1979:1378) lists this species as eastern to midwestern United States, no intermountain state listed, where it nests under rocks and logs. The one collection in Utah reportedly taken at 2750 ft is questionable.

**Crematogaster coarctata** Mayr


*C. vermiculata*: Cole 1942:363.

Record: **JUAB**: Provo 30 mi S (C42).

Smith (1979:1378) lists this species as western United States, including Nevada, nesting under rocks. Cole (1966:16) found its nests in southern Nevada in open soil and under stones in pinyon-juniper and a variety of desert shrub types; it also occurs in sagebrush in Utah (Cole 1942:363). One Utah collection was taken at 4909 ft.

**Crematogaster depilis** Wheeler


Records (Map 6): **KANE**: Glen Cyn City (AC).

**WASHINGTON**: Beaver Dam Wash, Toquerville (BAD).

Smith (1979:1378) lists this species as western United States, including Arizona and Nevada, nesting in roots and lower stems of desert plants. Cole (1966:16) found it in open areas in southern Nevada in various desert shrub types, none in pinyon-juniper. Alfred and Cole (1979:97) found it in a variety of desert shrub habitats, most frequently in ephedra-vanclevea-grass and juniper-ephedragrass associations in southern Utah.

In three desert collections in Utah it was taken between 2350 and 3371 ft. Beck et al. (1967:68) found it feeding on dead rodents in five instances in Utah.

**Crematogaster emeryana** Creighton


*C. lineolata nr cerasi*: Rees and Grundmann 1940:4; Cole 1942:363.

*C. lineolata*: Ingham 1959:55.


*C. emeryana*: Smith 1979:1378.

Records (Map 6): **BEAVER**: Minersville (BAD).

**BOX ELDER**: Locomotive Spngs (BAD), Park Valley (City) (C42).

**CACHE**: Logan (C42).

**JUAB**: Callao (BAD).

**KANE**: Mt. Carmel Jct (159), Navajo Wells (BAD).

**MIL-LARD**: Swasey Spngs (RG). **SALT LAKE**: Parleys Cyn (U).

**SAN JUAN**: Blanding, Bluff, Monticello (G58), Montezuma Crk (BAD).

**TOOLE**: Clover, Delle, Fishers Pass, Low (C42).

**UTAH**: American Fk Cyn (U), Chimney Rock Pass (BAD), Provo (C42). **WASHINGTON**: Diamond Valley (BAD), Grafton, La Verkin, New Harmony, Pintura, Rockville, Santa Clara River, Zion Nat Park (159).

**WEBER**: Ogden Cyn (U).

Smith (1979:1378) lists this species as western United States, including Utah, Colorado, and Arizona, where it usually nests under rocks in mountains at elevations over 6000 ft. Gregg (1963) lists it between 3500 and 5000 ft in a variety of habitats, predominantly under rocks and logs in oak and pinyon-juniper areas in Colorado. Cole (1942:363) indicates its habitats in Utah as under stones, logs, and bark. Ingham (1959, 1963) found it under stones and wood in willow, poplar, tamarix, oak, juniper, ash, sagebrush, squawbrush, and shadscale in southern Utah.
In 29 localities, only three were in montane forest. In 25 known elevations between 3000 and 7066 ft, 10 were between 4000 and 5000. Beck et al. (1967:68) found it feeding on dead rodents in eight instances in Utah.

**Crematogaster hespera** Buren


Record: **WASHINGTON**: Zion Nat Park (B).

Smith (1979:1379) lists this species as western United States, including Utah and Arizona, principally as an arboreal form in cottonwood trees. Buren (1968:100) indicates that it is largely an arboreal species of cottonwoods and other trees, but also occurs in logs at elevations between 2000 and 5500 ft. One Utah collection was taken at 4276 ft.

**Crematogaster minutissima** Emery


Record: **WASHINGTON**: Diamond Valley (BAD).

Creighton (1950) and Smith (1979) list three subspecies as eastern to western United States, including Colorado and Arizona, nesting in soil at the base of stumps. The Utah form is likely *smithi*, although *missouriensis* may come into eastern Utah. The two may be separated by the smooth shining dorsum of the promesonotum in *smithi*, whereas in *missouriensis* it is finely punctate. Gregg (1963:364) lists this species at 4150 ft under rocks in grassy habitats in Colorado. Beck et al. (1967:69) found it feeding on dead rodents in one instance in Utah.

**Crematogaster mormonum** Emery


Smith (1979:1380) lists this species as western United States, including Utah, Nevada, and Idaho, nesting under rocks. Cole (1942:363) indicates its habitats in Utah as under stones and logs. Ingham (1959) found it under stones and logs in southern Utah. Allred and Cole (1979:99) found it in a saltbush-sagebrush association in southern Utah.

In 17 recorded Utah habitats it was taken only 3 times in montane forest. In 12 recorded elevations between 2750 and 6850 ft it was taken 6 times between 4000 and 5000, 4 times above 6000. Beck et al. (1967:69) found it feeding on dead rodents in four instances in Utah.

**Crematogaster nocturna** Buren


Records: **BOX ELDER**: Hansel Mts (K75). **SAN JUAN**: Nat Bridges Nat Mon (B).

Smith (1979:1380) lists this species as western United States, including Utah and Arizona. In one Utah collection it was taken at 5700 ft.

**Forelius foetidus** (Buckley)


*Forelius foetida*: Ingham 1959:64.


Smith (1979:1419) lists this species as mid-west to western United States, including Colorado, nesting under various objects or in small craters. Gregg (1963:434) lists it between 4400 and 4900 ft under rocks in cottonwood-willow and grass habitats in Colorado. Hunt and Snelling (1975:22) list it from Arizona. LaRivers (1968:7) lists it from Nevada. Ingham (1959) found it in small crater mounds in sagebrush, blackbrush, clifton, Russian thistle, and cheatgrass in southern Utah. In four localities in Utah it was taken between 3500 and 5000 ft in desert areas.

**Formica acreta** Francoeur


Record: **WEBER**: Beaver Crk (KU).

Smith (1979:1452) lists this species from western United States, including Idaho.
Formica aerata Francoeur


Record: CACHE: Tony Grove Lake (KU).

Smith (1979:1452) lists this species from western United States, including Nevada, nesting under rocks. In one Utah collection it was taken at 8075 ft.

Formica altipetens Wheeler


F. cinerea altipetens: Rees and Grundmann 1940:10; Cole 1942:383.


Smith (1979:1452) lists this species from western United States, including Utah, Colorado, Arizona, Idaho, and Wyoming, nesting in open areas sometimes with low mounds or under objects. Gregg (1963:507) lists it between 6000 and 11,000 ft under rocks and logs mostly in conifer areas in Colorado. La Rivers (1968:9) lists it from Nevada. Wheeler and Wheeler (1977) found it frequently in thatched or earthen mounds and under rocks in North Dakota. Cole (1942:383) indicates its habitats in Utah as under stones or in flat earthen mounds in open areas.

Four ants in one collection were found crawling singly on the ground in sagebrush and herbs. In 19 recorded Utah habitats 15 were in montane forest. In nine recorded elevations between 4471 and 10,500 ft it was found most frequently (four times) between 7000 and 9000.

Formica argentea Wheeler


Smith (1979:1452) lists this species from eastern to western United States including Arizona, nesting in open or semiopen areas under rocks or in low mounds. Gregg (1963:523) lists it from Colorado between 4500 and 11,000 ft under rocks and wood in a variety of habitats. La Rivers (1968:9) lists it from Nevada, where Wheeler and Wheeler (1978:394) found it between 6200 and 11,500 ft. They also found it frequently under rocks, also in earthen mounds in North Dakota (1977). Cole (1942:383) indicates its habitats in Utah as under stones and logs in cold forests at higher elevations.

Twenty-four ants in four collections were taken from under rocks. In one collection it was under the same rock with Formica lasioides, once F. fusca, and once F. pallidefulva and Pheidole desertorum. Four specimens in one collection were taken singly crawling in the open. Two collections were in oak, one associated with grass. One collection was in legumes and sagebrush, one a grassy meadow, and one grass and sagebrush in an open area of aspen and pine. In 54 recorded Utah habitats it was taken 28 times in montane forest. In 23 recorded elevations between 4225 and 9300 ft it was taken 10 times under 5000, 12 times between 6000 and 9000.

Formica calviceps Cole


Record: UTAH: Spanish Cyn (KU) (? = Spanish Fk Cyn).
Smith (1979:1457) lists this species only from New Mexico nesting under stones banked with detritus. Its occurrence in Utah is questionable.

**Formica canadensis** Santschi

*F. montana*: Ingham 1959:82.

Records (Map 7): **BEAVER**: Puffers Woke (F) (=Puffer Lake). **BOX ELDER**: Locomotive Spings (K70), Park Valley (City) (KU), Snowville (C-42), Wellsville Mts, Willard Basin (KU). **CACHE**: near Franklin (Idaho), Franklin Basin, Hyrum, Logan Cyn, Tony Grove Lake (KU), Wellsville (RG). **IRON**: Cedar Breaks Nat Mon, Cedar City (F), Newcastle (159). **KANE**: Kanab (C-42), Navajo Lake (159). **RICH**: Laketown, Randolph (KU). **SALT LAKE**: Alta (U), Wasatch (RG). **SAN JUAN**: La Sal Mts (U), Montezuma Crk (BAD). **SANPETE**: Ephraim Cyn (KU). **SEVIER**: Venice (F), SUMMIT: Wasatch (RG). **TOOELE**: Clover (F). **UHNTA**: Bonanza (KU), Ft Duchesne (F), Jensen 17 mi SW (C-42), Lapoint (F), Neola 2.7 mi E (A), Paradise Park (U), Vernal, White-rocks (F). **UTAH**: Goshen (F), Lehi (BAD). **WEBER**: Beaver Crk (KU).

Smith (1979:1452) lists this species from midwest to western United States, including Utah, Colorado, Arizona, Idaho, and Wyoming, nesting in open or wooded areas in soil, sometimes with a low mound. Gregg (1963:511) lists it from Colorado between 3500 and 11,000 ft under rocks, wood, and in thatched hummocks predominantly in meadow situations. Allred and Cole (1971:239) found it rarely in associations of sagebrush-grass in Idaho. La Rivers (1968:9) lists it from Nevada. Wheeler and Wheeler (1977) found it frequently in earthen mounds, also commonly under rocks in North Dakota. Cole (1942:383) indicates its habitats as under stones or flat earthen mounds in open areas in Utah. Ingham (1959) found it in southern Utah under stones in sagebrush, aspen, fir, and spruce. Knowlton (1975:2) found it associated with rabbitbrush in northern Utah.

Forty ants in one collection were taken from the ground in grass near an irrigated field. In 38 recorded Utah habitats 13 were in montane forest. In 29 recorded elevations between 4495 and 10,399 ft, 18 were under 6000 and 7 were over 9000.

**Formica ciliata** Mayr


Records: **GRAND**: Warner Ranger Sta (Gr63). **SAN JUAN**: Blanding (RG), between Blanding and Vudrha (C-42) (=Verdure). **SANPETE**: Wales 3.3 mi W (A).

Smith (1979:1457) lists this as a species of western United States, including Utah, Colorado, and Wyoming, with nests (sometimes thatched) in meadows or open woods. Gregg (1963:546) lists it between 5354 and 11,000 ft under rocks and logs principally in conifer habitats in Colorado, and lists a record for Utah. Wheeler and Wheeler (1963) found it only under rocks in North Dakota. Cole (1942:379) indicates its habitats as under stones or logs in Utah. Nests of this species are usually low, thatched mounds in meadows and open woods (Grundmann 1958:165). Seven ants in one collection in Utah were taken from under a rock in sagebrush and rabbitbrush near a meadow. One recorded elevation in Utah is 6103 ft.

**Formica comata** Wheeler


Smith (1979:1457) lists this species as western United States, including Colorado, nesting under stones banked with thatch. Gregg (1963:550) lists it between 6000 and 7704 ft in sagebrush, chaparral, and grass habitats in Colorado. Cole (1942:379) indicates its habitats in Utah as under stones or logs, generally banked or covered with detritus. Two Utah collections were taken at 9000 ft.

**Formica criniventris** Wheeler


Smith (1979:1457) lists this species as western United States, including Utah and Colorado, nesting under stones banked with thatch in meadows and open forests. Gregg (1963:550) lists it between 5100 and 5900 ft under rocks predominantly in gardens and open meadows in Colorado. Wheeler and Wheeler (1963) found it frequently under rocks in North Dakota. Cole (1942:379) indicates its habitat in Utah as under stones banded with detritus. Knowlton (1975:2) found it associated with rabbitbrush in northern Utah.

In six recorded Utah habitats it was taken four times in montane forest. Three known elevations are 4340, 5000, and 8600 ft. Beck et al. (1967:69) found it feeding on dead roots in one instance in Utah.

_Formalia densiventris_ Viereck


_F. densiventris:_ Smith 1979:1462.


Smith (1979:1462) lists this species from western United States, including Utah and Colorado, nesting in forests under stones and logs, occasionally thatched. Hunt and Snelling (1975:23) list it from Arizona. Wheeler and Wheeler (1978:394) found it between 7200 and 10,000 ft in Nevada. One collection in Utah was taken at 4544 ft.

_Formalia emeryi_ Wheeler


Record: CACHE: Cowley Cyn (KU).

Smith (1979:1464) lists this species only from Colorado, where it associates with _F. neogagates_. Gregg (1963:606) lists it at 6000 ft in meadow habitats in Colorado.

_Formalia fossaceps_ Buren


Record: BOX ELDER: Tremonton (KU).

Smith (1979:1458) lists this species from midwestern United States (no intermountain state listed), where it nests under stones or logs banked with thatch or in low earthen mounds covered with thatch or grass. Wheeler and Wheeler (1963) found it under rocks and in earthen mounds in North Dakota. One collection in Utah at 4315 ft is questionable.

_Formalia fusca_ Linneaus


_F. fusca subaenesens:_ Rees and Grundmann 1940:9; Cole 1942:382.


_F. marcidata:_ Creighton 1950:534; Ingham 1959:82.

Records (Map 8): BEAVER: Beaver 5.5 mi E (U). BOX ELDER: Brigham (C42), Cedar Hill (K75), Clear Creek Cyn (KU), Hardup (K75), Kelton Pass (K70), Mantua, Portage (KU), Snowville (K70), Wellsville Mts (KU), Wildcat Hills (K75), Willard Basin (F). CACHE: Ant Valley, Antelope Valley, Bear River Mts, Beaver Crk, Blacksmith Fk Cyn, Elk Valley, Franklin Basin, Green Cyn, Hodges Cyn, Leed's Cyn, Logan (KU), Logan Cyn (C42), Mendon Cold Springs, River Heights, Millville, Rock Crk, Tony Grove (KU). EMERY: Ferron (RG), Hideout Cyn nr Green River (U). GARFIELD: Boulder (U), Bryce Cyn Nat Park (WU), Carass Crk (on Boulder Mt) (U). IRON: Cedar Breaks Nat Mon (F), Cedar City 19 mi E (A). JUAB: Indian Farm Cyn (U). KAN: Cedar City 24.3 mi E (A), Glendale (159), Kanab Cyn (C42). RICH: Garden City, Meadowville and 8 mi NW, Monte Cristo (KU). SALT LAKE: Big Cottonwood Cyn, Brighton, Butterfield Cyn, Mt Olympus, Red Butte Cyn (U), Salt Lake City (C42). SAN JUAN: Abajo Mts (G58), La Sal Crk (RG), Monticello (U). SANPETE: Bluebell Flats (KU), Ephraim Cyn (U), Pleasant Crk (BAD). SUMMIT: Kamas 21 mi E, Mirror Lake 1 and 6.4 mi N (A), Soapstone Ranger Sta (U), Wyoming brdr on U150 (A). TOOELE: Clover, Fisher Pass, Grantsville, Tooele (C42), S Willow Cyn (U), UINTA: Ashley Crk nr Vernal (U), Dry Fk rd 15 and 22.8 mi N U121 (A). UTAH: American Fk Cyn (U), Aspen Grove (BY), Halls Fk rd 5.2 mi N from Hobble Crk rd (A), Provo (BY), Silver Lake Fl (A), WASATCH: Francis 8.1 mi E (A), Heber (U). WASHINGTON: Kolob (159), Pine Valley (City) (BAD). WEBER: Beaver Crk, Lime Spings, Monte Cristo 6 mi S (KU), Ogden (C42). COUNTY UNKNOWN: Current Crk (C42) (= Currant Crk either in Duchesne, Utah, or Wasatch Co).

Smith (1979:1452) lists this as an eastern to western species including Arizona, which nests in a variety of situations in soil and under rocks and logs in forests or open areas. Gregg (1963:517) lists it from Colorado between 5154 and 12,500 ft under rocks and logs and in thatched domes in a variety of habitats, predominantly in conifers, oak, and pinyon-juniper. Wheeler and Wheeler (1978:395) found it between 6100 and 11,500 ft in Nevada, and nesting frequently in wood in North Dakota (1977). Allred and Cole
(1971:239) found it in Idaho in an association of juniper-rabbitbrush-winterfat-sagebrush-grass. Grundmann (1958:165) designated it as a stream-side species in Utah between 4500 and 10,000 ft under stones or in low irregular mounds with numerous openings. Ingham (1959) found it under stones and logs in aspen, fir, spruce, and bristlecone pine in southern Utah. Cole (1966:23) found it in southern Nevada under stones restricted to pinyon-juniper, under stones and logs, and sometimes in craters or small earthen mounds at rather high elevations in Utah (1942:381). Knowlton (1975:2) found it associated with grass, sagebrush, shadscale, and rabbitbrush in northern Utah.

There were 122 ants in eight collections taken from under rocks. In one collection it was under the same rock with Formica argentea, once F. gnava, once F. podzolica, once F. podzolica and Solenopsis molesta, and once F. gnava, Myrmica emeryana, and M. monticola. In the association with gnava and Myrmica, when the rock was removed and the ants disturbed, some began pulling on the legs of others. In the association with podzolica and Solenopsis, the earth under the huge rock was divided into separate conspicuous dwelling levels in which the Formica occurred. The smaller Solenopsis were in a separate burrow. Thirty-eight ants in one collection were in a burrow with Polyergus breviceps under a log. Forty-one ants in three collections were found under logs, once under the same log with Formica gnava and F. podzolica, and once with F. subnuda and Lasius alienus. One ant was found in the open crawling on the ground. Six collections were in aspen: two in association with grass, sagebrush, and pine; one grass, herbs, and pine; and one pine. Three collections were in conifers; two in a grass, sedge, and herb meadow; one sagebrush; and one cottonwoods. In 82 recorded Utah habitats 49 were in montane areas. In 45 known elevations between 4288 and 10,500 ft, 20 were under 6000 and 3 were over 10,000. Beck et al. (1967:69) found it feeding on dead rodents in two instances in Utah.

**Formica gnava** Buckley


Smith (1979:1453) lists this species from western United States, including Utah, Colorado, Arizona, and Nevada, nesting under rocks in desert areas or open woods. Gregg (1963:539) lists it between 5333 and 9000 ft under rocks and in thatched nests predominantly in pinyon-juniper-oak habitats in Colorado. Cole (1942) indicates its habitat in Utah as under stones or nests without craters in open areas. Ingham (1959, 1963) found it in soil-lacking mounds in sand sage in southern Utah. Allred and Cole (1979:98) found it in juniper-ephedra-grass and ephedra-grass habitats in southern Utah.

There were 281 ants in 11 collections taken from under logs. In one collection it was under the same log as *Formica fusca* and *F. podzolica*, once with *F. subnuda*, once *F. neocllara* and *Camponotus modoc*, once *C. modoc*, and once *Myrmica brevispinosa*. Ninety ants in 2 collections were taken from inside a log. There were 131 ants in 7 collections taken from under rocks. In one collection gnava was under the same rock as *F. fusca*; once with *fusca*, *Myrmica emeryana*, and *M. monticola*; once *F. podzolica*; and once *F. neogagates*, *F. obtusopilosa*, and *F. perpilosa*. When the rock covering gnava and fusca was removed, some ants were seen pulling others by their legs. The ants being pulled seemed not to demonstrate a defensive or aggressive behavior to the “pullers,” suggesting a captive arrangement rather than fighting between different colonies. Ten ants in one collection were found under a slab of bark on the ground, and one ant was taken in
the open. Immatures were found under one rock. Eleven collections were in aspen: 4 in association with fir, 3 with other conifers, one sagebrush and conifers, and one grass, herbs, and fir. Six collections were in conifers, 4 grass-herb meadows, and one sagebrush. In 26 recorded Utah habitats it was taken 18 times in montane forest. In 10 known elevations between 2900 and 10,500 it was taken 6 times under 5000, once over 7000 ft.

**Fornica haemorrhoidalis** Emery


F. trunciola integroides var. haemorrhoidalis: Rees and Grundmann 1940:8.

F. rufa haemorrhoidalis: Cole 1942:381.


Smith (1979:1453) lists this species from eastern to western United States, including Utah, nesting under rocks or wood in woods and forests. Gregg (1963:526) lists it from Colorado between 5354 and 10,000 ft under rocks and logs predominantly in conifer habitats. Wheeler and Wheeler (1978:395) found it between 6700 and 11,600 ft in Nevada. Allred and Cole (1971:239) found it in Idaho in an association of rabbitbrush-sagebrush-grass-winterfat. One collection in Utah was at 9750 ft.

**Fornica integroides** Emery


F. trunciola integroides: Rees and Grundmann 1940:8.

F. trunciola integroides var. coloradensis: Rees and Grundmann 1940:8.

F. integroides: Rees and Grundmann 1940:8.

F. rufa coloradensis: Cole 1942:381.


Erect hairs other than double row on middle and hind tibiae abundant ................. 2
Erect hairs consist only of a double row on flexor surface ................................ 3
Head and thorax clear red, legs about same color as thorax ......................... coloradensis
Head and thorax of smaller workers marked with brown, legs brownish black ....
.................................................................................................................. planipilis
Occipital angles of head with erect hairs .................................................. integroides
Occipital angles of head lack erect hairs .................................................. propinqua

Gregg (1963) lists this species between 5354 and 12,000 ft under rocks, logs, and in thatched nests predominantly in conifer habitats in Colorado, and lists a record for Utah. Cole (1966:23) found it in southern Nevada only in pinyon-juniper, nesting in thatched mounds adjacent to shrubs. It also nests under logs with an adjacent thatching of detritus, resulting in dome-shaped mounds in Utah (Cole 1942:381). Wheeler and Wheeler (1978:394) found it between 5600 and 10,200 ft in Nevada. Ingham (1959) found it in mounds of detritus in sagebrush and oak in southern Utah. Kowalton (1975:5) found it in thatched nests in northern Utah.

Fifty ants in four collections were taken from mounds of sticks, one of them mixed with soil next to a log. In this latter case, ants of Formica obscuripes and F. obscuriventris were also present. In two other mounds ants of F. oreas were present. Ninety ants in three collections were taken from under rocks, once under the same rock with F. laeviceps and once with F. haemorrhoidalis. Four ants in one collection were found crawling in the open. Immature stages were found under two rocks in late June and early July. Six collections were in sagebrush: one in association with grass; one grass and herbs; one grass, herbs, and rabbitbrush; one grass, clover, and Russian thistle; one grass, shrubs, juniper, and pinyon; and one herbs, rabbitbrush, maple, and oak. One collection was in aspen. In 35 recorded Utah habitats it was taken 19 times in montane areas. In 14 known elevations between 4240 and 8555 ft it was collected most frequently under 5000 and over 8000.

Formica laeviceps Creighton

F. laeviceps: Creighton 1950:491; Smith 1979:1459.
Records (Map 9): BOX ELDER: Snowville (US).

Smith (1979:1459) lists this species from midwest and western United States, including Utah and Colorado, nesting under stones and logs with little debris in open areas. Gregg (1963:564) lists it between 5200 and 8500 ft in sagebrush and grass habitats in Colorado. Cole (1942:380) indicates that it nests under stones and logs in areas of moderate to sparse cover in Utah.

Ten ants in one collection were taken from under a rock in association with Formica integroides. Twenty ants in two collections were taken crawling on the ground in open
areas. Three collections were in sagebrush, two in association with rabbitbrush. In 12 recorded Utah habitats it was taken 7 times in montane forest. In 8 recorded elevations between 4240 and 9750 ft it was taken most frequently under 5000, once over 8000.

**Formica lasioides** Emery


Twenty ants in two collections were taken from under rocks, once under the same rock with *Formica argentea* and once with *F. obscuriventris*. Four ants in one collection were taken singly in the open. Three collections were in sagebrush: one in association with legumes and two with aspen and conifers. In 39 recorded Utah habitats it was taken 26 times in montane forest. In 13 known elevations between 4087 and 11,000 ft it was taken most frequently under 6000, once over 10,000.

**Formica limata** Wheeler


Smith (1979:1450) lists this species from midwest and western United States, including Utah, Colorado, and Nevada, nesting under stones or in craters in grasslands. Gregg (1963:502) lists it between 5000 and 9700 ft under rocks and logs in a variety of habitats in Colorado. Wheeler and Wheeler (1963) found it frequently under rocks in North Dakota. Cole (1966:24) found its nests under stones in pinyon-juniper in southern Nevada.

Sixty ants in three collections were taken from under rocks. In one case they were under the same rock with *Formica neoelara*, once *F. occulta*, and once *F. podzolica*. Nine ants in two collections were taken in the open on the ground. Immatures were found under one rock in early August. Two collections were in sagebrush, one associated with matchbrush. One collection was in Russian thistle, one cottonwoods, and one juniper and pinyon. In nine recorded Utah habitats it was found four times in montane forest. In three collections it was taken at 5350, 5375, and 6850 ft. Beck et al. (1967:70) found it feeding on dead rodents in two instances in Utah.

**Formica mannii** Wheeler


Records (Map 10): **BOX ELDER**: Cedar Hill (US), Curlew Jet (K70), Hansel Mts (K75), Hardup (C42), Kelton (K75), 5 mi N (US) and 9 mi NW (KU), Kelton Pass (K70), Lampe (C42) (bad, Lamo) Lamute (C42) Promontory (KU), Snowville (K70), 6 mi W (KU) and 17 mi SW (KU), Wildcat Hills (US), Willard (C42). CACHE: Green Cyn (KU), Logan (C42), MILLARD: Tule Spngs (C42). RICH: Allen Cyn (KU). **SALT LAKE**: Wasatch Mts (RG). TOOELE: Stansbury Island (C42). UTAH: Jordan Narrows (C42), Silver Lake Flat (A). WASATCH: Kamas 11 mi SE (U). **WASHINGTON**: Leeds (RG), St George (KU).

Smith (1979:1450) lists this species from western United States, including Utah, Nevada, and Idaho, nesting under stones in

One specimen was taken from under a log in grass of an open area of aspen. Twenty-one ants of *Formica submuda* were under the same log. In 27 recorded Utah habitats it was taken five times in montane areas. In 13 known elevations between 2750 and 9000 ft it was taken most frequently between 4000 and 5000, twice over 5000.

*Formica microgyna* Wheeler


Smith (1979:1462) lists this species from western United States, including Utah, Colorado, Nevada, and Wyoming, nesting under thatched stones in meadows and open forest. It is frequently associated with *Fornica argentea*, *F. lasioides*, and *F. neogagates*. Gregg (1963:556) lists it between 5800 and 9400 ft under rocks and logs and in thatched nests predominantly in conifer habitats in Colorado, and gives a record for Utah. Cole (1966:24) found one worker in pinyon-juniper in southern Nevada. One collection in Utah was taken at 4544 ft.

*Formica mucescens* Wheeler


*F. mumescens*: Smith 1979:1460.


Smith (1979:1460) lists this species from Utah and Colorado nesting under stones in open areas. Gregg (1963:566) lists it between 5500 and 8750 ft under rocks and in thatched nests in grass in conifer habitats in Colorado. Cole (1942:380) indicates its habitats in Utah as under stones and logs.

Four ants in one collection were taken under a rock in an association of sagebrush, rabbitbrush, maple, and oak. In one collection it was taken at 7977 ft.

*Formica neoclara* Emery


Records (Map 10): BEAVER: Beaver (U), Beaver Cyn (F). BOX ELDER: Bear River City, Brigham, Corinne, Garland (US), Hansel Mts (US), Hardup, Kelton (K70) and 6 mi N (KU), Lucin (BAD), Mantua (F), Morton Cold Spngs (KU), Newton (F), Riverside (US), Snowville (K70), Tremonton (F), Willard (US), Willard Basin (KU). CACHE: Amalga (US), Ant Valley, Blacksmith Fk Cyn, Carter Cyn, Clarkston, Franklin Basin, W Hodges Cyn (KU), Hyde Park (F), Lewiston, Logan (C42), Logan Cyn (KU), Mendon, Millville, Monte Cristo, Newton (KU), Paradise (US), Providence (KU), Smithfield (C42), Smithfield Cyn, Tony Grove (KU), Trenton (F), Wellsville (C42). CARBON: Clear Creek Cyn, Price (F) and 2 mi S (U). DAVIS: Farmington (F), Kaysville (US), Layton (F). DUCHESNE: Lake Atwood, Roberts Pass (BY). EMERY: Hideout Cyn nr Green River (U), Huntington (KU). IRON: Paragonah (U). JUAB: Topaz Mnt (KU). KANE: Alton, Orderville (F), MORGAN: Morgan (BAD), Porterville (KU). RICH: Allen Cyn (KU), Chalk Cyn (US), Laketown, Monte Cristo (KU). SALT LAKE: Brighton (C42), Hunter, Murray (US), Salt Lake City (C42). SANPETE: Orangeville 23.9 mi W (A), Palisade (KU). SEVIER: Aurora (F), Richfield 2.3 mi S (A). SUMMIT: Kamas 11 mi E (KU), Park City (F), Wanship (US). TOOELE: Grantsville (US), UINTAH: Bonanza (KU). UTAH: Lehi (F), Provo (A), Thistle (F), and 7.7 mi E (A), Utah Lake (F). WASATCH: Bald Mt (KU), Francis 8.1 mi E, Hanna 3.6 mi W (A), Heber (F). WASHINGTON: locality unknown (F). WAYNE: Hanksville (BAD). WEBER: Ogden (F), Riverdale (US), Slatterville (F).

Smith (1979:1454) lists this species as eastern and western United States (no intermountain state is listed), where it nests in the soil, sometimes with loose mounds of soil and detritus, grasslands, and open woods. Hunt and Snelling (1975:23) list it from Arizona. Gregg (1963:529) lists it from Colorado between 3500 and 9000 ft under rocks and logs in a variety of habitats, predominantly in cottonwood-willow areas. La Rivers (1968:10) lists it from Nevada. Wheeler and Wheeler (1977) found it frequently in earthen mounds, also under rocks and wood in North Dakota. Cole (1942:383) indicates its habitat in Utah as soil, with numerous entrances in crude, flat, confluent craters. Knowlton (1975:3) found it associated with sagebrush and rabbitbrush in northern Utah.
Eighty ants in four collections were taken from under rocks. In one case they were under the same rock with *Formica pallidefulva* and once with *F. limata*. Ten ants in one collection were taken under the same log with *F. gnafa* and *Camponotus modoc*. Fifteen ants in three collections were taken singly in open areas. Eggs were found under one rock in early July, and in mid-July many winged forms were found under a rock. These tried to hide and escape when disturbed. Two collections were in cottonwoods; one grass, herbs, and sagebrush; one herbs adjacent to a cultivated area; one Russian thistle; and one aspen and conifers. In 87 recorded Utah habitats it was taken 26 times in montane areas. In 49 recorded elevations between 4125 and 11,000 ft it was taken most frequently (44 times) under 6000. Beck et al. (1967:70) found it feeding on dead rodents in one instance in Utah.

*Formica neogagates* Emery

*F. fusca subsp. var. neogagates* Emery, 1893, Zool. Jahrb. Syst. 7:646.


Records (Map 11): BOX ELDER: Beaver Dam (KU), Cedar Crk (City) (K70), Cedar Hill (KU), Curlew Jet (US), Hansel Mts (K75), Hardup (US), Kelton (K75), Kelton Pass, Locomotive Spgs (K70), Promontory Pt (C42), Snowville (K70) and 17 mi SW (KU), Taylor Farms (K75), Wildcat Hills (US). CACHE: Avon, Blacksmitk, Fk Cyn, Clarkson, Elk Valley, Green Cyn (KU), Logan, Logan Cyn (C42), Monte Cristo, Paradise, Petersboro, Providence, Tony Grove (KU). CARBON: Helper (KU).


Smith (1979:1450) lists this species from midwest to western United States, including Arizona, nesting under stones or in the open with or without a mound or crater in grasslands and dry situations. Gregg (1963:505) lists it from Colorado between 3500 and 9700 ft under rocks and in soil hummocks in a variety of habitats. Allred and Cole (1971:239) found it in Idaho in associations of wild rye-grass and rabbitbrush-sagebrush-grass-winterfat. In southern Nevada Cole (1966:26) found its nests under rocks in pinyon-juniper, and in Utah in small craters (1942:384). Wheeler and Wheeler (1963) found it frequently under rocks in North Dakota. Ingram (1959, 1963) found it under rocks and in small craters in open areas in oak, sagebrush, cultivated areas, shadscale, and greasewood in southern Utah. Knowlton (1975:3) found it associated with sagebrush, rabbitbrush, and sunflowers in northern Utah.

Seventy-eight ants in three collections were taken from moundless burrows. Twenty-one ants in two collections were taken from under rocks, once under the same rock with *Formica gnafa*, *F. obscuripes*, and *F. pepilosa*. Nineteen ants in two collections were taken in the open. Five collections were in sagebrush: one in association with grass, one grass and herbs, and one grass and rabbitbrush. One collection was in grass and one in greasewood. In 65 recorded Utah habitats it was found 19 times in montane forest. In 32 recorded elevations between 2625 and 8585 ft it was taken most frequently between 4000 and 5000.

*Formica neorufibarbis* Emery


*F. fusca gelida*: Rees and Grundmann 1940:9; Cole 1942:382; Hayward 1945:120.


Records (Map 11): BOX ELDER: Bear River City, Brigham, Collinston, Corinne, Curlew, Fielding, Garland, Hardup, Park Valley (City), Promontory Ridge, Riverside (= Belmont), Snowville, Thatcher, Tremonton, Willard (C42), Willard Basin (KU). CACHE: Amalga (C42), Franklin Basin (KU), Hyde Park, Lewiston, Logan, Logan Cyn (C42), Mendon, Monte Cristo (KU), Newton, Paradise, Petersboro, Richmond (C42), Ricks Spng (KU), Sardine Cyn, Smithfield (C42), Tony Grove Lake (KU), Trenton (C42), Wellsville (RG). DAGGETT: Green Lake (RG). DAVIS: Farmington, Farmington Cyn (KU), Kaysville (C42), Woods Cross (RG).

DUCHESNE: Fruitland 4 mi W (U), Mirror Lake (KU).

Smith (1979:1454) lists this species from western Utah to southwestern United States, including Arizona, nesting in rotting wood or under rocks in montane forest. Gregg (1963) lists it from Colorado between 6900 and 11,542 ft under rocks and logs and in hummocks predominantly in conifer habitats. Cole (1966:26) found its nests in southern Nevada under stones in pinyon-juniper, also in logs in wooded areas in Utah (1942:382). Wheeler and Wheeler (1978:395) found it between 6200 and 12,200 ft in Nevada, frequently in earthen mounds and under rocks and wood in North Dakota (1963). Grundmann (1958:166) indicates it as an inhabitant of cultivated and stream side areas usually below 5000 ft in Utah.

In 100 recorded Utah habitats 27 were in montane forest. In 71 elevations between 4042 and 11,300 ft, 52 were under 6000, 14 between 6000 and 8000, and one over 11,000. Beck et al. (1967:70) found it feeding on dead rodents in three instances in Utah.

**Formica obscuripes Forel**


*F. rufa aggeranae* Rees and Grundmann 1940:8.


GRAND: La Sal Mts (BY), Warner Ranger Sta (Gr63).

JUAB: McClellan Lake (KU), Nebo Loop rd 9.9 mi S Santaquin Cyn (A), Trout Crk (City) (C42).

KANE: Badlands (BAD).

LEHMAN: Eagle Crk (RG).

MORGAN: Morgan (C42).

PLATE: Marysville 4.1 mi S (A). RICH: Meadowville 8 mi NW (KU), Monte Cristo Ranger Sta, Randolph (BAD) and 10 mi SW, Sage Crk (KU). SALT LAKE: Big Cottonwood Cyn (U), Holladay, Midvale, Murray, Parleys Cyn (C42), Red Butte Cyn (U). SANPETE: Fountain Green (C42), Wales (RG).

SEVIER: Monroe Mt (BAD).

TOOELE: Stansbury Island (C42), S Willow Cyn (U).

UINTAH: Paradise Park 11 mi S (U). UTAH: Aspen Grove (BY), Lehi (RG), Provo (C42), Spanish Fk (BY), Spanish Fk Cyn (KU), Tibble Fk Cyn (A). WASATCH: Kamas 8 mi S (U). WASHINGTON: Harrisburg (C42), Pine Valley (City) (KU). WAYNE: Capitol Reef Nat Park (U). WEBER: Harrisville, Hooper, Huntsville, Ogden, Salterville (C42), Woodruff 34.8 mi W (A).

Smith (1979:1460) lists this species from western Utah to southwestern United States, including Utah, nesting in large mounds of detritus in open areas. It is a known predator of the pine sawfly. Gregg (1963:570) lists it from Colorado between 3500 and 9500 ft under rocks and logs and in thatched domes in a variety of habitats, and gives a record for Utah. La Rivers (1968:10) lists it from Nevada, where Wheeler and Wheeler (1978:394) found it between 6400 and 10,500 ft. They found it frequently in thatched and duff mounds in North Dakota (1963). Cole (1942:380) indicates that its nests in Utah are domed mounds of detritus in open areas usually next to a shrub at lower elevations, or of mounds of detritus in areas of moderate to dense cover in aspen areas. Ingham (1959, 1963) found it in mounds of detritus in juniper in southern Utah. Knowlton (1975:3) found it associated with sagebrush, rabbitbrush, and sunflowers in northern Utah.

Four ants in one collection were taken from a mound of small sticks and soil next to a log in association with Formica integroides and F. obscuriventris. Ten ants in one collection were taken from a mound of sticks, and six ants in one collection were taken from under a rock where F. gnava, F. neogagates, and F. perpilosa also were found. Twenty-nine ants in three collections were taken in the open. Four collections were in sagebrush
and two in aspen and fir. In 71 recorded Utah habitats it was taken 24 times in montane forest. In 40 recorded elevations between 3000 and 9100 ft it was taken most frequently between 4000 and 5000 (25 times) and 6000 and 9000 (14 times). Beck et al. (1967:70) found it feeding on dead rodents in four instances in Utah.

**Formica obscuriventris Mayr**


*F. truncicola obscuriventris*: Rees and Grundmann 1940:8.

*F. truncicola obscuriventris var. aggerans*: Rees and Grundmann 1940:8.


*F. obscuriventris clivica*: Smith 1979:1460.


Creighton (1950) and Smith (1979:1460) list two races of this species, *obscure* and *clivica*, from eastern to western United States, including Utah and Colorado, nesting under logs and stones in grasslands, woods, and forests. Although both races have been recorded from Utah, the records probably are of *clivica*. Gregg (1963:572) lists the species between 5354 and 10,000 ft under rocks, logs, and in thatched domes in conifers, canyons, and pinyon-juniper-oak habitats in Colorado. Wheeler and Wheeler (1979:394) found it between 6300 and 10,000 ft in Nevada, and frequently in wood in North Dakota (1963). Cole (1942:380) indicates its habitats in Utah as under logs and stones in sparse to moderate cover. Ingham (1959) found it under logs in fir, aspen, and ponderosa pine in southern Utah.

Forty-nine ants in four collections were taken from under rocks, once under the same one with *F. subnitens*, once *F. lasioideus*, and once *Lasius alienus* and *L. niger*. Eight ants in one collection were taken from a mound of small sticks and soil by a log in association with *F. integroides* and *F. obscuripes*. One ant was taken under the same log with *Camponotus modest.*, *F. podzolica*, and *F. subnitens*. Twenty-five ants were taken in the open. Six collections were in aspen: three in open meadows in association with fir, one with fir, and one with grass and herbs. One collection was in an association of herbs, orange grape, shrubs, and fir. In 30 recorded Utah habitats it was taken 18 times in montane areas. In 11 known elevations between 4217 and 8100 ft it was taken most frequently under 5000, twice over 7000.

**Formica obtusopilosa** Emery


Records (Map 12): **BOX ELDER**: Bear River City, Blue Crk (City) (C42), Cedar Crk (City), Cedar Hill (K75), Curlew Jct (K70), Fielding, Garland (C42), Hansel Mts (K75), Hardcup (C42), Kelton (US), Kelton Pass (K70), Portage (KU), Snowville (K70), Tremonton (C42). **CACHE**: Cache Jct, Green Cyn (C42), Hyde Park (KU), Logan (C42), Providence (KU), Richmond (US). **CARBON**: Helper (KU). **DUCHESNE**: Bonita (= Boneta), Duchesne (C42) and 2 mi N (A), Fruitland (C42). **EMERY**: Orangeville 14.3 mi W (A). **GRAND**: Thompson (C42). **IRON**: Cedar Valley (IS9), Moderna 5.3 mi W (A). **JUAB**: Ferno Valley (C42). **KANE**: Glen Cyn City (AC). **RICH**: Randolph 8 and 10 mi SW (KU). **SALT LAKE**: Dry Cyn, Salt Lake City (C42), **SAN JUAN**: La Sal Jct 1.6 mi S (A). **SANPETE**: Fairview 2 mi N (A). **TOOELE**: Gold Hill, Skull Valley, Stansbury Island, Timpie (C42). **UINTAH**: Bonanza 14 mi S (A), Dinosaur Nat Mon (Gr63), Lapoint (C42), Whiterocks (KU). **UTAH**: Lehi (C42), Spanish Fk Cyn (KU). **WEBER**: Jct U39 and U166 3.3 mi E (A). **COUNTY UNKNOWN**: Uinta (C42) (? = Uintah in Weber Co).

Smith (1979:1450) lists this species from midwest to western United States, including Utah and Nevada, nesting under stones or in open areas with irregular mounds or craters. Gregg (1963:610) lists it from Colorado between 4800 and 9500 ft under rocks and predominantly in grass and sagebrush habitats, and gives a record for Utah. Cole (1966:26) found its nests in southern Nevada in soil without mounds in desert shrub habitats. Wheeler and Wheeler (1963) found it frequently under rocks in North Dakota. Allred and Cole (1979:98, 1971:239) found it in southern Utah and Idaho in associations of
ephedra-grass, sagebrush-grass, and goosefat-winterfat. Cole (1942:378) indicates that in Utah it nests in obscure craters, under stones, or in soil without craters in grassy areas. Ingham (1963) found it in juniper, sagebrush, and greasewood in southern Utah. Knowlton (1975:4) found it associated with rabbitbrush, sunflowers, and shadescale in northern Utah.

There were 109 ants in five collections taken from small crater mounds about one inch high and six inches in diameter. Twenty ants in one collection were taken from under a rock, and 5 ants in one collection singly in an open area. One of the mound colonies contained eggs, larvae, and pupae in late July. Five collections were in sagebrush: two in association with grass and one with herbs. One collection was in a grass, juniper, and pinyon association. In 48 recorded Utah habitats it was taken only 4 times in montane areas. In 25 recorded elevations between 3250 and 7000 ft it was taken most frequently between 4000 and 6000.

Fornica occulta Francoeur


Smith (1979:1454) lists this species from western United States, including Utah, Colorado, Arizona, and Wyoming.

Thirty-five ants in three collections were found under rocks, once in association with F. limata. Three collections were in sagebrush, once in association with matchbrush. In 14 recorded Utah habitats it was taken in montane areas nine times. Five recorded elevations were between 6260 and 9300 ft, mostly above 8000.

Fornica opaciventris Emery


Smith (1979:1456) lists this species from midwest to western United States, including Colorado and Wyoming, nesting in earthen or thatched mounds. Gregg (1963:601) lists it between 5160 and 10,500 ft in thatched domes from sagebrush to conifer habitats in Colorado.

Fornica oreas Wheeler


F. oreas smith: Smith 1979:1461.


UNTAH: Dry Fk rd 15 mi N U121 (A).

UTAH: Diamond Fk Cyn, Spanish Fk Cyn (KU), Thistle 14.6 and 20.4 mi E (A). WASATCH: Soldier Summit 1 mi E (A).

WASHINGTON: St George (RG).

COUNTY UNKNOWN: Duck Crk in Cedar Mts (RG).

Creighton (1950) and Smith (1979:1461) list two races of this species from midwest to western United States, including Utah, Colorado, and Wyoming, nesting under logs or stones banked with detritus in open woods, meadows, or grasslands. Both races have been recorded from Utah. They may be separated by the color of the head and thorax, which in oreas are clear red, and in compta are deep brown. Gregg (1963:577) lists this species between 5200 and 10,505 ft under rocks in a variety of habitats in Colorado. Wheeler and Wheeler (1978:394) found it between 6400 and 8800 ft in Nevada, frequently in wood and commonly in duff-covered mounds in North Dakota (1963). Allred and Cole (1971:239) found it in Idaho in associations of rabbitbrush-sagebrush-grass and wild ryegrass. Cole (1942:379) indicates its habitat in Utah as under stones banked with detritus in open sunny areas. Ingham (1959) found it in mounds of detritus in southern Utah. Knowlton (1975:4) found it associated with rabbitbrush in northern Utah.

Fifty ants in two collections were taken from low mounds of sticks, both times in association with F. integroides. Twenty ants in two collections were taken singly in open
areas. Four collections were in sagebrush: one in association with herbs; one grass and rabbitbrush; one grass, clover, and Russian thistle; and one grass, aspen, and pine. In 36 recorded Utah habitats it was taken 23 times in montane forest. In 15 recorded elevations between 2760 and 9300 ft it was taken most frequently between 4000 and 5000 ft.

**Formica pallidefulva** Emery


*F. pallidefulva nitidiventris*: Ingham 1959:85.


Records (Map 12): **BOX ELDER**: Wildcat Hills (K75).


**WASATCH**: Zion Nat Park (L59).

Creighton (1950) and Smith (1979:1451) list two forms of this species from eastern to western United States, including Colorado and Wyoming. The Utah subspecies probably is *nitidiventris*, which can be distinguished from *pallidefulva* by the clear golden yellow color of *pallidefulva* as contrasted with the yellowish to blackish brown of *nitidiventris*. Gregg (1963:627) lists this species between 3500 and 8000 ft under rocks in a variety of habitats in Colorado. Ingham (1959) found it under rocks in ash, oak, poplar, and poison ivy in southern Utah. Knowlton (1975:4) found it associated with sagebrush in northern Utah.

Fifty ants in two collections were taken from under rocks, once under the same one with *F. neoclara*, and once with *F. argentea* and *Pheidole desertorum*. Three ants in one collection were taken singly in an open area. One collection was in sagebrush, one cottonwoods, and one a grassy meadow. In seven recorded Utah habitats five were in montane areas. One recorded elevation is 4500 ft.

**Formica pergandei** Emery


Record: **UINTAH**: Whiterocks Cyn (KU).

Smith (1979:1464) lists this species from eastern to western United States, including Colorado, frequently associated with *F. fusca* and *F. pallidefulva*.

**Formica perpilosa** Wheeler


Records (Map 13): **EMERY**: San Rafael River (BAD).

**KANE**: Cottonwood Cyn (BAD), Glendale, Kanab, Orderville (C42).

**MILLARD**: Sutherland (US), **PIUTE**: Marysville 4.1 mi S (A). **SALT LAKE**: Salt Lake City (RG). **TOOELE**: Stansbury Island (RG). **UINTAH**: Jensen (U). **WASHINGTON**: Grafton (159), Hurricane (RG), Rockville (159), Santa Clara (C42), Springdale (159), St George (C42), Washington (KU). **WAYNE**: Pleasant Crk (BAD).

Smith (1979:1450) lists this as a midwestern and western species, including Colorado and Wyoming, which usually constructs crater nests in grasslands and open fields. Hunt and Snelling (1975:23) list it from Arizona. Gregg (1963:611) lists it between 3500 and 6000 ft under wood and in dome nests in a variety of habitats in Colorado. La Rivers (1968:10) lists it from Nevada. Cole (1942:378) states that in Utah its nests are obscure craters or low domes around the roots of trees and shrubs, particularly in irrigated areas and dry river beds. Grundmann (1958:166) indicates that its nests in Utah are obscure and difficult to find, consisting of mounds around the bases of shrubs and trees along stream banks. Ingham (1959, 1963) found it in southern Utah under wood, in small half-moon-shaped mounds, and in clumps of grass in willow, tamarix, poplar, and alkali flats.

One ant was collected from under a rock in sagebrush. Ants of *F. gnava*, *F. neogagates*, *F. obtusopilosa*, and *F. perpilosa* were under the same rock. In 18 recorded Utah habitats only one was in a montane area. Twenty-one collections at known elevations were about equally distributed between 2625 and 6600 ft. Beck et al. (1967:70) found it feeding on dead rodents in three instances in Utah.

**Formica podzolica** Francoeur


**CARBON**: Clear Crk Cyn (F),...

Smith (1979:1455) lists this species from eastern to western United States, including Arizona, nesting in soil mounds in montane forest.

There were 123 ants in 10 collections taken from under rocks, once under the same one with *F. gnava*, once *F. fusca*, once *F. moki*, once *F. limata*, and once *F. fusca* and *Solenopsis molesta*. There were 171 ants in 6 collections taken from ground burrows, only 2 of which had low mounds. Twenty-three ants in 4 collections were taken from under rocks, once under the same log with *F. fusca* and *F. gnava*, once *Camponotus modoc*, and once *C. modoc*, *F. obscuricentris*, and *F. subnitens*. Thirty ants in one collection were taken from inside a log. Forty-nine ants in 6 collections were taken singly in open areas. Immatures were found in a burrow in late June and under a rock in early August. Sixteen collections were from aspen: 4 in association with grass, herbs, and shrubs; three sagebrush and conifers; one grass; one herbs in an open meadow; one chokecherry; one chokecherry and fir; one maple, oak, and fir; and one pine. Two collections were in grass and herbs, one juniper and pinyon, two fir, one oak, and one sagebrush and herbs. In 62 recorded Utah habitats 41 were in montane forest. In 15 recorded elevations between 4302 and 9300 ft it was taken 11 times under 6000. In one instance, when a cover rock was removed to expose the ants, they ran rapidly and tried to escape. In another case, when the burrow was excavated, the ants scattered around but did not leave the area. Many of them worked furiously to remove the few exposed pupae.

*Formica puberula* Emery


Smith (1979:1465) lists this species from midwest and western United States, including Colorado and Wyoming, where it frequently associates with as many as 12 species of *Formica*. Gregg (1963:614) lists it between 5100 and 10,000 ft under rocks and logs predominantly in conifer habitats in Colorado, and gives a record for Utah. La Rivers (1968:10) lists it from Nevada, where Wheeler and Wheeler (1978:396) found it between 6400 and 8200 ft. Cole (1942:378) indicates that it nests under stones in Utah. In seven recorded Utah habitats it was found three times in montane areas. Three known elevations are 4544, 5069, and 8000 ft.

*Formica querquetulana* Kennedy and Dennis


Record: CACHE: Leeds Cyn (KU).

Smith (1979:1463) lists this species from eastern United States. Its occurrence in Utah is questionable.

*Formica rasilis* Wheeler


*F. microgyna rasilis*: Rees and Grundmann 1940:9; Cole 1942:381.


Smith (1979:1463) lists this species from western United States, including Utah and Colorado, nesting under stones in open areas. Gregg (1963) lists it between 5400 and 11,542 ft under rocks and logs and in thatched nests predominantly in conifer habitats in Colorado, and gives a record for Utah.
La Rivers (1968:10) lists it from Nevada. Cole (1942:381) indicates its habitat in Utah as under stones frequently banked with detritus. In six recorded Utah habitats five were in montane areas. Six recorded elevations were between 4544 and 5000 ft.

**Fornica subintegra** Emery


Smith (1979:1465) lists this species from eastern to midwestern United States. No intermountain state is listed, and its occurrence in Utah is questionable.

**Fornica subnuda** Creighton


*F. subacenscens*: Knowlton 1975:5.


UTAH: Halls Fk rd 8.8 mi N Hobble Ck rd, Payson Cyn 10.3 mi up, Sanquinat Cyn 7.7 mi up (A). WASATCH: Midway 5.7 and 11.6 mi W, Soldier Summit 3.3 mi N, Strawberry Res 4 mi S (A).

Smith (1979:1461) lists this species from midwest to western United States, including Colorado and Wyoming, nesting under stones or in mounds of thatch. Gregg (1963:581) lists it at 6100 ft in thatched nests in pinyon-juniper in Colorado. Wheeler and Wheeler (1963) found it in thatched mounds in North Dakota.

Seventy-five ants in three collections were taken from mounds of sticks, once next to a boulder and once at the base of a stump. One ant was taken from under the same log as *F. obscuriventris*, *F. podzolica*, and *Camponotus modoc*. Eleven ants in two collections were taken from under rocks, once under the same rock with *F. obscuriventris*. Thirteen ants in four collections were taken singly in open areas. Eggs were found in one mound in late July. Five collections were in aspen: one in association with grass and herbs; one grass, herbs, shrubs, and fir; one grass, sagebrush, and pine; one chokecherry; and one fir. Two collections were in grass, herbs, and sagebrush; one legumes and sagebrush; one matchbrush and sagebrush; and one oak and fir. In 19 recorded Utah habitats it was taken 15 times in montane areas. One recorded elevation was 4544 ft. Ants on a mound of thatched soil were highly defensive, rearing back in a position of defense to await an invader.

**Fornica subnuda** Emery


*F. sanguinea suda*: Rees and Grundmann 1940:8; Cole 1942:378; Hayward 1945:120; Creighton 1950:460.


COUNTY UNKNOWN: Falliside Park (in Ashley Nat Forest) (RG).

Smith (1979:1465) lists this species from eastern to western United States, including Colorado and Arizona, frequently associated with *F. altipetens*, *F. fusca*, *F. neofibarbis*, and *F. subpolita*. Gregg (1963:620) lists it between 5000 and 13,000 ft under rocks and logs and in thatched nests in a variety of habitats in Colorado, and gives a record for Utah. La Rivers (1968:11) lists it from Nevada, where Wheeler and Wheeler (1978:396) found it between 8200 and 11,000 ft. They found it frequently in wood, also common under rocks and in earthen mounds in North Dakota (1963). Cole (1942:378) indicates it nests under stones and logs in Utah. Ingham (1959) found it under stones and logs in fir, spruce, aspen, and pine in southern Utah.

There were 244 ants in nine collections found under logs, once under the same one with *F. fusca*, once *F. guara*, and once *F. manni*. Fifteen ants in one collection were
found inside a decaying log. These tried to escape when disturbed, crawling under debris. One ant next to the log had a struggling carabid beetle in its jaws, carrying it toward the log. Sixteen ants in one collection were taken singly in an open area. Eggs were found under one log in mid-July. Ants associated with these eggs held firmly onto the substrate and reared back in a biting position when disturbed. Eight collections were in aspen: one in association with grass; one grass, herbs, and pine; and one choke-cherry. Three collections were in conifers. In 32 recorded Utah habitats it was taken 26 times in montane forest. In 15 recorded elevations between 4304 and 10,500 ft it was taken more frequently above 7000.

**Formica subpolita** Mayr


Records (Map 14): **BOX ELDER**: Bear River City, Blue Crk (City), Cosmo (? = Kosmo), Hardup, Kelton, Locomotive Spgs, Park Valley, Penrose, Rosette, Snowville, Willard (C42). **CACHE**: Logan, Logan Cyn, Trenton (C42). **EMERY**: San Rafael Swell (US). **GRAND**: Moab (RG). **JUBA**: Diamond Cyn, Nephi (C42). **MILLARD**: Delta (C42), Swasey Spgs (RG). **SALT LAKE**: Ft Douglas (C42). **SAN JUAN**: Blanding (C42), La Sal Mts (U). **TOOELE**: Clover, Fisher Pass, Flux, Grantsville, Iosepa, Orrs Ranch, Stansbury Island (C42). **UTAH**: Provvo (C42). **WASHINGTON**: Hurricane (RG), Pine Valley (City) (159), St George (C42). **WEBER**: Ogden (C42). **COUNTY UNKNOWN**: Rosebud, Showell, Westpoint (C42).


In 38 recorded Utah habitats it was taken only 3 times in montane areas. In 28 recorded elevations between 2700 and 9000 ft it was taken most frequently between 3000 and 4000, twice over 7000.

**Formica subsericea** Say


Smith (1979:1455) lists this species from eastern to midwestern United States, but does not include an intermountain one. Wheeler and Wheeler (1978:396) found it between 7000 and 11,500 ft in Nevada, and frequently in earthen mounds, under rocks, and in and under wood in North Dakota (1977). Utah records of this species were taken at 4495 and 5340 ft. According to Snelling (pers. comm.) these Utah records are probably based on misidentifications.

**Formica transmontanis** Francoeur


Record: **SAN JUAN**: Monticello (KU).

Smith (1979:1455) lists this species from western United States, including Idaho.

**Formica wheeleri** Creighton


Smith (1979:1466) lists this species from midwest and western United States, including Utah, Colorado, and Arizona, associated with *F. altipetens*, *F. fusca*, *F. lasioïdes*, *F. neoagates*, and *F. neo-rufibarbis*. Gregg (1963:623) lists it between 5500 and 9500 ft under rocks in several habitats in Colorado. Wheeler and Wheeler (1963) found it under rocks and in earthen mounds in North Dakota. Cole (1942:378) states that it nests under stones on open hillsides in aspen forests in Utah, where it takes *F. lasioïdes* as a slave species (Grundmann 1958:166).

**Formica whymperi** Wheeler

Record: GRAND: Warner Ranger Sta (Gr63).
Creighton (1950) and Smith (1979) list four races of this species from midwest to western United States, including Utah, Colorado, and Idaho, nesting under stones or logs in forest areas, where it associates with F. necloara and F. neorufibarbis. The subspecies in Utah is likely alpina. Gregg (1963:593) lists it between 8500 and 12,500 ft under rocks and logs and in thatched nests in conifer habitats in Colorado, and gives a record for Utah. Allred and Cole (1971:239) found it in associations of rabbitbrush-sagebrush-grass-winterfat in Idaho.

Formica xerophila M. R. Smith


Smith (1979:1455) lists this species from western United States, including Utah and Arizona. In 12 recorded Utah habitats 5 were in montane areas. Fourteen recorded elevations were between 4000 and 7000 ft, 6 under 5000.

Formicoxenus chamberlini (Wheeler)


Records: SALT LAKE: Salt Lake City (RG). SAN JUAN: Blanding 5 mi N (U).

Smith (1979:1398) lists this species as Utah and Oregon, nesting with Manica mutica.

Hypoponera opaciceps (Mayr)


Records: SALT LAKE: Salt Lake City (U). WASHINGTON: St George (159).

According to Smith (1979:1343), this is primarily an eastern species ranging westward to Arizona and Colorado. Gregg (1963:284) found it between 5354 and 5400 ft in cottonwood-willow habitats in Colorado. La Rivers (1968:2) listed it from Nevada. Grundmann (1958:161) indicates that in Utah it ranges to 4000 ft in dry desertlike areas where there is moisture, and nests under stones among willows. Four known elevations in Utah are from 2700 to 4453 ft.

Hypoponera opacin (Forel)


Records: SALT LAKE: Salt Lake City (U). UTAH: Springville (C42).

Smith (1979:1343) lists this species from eastern to western United States, including Colorado. Hunt and Snelling (1975:20) list it from Arizona. Gregg (1963:286) lists it between 4000 and 5400 ft under rocks in grassy habitats in Colorado. One Utah collection was taken at 4253 ft.

Iridomyrmex humilis (Mayr)


Smith (1979:1418) lists this species from eastern to western United States, including Arizona, nesting in soil, rotting wood, or debris. La Rivers (1968:6) lists it from Nevada. Elevation of two recorded Utah collections was 4000 ft.

Iridomyrmex pruinosus (André)

Tapinoma analis André, 1893, Rev. Ent. de France 12:148.
I. pruinosus testaceus: Cole 1942:373.

Records (Map 15): BOX ELDER: Bovine (C42), Brigham (A), Lucin, Park Valley City (C42). CACHE: Green Cyn (KU), Logan Cyn (C42), Tony Grove (KU). DUCHESNE: Roosevelt (C42). EMERY: Greenriver (US), Wellington 46 mi S (A). GRAND: Dewey (U), Moab (C42). JUAB: Chicken Crk Res (KU). KANE: Castle Rock (U), Coral Pink Sand Dunes (150), Glen Cyn City (AC), Kanab (C42). MILLARD: Deseret (C42). SALT LAKE: Big Cottonwood Cyn (C42), Butterfield Cyn (U), S Dry Cyn, Ft Douglas (C42), Mt Olympus (U),

Snelling (pers. comm.) indicates that this is a *Forelbius*, but for the present I am retaining it as indicated.

Creighton (1950) and Smith (1979:1419) indicate two races of this species as midwest and western in the United States, including Idaho, where nests are under objects or in craterlike mounds in open areas. The Utah population, probably the subspecies *analis*, can be separated from *prinusus* by the dense pubescence on the head and thorax of *prinusus* that partially obscures its rough surface, whereas on *analis* the pubescence is di-lute and reveals the shining surface beneath. Hunt and Snelling (1975:22) list it from Arizona. Gregg (1963:436) lists it from Colorado between 3500 and 6300 ft under rocks in a variety of habitats, predominantly pinyon-juniper and grass. Cole (1966:18) states that in southern Nevada it nests under stones, at the base of plants, and in mounds in open areas in a variety of desert shrub habitats. He found it in Utah in craterlike nests in sandy soil (1942:373), Wheeler and Wheeler (1963) found it in soil craters in North Dakota. Grundmann (1958:165) indicates that nests of these ants in Utah are difficult to locate, and occur most commonly in grass habitats near desert mountains. Ingham (1959, 1963) found it under stones and in small craters in cresso-bush sagebrush, pinyon-juniper, galleta-grass, rabbitbrush, winterfat, joshua trees, four-wing saltbush, and shadscale in southern Utah. Allred and Cole (1979:98) found it in southern Utah in a variety of desert shrub types, most commonly in sagebrush.

Sixty ants in two collections were taken from small mounds with a central top opening. These ants are rapid runners. One collection was in halogenot and one in sunflowers, sagebrush, and rabbitbrush. In 49 reported habitat localities this species was taken 10 times in montane areas. In 45 recorded elevations between 2500 and 8100 ft it was taken 29 times between 3000 and 5000, 14 times between 5000 and 8000. Beck et al. (1967:70) found it feeding on dead rodents in three instances in Utah.

*Lasius alienus* (Foerster)


Smith (1979:1435) indicates this as an eastern to northwestern United States species, including Idaho and southern Arizona. It shows a preference for well-shaded woodlands, where it nests under stones and in rotting logs, only occasionally found in the open. Gregg (1963:456) lists it from Colorado between 3500 and 10,400 ft under rocks in a variety of habitats, predominantly pinyon-juniper and grass. La Rivers (1968:8) lists it from Nevada, where Wheeler and Wheeler (1978:393) found it between 6400 and 9700 ft. They found it in wood and under bark in North Dakota (1963). Cole (1942:374) states that its habitat in Utah is under stones in open and grassy areas, some colonies at 6500 ft. In Utah it nests under stones on rocky, exposed mountain slopes up to 6000 ft (Grundmann 1958:166). Ingham (1959) found it in southern Utah under rocks and logs in oak and aspen.
There were 155 ants in five collections taken from under rocks. In one instance *Taphriona sessile* was found under the same rock, and once *alienus* was under the same rock with *Formica obscuriventris* and *Lasius niger*. Sixty-nine ants in three collections were taken from under logs. In one case *F. fusca* was found under the same log. One ant was taken from a burrow in the open. Four collections were in aspen: one in association with grass, herbs, and conifers and one with fir. Four collections were in sagebrush: two in association with grass and herbs and one with snowberry. One collection was in juniper and pinyon and one in conifers. In 56 recorded Utah habitats it was found 32 times in montane forest. In 32 elevational records it was about equally distributed between 4000 and 9300 ft, slightly more common between 4000 and 6000. Beck et al. (1967:70) found it feeding on dead rodents in one instance in Utah.

**Lasius crypticus** Wilson


Smith (1979:1436) lists this species from midwest to western United States, including Utah and Idaho, nesting under stones or in craters. Cole (1966:20) found its nests under stones in open areas in pinyon-juniper in southern Nevada. Allred and Cole (1971:239) found it in Idaho in a variety of shrub types. Wheeler and Wheeler (1963) found it frequently under rocks, also commonly in soil craters in North Dakota.

Seventy-nine ants in seven collections were taken from under rocks. It was taken under the same rock with *L. humilis*, and once with *Myrmica americanu*. Fifteen ants in one collection were taken from a small crater mound, and 11 in two collections singly in open areas. Five collections were in sagebrush: one in association with grass; one grass, herbs, and rabbitbrush; one herbs and juniper; and one grass, legumes, shrubs, juniper, and pinyon. One collection was in grass, one grass and oak, one pine, and one a cultivated area. In 19 recorded Utah habitats it was taken 9 times in montane forest. Four recorded elevations were between 4307 and 10,750 ft. Beck et al. (1967:70) found it feeding on dead rodents in four instances in Utah.

**Lasius fallax** Wilson


Smith (1979:1437) lists this species from the western United States, including Utah, Colorado, Arizona, Idaho, and Wyoming, nesting under stones in forest clearings.

Fifty ants in two collections were taken from under rocks in sagebrush: one in association with grass and one with matchbrush. Eight collections whose recorded Utah habitats were known were in montane forest. One recorded elevation is 9750 ft.

**Lasius humilis** Wheeler


Smith (1979:1438) lists this species from the western United States, including Colorado and Nevada, nesting under stones in meadows and open woods. Gregg (1963:475) lists it between 5154 and 7000 ft under rocks in meadows in Colorado.

Forty-five ants in two collections were found under logs, one in grass, herbs, aspen, and pine, and one in pine. Ants of *L. subumbnatus* were under the same log in one instance, and *L. crypticus* in the other. In two of four recorded Utah habitats it was found in montane forest. Two known elevations are 5288 and 5456 ft.

**Lasius nearcticus** Wheeler

Allred: Ants of Utah


WASHINGTON: Veyo, Zion Nat Park (159).

Smith (1979:1438) lists this species from eastern to western United States, including Colorado and Wyoming, where it nests under rocks or fallen logs in moist woodlands. Hunt and Snelling (1975:22) list it from Arizona. Gregg (1963:471) lists it between 6250 and 9000 ft under rocks in conifers, pinyon-juniper, and oak habitats in Colorado. La Rivers (1968:8) lists it from Nevada, where Wheeler and Wheeler (1978:393) found it between 6200 and 10,400 ft. They found it frequently under rocks in North Dakota (1963). Cole (1942:374) indicates its habitat in Utah as under stones. In Utah it nests under stones or dead wood among cottonwoods (Grundmann 1958:166). Ingham (1959) found it under stones in ash, oak, poplar, and poison ivy in southern Utah.

In 10 recorded Utah habitats it occurred only 4 times in montane forest. In 10 elevation records between 4320 and 5900 ft it occurred 7 times under 5000, twice over 5000.

**Lasius niger** (Linnaeus)


Records (Map 16): BOX ELDER: Kelton (US), Lucin (BAD), Snowville, Wellsville Mts, Willard Basin (KU). CACHE: Ant Valley (KU), Blacksmith Fk Cyn, Cowley Cyn (RG), Franklin Basin (KU), High Crk (US), W. Hodges Cyn (KU), Logan (RG), Logan Cyn, Tony Grove Cyn (KU). EMERY: Hideout Cyn nr Green River (U). GARFIELD: Escalante 20 mi E (U), Boulder Mt (G58), Osiris, Trachyte Ranch (U). GRAND: Moab 12 mi N (U). KANE: Coral Pink Sand Dunes (BAD), Kanab 10 mi N (159) and 20 mi N (C42), Zion Nat Park (159). MILLARD: Black Rock 8 mi N (KU), SALT LAKE: Alta, Big Cottonwood Cyn (RG), Brighton, Butterfield Cyn (U), City Crk Cyn, Lake Blanche (RG), Mt Olympus, Parleys Cyn, Red Butte Cyn (U), Salt Lake City (KU). SAN JUAN: Abajo Mts (G58), Blanding 15.6 mi N (A), Bluff (U), Mexican Hat 13 mi S (A), Nat Bridges Nat Mon (WI), Red Mesa (BAD), White Cyn (WI). SANDPETE: Fairview Cyn (KU). SUMMIT: Kamas 14.7 mi E (A), Woodland (BAD). TOOELE: S Willow Cyn (U). UINTAH: Bonanza and 3 mi S (KU), Gusher, Jensen (U), Dry Fk rd 22.8 mi N U121 (A). UTAH: American Fk Cyn (C42), Diamond Fk Cyn (KU), Provo Cyn (U), Santaquin Cyn 3.6 and 7.1 mi up, Tibble Fk Cyn, Tibble Fk Lake 0.5 mi W (A), Wanrhodes Cyn (KU). WASATCH: Cascade Sppns 3 mi N, Francis 14.4 and 15.5 mi E (A), Fruitland 4 mi W (U), Hanna 14.3 mi W (A), Heber (Wi), Midway, Soapstone Cyn (U), Soldier Summit (US). WASHINGTON: Grafton, Kolob, Rockville, Santa Clara Crk, Veyo, Virgin River E Fk (159), Zion Nat Park (WU). WAYNE: Elkhorn Ranger Sta, Pleasant Crk (BAD). WEBER: Beaver Crk (KU), Ogden (WI).

Ants that run to *niger* in the key should be considered as “*niger complex,” for some specimens whose records are included here are lighter in color and/or larger than the “typical” *niger*, and may represent a different species.

Smith (1979:1436) lists this species from the western United States, including Utah, Colorado, Arizona, and Idaho, nesting under stones and rotten wood in forests or open situations. Gregg (1963:459) lists it from Colorado between 3500 and 12,400 ft under rocks and logs in a variety of habitats, predominantly conifers. La Rivers (1968:8) lists it from Nevada, where Wheeler and Wheeler (1978:393) found it between 7600 and 9000 ft. They found it frequently in soil craters, and, in North Dakota, also common under rocks (1963). Cole (1942:374) states that in Utah its habitat is under stones and logs at higher elevations to 10,000 ft. Grundmann (1958:166) indicates that in Utah it nests under stones and rotting wood alongside streams between 5000 and 10,000 ft. Ingham (1959, 1963) found it in southern Utah under stones and logs, and in flat craters in open areas in a variety of vegetative types.

There were 188 ants in 13 collections taken from under rocks. *Lasius subumbatus* was under the same rock in two collections, *L. sitiens* in one, and *L. alienus* and *Fornica obscuriventris* in one. Six ants in one collection were taken singly in an open area. Eggs were found under one rock in early July, larvae under one in late June, pupae under another in late June, and winged forms under one rock in late July. Eight collections were in aspen: two in association with grass, sagebrush, and snawberry; two maple, oak, and fir; one sagebrush; and one fir. Three collections were in sagebrush: one in association with snawberry and oak, and one with herbs and conifers. One collection was in a grassy meadow with oak and conifers, and one in

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ephedra and blackbrush. In 79 recorded Utah habitats it occurred 41 times in montane areas. In 51 elevational records between 3500 and 10,000 ft it was somewhat equally distributed between 4000 and 8000, once over 10,000. Beck et al. (1967:70) found it feeding on dead rodents in seven instances in Utah.

When the protective rock is removed, these ants run rapidly into burrows and to the opposite side of the rock. Larvae that are present may be abandoned with no attempt on the part of the workers to carry them into deeper burrows. Sometimes those on the ground stay and work furiously to move the eggs and pupae into the burrows. Under one rock three *Aphaenogaster subterranea* were present that had antennae and legs missing. These likely were captured by *niger*.

*Lasius pallitarsis* (Provancher)


Smith (1979:1437) lists this species from eastern to western United States, including Colorado, Arizona, and Nevada, nesting in dry open areas between 7000 and 8000 ft. Cole (1966:20) found its nests under stones in pinyon-juniper in southern Nevada. Thirty ants in one collection were taken from under a rock in an association of oak, maple, aspen, and fir in Utah.

*Lasius sitchensis* Wilson


Records (Map 17): CACHE: Logan (KU). JUAB: Fish Sngs Ranch (U), Topaz Mt (KU). UTAH: Diamond Fk Cyn (KU), Tibble Fk Cyn (A), Wanship Cyn (KU).

Smith (1979:1437) lists this species from the western United States, including Colorado, Arizona, and Nevada, nesting under stones in dry open areas between 7000 and 8000 ft. Cole (1966:20) found its nests under stones in pinyon-juniper in southern Nevada. Thirty ants in one collection were taken from under a rock in an association of oak, maple, aspen, and fir in Utah.

*Lasius subumbbratus* Viereck


Smith (1979:1439) lists this species from eastern to western United States, including Arizona and Nevada, nesting under stones or...
logs in meadows and forests. It is a social parasite of *L. pallitarsis*. Gregg (1963:477) lists it from Colorado between 5160 and 9224 ft under rocks and logs in a variety of habitats. Cole (1942:375) indicates it as uncommon in Utah, nesting under stones.

There were 294 ants in nine collections taken from under rocks. In two instances ants of *L. niger* were under the same rocks, and once those of *L. pallitarsus* were present. Ten ants in one collection were found under a log, and 20 ants in one collection singly in a garden. Six collections were taken in conifers: two in association with grass, herbs and aspen; two sagebrush and aspen; one a grassy meadow; and one aspen. Two collections were taken in grass; one sagebrush; one sagebrush, snowberry, and oak; and one a garden. In 22 recorded Utah habitats it was taken 19 times in montane forest. Six recorded elevations were between 5000 and 10,050 ft.

*Lasius umbratus* (Nylander)


*L. umbratus mixtus* var. *aphidicola*: Rees and Grundmann 1940:7; Cole 1942:375.


Smith (1979:1439) lists this species from eastern to western United States, including Utah, Arizona, and Idaho, nesting under stones or logs. It is associated with *L. alienus* and *L. niger*. Gregg (1963:478) lists it from Colorado between 5254 and 9500 ft under rocks predominantly in conifer habitats. Wheeler and Wheeler (1963) found it frequently under rocks and in earthen mounds in North Dakota. Cole (1942:375) indicates its habitat in Utah as under stones. Ingham (1959) found it in logs in oak and aspen in southern Utah.

Forty ants in one collection were found under a log, and 40 in another collection under a rock. Two collections were taken in aspen: one in association with pine and one in a grassy meadow. In 14 recorded Utah habitats it was taken 10 times in montane forest. Six recorded elevations were between 4494 and 8402 ft.

*Lasius vestitus* Wheeler


Smith (1979:1440) lists this species from the western United States, including Idaho. Wheeler and Wheeler (1978:393) found it between 7600 and 8100 ft in Nevada.

*Leptothorax ambiguus* Emery


Smith (1979:1392) lists this species from midwestern United States; no intermountain state is listed. It nests in soil or hollow grass stems in woodlands and grasslands. Its occurrence in Utah is doubtful.

*Leptothorax andrei* Emery


*Leptothorax crassipilis* Wheeler


Smith (1979:1396) lists this species from western United States, including Utah, Colorado, Arizona, and Wyoming, nesting under rocks and logs. Gregg (1963:402) lists it between 5700 and 9100 ft under rocks and logs in conifers, oak, and manzanita habitats in Colorado. La Rivers (1968:6) lists it from Nevada, where Wheeler and Wheeler (1975:391) found it at 8100 ft. Three ants in one collection in Utah were taken from under an aspen log.
Leptothorax furunculatus Wheeler


Records: **BOX ELDER**: Cedar Crk (City), Curlew Jct, Hansel Mts, Snowville (K75), Wellsley Mts (KU).


Leptothorax hirticornis Emery


Record: **SALT LAKE**: locality unknown (C42).

Smith (1979:1397) lists this species from midwest and western United States, including Utah and Colorado, nesting with *Formica obscuripes* in large mounds of detritus in open areas. Gregg (1963:405) lists it between 5354 and 7000 ft in Colorado.

Leptothorax muscorum (Nylander)


*L. acervorum canadensis*: Rees and Grundmann 1940:6; Cole 1942:369; Hayward 1945:120.


*L. canadensis*: Ingham 1959:60.


Records (Map 17): **BOX ELDER**: Box Elder Cyn (US).

**CACHE**: Blacksmith Fk Cyn, W Hodges Cyn (KU), Logan (C42), Logan Cyn Summit, Mendon Cold Spngs (KU), Millville (US), Tony Grove, Wellsley (KU).

**FIELD**: Osiris (U).

**IRON**: Cedar Breaks Nat Mon (159).

**JUAB**: Red Crk Spng (KU).

**SALT LAKE**: Big Cottonwood Cyn S Fk (C42), Brighton, Butterfield Cyn (U), Little Cottonwood Cyn (C42).

**SANPETE**: Manti (KU).

**UINTAH**: Paradise Park (U), Witterocks Cyn (KU).

**UTAH**: American Fk Cyn (U), Aspen Grove (BY), Emerald Lake (BAD).

Smith (1979:1397) lists this species from eastern to western United States, including Arizona, nesting under rocks, logs, or bark of fallen trees in woodlands. Gregg (1963) lists it from Colorado between 5354 and 12,500 ft under rocks and logs in a variety of habitats, predominantly in conifers. La Rivers (1968:6) lists it from Nevada, where Wheeler and Wheeler (1978:391) found it between 6400 and 11,000 ft. Cole (1942:369) indicates its habitat in Utah as under decaying wood and in standing dead trees. Ingham (1959) found it under logs in fir, spruce, and bristlecone pine in southern Utah.

In 22 recorded Utah habitats it was found 15 times in montane forest. In 16 recorded elevations between 4495 and 10,500 ft it was taken most frequently above 7000. Beck et al. (1967:71) found it feeding on dead rodents in one instance in Utah.

Leptothorax nevadensis Wheeler


Records (Map 17): **BEAVER**: Beaver 5.5 mi E (U).

**BOX ELDER**: Cedar Crk (City) (K70), Curlew Valley (US), Hansel Mts, Kelton Pass, Snowville (K70).

**CACHE**: Blacksmith Fk Cyn (RG), Green Cyn (US).

**RICH**: Randolph 8 mi SW (KU).

**SANPETE**: Ephraim Cyn (KU).

Creighton (1950) and Smith (1979:1393) list four forms of this species from the western United States, including Nevada, nesting in soil usually under stones. The subspecies that occurs in Utah is likely *radis* or *nevadensis*. These can be separated by the sculpture on the dorsum of the thorax. On *nevadensis* the thorax is densely and evenly punctate, whereas on *radis* the punctures are interrupted by prominent rugea on the epinotum and mesonotum. Cole (1966:17) found its nests in southern Nevada in pinyon-juniper and under stones in Utah (1942:370). Wheeler and Wheeler (1978:392) found it between 6100 and 10,000 ft in Nevada. Knowlton (1975:5) found it associated with rabbitbrush and grass in northern Utah. In 10 recorded Utah habitats it was taken four times in montane forest. One recorded elevation is 4544 ft.

Leptothorax nitens Emery


Records (Map 18): **BOX ELDER**: Box Elder Cyn (KU), Cedar Crk (City), Hansel Mts (K75), Kelton, Kelton Pass, Snowville (K70) and 13 mi SW, Wellsley Mts (KU).

**CACHE**: Providence Cyn (C42), Spring Hollow (US).

**FIELD**: Boulder Mt (G58).

**GRAND**: Moab 10 mi SE (KU).

**MILLARD**: Black Rock (US).

**SAN JUAN**: Abajo Mts (G58).

**UTAH**: American Fk Cyn (RG).
Smith (1979:1394) lists this species from western United States, including Colorado and Wyoming, nesting under rocks and in duff. Hunt and Snelling (1975:22) list it from Arizona. Gregg (1963:384) lists it between 6000 and 8000 ft under rocks in conifers, pinyon-juniper, and oak habitats in Colorado. La Rivers (1968:6) lists it from Nevada, where Wheeler and Wheeler (1978:392) found it at 6300 and 6400 ft. Cole (1942:370) found it under stones in Utah. Grundmann (1958:164) indicates that it nests under stones in desert conditions and transition zones in shrubs in Utah. Knowlton (1975:6) found it associated with horsebrush in northern Utah. In 15 recorded Utah habitats between 4225 and 7000 ft, it was found 7 times in montane areas.

**Leptothorax rugatulus** Wheeler


Records (Map 18): BOX ELDER: Box Elder Cyn (KU), Cedar Hill (K75), Park Valley (City) (C42), Snowville (K75) and 13 mi SW (KU), Wildcat Hills (K75); CACHE: Blacksmith Fk Cyn (US), Green Cyn (KU), Hyde Park (US), Logan Cyn (KU), Richmond (US); MILLARD: White Valley (C42); SALT LAKE: Red Butte Cyn (U), SAN JUAN: Mexican Hat (G58); SANPETE: T. Angleton; TOOELE: Clover, Delle, Fisher Pass (C42); UINTAH: Bonanza 3 mi S (KU), WEBER: Uintah (US).

Creighton (1950) and Smith (1979:1394) list two races of this species from the western United States, including Utah and Colorado, where it nests under rocks or wood. The Utah race is likely the subspecies *brunescens*, which may be separated from *rugatulus* by the thoracic rugae that are well developed on *rugatulus*, but feeble, often replaced by punctures, on *brunescens*. Hunt and Snelling (1975:23) list it from Arizona. Gregg (1963:387) lists it from Colorado between 5354 and 8700 ft under rocks and logs in a variety of habitats, predominantly conifers. La Rivers (1968:6) lists it from Nevada, where Wheeler and Wheeler (1978:392) found it between 6000 and 10,000 ft. They found it under rocks and other objects in North Dakota (1963). Cole (1942:369) indicates that it nests under stones in Utah. In Utah it occurs in the transition zone (Grundmann 1958:164). Knowlton (1975:6) found it associated with sagebrush and snowberry in northern Utah. In 20 recorded Utah localities it occurred 6 times in montane areas between elevations of 4270 and 6300 ft, mostly at lower elevations.

**Leptothorax silvestrii** (Santschi)


Record: BOX ELDER: Cedar Hill (KU).

Smith (1979:1395) lists this species from southern Arizona nesting in oak above 3500 ft. Its occurrence in Utah is questionable.

**Leptothorax tricarinatus** Emery


*L. tricarinatus tricarinatus*: Smith 1952:100; Smith 1979:1395.


Creighton (1950) and Smith (1979:1395) list two races of this species from western United States, including Utah, Colorado, Arizona, and Wyoming, nesting in soil and under rocks in open grassy areas. Both races are known for Utah. The subspecies *neomexicanus* may be separated from *tricarinatus* by the length of the epinotal spines, which are longer on *neomexicanus*, and by the opaque thorax of *neomexicanus* versus the shining surface of *tricarinatus*. Gregg (1963) lists it between 4600 and 7800 ft under rocks in a variety of habitats, predominantly grass areas in Colorado. Grundmann (1958:164) lists it as a plateau form between 6000 and 8000 ft in Utah. Ingham (1959) found it in clumps of dry grass associated with sagebrush, oak, and a variety of herbs in southern Utah.

There were 120 ants in three collections taken from under rocks, and 50 in one collection under a log. Immatures were found under one rock in early July. Two collections were taken in aspen: one in association with fir and one with sagebrush and conifers. One
collection was taken in grass and one in pine. It was found in 7 montane areas in 10 localities where the habitat was recorded, at elevations from 4225 to 5000 ft.

**Liometopum occidentale** Wheeler


Creighton (1950) and Smith (1979:1417) indicate two forms of this western United States species, including Colorado, Arizona, and Wyoming. The Utah specimens probably belong to the subspecies luctuosum rather than occidentale. Gregg (1963:443) lists this species between 4800 and 7550 ft under rocks and logs in conifers and pinyon-juniper in Colorado. Wheeler and Wheeler (1978:392) found it between 5200 and 8100 ft in Nevada. Cole (1966:18) found a nest in southern Nevada in detritus at the base of a juniper; it also nests under stones in Utah, for the most part at elevations above 4000 ft (1942:371). Grundmann (1958:165) indicates this as a mountain species that nests between 4000 and 7000 ft in Utah. Ingham (1959) found it in southern Utah under rocks and bark of living trees in a variety of habitats. Allred and Cole (1979:99) found it in sagebrush-grass and juniper-pinyon associations in southern Utah.

Sixty ants in two collections were taken from small crater mounds, 29 in one collection from under a rock, and 25 in one collection from duff under a pinyon tree. Three collections were taken in sagebrush, one in association with juniper and pinyon. None of the 18 recorded Utah localities were in montane areas. In 15 recorded elevations between 3250 and 7300 ft nine are between 4000 and 6000.

**Manica hunteri** (Wheeler)


Record: CACHE: Benson (W70).

Smith (1979:1352) lists this species from the western United States, including Utah, Nevada, Idaho, and Wyoming, nesting in open areas of coniferous forests. Wheeler and Wheeler (1970) state that its habitat is under stones in craters in coniferous forest, specifically lodgepole pine, although craters are rare. They found it between 2200 and 9600 ft in Nevada (1978:391).

**Manica mutica** (Emery)


Records (Map 19): BOX ELDER: Blue Crk (City) (C42), Cedar Hill (K70), Corinne (C42), Kelton, Penrose 7 mi W (KU), Tremonton (C42), CACHÉ: Benson (W70), Hyrum (C42), Lewiston (US), DAVIS: NE Antelope Island (W70), Layton (W70), Woods Cross (RG). GARFIELD: Osiris, Panguitch (W70), IRON: Cedar Breaks Nat Mon (W70), Cedar City (RAU), Coal Crk Cyn (159). JUBAB: Lexington (US). KANE: Long Valley (W70), MILLARD: Delta (BY), Fillmore (US), PIUTE: Junction (W70), SALT LAKE: Big Cottonwood Cyn (U), Great Salt Lake S end, Midvale, Murray (W70), Salt Lake City (RG). SANPETE: Chester, Fayette (C42). TOOELE: Josefa, Lake Point, Tooele (C42), UTAH: Aspen Grove (BY), Lehi (W70), Provo (U), Salem, Springville (C42), Thistle 14.6 mi E (A), E Utah Lake (BY), WEBER: Ogden, Plain City (C42).

Smith (1979:1352) lists this species from midwest and western United States, including Colorado, nesting in a wide variety of habitats, where it is associated with *Formicoxenus chamberlini*. Gregg (1963:316) lists it from Colorado between 4500 and 8600 ft under rocks and wood in conifers, pinyon-juniper, cottonwood-willow, grass, sagebrush, and greasewood habitats. La Rivers (1968:2) lists it from Nevada. Wheeler and Wheeler (1970) list it from Colorado, Arizona, Nevada, Idaho, Wyoming, and Utah, where it often nests in small craterlike mounds in a variety of habitats including coniferous forest, pinyon-juniper, and grasslands between 1100 and 8600 ft. They found it frequently in soil craters in North Dakota (1963). Cole (1942:368) indicates that in Utah it nests under stones and in ditch banks, sometimes constructing small craters. Ingham (1959, 1963)
found it under rocks in juniper and alkali flats in southern Utah.

Twenty ants in one collection in Utah were taken from under a rock in an association of grass, clover, Russian thistle, and sagebrush. In 41 recorded habitats it was taken only six times in montane areas. In 35 recorded elevations between 4225 and 10,399 ft it was taken most frequently under 5000, once over 8000.

**Monomorium minimum** (Buckley)


Records (Map 19): **BEAVER**: Beaver 5.5 mi E (U), **BOX ELDER**: Hansel Mts (K75), Locomotive Spgs (KU), **CACHE**: Ant Valley, Green Cyn, Lees Cyn (KU), **EMERY**: Huntington (BAD), **GARFIELD**: Boulder (U), **GRAND**: Moab 15 mi S (KU), **IRON**: Highway US91 (159), **JUAB**: Callao (BAD), **KANE**: Glen Cyn City (AC), W Glen Cyn Res (G58), Grosvenor Arch (US), Canab (G58) and 20 mi N (C42), Long Valley Jct 2 mi W, Mt Carmel Jct (159), **MILLARD**: Swasey Spgs (RG), **MORGAN**: Morgan (KU), **SALT LAKE**: Big Cottonwood Cyn (U), Little Willow Cyn (C42), Rose Cyn (U), Salt Lake City (RG), **SAN JUAN**: Blanding (RG), Mexican Hat (G58), **SANPETE**: Manti (KU), **SEIVIER**: Sevier (KU), **SUMMIT**: Echo (BAD), **TOOLE**: Clover, Fisher Pass, Little Valley Ranger Sta, Orrs Ranch (C42), **UTAH**: American Fk (RG), Aspen Grove (BY), Diamond Fk Cyn, Spanish Fk Cyn (KU), **WASATCH**: Provo River N Fk (U), **WASHINGTON**: Highway 15 (159), Pinto 3 mi S (US) and 3 mi N (KU), Zion Nat Park (159), **WEBER**: Hooper (C42).


In 43 recorded Utah habitats only 10 were in montane areas. Twenty-seven elevational records between 3250 and 8000 ft show it most common (24 times) between 4000 and 7000. Beck et al. (1967:71) found it feeding on dead rodents in three instances in Utah.

**Myrmecocystus flaviceps** Wheeler


Records (Map 19): **JUAB**: Callao 5 mi E (U), **MILLARD**: Black Rock (US) and 5 to 8 mi N, Deseret 30 to 32 mi S (S76), **WASHINGTON**: Harrisburg (S76), Zion Nat Park (WU).

Smith (1979:1446) lists this species from western United States, including Utah, Arizona, and Nevada. Snelling (1976:85) indicates that its nests are craterlike in juniper, sagebrush, saltbush-greasewood, creosote bush, creosote bush-bur sage, and palo verde-cactus.

**Myrmecocystus hammettensis** Cole


Record: **BOX ELDER**: Park Valley (City) 31 mi SW (KU).

Smith (1979:1446) lists this species from western United States, including Nevada and Idaho. Snelling (1976:102) indicates its habitat as saltbush-greasewood and sagebrush-grass in crater-like nests.

**Myrmecocystus kennedyi** Cole


Records: **BOX ELDER**: Lucin (C42), **GRAND**: Moab (C42). **JUAB**: Silver City (US), **WASHINGTON**: St George 5 mi S (S76).

Smith (1979:1446) lists this species from western United States, including Utah, Arizona, Nevada, and Idaho. Snelling (1976:66) lists its habitats as sagebrush, creosote bush-bur sage, and palo verde-cactus, where nests
occur as craters in bare areas away from vegetation. Cole (1942:386) indicates its habitat as craterlike nests in open areas in Utah. None of four recorded Utah habitats were in montane areas. Four recorded elevations were between 4000 and 6100 ft.

**Myrmecocystus mendax** Wheeler


Smith (1979:1447) lists this species from western United States, including Colorado, Arizona, and Nevada. Gregg (1963:645) lists it between 3600 and 6600 ft under rocks and in crater nests in pinyon-juniper and grass habitats in Colorado. Snelling (1976:40) indicates its habitats as pinyon-oak, mesquite-acacia, pinyon-juniper, oak-juniper, and shrubs between 3600 and 6600 ft. Cole (1942:386) indicates that in Utah its nests are in unprotected soil of open areas. Allred and Cole (1979:98) found it in a variety of desert shrub types in southern Utah with no apparent plant preference. None of the recorded habitats in Utah were from montane areas, and four recorded elevations were between 3250 and 6000 ft.

**Myrmecocystus mexicanus** Waesmaal


Records (Map 20): EMERY: Green River, Gunnison Butte (RG). GARFIELD: Boulder, Henry Mts (S76), Shooteing Cyn (US). GRAND: Arches Nat Park (S76), Moab (G38), Thompson (C42). IRON: Shirts Cyn (RAU). KANE: Glen Cyn City (AC). MILLARD: Black Rock (US) and 5 mi N (KU), Deseret 32 mi S (S76). SALT LAKE: Garfield (S76). SAN JUAN: Aztec Cyn (U), Blanding (G38), Bluff (RG), Four Corners, Mexican Water, Montezuma Crk, Red Mesa (BAD). WASHINGTON: Hurricane 3 mi SW (159), Pine Valley (City) (BAD), Santa Clara (US), St George (BY).

Smith (1979:1447) lists this as a western species of United States, including Utah, Colorado, Arizona, and Nevada. Gregg (1963:648) lists it between 4500 and 6800 ft in large craters predominantly in pinyon-juniper and sagebrush habitats in Colorado. In southern Nevada Cole (1966) found it abundantly in hopsage-matrimony vine, Russian thistle, blackbrush, and pinyon-juniper habitats. It was scarce in creosote bush areas. Nests in Utah are craterlike, generally on hills and ridges with sparse cover (Cole 1942:386). Grundmann (1958:166) indicates it as a desert species in Utah that occasionally may be found chewing on the ears of mice caught in traps. Ingham (1959, 1963) found it in southern Utah in a variety of shrub types, and Allred and Cole (1979:98, 1971:239) found it in southern Utah and Idaho in a variety of desert shrub types. Snelling (1976:124) indicates that its nests are craterlike.

In 31 recorded Utah habitats it was never found in a montane area. In 18 elevational records it was about equally distributed between 2625 and 6675 ft, slightly more common above 4000. Beck et al. (1967:71) found it feeding on dead rodents in 13 instances in Utah.

**Myrmecocystus mimicus** Wheeler


Smith (1979:1447) lists this species from midwest to western United States, including Arizona. Cole (1966:22) found it commonly in creosote bush habitats in southern Nevada, as well as some other desert shrub types. The nests are holes in the ground or in craters in open areas. Ingham (1959, 1963) found it in southern Utah in craters in bur sage, rabbitbrush, cholla, creosote bush, mesquite, sagebrush, joshua trees, sand sage, four-wing saltbush, and shadscale. Allred and Cole (1979:99) found it in juniper-ephedra-grass, ephedra-grass, and blackbrush associations in southern Utah. Snelling (1976:58) lists pinyon-juniper, oak-juniper, sagebrush, saltbush-greasewood, creosote bush-bur sage, and grassland at habitats below 4000 ft. Nests are craterlike, frequently concealed by a grass clump. Only one of four recorded Utah habitats was in a montane area. Five recorded
elevations were between 2700 and 5000 ft. Snelling (pers. comm.) believes that these Utah records are misidentifications.

_Myrmecocystus navajo_ Wheeler


Records: BEAVER: Milford 26.7 mi W (A). JUAB: Trout Crk (City) 9 mi E (S76). MILLARD: Delta 60 mi W (S76), White Valley (C42). SAN JUAN: Bluff (G58).

Smith (1979:1447) indicates this as a western United States species, including Utah, Colorado, Arizona, and Nevada. Gregg (1963:651) lists it between 4100 and 4400 ft in craters in grass habitats in Colorado. Cole (1942:386) indicates that in Utah the nests are inconspicuous in open areas. Grundmann (1958:167) states that in Utah it inhabits obscure ground burrows, with the sand spread out in the form of a disc. Snelling (1976:128) indicates that nests are in the center of a flat disc or may be craterlike in saltbush-greasewood. Fifty ants in one collection were taken from a crater mound in shadscale in Utah.

_Myrmecocystus pyramicus_ Smith


Record: SAN JUAN: Mexican Water (BAD).

Smith (1979:1447) lists this species from western United States, including Nevada and Idaho. Snelling (1976:135) indicates its habitats as sagebrush and saltbush-greasewood, with craterlike nests between 2350 and 6700 ft. Beck et al. (1967:71) found it feeding on dead rodents in two instances in Utah.

_Myrmecocystus romainei_ Cole

_M. melliger var. romainei_ Cole, 1936, Ent. News 47:120.


Smith (1979:1447) lists this species from midwest to western United States, including Utah, Colorado, Arizona, and Nevada. Snelling (1976:81) designates its habitats as grass, pinyon-juniper, and creosote bush-tarbus in irregular crater nests. None of 12 recorded Utah habitats were in montane areas. In 11 recorded elevations between 2750 and 5600 ft, 9 were above 4000 ft.

_Myrmecocystus semirufus_ Emery


Records: BOX ELDER: Park Valley (City) 31 mi SW (KU). DUCHESNE: Dinosaur Nat Mon (Gr63).

Smith (1979:1448) lists this species as extreme western United States, but does not list an intermountain state. Snelling (pers. comm.) believes these Utah records to be misidentifications of _M. kennedyi_, _M. mendax_, or _M. romainei_. Gregg (1963:653) lists _semirufus_ from Colorado between 4800 and 5000 ft under rocks and in crater nests in pinyon-juniper and cottonwood-willow habitats, and gives a record for Utah. La Rivers (1968:9) lists it from Nevada. Grundmann (1958:167) states that in Utah it lives in ground burrows surrounded by a sand crater. Snelling (1976:49) indicates its habitats as oakwoods, pinyon-juniper, sagebrush, creosote bush-bur sage, and creosote bush, with craterlike nests at elevations between 4000 and 5000 ft.

_Myrmecocystus testaceus_ Emery


Smith (1979:1448) lists this species from western United States, including Utah, Nevada, and Idaho. Snelling (1976:139) indicates its habitats as sagebrush, pinyon-juniper, and chaparral between 1400 and 6900 ft in craterlike mounds. Four known specific habitats in Utah were in desert areas under 6000 ft.
Myrmica americana Weber

M. sabuleti americana Weber, Lloydia 2:144; Rees and Grundmann 1940:5; Cole 1942:368.

Records (Map 20): BOX ELDER: Cedar Hill (US), Hansel Mts, Kelton Pass (K75), Wildcat Hills (US).
CACHE: Logan Cyn Summit (KU), GARFIELD: Bryce Cyn Nat Park (C42).
KANE: Long Valley Jet 2 mi W (159).
RICH: Randolph 2.3 mi N, Sage Crk Jet 5.1 mi W (A).
SALT LAKE: Big Cottonwood Cyn, Butterfield Cyn (U).
SAN JUAN: Abajo Mts (G58), SANPETE: Orangeville 19.5 mi W (A).
SUMMIT: Kamas 21 and 26.4 mi E, Wyoming brdr on U150 (A).


Fifty-five ants in three collections in Utah were taken from under rocks, one under the same rock with Lasius crypticus. One collection was in conifers, one grass, and one juniper and pinyon. In 17 localities 9 were in canyon-montane forest habitats. Five recorded elevations were between 6500 and 7977 ft.

Myrmica brevispinosa Wheeler


Records (Map 20): CARBON: Price (U), Scofield (BAD), EMBER: Carter Crk nr Green River (U), RICH: Laketown (BAD), Woodruff 13.8 and 18.4 mi W (A).
SAN JUAN: Abajo Mts (U), TOOELE: Blue Lakes (30 mi S Wendover), Gold Hill (U).
 UINTAH: Ashley Crk nr Vernal, Paradise Park 11 mi S (U), WASHINGTON: Pine Valley (BAD).

Creighton (1950) and Smith (1979:1348) list two races of this species from midwest to western United States, including Colorado, Idaho, and Wyoming, nesting near streams or permanent bodies of water. The Utah race is likely discontina, which may be distinguished by its dark brown color in contrast to the orange yellow color of brevispinosa. Gregg (1963:299) lists this species between 4600 and 10,850 ft under rocks and wood in conifers, pinyon-juniper, and cottonwood-willow habitats in Colorado. Wheeler and Wheeler (1963) found it under rocks in North Dakota.

Eighty ants in one collection were taken from under a rock, and one ant from under a log where Formica gnarea was present. Two collections were in aspen, one in association with grass, sagebrush, and conifers. In 12 recorded Utah habitats 4 were in montane forest. Nine recorded elevations were between 5566 and 8000 ft. Beck et al. (1967:71) found it feeding on dead rodents in three instances in Utah.

Myrmica emeryana Wheeler

M. scabrinodis sulcitoides: Rees and Grundmann 1940:5.
M. scabrinodis brevispinus: Rees and Grundmann 1940:5.
M. schenecki emeryana: Cole 1942:368.
M. scabrinodis mexicana: Cole 1942:368.
M. emeryana: Ingham 1959:36.

Records (Map 21): BEAVER: Beaver 5.5 mi E (U).
CACHE: Franklin Basin, Leeds Cyn, Logan Cyn, Tony Grove Cyn (KU), GARFIELD: Aquarius Plateau (G58), Boulder (U), Bryce Cyn Nat Park (RG), Escalante 20 mi E (U).
SAN JUAN: Abajo Mts (U), SUMMIT: Soapstone Ranger Sta (U), UINTAH: Ashley Crk nr Vernal (U), UT: Aspen Grove (BY), Halls Fk rd 5.2 mi N Hobble Crk rd (A), Leki (? = Lehi) (C42), Mt Timpanogos (BY).

Creighton (1950) and Smith (1979) designate two races of this species occurring at high elevations in the mountains of western United States, including Utah, Arizona, Nevada, and Wyoming. The subspecies tahoeensis may be separated from emeryana by the lamina of the antennal scape, which is small and diagonally transverse on emeryana.
but is a prominent median flange on *ta- 
hoensis*. Gregg (1963:312) lists this species 
from Colorado between 5800 and 9713 ft un- 
der rocks in conifers, oak, manzanita, and 
pinyon-juniper areas. Cole (1966:3) states 
that in southern Nevada it is found under 
stones in pinyon-juniper. Wheeler and 
Wheeler (1978:389) found it at 9000 and 
10,400 ft in Nevada and commonly in wood 
and under rocks in North Dakota (1963). 
Grundmann (1958:161) states that it is a 
mountain form in Utah, generally associated 
with aspen-fir above 5000 ft, and making 
nests under stones. Ingham (1959) found it 
under stones in grass in southern Utah.

One ant was collected under a rock in a 
meadow of grass, sedges, and herbs. Other 
ant under the same rock were *Formica fus- 
ca, F. gnava*, and *Myrmica monticola*. In 18 
of 19 collections in Utah it was taken in 
canyon-montane forest. The 12 recorded eleva- 
tions varied between 4562 and 8000 ft, 9 
above 7000.

*Myrmica hamulata* Weber

M. *hamulata hamulata*: Smith 1979:1349.
Record: GARFIELD: Ruby's Inn (US).

Creighton (1950) and Smith (1979:1349) 
list two forms of this species from midwest 
and western United States, including Utah, 
Colorado, and Arizona, nesting in upland 
plateaus between 7000 and 8000 ft. The Utah 
form is likely *hamulata*. Gregg (1963:300) 
lists this species between 8000 and 8700 ft in 
conifers, oak, and manzanita in Colorado.

*Myrmica incompleta* Provancher

M. *incompleta* Provancher, 1881, Nat. Canad. 12:359; 
Smith 1979:1349.
M. *rubra brevinodis* var. *sulcinodoides*: Rees and 
Grundmann 1940:5.
M. *rubra brevinodis*: Rees and Grundmann 1940:5.
M. *brevinodis sulcinodoides*: Cole 1942:368.
M. *brevinodis*: Cole 1942:368; Creighton 1950:95; In- 
M. *incompleta*: Smith 1979:1349.
Records (Map 21): BOX ELDER: Kelton (K75) and 6 
mi N (K70), Tremonton (KU). CACHE: Blacksmith Fk 
Cyn, Elk Valley, W Hodges Cyn (KU), Logan (C42), 
Logan Cyn (KU), Riverheads (RG), Tony Grove Cyn (KU).
CARBON: Scobert (BAD). RICH: Garden City (KU), 
Laketown (BAD), Pickleville (KU). SALT LAKE: Big 
Cottonwood Cyn, Salt Lake City (RG). SUMMIT: 
Woodland (C42). UINTAH: Ashley Crk nr Vernal (U).
(U). WASHINGTON: Pine Valley (City) (BAD).
WAYNE: Bicknell (U). WEBER: Beaver Crk head of, 
Monte Cristo 8 mi S, Roy 2 mi S (KU). COUNTY UN- 
KNOWN: Beaver Head (KU).

Creighton (1950, as *M. brevinodis*) and 
Smith (1979:1349) list two races of this spe- 
cies, only one occurring in eastern to western 
United States, including Utah and Colorado, 
nesting under various objects through a wide 
elevational range. The Utah subspecies is 
likely *sulcinodoides*. Hunt and Snelling 
(1975:21) list this species from Arizona.

Gregg (1963) lists it between 4600 and 
10,500 ft under logs and rocks in juniper, 
mahogany, coniferous forest, grass, and other 
areas in Colorado. La Rivers (1968:2) lists it 
from Nevada, where Wheeler and Wheeler 
(1978:389) found it between 6400 and 9700 
ft. Cole (1942:368) indicates its habitat in 
Utah as under stones, and Ingham (1959) 
found it under stones in southern Utah.

In 27 recorded Utah localities it was found 
11 times in montane areas. In 19 recorded 
elevations it was about equally distributed 
between 4225 and 7675 ft.

*Myrmica lobicornis* Emery

M. *rubra scabrinodis* var. *fracticornis* Emery, 1895, Zool. 
Jahrb. Syst. 8:313.
M. *scabrinodis lobocornis* var. *fracticornis*: Rees and 
Grundmann 1940:5.
M. *lobocornis fracticornis*: Cole 1942:368; Beck et al. 
M. *lobocornis lobifrons*: Creighton 1950:100; Ingham 
M. *lobifrons*: Knowlton 1970:211.

Records (Map 21): BOX ELDER: Snowville (K70).
CACHE: Franklin Basin, Logan Cyn summit, Tony 
Grove Cyn (KU). DAGGETT: Radosovich Ranch (BAD).
DUCHEÑE: Fruitland (U), Neola (C42). GARFIELD: 
Boulder Mt (U). IRON: Cedar Breaks Nat Mon (150).
KANE: Adairville (BAD), Long Valley Jet 11 mi W 
(150). RICH: Laketown (BAD). SALT LAKE: Alta, Big 
Cottonwood Cyn S fl (C42), Brighton, Butterfield Cyn, 
Red Butte Cyn (U). SANPETE: Bluebell Flats, Ephraim 
Cyn (KU), Wales (RG). SUMMIT: Camas (? = Kamas) 
(C42) and 21 mi E (A). Henrys Fk Basin (RG), Soapstone 
Cyn (RG). TOOELE: S Willow Cyn (U). UINTAH: 
Whiterocks Cyn (KU). UTAH: American Fk Cyn (U), 
Colton (BAD). WASATCH: Current Crk (BAD), Deer 
Cryp Res. (U). WASHINGTON: Pine Valley (City) (BAD).

Creighton (1950) and Smith (1979) list two 
subspecies from eastern to western United 
States, including Utah, Colorado, and 
Arizona, nesting under stones or wood near
streams, where they are associated with *Lepto- 
thorax provancheri*. Records of both are 
reported from Utah. They may be separated by 
the antennal lamina, which encircles the 
end of the scape in the form of a saucerlike 
flange on lobifrons but forms an angular 
toothlike projection on the inner side of the 
end on fracticornis. Gregg (1963:303) lists 
this species between 6240 and 12,500 ft un-
der rocks and logs in conifers, oak, manza-
nita, birch, pinyon-juniper, sagebrush, and 
mahogany habitats in Colorado. La Rivers 
(1968:2) lists it from Nevada, where Wheeler 
and Wheeler (1978:389) found it between 
6400 and 10,800 ft. They found it frequently 
in wood, and also commonly under rocks in 
(1971:239) found it in Idaho in association 
with a variety of shrub types. Cole (1942:368) 
indicates that it nests under stones and in logs 
in Utah. Ingham (1959) found it under stones 
or wood in coniferous forests in southern 
Utah. Knowlton (1975:6) found it associated 
with rabbitbrush in northern Utah.

Twenty ants in one collection were taken 
from under a rock in conifers. In 31 reported 
Utah habitats it was taken 21 times from 
montane areas. In 19 recorded elevations be-
 tween 4544 and 10,500 ft it was about equal-
ly distributed, taken once under 5000 and 
three times over 9000. Beck et al. (1967:71) 
found it feeding on dead rodents in six in-
stances in Utah.

*Myrmica monticola* Wheeler

*M. scabrinodis schenki* var. *monticola* Wheeler, 1917, 

*M. scabrinodis*: Hayward 1945:120.


Records (Map 21): BOX ELDER: Cedar Crk (City) 
(K70), Cedar Hill (K75), Curlew Valley (KU), Hardup 
(K75), Kelton, Kelton Pass, Snowville (K70), Wildcat 
Hills (K75). GRAND: Moab 10 mi SE (KU). SAN JUAN: 
Pack Crk (US). SANPETE: Majors Flat (KU). UTAH: 
Halls Fk rd 5.2 mi N Hobble Crk rd (A). COUNTY UN-
KNOWN: locality given as “Mt Timpanogos or Uinta 
Mts” (H).

Smith (1979:1350) lists this species from 
eastern to western United States, including 
Colorado, nesting under objects in wood-
lands. Gregg (1963:309) lists it between 6000 
and 8600 ft under rocks and logs in conifers, 
oak, pinyon-juniper, birch, and grass habitats 
in Colorado. Wheeler and Wheeler (1963) 
found it frequently in and under wood in 
North Dakota. Knowlton (1975:7) found it as-
associated with sagebrush, grass, and junipers in 
northern Utah.

One ant was collected from under a rock 
in a meadow association of grass, herbs, and 
sagebrush. Other ants under the same rock 
were *M. emeryana*, *Formica fusca*, and *F. 
gnava*. In 13 recorded Utah habitats it was 
taken only twice in montane forest. Two re-
corded elevations were 4225 and 4544 ft.

*Neivamyrmex californicus* (Mayr)

20:969.


*N. californicus*: Smith 1979:1330.

Records: “MILFORD CO” (C42) (? = Milford in Be-

Smith (1979:1330) lists this species from 
western United States, including Utah and 
Nevada. Ingham (1963) found it in sagebrush 
in southern Utah. One recorded elevation in 
Utah was 5468 ft.

*Paratrechina parvula* (Mayr)

*Prenolepis parvula* Mayr, 1870, Zool.-Bot. Ges. Wien, 
Verh. 20:947.


Records: DUCHESNE: Tabiona 11.6 mi E (A). SAN 
JUAN: Four Corners, Mexican Water (BAD).

This is tentatively listed as *parvula*. Smith 
(1979:1444) lists it from eastern to western 
United States, including Utah and Arizona, 
nesting under stones and logs or in small 
craters in open grassy areas.

Sixteen ants in one collection in Utah were 
taken from under a rock in sagebrush. Beck 
et al. (1967:72) found it feeding on dead ro-
dents in two instances in Utah.

*Pheidole bicarinata* Forel

*P. bicarinata* race *vinelandica* Forel, 1886, Ann. Soc. 
Ent. Belg. 30:45; Ingham 1963:78.

*P. bicarinata buccalis*: Creighton 1950:171; Grundmann 
1958:163.


*P. longula*: Ingham 1963:77.

*P. bicarinata palute*: Allred and Cole 1979:98.


Records (Map 22): BEAVER: Frisco (BAD). BOX EL-
DER: Lucin (BAD). CARBON: Wellington 10 mi NE 
(A). DUCHESNE: Roosevelt (BAD). GRAND: Dewey
Bridge, Moab (G58). KANE: Adairville, Cottonwood Crk (BAD), Glen Cyn City (AC), Navajo Wells (BAD). MILLARD: Desert Range Exp Sta (BAD). SAN JUAN: Abajo Mts (U), Four Corners (BAD), La Sal Jet 1.6 and 23.1 mi S (A), Montezuma Crk (BAD). UINTAH: Jensen (BAD). WASHINGTON: Diamond Valley, Grafton (BAD), Pintauro (159), Rockville, nr Short Crk (Arizona) (BAD), Snow Cyn (163), Springdale (159), Timpoweap Cyn (163), Toquerville (BAD), Zion Nat Park (159).

Creighton (1950) and Smith (1979) list four races of this species primarily as eastern and central United States, occurring in Colorado, Utah, Arizona, Nevada, and Wyoming, nesting in logs, exposed soil, or under objects in grassy areas. The subspecies may be separated by the following key.

1. Basal face of epinotum in the major largely covered with transverse striae ............................... *bicarinata*
   - Basal face of epinotum in the major largely punctate ..................................................... 2
2. (1) Epinotum of minor with angular teeth, broad at the base and not resembling spines ......................................................................................... *longula*
   - Epinotum with thick, short spines ............................................................................................. 3
3. (2) Color of major reddish to blackish brown, minor dull yellow to blackish brown
   - Color of major clear yellow to yellowish brown, minor clear yellow ................................. *vinelandica*

Gregg (1963:408) lists it in Colorado between 3500 and 6970 ft under rocks and logs in a variety of habitats. Cole (1966:15) found it in southern Nevada under stones in various types of desert brush. Wheeler and Wheeler (1963) found it about equally under rocks and wood in North Dakota. Ingham (1959, 1963) found it in southern Utah under stones or in roots of oak and rabbitbrush, or in craterlike mounds in open areas in a variety of vegetative types. Allred and Cole (1979:99) found it in southern Utah in a wide variety of desert shrub types, abundantly in sagebrush.

Twenty ants in one collection were taken from a small mound, 50 in one collection from under a rock, and one singly in an open area. Three collections were taken in sagebrush: one in association with grass, one pinyon, and one juniper and pinyon. Only one of 27 localities in Utah was in a montane forest. Of 23 recorded elevations between 2500 and 7500 ft, 20 were between 3000 and 6000. Beck et al. (1967:72) found it feeding on dead rodents in 19 instances in Utah.

*Pheidole californica* Mayr


Records (Map 22): GRAND: Moab (C42). KANE: Kanab (C42). SALT LAKE: Big Cottonwood Cyn (U), Ft Douglas (C42), Mt Olympus (U), Salt Lake City (RG).


Creighton (1950) lists five and Smith (1979:1368) three races of this species from western United States, including Idaho, Arizona, and Nevada. The two races recorded for Utah may be separated by the occipital rugae of the major, which are coarse and wavy on *californica* and fine and essentially straight on *oregonica*. Cole (1942:362) indicates the habitat of this species in Utah as under stones in dry grassy areas. Grundmann (1958:163) indicates that in Utah it nests under stones or in soil around roots, generally in grass habitats. Ingham (1959, 1963) found it in dry sandy soil in sagebrush in southern Utah. Only 3 of 11 localities in Utah were in montane forest. Twelve recorded elevations ranged from 4042 to 7125 ft, 11 under 6000.

*Pheidole ceras* Wheeler


Smith (1979:1368) lists this species as southwestern United States, including Colorado and Arizona, nesting under stones in dry, sunny localities between 5000 and 9000 ft. Gregg (1963:413) lists it from Colorado between 5947 and 8500 ft under rocks in a variety of habitats, predominantly pinyon-juniper. In Utah it prefers plateaus between 5000 and 8000 ft and nests under stones in desert conditions (Grundmann 1958:163). Two recorded collections in Utah were at
4973 and 5467 ft. Beck et al. (1967:72) found it feeding on dead rodents in one instance in Utah.

**Pheidole dentata Mayr**


Records: **GRAND**: Dewey (U). **WASHINGTON**: Toquerville (BAD).

Smith (1979:1369) lists this species from eastern to midwestern United States (no intermountain state is listed), where it nests in soil mounds or under various objects. Beck et al. (1967:72) found it feeding on dead rodents in one instance in Utah.

**Pheidole desertorum** Wheeler


Smith (1979:1369) lists this as a western species, including Utah, Arizona, and Nevada, nesting under stones and in small crater mounds. Cole (1966:15) found it in southern Nevada under large stones in various habitats of desert shrubs. Grundmann (1958:163) indicates that in Utah it lives under stones in desert habitats under 4500 ft. Ingham (1959, 1963) found it under rocks in blackbrush, yucca, mesquite, and four-wing saltbush in southern Utah.

Seventy-three ants in two collections were found under rocks, once under the same rock with *Fornica argentea* and *F. pallidefulva*. One collection was taken in a grassy meadow. In five recorded Utah localities two were in canyon-montane forest. Recorded elevations range between 2500 and 4000 ft.

**Pheidole grundmanni** M.R. Smith


Record: **UINTAH**: Merkley Park on Ashley Crk (Sn63) (=? Ashley Crk).

Smith (1979:1370) lists this species only from Utah. It was taken from under a stone in cottonwoods at 6000 ft (Smith 1953:144).

**Pheidole hyatti** Emery


Creighton (1950) and Smith (1979:1370) list two forms of this species from midwest to western United States, including Colorado and Nevada. The Utah form is likely *hyatti*. Hunt and Snelling (1975:21) list it from Arizona. Gregg (1963:419) lists it between 5500 and 5900 ft under rocks in grassy habitats in Colorado. Ingham (1959) found it under rocks in oak, pinyon-juniper, rabbitbrush, and sagebrush in southern Utah.

None of four recorded Utah habitats were in montane areas. Four recorded elevations were between 3660 and 6000 ft. Beck et al. (1967:72) found it feeding on dead rodents in three instances in Utah.

**Pheidole pilifera** Cole


Records (Map 22): **EMERY**: Hideout Cyn nr Green River (U). **GARFIELD**: Boulder (U). **SALT LAKE**: Big Cottonwood Cyn (U). **SEVIER**: Salina Cyn nr Fremont Jct (U). **UINTAH**: Gusher (C42). **UTAH**: Payson (C42), Provo (RG), Provo Cyn (U), Wanrhodes Cyn (KU). **WASHINGTON**: Springdale (C42).

Creighton (1950) and Smith (1979:1372) list four races of this species from eastern to western United States, including Utah, Colorado, Arizona, and Nevada, nesting under stones or in craglike excavations in open areas where they are associated with *P. inquilina*. The two subspecies that likely occur in Utah may be separated by the surface of the occiput of the major, which has prominent rugae on *artemisia*, whereas on *coloradensis* the surface is finely and contiguously punctate. Gregg (1963:422) lists this species from Colorado between 5100 and 8500 ft under rocks in a variety of habitats, predominantly in pinyon-juniper. Cole (1966:15) found it in southern Nevada under large stones in pinyon-juniper. He indicates its habitat in Utah as sagebrush (1942:362). Wheeler and Wheeler (1963) found it frequently under rocks in North Dakota. Ingham (1959) found it under rocks in sagebrush in southern Utah. In 10 recorded Utah habitats it was taken 3
times in montane forest. In 11 recorded elevations it was about equally distributed between 3900 and 7000 ft, twice over 7000.

**Pheidole sitarches** Wheeler


Creighton (1950) lists three and Smith (1979:1373) four races of this species from eastern to western United States, including Utah, Colorado, and Arizona. The Utah subspecies is likely *sortis*, which may be separated from the close Colorado form by the head of the minor, which is striate posteriorly on *sortis* but punctate on *campestris*. Gregg (1963:424) lists this species between 3500 and 4400 ft under rocks in cottonwood-willow and grassy habitats in Colorado. Ingham (1959, 1963) found it in low mounds in bur sage, little rabbitbrush, junipers, and sagebrush in southern Utah. Allred and Cole (1979:99) found it in southern Utah in a variety of desert shrub types, most frequently in ephedra-grass.

Sixty ants in two collections were found under rocks. One was in sagebrush and one was in sagebrush in association with snowberry. In six recorded Utah habitats it was taken twice from montane forest. Three recorded elevations were between 3250 and 5000 ft.

**Pheidole virago** Wheeler


Record: **WASHINGTON**: between Hurricane and Harrisburg Jct (I59).

Smith (1979:1374) lists this species from Texas and Arizona. Ingham (1959, 1963) found it in southern Utah in small crater mounds in creosote bush, bur sage, little rabbitbrush, cholla, marigold, and Russian thistle. In two recorded Utah collections it was taken at 2900 and 3000 ft.

**Pogonomymnex barbatus** (M.R. Smith)


*P. barbatus maritensis*: Rees and Grundmann 1940:4; Cole 1942:367.

*P. barbatus fuscatus*: Rees and Grundmann 1940:4; Cole 1942:367.

Records: **EMERY**: Goblin Valley 10 mi E (KU). **WASHINGTON**: St George (O). **WAYNE**: Fruita 5 mi SE (U).

Smith (1979:1353) lists the distribution of this species as eastern United States westward to include Colorado, Arizona, and Nevada, nesting in low to high craterlike mounds. Grundmann (1958:162) designated it as a southern Utah and northern Arizona desert form, nesting in low craterlike mounds in sandy soil. Cole (1968:56) believes that the St. George (Washington County) record for Utah listed by Olsen (1934) may represent a sparse population of short duration. Cole's distribution map (p. 57) shows it considerably east and south of Utah.

**Pogonomymnex brevipsinosus** Cole


Record: **KANE**: Wahweap (KU).

Smith (1979:1354) lists this species from western United States, including Nevada, nesting in low craterlike mounds. Its occurrence in Utah is questionable.

**Pogonomymnex californicus** (Buckley)


Records (Map 23): **KANE**: Glen Cyn Res, Kanab (G58). **SAN JUAN**: Hole-in-the-Rock Cyn (U). **WASHINGTON**: Beaver Dam Wash (I59), Hurricane (BG), between Hurricane and Harrisburg Jct (I59), Leeds, Leeds Cyn (KU), Santa Clara (US), Santa Clara Crk (KU), Shivwits Indian Res (I59), Snow Cyn (KU), St George (O), Veyo (I59), Virgin, Washington (KU).

Smith (1979:1356) indicates the range of this species as primarily southwestern United States, including Arizona and Nevada, in circular or semicircular craters of loose sand. Cole (1966:4) states that in southern Nevada its nests are craterlike, occurring principally in hopsage-matrimony vine and Russian
thistle habitats. He (1968:121) shows it in extreme southern parts of Utah essentially west of the Colorado River and in much of Arizona and Nevada. Grundmann (1958:162) designates its distribution in Utah as below 4000 ft, basically a Lower Sonoran form. Ingham (1959) indicates its habitat in southern Utah as conical mounds in creosote bush, sagebrush, and juniper. None of its Utah collections were in canyon-montane areas. In 16 recorded elevations it was between 2500 and 4973 ft, 9 under 3000.

**Pogonomyrmex imberbiculus** Wheeler


Records: **KANE**: Glen Cyn City (AC). **WASHINGTON**: Hurricane (L9).

Smith (1979:1357) lists this species from midwest to western United States, including Colorado, Arizona, and Nevada, nesting under stones or in small craters in open areas. Gregg (1963:336) lists it at 4800 ft in saltbush habitats in Colorado. Cole (1968:168) shows it in isolated collections in southeastern Nevada and Arizona only in the extreme southeastern corner. He states that in southern Nevada it nests under stones in hopsage and matrimony vine (1966:6). Ingham (1959, 1963) designates its habitat in southern Utah as soil without mounds in creosote bush, blackbrush, yucca, cholla cactus, and bur sage. Alfred and Cole (1979:99) found it in a saltbush-sagebrush association in southern Utah. Three Utah collections were between 3250 and 3500 ft.

**Pogonomyrmex maricopa** Wheeler


Records (Map 23): **JUAB**: Chicken Crk Res (KU). **MILLARD**: Sutherland (US). **WASHINGTON**: Hurricane (BY), Leeds, Leeds Cyn (US), Santa Clara (KU), St George (BY), Washington (KU).

Smith (1979:1356) lists this species from western United States, including Utah, Colorado, Arizona, and Nevada, nesting in crater-like mounds. Gregg (1963:327) lists it at 4600 ft in weedy areas in Colorado. Cole (1968:139) shows it across extreme southern Utah extending northward along the Colorado River drainage and southward into much of Arizona, as well as southwestern Nevada. Ingham (1959, 1963) found it in sand sagebrush and little rabbitbrush in southern Utah.

Eight recorded Utah habitats were in desert areas between 2500 and 5000 ft, mostly at lower elevations. Its occurrence in Juab and Millard counties is questionable; such records likely are *occidentalis*.

**Pogonomyrmex occidentalis** (Conresson)


*P. occidentalis occidentalis*: Grundmann 1958:162.

Records (Map 24): **BEAVER**: Beaver (RG), Land 35 and 49 mi N, Milford 1.3 mi N, and 11.5 and 26.7 mi W (A), Wildcat Cyn (C42). **BOX ELDER**: Blue Crk (City), Bovine (C42), Brigham (O) and 0.9 mi E (A), Collinston (C42), Corrine (US) and 6.1 and 16.1 mi W, Deweyville 0.3 mi N (A), Garland, Hansel (US), Hansel Mts (K70), Hardup, Howell (C42), Kelton 17.2 and 28.5 mi SW (A), Lamo (US), Locomotive Spngs, Lucin (C42), Promontory 1.3 and 10.3 mi W (A), Promontory Pt (C42), Snowville (O) and 7.7, 19.1 and 30.7 mi S (A), Thicket (KU), Wendover 28 mi N (A), Willard (C42) and 1.5 mi S (A), **CACHE**: Blacksmith Fk Cyn (KU), Cache Jct (C42), Cornish (KU), Cove (C42), Leeds Cyn (KU), Logan (C42), Logan Cyn (KU), Mendon, Providence (C42), Smithfield 0.5 mi N (A), Mt Sterling (C42). **CARBON**: Argyle Cyn, Kenilworth (U), Myton rd 5 and 22.7 mi E US6, Price 2.2 mi S (A) and 20 mi S (WU), Wellington 5 mi S, and 5 and 10 mi NE (A), **DAGGETT**: Radosovich Ranch (BAD). **DAVIS**: Farmington (C42), Kaysville (KU), Layton 1.5 mi S (A), **DUCHESNE**: Blue Bench, Currant Crk (C42), Duchesne 5.3 mi E, 2 mi N (A) and 11 mi W (WU), Hanna 1.5 mi W, Myton rd 33.5 mi E US6, Neola 6.2 mi S, Tabiona 11.6 mi E, Wellington rd 7.2, 17.3 and 27.4 mi S US40 (A). **EMERY**: Buckhorn Res (BY), Emery 4.5 mi N and 4.9 mi S, Ferron 1.4 mi N (A), Goblin Valley and 10 mi E (KU), Green River (C42), Hanksville 16 mi N (KU), Hidden Cyn nr Green River (U), Huntington (US) and 1.7 mi S, Orangeville 3 mi W, Wellington 15, 26, 36 and 46 mi S (A), **GARFIELD**: Antimony 5.8 and 27.6 mi S (A), Boulder Mts, Carcass Crk (on Boulder Mt) (U), Bryce Cyn Nat Park (US), Escalante 20 mi S and 20 mi E (U), Henry Mts (G58), Hanksville 26.6 mi S (A), Osiris (U), Ruby's Inn (US), Tropic 3.3 mi E, Jet U12 and U63 0.5 mi E (A). **GRAND**: Arches Nat Park, Cisco (BY) and 1.5 mi E, Crescent Jct 5 and 18.8 mi S, and 6.37 and 47 mi E (A), Dewey (U), Green River 5 and 16 mi E (A), Moab (G58) and 1.5 mi S (A), Thompson (C42). **IRON**: Beryl 1 mi NE (A), Cedar City (RAU), 3.7 mi E, and 6.3, 16.8 and 27 mi W (A), Columbia Iron Mine 7 mi W (159), Enoch (RAU), Iron Mt (US), Little Pinto
(KU) and 3 mi NE (US), Lund 8.6 and 19 mi N, Modena 5.3 and 8.7 mi W, and 10.4 and 25 mi NE, Newcastle 7.2 and 17.2 mi W (A). JUAB: Callao 7.5 mi E, Eureka 0.5 mi E and 3.7 mi S (A). Fish Spongs (BY), 0.8 mi N, and 1, 10.6, 20.8 and 30.5 mi E, Gandy 10.1 mi N (A), Indian Farris Crk (in Deep Crk Mts) (U), Jericho (BY), Levan 6.9 mi N and 10 mi S, Lynndyl 11.5 and 21.5 mi N, Nephi 5 mi N, and 5.5, 12.1 and 23 mi W (A), Pony Express Sta (US), Tintic (C42), Topaz Mts and 5 mi NW (US), Trout Crk (City) 2.5 mi N (A). KANE: Adairville (BAD), Cannonville 8.7, 3.13 and 41 mi S (A), Escalante River (BY), Glen Cyn City (AC), Johnson Cyn (BY), Kane (O), 4-7 mi N (159), 4 mi E (KU), and 5, 20.4, 31 and 41 mi E (A), Long Valley Jct 2 mi W (159) and 0.5 mi S, Mt Carmel Jct, Orderville 2 mi N (A), Paria (BY), Wahweap Cmpgld (US). MILLARD: Black Rock (KU), Delta (BY) and 0.5 mi W (A), Deseret (US), 3 mi S (KU) and 30 mi S (US). Fillmore (C42), Huckley 4.7, 14.7, 24.9, 35, 45, 58.1 and 69.6 mi W (A), Holden, Kanosh (US), Lynndyl 2 mi S (A), Meadow (C42), Milford 16.3, 31.5, 46.3 and 61.3 mi N (A). PIUTE: Antimony 4.8 mi N (A), Grass Valley (KU), Kingston (A), Marysvale (BY) and 4.1 mi S (A). RICH: Garden City 1.6 mi N, Randolph 2.3 and 5.3 mi N, Woodruff and 4 mi W (A). SALT LAKE: Big Cottonwood Cyn, Ft Douglas, Granite, Point-of-Mt (C42), Riverton 2.6 mi S, Salt Lake City (C42), Sandy (O). SAN JUAN: Abajo Mts (C56), Blanding 6.7 mi N (A) and 8 mi N (U), Blue Crk, Bluff (C42) and 0.6 and 11.6 mi S (A), Jct Colorado and San Juan rivers (U), La Sal, Sal La Jct (RG) and 1.6, 11.7 and 23.1 mi S, Mexican Hat 8.2 mi S, Moab 12 mi S, Monticello 0.5 mi N, Jet U95 and U261 7.7 mi W, Jet U261 and US163 9.4, 19.6 and 29.9 mi N (A), Squaw Flat Cmpgld (in Canyonlands Nat Park) (WU). SANPETE: Ephraim and 3 mi N (A), Ephram Cyn (U), Fairview (BY) and 16.5 mi N, Freedom 0.5 mi N, Gunnison (A), Indianola (BY), Levan 20 mi S (A), Majors Flats (KU), Mt Pleasant (C42) and 0.5 mi N, Nebo Loop rd 6.3 mi E Jct U11 (A), Wales (RG). SEVIER: Axtel 4 mi S, Big Rock Candy Mt (A), Elsinore (C42), Fremont 18.9 and 25.6 mi N. Richfield 2.3 and 7.5 mi S (A). SUMMIT: Coalville (U), Francis 1 mi E, Wyoming brdr 1.5 and 10.4 mi W on IS0 (A). TOOELE: Clover 1 mi W (A), Delle (O) and 2, 12 and 22 mi W (A), Dogway (BY) and 5 and 10 mi E, Faust 1.5 mi W and 3.6 mi E (A), Grantsville (O) and 2 and 12.1 mi W (A), Iosepa (C42), Johnson Pass (US), Little Valley (C42), Lookout Pass (BY), Low, Ors Ranch (C42), Rowley Jct 0.5, 10.8, 21 and 31 mi S, Simpson Spgs 4 and 14 mi E (A), Stansbury Island (C42), Tooele (O), 1 mi S and 3.3 mi W, Jet U36 and U73, Vernon, Wendover 10.3, 13.3, 14.5 and 23.1 mi N (A), S Willow Cyn (U). UINTAH: Bonanza 3 mi S (KU), 8 and 21 mi S, and 5 and 15 mi N, Dry Fk rd 9.4 mi N U121 (A), Ft Duchesne (C42), Gusher 4 mi E (KU), Jensen 5.5 mi W and 7.5 mi E, Lapoint 1 and 10.7 mi E (A), Ouray (C42), Split Mnt, Vernal (BY), 6 mi E (KU) and 5 and 10 mi N (A). UTAH: Cedar Fort (U) and 1.9 mi N (A), Elberta (C42) and 1 mi W, Fairfield 3.3 mi W (A), Lehi (O) and 4.4 mi W (A), Orem, Provo, Provo Cyn (BY), Sartaquin (C42), 1.5 mi N, 1.5 mi W and 0.5 mi S, Springville 2 mi S, Thistle 2.7, 3.6, 7.7, 9 and 14.6 mi E (A), W Utah Lake (BY). WASATCH: Francis 5.4 mi W, Hanna 4.4 mi W (A), Heber (U) and 2.3 mi W (A), Soapstone Cyn (U). WASHINGTON: Grantsville (IS9), Hurricane (RAU), Lees (RG), Mt Meadow, New Harmony (BY), Pine Valley (City) (IS9). Pinto, 3 mi S (US) and 5 mi S (KU), Rockville, Santa Clara (IS9), Springdale (C42); St George (RG), Virgin, Zion Nat Park (O). WAYNE: Capitol Reef Nat Park, Frutta 5 mi SE (U), Hanksville 3, 17.4 and 27.2 mi W, and 7 and 16.7 mi S, Torrey 3.7 mi E and 5.3 mi W (A). WEBER: Little Mt (C42), Ogden (O), Ogden Cyn (BY), Riverdale (C42), Jct U39 and U166 3.3 mi E, Woodruff 34.8 mi W (A). COUNTY UNKNOWN: Brush Crk (RG) (prob Uintah Co), Westville (C42) (prob Wellsville in Cache Co).

Smith (1979:1355) indicates this species as a western one, including Utah, Colorado, Arizona, Nevada, Idaho, and Wyoming. Gregg (1963:331) lists it from Colorado between 3500 and 9000 ft in a variety of habitats, predominantly in pinyon-juniper, sagebrush, and grass. Ingham (1959, 1963) indicates its habitat in southern Utah as a variety of shrub types. Allred and Cole (1979:99) found it in southern Utah in a wide variety of desert shrub types, most frequently in grass-hopsage and ephedra-grass-blackbrush-hopsage associations. Rees and Grundmann (1940:5), Cole (1942:365), and Grundmann (1958:162) list it from a variety of situations in Utah.

Thirty-two hundred ants in 211 collections were taken from 87 different plant types or associations. Eighty-one collections were taken in sagebrush or sage associations. Fifty-two collections were in grass or grass associations other than with sagebrush. Twelve collections were from pure grasses with other plants except sagebrush or grass. Seventeen collections were from halogoton associated with other plants except sagebrush or grass. Thirteen collections were from shadsc ale in association with other plants except sagebrush or grass. Only 5 collections were from rabbitbrush associations other than with sagebrush or grass. Only 2 collections were taken in juniper and/or pinyon where other plants were not present, but 19 collections where sagebrush was associated.

This species commonly inhabits the shoulders and barrow pits along roads. Whenever sedges, meadow grass, or salt grass were present along the roadsides, we found no colonies of this species. Apparently it does not like the saline environment in this type of situation. Colonies were seldom found in heavy clay soils, but occasionally in lighter clays.
Unstable sandy soil does not support this species, apparently because of the shifting potential of the sand from frequent winds. From just west of Hinckley in Millard County for a distance of about 14 miles westward, the soil is alkaline clay with greasewood, saltbush, and shadscale. In this area harvester mounds were found only along the shoulder of the highway where a gravel substrate was present. None were found on the alkaline flats until the greasewood and saltbush were replaced by shadscale and desert pavement. Between Sagecreek Junction and Laketown in Rich County, a distance of 10 miles where the soil is a reddish clay loam, not a single harvester mound was seen. Typical mounds were not seen between Blanding and Bluff in San Juan County, where the elevation dropped from 6100 to 4300 ft in 70 miles, and only those of *P. rugosus* were present. South of Bluff past Mexican Hat both mound forms and species were present, but *occidentalis* was not as common as in other areas. About 11 miles north of Mexican Hat following highway U261, Cedar Mesa lies at 6500 ft. Mounds of *rugosus* were found up to its base but were replaced on top by *occidentalis*. Ants of *rugosus* occur infrequently further westward along U95, where the elevation drops back to under 4600 ft.

In the 375 localities listed, only 31 were in montane forest. The 119 recorded elevations varied from 2750 to 9000 ft, 86 of them between 4000 and 6000. Only 21 were over 6000 ft, 2 over 8000.

There were 213 typical mounds observed. In 5 cases two main mounds were joined and apparently inhabited by the same colony. In only one instance did I find a colony occupying three joined mounds. In a greasewood habitat 17.2 mi southwest of Kelton in Box Elder County a colony was found with three joined, small linear mounds that had a total of nine entrances. A typical mound in an alkali-greasewood flat 7.8 mi east of Callao in Juab County was covered with black chips of desert pavement. In an area 4.9 mi south of Emery along U10 at 6000 ft in Emery County in greasewood, grass, and Russian thistle several mounds were completely covered with a layer of black gravel, which undoubtedly was carried from the shoulder of the road where it had been used for surfacing. Some such mounds were as far as 60 ft from the road. Four mounds on an east-facing slope at the north edge of Woodruff at 6400 ft in Rich County in sagebrush were covered with large gravel, the particles much larger than seen on other harvester mounds elsewhere in the state. These also were elongate and ridged, not the symmetrical cones like the typical harvester mounds. A low mound was found two feet from the asphalt 14.7 miles west of Hinckley in Millard County, with the opening at the base on the northeast side. The area around the entrance was coated with a hardened amber material resembling baltic amber or shellac. Apparently this was deposited from the feet of the workers over a long period of time, perhaps picked up as a distillate from the hot surface of the adjacent asphalt. No other situation of this type was observed with any other mound over the state. A mound in another area had two rodent burrows in it, with a gopher snake curled in one of them.

Food storage of seeds was frequently found in the upper part of the mounds, usually within a few inches of the top.

In northwestern Utah around Kelton in Box Elder County, where the range of three species of harvesters overlaps, *occidentalis* are much larger than most *salinus*, but about the same size as *ouyheei*.

To see the angled basal tooth on the mandible, one sometimes must study a series for best observation of open mandibles. On some specimens all teeth of both mandibles are well developed and the basal tooth on both sides is well developed and distinctly angled. On other specimens the basal tooth on one side may be vestigial, in which case the other teeth on the same mandible may be much reduced, almost lacking in some cases, or moderately well developed in others. The basal tooth on the other mandible, however, is well developed and distinctly angled. Frequently the angle is not distinct as such, but the basal tooth forms a gentle curve instead. In series 388, taken 3.3 miles west of Tooele alongside highway U112 in Tooele County, one ant has eight teeth on the right mandible and seven on the left. The basal tooth is offset on both mandibles. In series 122, taken 37 miles east of Crescent Junction alongside highway 170
in Grand County, most specimens have a basal tooth that is only slightly angled with the posterior border of the mandible, forming almost an equal curvature. In series 305, taken five miles south of Crescent Junction alongside highway US163 in Grand County, most specimens have a basal tooth that is not as offset as most other typical *occidentalis* scattered throughout Utah. On some of these specimens one side of the mandible is almost straight, whereas on the other, or on both sides on some specimens, the basal tooth forms a slight gentle curve. Other characters, such as the rugae and puncta on the head and the shape of the base of the antenna, are typical characters. In series 113, taken 26 miles south of Wellington alongside highway US6 in Emery County, the basal tooth on both mandibles is well developed but the posterior margin of the mandible is almost straight without an angle. A colony (series 115), taken 46 miles south of Wellington in Emery County in haloegeton in mid-July, consisted of many workers with a few immatures but no winged forms. In a series of 30 workers examined, the basal tooth on many is almost in a straight line with the basal margin of the mandible, and on a few it is in straight alignment. Other characters are typical of *occidentalis*. In series 199, taken one mile east of Francis in Summit County the basal tooth is often reduced on one mandible. On some specimens where it is reduced, the border of the reduced tooth is not at a distinct angle, but almost straight. In series 354, taken 17.4 miles west of Hanksville on highway U24 in Wayne County, many workers have essentially a straight mandibular border; others have an angled basal tooth at least on one side, but not as drastically as typical *occidentalis* of other areas of Utah.

On some workers all of the teeth on both mandibles except the two basal ones are worn off so that the inside edge of the mandible is essentially straight except for the two basal teeth, which are typically offset. In series 356, taken 3.7 miles east of Torrey in Wayne County, one worker has both mandibles with no evidence of any teeth. The edge is heavily chitinized, but it appears that all the teeth have been worn off smooth so that the normal toothed edge is perfectly straight, with no indentation showing where teeth should be, even to the offset basal tooth, which is also missing on both sides.

Some intergradation of mandibles occurs in northwestern Utah, mainly between *salinus* and *owyheei*. Most *occidentalis* in that area are typical, but some have atypical mandibles close to *salinus* and *owyheei*. In series 549, taken 17.2 miles southwest of Kelton in Box Elder County, some ants have typical *occidentalis* mandibles, antennae, and petiolar pattern; some have mandibles and antennae of *occidentalis*, with a petiolar pattern of *salinus*; some have mandibles of *salinus* or *owyheei* and antennae of *occidentalis*, but with a petiolar typical of *salinus*.

In 111 mounds where other than workers were found, immatures but no winged forms were found in 20 (18 percent), winged forms only in 47 (42 percent), and both immatures and winged in 44 (40 percent). Immatures and winged forms were found in mounds above normal ground level only between 28 June and 3 August. When immatures were found in the summer they were between two to four inches below the outer surface of the mound in different parts of the mound as oriented to the direction of the sun. This may be optimum for brooding temperatures of the immatures, and they likely are moved periodically by workers as the outside temperature and rays of the sun change.

On 31 July in sagebrush one mile east of Brigham in Box Elder County at 0650, a mound was observed that was still in shade. No ants were outside the mound, but many winged forms were congregated just inside the entrance, probably preparatory for the nuptial flight. Almost as many winged ants as workers were found inside the mound. On the same day in a grass and sunflower habitat 6.1 miles west of Corinne in Box Elder County at 0740, a small mound was observed that was still in shadow. Many winged forms were assembled just inside the entrance, but no ants were outside. The same situation was seen in two other adjacent mounds. In a mound located three miles west of Orangeville at 6000 ft in Emery County in rabbitbrush, greasewood, and herbs near an irrigated farm, winged forms were much more numerous than workers on 31 July and were found near the opening to the nest, whereas the fewer workers were deeper in the mound.
Apparently the winged forms were nearing their swarming time.

Winged forms vary in depth in the mound, but frequently can be seen "peeking" from the openings. Callow (newly emerged) workers frequently were found mixed with the winged forms and were the principal workers to rescue immature stages when the nest was disturbed. Winged females are much more active in trying to hide or escape when disturbed than are winged males. The winged females frequently aid the callow workers in rescuing the immature forms, but I never once saw a winged male performing that task.

One colony taken 41 miles east of Kanab in Kane County was in a low mound in rabbitbrush, matchbrush, and saltbush. Moderate numbers of workers were present, but no immature or winged forms. These ants behaved differently than typical occidentalis—they were not aggressive and did not swarm toward the intruder when disturbed, but simply scurried around almost at random. Their abdomens were darker (almost blackish) than the amber unicolor of typical occidentalis. Forty-five miles west of Hinckley, alongside highway US-50 in Millard County, a colony was found in a typical occidentalis mound with the opening at the base on the southeast side. These ants behaved similarly to salinus. They were not aggressive but tried to hide when disturbed. A mound covered with thick detritus and occupied by occidentalis was found 7.7 miles west of junction U261 on U95 in San Juan County in sagebrush, pinyon, and juniper. Ants of Conomyrma insana were abundant on the mound, crawling on and between the sticks. No nest openings of these small ants could be seen, nor were any of their nests found in the vicinity. No interaction between the two species was observed as they intermingled on the mound. A large, flattened mound was found in rabbitbrush, sagebrush, and juniper 19 miles north of Lund on the road to Pine Valley in Iron County in late July at 6700 ft. Workers were transporting sand particles from its opening. Many workers, immature, and winged forms were found in the mound. Nine small mounds occupied by Conomyrma insana were on the harvester mound. No apparent competition or interaction was seen between the two species as they intermingled in their scurryings.

Beck et al. (1967:72) found occidentalis feeding on dead rodents in only two instances in Utah.

**Pogonomyrma owyhee Cole**


Records (Map 24): BOX ELDER: Cedar Crk (City) (K75), Cedar Hill (US), Curlew Valley (K70), Hansel Mts. Hardup, Kelton (K75), 6 mi N (US). 8.3 mi E, 70.4 mi SW (A), and 12 mi NW (KU), Kelton Pass (K75), Kelton rd 5 mi E U30 (A), Locomotive Spngs (K75), Park Valley (City) 10 mi E (KU). Snowville (K75) and 1 mi W, Jct U30 and U42 and 3.8, 5.8, 6.1 and 6.7 mi N (A). Wildcat Hills (K75), EMERY: Goblin Valley, Hanksville 16 mi N (KU). GRAND: Moab, Thompson (KU). JUAB: Fish Spngs (KU). MILLARD: Black Rock (KU). WASHINGTON: Rockville, Santa Clara Crk, St George, Virgin, Zion Nat Park (KU).


There were 260 ants taken from typical conical mounds in nine collections. Immatures and winged forms were found in four mounds in late July. In two of the mounds only female alates were found. Seven collections were taken in sagebrush: two in association with grass and one with grass and rabbitbrush. Two collections were taken in greasewood. In a greasewood area alongside an old railroad bed 8.3 miles east of Kelton in Box Elder County, a colony was adjacent to several colonies of salinus. Elevations of owyhee in Utah are between 4310 and 5600 feet in desert habitats.

On 31 July in Box Elder County two mounds were seen wherein many winged forms were concentrated just inside the entrance. At one mound several winged females came out of the entrance but quickly re-entered when I approached. In series 558, taken 5.8 miles north of highway U30 along U42 in Box Elder County, the ants were not as aggressive as occidentalis nor as prone to
hide as salinus, but their behavior was closer to that of salinus. Fewer could be enticed to come out of the entrance than is the case with occidentalis when air is blown into the entrance. Workers of occidentalis literally swarm out in such a reaction.

In series 560, taken 6.7 miles north of the junction of highways U30 and U42 alongside U42 in Box Elder County, many specimens have a broadly rounded thorax, not flattened. The superior lobe of the scape base is somewhat variable. On several specimens on one side the lobe has a collar that is extended superiorly, but with no up-curvature as on typical occidentalis. On the other side of the same specimens the lobe is similar to salinus, angular and rounded, without the collar extension. Both segments of the petiole lack the typical salinus transverse striae, although faint subparallel striae are on the posterior half of the petiole, whereas the postpetiole lacks such striae on a few specimens. Most specimens in other series have the superior lobe of both antennae with an extension of the collar. In series 559, taken 0.6 mile southeast of series 560 above, at least one specimen has a superior lobe of the scape base that is almost typically salinus—rounded without the collar extension. On the other antenna the superior lobe is angled and rounded without the collar extension. In series 557, which was taken six miles southeast of the above collections, one specimen has typical owyhee antennae and mandibles with an atypical salinus petiole.

The records of this species from Juab, Millard, Emery, Grand, and Washington counties most likely are errors of identification of aberrant specimens of occidentalis, wherein the offset basal tooth of the mandible is not typical. Such variations were discussed under occidentalis previously.

**Pogonomyrmex rugosus Emery**


Records (Map 23): EMERY: Green River (RG). GRAND: Arches Nat Park (BY), Dewey (U), Green River S of (KU), Moab (U), Thompson (C42). KANE: Glen Cyn City (AC), Kanab (G58) and 4 and 40 mi E, Wahweap (KU), SAN JUAN: Abajo Mts (U), Blanding 6.4 and 12.2 mi S (A), Bluff (KU) and 0.6 and 11.6 mi S (A), Four Corners (US), Goulding Mt (BC), Mexican Hat (U), Monument Valley (KU), Navajo Bridge (on Highway 89) (G58), Jct U95 and U261 35 and 40.4 mi W, Jct U261 and U363 3.7 mi N (A). UTAH: Silver Lake Flats (A).

WASHINGTON: Hurricane (RG), Harrisburg Jct 2 mi W (JS), Leeds Cyn, Rockville, Santa Clara, Snow Cyn (KU), Springdale (WU), St George (O), Virgin City, Zion Nat Park (JS).

Smith (1979:1354) lists this species from midwest to western States, including Utah, Colorado, Arizona, and Nevada, nesting in the soil in a flattened gravel disc. Gregg (1963:323, 327) lists it between 3600 and 8500 ft in sagebrush, saltbush, conifers, juniper, oak, manzanita, grass, and greasewood areas in Colorado. Cole (1968:71) shows it across all of extreme southern Utah, arching northward near the borders as it extends into central and southeastern Nevada and central western Colorado. He states that in southern Nevada its nests consist of low gravel mounds or discs, commonly found in hopsage-matrimony vine, shadscale, blackbrush, creosote bush, Russian thistle, and other mixed shrubs (1966:5). Ingham (1959, 1963) indicates its habitat in southern Utah as flattened pebble mounds in creosote bush, sagebrush, pinyon-juniper, blackbrush, joshua trees, bur sage, little rabbitbrush, four-wing saltbush, and shadscale. Allred and Cole (1979:99) found it in southern Utah in several desert shrub types, most commonly in grass communities.

There were 160 ants in seven collections taken from low crater mounds not over four inches high and 18 inches to two feet in diameter. Eleven ants in one collection were taken from under a log. No typical cleared area occurs around these mounds. Two collections were taken in blackbrush, one in association with grass and Russian thistle. Two collections were in greasewood: one in association with Russian thistle and one with grass, herbs, and sagebrush. One collection was taken in herbs, one saltbush, one grass and matchbrush, and one grass near aspen. In 36 recorded Utah habitats two were in montane areas. In 27 recorded elevations between 2500 and 7500 ft, 21 were between 3000 and 5000, two over 7000. These ants are not as aggressive as occidentalis, and some attempt to hide when disturbed. Ants of one colony
found in a habitat of blackbrush, Russian thistle, and grass 35 miles west of U261 along US6-50 in San Juan County were harvesting grass seeds on 30 July and carrying them into their nest.

The record in northern Utah County collected by me is valid. I revisited the exact site a year later, but no ants were present. In the initial collection only 11 ants could be found, and they were at 7450 ft under a small aspen limb on an open west-facing, grassy slope below an aspen grove.

*Pogonomyrmex salinus* Olsen


Records (Map 24): BEAVER: Desert Range Exp Sta (BY), BOX ELDER: Cedar Crk (City) (KU), Cedar Hill (K75), Curlew Jct, Curlew Valley, Hardup (KU), Kelton (K70), 5 mi SE (KU), 8.3 mi E, 3.3 and 12 mi W, and 39.8, 50.9 and 60.1 mi SW (A), Kelton Pass (K70), Kosmo (K75), Locomotive Sprgs (K70), Penrose 7 mi NW, Park Valley (City) 10 mi E (KU), Promontory 20.3 mi W (A), Snowville (K75), Wildcat Hills (US), IRON: Cedar City (RAU), JUAB: Callao 5 and 10 mi E (A), Fish Sprgs (KU), Gandy 10.1 mi N (A), Topaz Mnt (KU), Trout Crk (City) 12.3 mi N (A), MILLARD: Gandy 1.7 mi N, and 3.2, 3.5, 8.5, 13.6, 17.2 and 20.1 mi S, Gandy rd 0.5 mi N US6-50, Hinckley 14.7 mi W (A), TOOELE: Knolls 3, 3.5, 13, 16.8 and 22.8 mi W, Wendover 5.5 mi E (A).

Smith (1979:1355) lists this species from western United States, including Nevada, nesting in a low craterlike mound in pinyon-juniper areas. Cole (1968:107) shows it along the eastern border of Nevada in the northern half of that state but not next to Utah in the southern third of Nevada. He indicates that in southern Nevada it is one of the dominant ants of the pinyon-juniper, replacing *occidentalis* at higher elevations, contacting but not overlapping the range of the latter. The nests are saucerlike depressions in cleared areas (1966:6), Knowlton (1975:7) found it associated with sagebrush in northern Utah.

There were 510 ants in 20 collections taken from low crater mounds. Sixty-five ants in 4 collections were taken from low, flat mounds, and 40 ants in 2 collections were taken from ground burrows without mounds. Eighty ants in 3 collections were taken from mounds that were larger than the others and typically shaped like those of *occidentalis*; however, all had openings at the top, only one with a crater. Immatures were found in 5 nests and winged forms in 10. Both immatures and males were found together in 4 nests. Fourteen collections were taken in greasewood: 5 in association with halogeton, 2 shadscale, and one halogeton and shadscale. Five collections were in shadscale, 5 shadscale and halogeton, one halogeton, one halogeton and saltbush, and one pickleweed. Two collections were taken on the shoulder of a road where no vegetation was present. All 44 recorded Utah habitats were in desert areas between elevations of 4222 and 5834 ft.

These ants are not aggressive and attempt to hide when disturbed, exhibiting little attempt to rescue exposed immature forms. In only two colonies was there indication of aggression. In two colonies alongside a paved highway, kernels of wheat were found.

This species apparently extends alongside highway US6-50 70 miles eastward from the Nevada border to within about 14 miles of Hinckley in Millard County. At intervals westward from Hinckley the soil is an alkaline clay with greasewood, shadscale, and saltbush. No harvester mounds, even of *occidentalis*, were seen in these areas except along the shoulder of the road where a gravel substrate was present. When the greasewood, saltbush, and alkaline-clay are replaced by desert pavement and shadscale, harvester mounds are present. For 8 miles north of US6-50 alongside the Nevada border toward Gandy, only two mounds were seen in the alkali-clay greasewood habitat up to the shadscale of the bajas. In the valley east of Kelton in Box Elder County in northwestern Utah, where the soil is not as alkaline or clay, harvester mounds are common in greasewood alongside the highway. However, the mounds there are small and frequently covered with greasewood detritus. For many miles southwest of Kelton in the greasewood-shadscale-halogeton habitat, no mounds of *salinus* were seen except those occasionally in the middle of the hardpacked dirt road.

This species with its typical low crater mounds extends along US80 from about 1.5 miles east of Knolls to Tooele County westward to Wendover. Typical *occidentalis* with its higher pyramid mounds extends eastward along 180 from about 3 miles west of Knolls. In this overlap area of about 4.5 miles are some mounds that are intermediate between
the two species types—higher pyramid mounds with top craters. In the area east of the typical crater mounds for a distance of about 1.5 miles, no typical crater mounds were seen but frequent intermediate types were present. The intermediate types were not seen eastward from about 3 miles east of Knolls.

Between 40 and 60 miles southwest of Kelton in Box Elder County the only mounds found were in the middle of the hard-packed dirt road. Between about 25 and 70 miles west of Hinckley in Millard County along US6-50, wherever mounds of \textit{occidentalis} were abundant no colonies of \textit{salinus} were found. In a hologeto-shadscale area 12.3 miles north of Trout Creek City in Juab County, colonies of \textit{occidentalis} were abundant in the same area as \textit{salinus}.

In an alkali-greasewood area five miles east of Callao in Juab County a completely flat mound was covered with a dense concentration of black chips of desert pavement. In the same habitat five miles farther east a typical mound was covered with black chips of desert pavement, including the inside of the crater.

In a shadscale area 14.7 miles west of Hinckley in Millard County a mound was typical \textit{occidentalis} in shape except that the opening was at the top. However, the mound lacked the crater typical of \textit{salinus}. These ants demonstrated typical \textit{salinus} behavior of nonaggressiveness and attempts to hide when disturbed. The mound was conspicuously covered with black chips of gravel that were common in the vicinity as desert pavement. However, the closest source of these to the mound was about 50 ft away. Another mound in the same area was of the same shape but possessed a small crater on the top. This mound was covered by light-colored gravel, probably brought from excavating within the mound. These ants behaved as typical \textit{salinus}. A mound that was an intermediate type—relatively high pyramid with top crater—was found 3.5 miles west of Knolls alongside US80 in Tooele County. The ants behaved as intermediates between \textit{salinus} and \textit{occidentalis}—some tried to escape and hide, whereas others crawled around in a manner typical of \textit{occidentalis}.

In series 395, taken 13 miles west of Knolls along US80 in Tooele County, all of the specimens examined have typical \textit{salinus} straight-margin mandibles, but some have the basal part of the scape more typical of \textit{occidentalis}. Others in the same series have the typical \textit{salinus} scape. In series 397, taken 22.8 miles west of Knolls alongside US80, in Tooele County, two ants have all the teeth rounded and not heavily sclerotized. The distal three teeth are fused together. The basal tooth is not offset and is in straight alignment with the mandibular margin. Two others have the teeth rounded, with the two distal ones fused, but the basal tooth is in straight alignment with the margin of the mandible. In series 405, taken 3.5 miles west of Knolls, the ants have characters typical of both \textit{salinus} and \textit{occidentalis}. The basal tooth is consistently in line with the others, not offset. The superior lobe of the scape in many is more rounded (almost like typical \textit{salinus}) than in \textit{occidentalis}, but many specimens have a superior lobe that is more angled, similar to that of \textit{occidentalis}. In series 510, taken 17.2 miles south of Gandy in Millard County, the ants are typical \textit{salinus} except that, although some have the superior lobe of the scape rounded as is typical of \textit{salinus}, others have a lobe that is more angular like \textit{occidentalis}.

In series 548 there are intergrades between \textit{salinus} and \textit{owyhee}. One specimen has a \textit{salinus} antenna on one side and an \textit{owyhee} antenna on the other, with a typical \textit{salinus} petiole. Another has \textit{salinus} antennae and an \textit{owyhee} petiole; one has \textit{owyhee} antennae and \textit{salinus} petiole. Most others of the series are typical \textit{salinus}. In series 551, taken 39.8 miles southwest of Kelton, two specimens have \textit{owyhee} antennae but \textit{salinus} petioles. In series 546, taken 8.3 miles east of Kelton, some of the ants are typical \textit{salinus} with reference to the superior lobe of the base of the scape, transverse rugae on the petiole, and the postpetiole. A few specimens have the superior lobe of the base of the scape similar to that of \textit{owyhee}, and on these the transverse rugae on the petiole and postpetiole are not as distinct as on typical \textit{salinus}, especially on the anterior half of the postpetiole.

\textit{Pogonomyrmex subnitidus} Emery


Thirty ants in one collection were taken from a typical occidentalis-type mound in an association of matchbrush and Russian thistle. I was stung on the arm by one of the workers, and the reaction was equal to if not more severe than that to occidentalis.

Ants of this species are significantly larger than those of occidentalis. The head is much darker than occidentalis, almost black, and the rugae are much closer together, with a little-beaded appearance. The basal tooth on the mandible is almost curved toward the other teeth, and the inner margin of the mandible is generally straight except that a small hump exists. In series 335, taken 11.6 miles south of Bluff in San Juan County, 24 of the 25 specimens collected have the mandibular teeth worn down, some to the point where no vestiges of teeth are visible. One such specimen has the tips of both mandibles broken off.

Polygerus breviceps Emery


Smith (1979:1466) lists this species as midwestern to western United States, including Arizona, where it associates with a variety of species of Formica. Gregg (1963:638) lists it from Colorado between 5080 and 8900 ft under rocks, logs, and in domes in a variety of habitats. La Rivers (1968:11) lists it from Nevada, where Wheeler and Wheeler (1978:396) found it between 6400 and 10,500 ft. Cole (1942:385) indicates its habitat in Utah as under stones, associated with a variety of species of Formica. Grundmann (1958:167) designates it in Utah as typically a mountain form in dry and rocky situations where sagebrush is present. Ingham (1959) found it in southern Utah in pinyon-juniper and sagebrush in association with Conomyrma insana.

Ten ants in one collection were taken from a burrow under a log in an association of grass, herbs, aspen, and pine. Ants of Formica fusca were in the same burrow. In 12 recorded Utah habitats it occurred six times in montane areas. In 8 elevation records between 4535 and 8000 ft it was most abundant under 6000, taken only twice above 6000.

Ponera pennsylvanica Buckley


Record: COUNTY UNKNOWN: locality unknown (Sm79).

Smith (1979:1342) lists this species from eastern to western United States, including Utah and Colorado, nesting under logs, stones, and other objects. Hunt and Snelling (1975:20) list it from Arizona. Gregg (1963:282) lists it between 3600 and 6970 ft under rocks in pinyon-juniper and cottonwood-willow habitats in Colorado.

Solenopsis aurea Wheeler


Record: WASHINGTON: St George (159).

Smith (1979:1385) lists this species from southwestern United States, including Arizona, in moundless nests in fully exposed situations. Cole (1966:17) found its nests in southern Nevada in open areas in blackbrush and hopsage-matrimony vine habitats. Ingham (1963) found it in Joshua trees and four-wing saltbush in southern Utah. Records for Utah range from 2500 to 3000 ft.

Solenopsis molesta (Say)


Records (Map 25): BOX ELDER: Cedar Crk (City), Kelton Pass, Snowville (K70), Wildcat Hills (US).

Creighton (1950) lists two races of this species; the Utah one is likely validiuscula. Smith (1979:1387) lists this species distribution from Canada to eastern and western United States, but does not list an intermountain one. He indicates that it frequently nests in or near nests of other ants, from which it robs food and brood. Hunt and Snelling (1975:22) list it from Arizona. Gregg (1963:373, 375) lists it from Colorado between 3500 and 8378 ft under rocks in a variety of habitats. Cole (1966:17) found its nests in southern Nevada in pinyon-juniper and desert shrub habitats, frequently associated with Pheidole pilifera. He indicates that it nests under stones and logs or under bark, occasionally the nests of other species in Utah (1942:361). In North Dakota Wheeler and Wheeler (1963) found it frequently under rocks. In Utah it is found under stones in brushy habitats and transition zones, common in desert conditions (Grundmann 1958:163). Ingham (1959, 1963) found it in southern Utah under stones, logs, and bark in pinyon-juniper, oak, sagebrush, rabbitbrush, squawbrush, willow, tamarisk, poplar, shadscale, and greasewood. Knowlton (1975:8) found it under stones in grass in northern Utah.

There were 247 ants in four collections taken from under rocks. Eggs were found under one rock and immature stages under another, both in early July. Ants of Formica haemorrhoidalis were found under the same rock in one instance, and F. fusca and F. podzolica in another. In both cases the colonies were separate. Three collections were in sagebrush: one in association with juniper; one grass, legumes, sagebrush, other shrubs, juniper, and pinyon; and one grass, aspen, and pine. One collection was in aspen and fir. In 65 recorded Utah habitats 16 were in montane forest. Of 42 recorded elevations between 2500 and 9000 ft the greatest number, 19, were between 4000 and 5000. Beck et al. (1967:72) found it feeding on dead rodents in seven instances in Utah.

**Solenopsis salina** Wheeler


Records: WASHINGTON: Kolob, Pine Valley (City) (159).

Smith (1979:1388) lists this species from western United States, including Colorado, nesting under stones and wood. Hunt and Snelling (1975:22) list it from Arizona. Gregg (1963:378) lists it between 3500 and 7704 ft under rocks and wood in a variety of habitats in Colorado. Cole (1966:17) found it in southern Nevada under stones in pinyon-juniper. Ingham (1959) found it in southern Utah under stones in oak where it was associated with *Formica fusca*. Three Utah collections were taken between 6000 and 8000 ft.

**Solenopsis xyloni** McCook


Records: WASHINGTON: Santa Clara (US), Shiwwits Indian Res (159), St George (US).

Smith (1979:1389) lists this species from eastern to western United States including Colorado, nesting in earthen mounds or under stones and other objects. Hunt and Snelling (1975:22) list it from Arizona. Gregg (1963:373) lists it at 4400 ft under rocks in cottonwood-willow and grassy habitats in Colorado. Cole (1966:17) found its nests in southern Nevada at the base of shrubs in creosote bush habitats. Ingham (1959) found it under rocks in creosote bush, poplar, willow, datura, and rabbitbrush in southern Utah. Known habitats in Utah are in desert areas.
**Stenamma brevicorne** (Mayr)


Record: **BOX ELDER**: Snowville 17 mi SW (KU).

**CACHE**: Logan (C42).

Smith (1979:1358) lists this species from eastern to western United States, including Colorado, nesting under stones or wood in wooded areas. Gregg (1963:348) lists it at 3800 ft in deciduous areas in Colorado. Knowlton (1975:8) found it associated with sagebrush and shadesc in northern Utah.

**Stenamma chiricahua** Snelling


Record: **MORGAN**: Morgan (KU).

Smith (1979:1358) lists this species from mountains in southern Arizona. Its occurrence in Utah is questionable.

**Stenamma diecki** Emery


Records (Map 25): **BOX ELDER**: Cedar Hill, Wildcat Hills (K75). **CACHE**: Blacksmith Fk Cyn, Green Cyn (KU), Logan (C42), Logan Cyn, Trenton (KU). **UTAH**: American Fk Cyn (U).

Smith (1979:1358) lists this species from eastern to western United States, but does not indicate an intermountain state. It nests under wood or other objects in wooded areas. Wheeler and Wheeler (1978:391) found it at 6400 ft in Nevada, and frequently under and in wood in North Dakota (1963). Gregg (1963:350) lists it from Colorado between 6050 and 7350 ft under rocks in conifers. In eight recorded Utah habitats it was taken four times in montane forest. Three recorded elevations were between 4460 and 7000 ft.

**Stenamma huachucanum** M.R. Smith


Records: **BOX ELDER**: Hansel Mts, Hardup, Kelton Pass, Snowville (K75).

Smith (1979:1359) lists this species only from Arizona nesting under rocks. Gregg (1963:350) lists it from Colorado at 8300 ft under rocks in mixed forest. Knowlton (1975:8) found it associated with sagebrush, rabbitbrush, and junipers in northern Utah.

**Stenamma impar** Forel


Record: **UTAH**: Spanish Fk Cyn (KU).

Smith (1979:1359) lists this species as eastern to midwestern United States, and does not indicate an intermountain state. It nests in soil or rotten wood.

**Stenamma occidentale** M.R. Smith


Smith (1979:1359) lists this species from midwest and western United States, including Utah, Colorado, Arizona, and Idaho, nesting under rocks. Gregg (1963:353) lists it from Colorado between 5900 and 8500 ft under rocks in conifers, birch, and oak habitats.

**Stenamma smithi** Cole


**Tapinoma sessile** (Say)


Records (Map 26): **BOX ELDER**: Bear River City (US), Brigham 0.9 mi E (A), Cedar Crk (City) (K70), Cedar Hill (K75), Hansel Mts, Kelton Pass (K70), Locomotive Spngs (BAD), Mantua (KU), Raft River S Fk (RG),
Snowville (K75), Taylor Farms (K70), Wildcat Hills (K75). CACHE: Ant Valley, Blacksmith Fk Cyn (KU), Cowley Cyn (C42), Green Cyn, Lees Cyn (KU), Logan, Logan Cyn (C42), Mendon Cold Spng, Providence, Tony Grove (KU). CARBON: Jet Soldier Summit rd and US3 1.7 mi W (A). DAGGET: Badsoovich Ranch (BAD).

DAVIS: Antelope Island (US), Farmington (C42).

DUCHESNE: Fruitland 5 mi E (US), Johnny Star Flat (BAD), Tabiona 11.6 mi E (A). EMERY: Greenriver (US).

GARFIELD: Boulder Mt, Henry Mts (G58).

IRON: Enoch (BAD), Modena 10.4 mi NE (A), Newcastle 1 mi E (159). JUAB: Nephi (US). KANE: Kanab (C42), Long Valley Jct (159).

MILLARD: White Valley (C42).

MORGAN: Morgan (KU). SALT LAKE: Arthur (US), Big Cottonwood Cyn, Draper (C42).

SAN JUAN: Abajo Mts, Blanding, Bluff (G58), Hole-in-the-Rock Cyn (U), Kigalia Ranger Sta (BAD), Monticello 7.6 mi W (A).


WASATCH: Hanna 9.2 mi W, Soldier Summit 3.3 and 10.1 mi N (A), Strawberry Valley (US), Strawberry Res 4 mi S (A).

WASHINGTON: Leeds (RG), Pine Valley (City), Santa Clara (159), Toquerville (BAD), Zion Nat Park (159).

WAYNE: Hanksville (BAD).

Smith (1979:1421) lists this as primarily an eastern species (no intermountain state is listed) that nests mostly under objects in a variety of habitats. Hunt and Snelling (1975:22) list it from Arizona. Gregg (1963:446) lists it from Colorado between 3500 and 10,505 ft under rocks and wood in a variety of habitats, predominantly in conifers. La Rivers (1968:7) lists it from Nevada, where Wheeler and Wheeler (1978:392) found it between 6100 and 10,500 ft. They found it frequently under rocks, also common in wood in North Dakota (1963). Allred and Cole (1971:239) found it in Idaho in associations of wild rye-grass and rabbitbrush-sagebrush-grass-winterfat. Cole (1942:372) indicates that in Utah it nests under stones, logs, and bark. Grundmann (1958:165) indicates that it is common in Utah in mountain brush in large nests usually under stones in shady areas between 4000 and 8000 ft. Ingham (1959, 1963) found it in southern Utah under rocks, logs, and in grass clumps in a variety of vegetative types. Knowlton (1975:9) found it associated with sagebrush, shadscale, greasewood, snowberry, and rabbitbrush in northern Utah.

There were 556 ants in 13 collections taken from under rocks. In one instance Lasius alienus was under the same rock. Eighty ants in 3 collections were taken from under logs. Thirty ants in one collection were taken from a small mound, and 20 in one collection singly in an open area. Immatures were found under two rocks in mid-July and under a log in late June. Fourteen collections were taken in sagebrush: 3 in association with grass, 2 snowberry, 2 matchbrush, one grass and herbs, one legumes, and one aspen and conifers. One collection was in a herb meadow with aspen; one grass, herbs, shrubs, and aspen; one herbs, sedges, and conifers; and one grass, herbs, aspen, and conifers. In 70 recorded Utah localities 26 were in montane areas. At 31 recorded elevations between 2500 and 8402 ft, 22 were between 4000 and 6000. Beck et al. (1967:73) found it feeding on dead rodents in 12 instances in Utah.

_Tetramorium caespitum_ (Linnaeus)


Record: _SALT LAKE_: Salt Lake City (KU).

Smith (1979:1400) lists this species from eastern to western United States, including Nevada, nesting in a variety of situations.

_Veromessor lobognathus_ (Andres)


Records: _DUCHESNE_: Duchesne 11 mi W (W67).

_KANE_: Glen Cyn City (AC).

Smith (1979:1364) lists this species from midwest to western United States, including Colorado and Nevada, nesting under stones. Gregg (1963:354) lists it between 5747 and 6500 ft under rocks in pinyon-juniper and sagebrush areas. Cole (1966:12) found it a common species in pinyon-juniper in southern Nevada, nesting under large rocks. Allred and Cole (1979:99, 1971:239) found it in southern Utah and Idaho in various associations of desert shrubs. It was most abundant in rabbitbrush-sagebrush. Wheeler and Wheeler (1963) found it frequently under rocks in North Dakota, and indicate that it is rarely taken, occurs between 7000 ft in the southern part of its range to 2500 ft at the northern part, and is an inhabitant of pinyon-juniper, where it nests under stones (1965:60). They found a nest in Utah under a mound of
earth at the base of a clump of grass in an association of sagebrush, saltbush, and grass (1967:240).

SYNONYMIES AND CORRECTIONS OF UTAH RECORDS

Names on the left are as written in published literature or on labels on specimens in collections 1 examined (many representing heretofore unpublished data), and for purposes of this paper are considered to be errors in identification unless other authors have treated them as junior synonyms to the names on the right.

Acanthomyops
  claviger = A. interjectus
  coloradensis = A. interjectus
Aphaenogaster
  subterranea valida = A. occidentalis
Brachymyrmex
  depilis flavescens = B. depilis
Camponotus
  caryae decipiens = C. nearcticus
  herculeanus ligniperda noveboracensis = C. novaeboracensis
  herbicolas pensylvanicus = C. herbicolas
  herbicolas whymperi = C. herbicolas
  ligniperdu noveboracensis = C. novaeboracensis
  maccoki = C. semitestaceus
  maculatus sansabeanus = C. sansabeanus
  maculatus sansabeanus torrefactus = C. sansabeanus
  maculatus vicinus = C. vicinus
  marginatus nearcticus = C. nearcticus
  nearcticus decipiens = C. nearcticus
  pensylvanicus = C. modoc
  pensylvanicus modoc = C. modoc
  sansabeanus sansabeanus = C. sansabeanus
  sansabeanus torrefactus = C. sansabeanus
  sansabeanus vicinus = C. vicinus
  sansabeanus vicinus luteangulus = C. vicinus
  sansabeanus vicinus nitidiventris = C. vicinus
  sylvaticus maccoki = C. semitestaceus
Creomogaster
  coarctata mormonum = C. mormonum
  lineolata = C. emeryana
  lineolata cerasi = C. emeryana
  lineolata coarctata = C. mormonum
  lineolata coarctata mormonum = C. mormonum
  lineolata emeryana = C. emeryana
  lineolata opaca depilis = C. depilis
  punctulata = C. emeryana
  vermiculata = C. coarctata
Dorymyrmex = Conanomyrma
  bicolor = C. bicolor
  pyramicus = C. insana
  pyramicus bicolor = C. bicolor
  pyramicus flavus = C. insana
  pyramicus pyramicus = C. insana
Ecton = Neivamyrmex
  sp. = probably N. californicus

Fornica
  aliena = Lasius alienus
  cinerea = F. canadensis
  cinerea altipetens = F. altipetens
  cinerea canadensis = F. canadensis
  cinerea cinerea altipetens = F. altipetens
  cinerea lepida = F. canadensis
  cinerea neocinerea = F. canadensis
  claviger = Acanthomyops claviger
  crinata = F. criniventris
  crinoventris = F. criniventris
  flava = Lasius nearcticus
  foreliana = F. gnava
  fusca argentata = F. argentea
  fusca argentea = F. argentea
  fusca cinerea = F. altipetens
  fusca densiventris = F. densiventris
  fusca gelida = F. neorufibarbis
  fusca neoclara = F. neoclara
  fusca neorufibarbis = F. neorufibarbis
  fusca pruinosa = F. neoclara
  fusca subulaeae = C. fusca
  fusca subpolita = F. subpolita
  fusca subpolita neogagates = F. neogagates
  fusca subpolita perpilosa = F. perpilosa
  fusca subsericea = F. fusca
  herculeana = Camponotus herculeanus
  insana = Conomyrma insana
  integra = F. haemorrhoidalis
  integra haemorrhoidalis = F. haemorrhoidalis
  integrioides coloradensis = F. integrioides
  integrioides propinqua = F. integrioides
  integrioides planipilis = F. integrioides
  laevigatus = Camponotus laevigatus
  latipes = Acanthomyops latipes
  marcida = F. fusca
  microgyna = F. rasilis
  microgyna rasilis = F. rasilis
  moki = F. xerophila
  mokigrundmanni = F. xerophila
  moki xerophila = F. xerophila
  montana = F. canadensis
  neogagates laevidentes vetula = F. laevidentes
  neorufibarbis gelida = F. neorufibarbis
  niger = Lasius niger
  novoboracensis = Camponotus novoboracensis
  obscuriventris clavia = F. obscuriventris
  oreas comptula = F. oreas
  oreas oreas = F. oreas
  pallidefulva nitidiventris = F. pallidefulva
  pallidefulva nitidiventris = F. pallidefulva
  pensylvanicus = Camponotus modoc
  planipilis = F. integrioides
  propinqua = F. integrioides
  pruinosa = F. neoclara
  rasilis spicata = F. densiventris
  rufa aggerans = F. obscuripes
  rufa clavia = F. obscuriventris
  rufa coloradensis = F. integrioides
  rufa haemorrhoidalis = F. haemorrhoidalis
  rufa laeviceps = F. laevispex
  rufa melanotica = F. obscuripes
  rufa muscicenisc = F. musciscenisc
  rufa obscuripes = F. obscuripes
  rufa obscuriventris integrioides = F. integrioides
rufibarbis gnava = F. gnava
rufibarbis occidia = F. occidia
sanguinea = F. subnuda
sanguinea obtusipilosa = F. obtusipilosa
sanguinea puberula = F. puberula
sanguinea rubicunda subnuda = F. subnuda
sanguinea subnuda = F. subnuda
sansabeamus = Camponotus sansabeamus
sessilis = Tapinoma sessile
subaeneaes = F. subaenius
subpolita camponoticeps = F. subpolita
subpolita fictica = F. subpolita
subsericea = F. fusca
truncicola integroides = F. integroides
truncicola integroides coloradensis = F. integroides
truncicola integroides haemorrhoidalis = F. haemorrhoidalis
truncicola mucceans = F. mucceans
truncicola obscuriventris = F. obscuriventris
truncicola obscuriventris aggerans = F. obscuriventris
umbrita = Lasius umbratus
vinculans = F. neogagates
whymperi alpina = F. whymperi
Iridomyrmex
analis = I. pruinosus
pruinosus analis = I. pruinosus
pruinosus pruinosus = I. pruinosus
pruinosus testaceus = I. pruinosus
Lasius
alienus americanus = L. alienus
americanus = L. niger
americanus sitkaensis = L. pallitarsus
dlaviger = Acanthomyops coloradensis
flavus = L. nearcticus
flavus claripennis = L. nearcticus
flavus microps = L. nearcticus
flavus nearcticus = L. nearcticus
interjectus = Acanthomyops interjectus
latipes = Acanthomyops latipes
murphyi = Acanthomyops murphyi
neoniger = L. niger
niger alienus americanus = L. alienus
niger americanus = L. alienus
niger neoniger = L. niger
niger sitkaensis = L. pallitarsus
pilosus = L. vestitus
sitkaensis = L. pallitarsus
umbrita aphidica = L. umbratus
umbrita mixtus aphidica = L. umbratus
umbrita subumbbratus = L. subumbbratus
Leptothorax
acervorum canadensis = L. muscorum
acervorum canadensis yankee = L. muscorum
acervorum crassipilis = L. crassipilis
canadensis = L. muscorum
canadensis yankee = L. muscorum
nevadensis nevadensis = L. nevadensis
pilifera = Pheidole pilifera
rugatulus brunneescens = L. rugatulus
rugatulus rugatulus = L. rugatulus
sitkaensis = Lasius pallitarsus
tricarinatus tricarinatus = L. tricarinatus
tricarinatus neomexicanus = L. tricarinatus
Liometopum
apiculatum luctuosum = L. occidentale
luctuosum = L. occidentale
microcephalum occidentale = L. occidentale
occidentale luctuosum = L. occidentale
tricarinatus = L. occidentale
Myrmecocystus
melliger = M. mendax
melliger mendax = M. mendax
melliger orbiceps = M. mendax
melliger seminifus = M. kennedyi
mexicanus hortideorum = M. mexicanus
mexicanus mojave = M. testaceus
mexicanus navajo = M. navajo
mojave = M. testaceus
Myrmica
brevinodis = M. incompleta
brevinodis brevispinosa = M. brevispinosa
brevinodis discontinua = M. brevispinosa
brevinodis sulcinodoides = M. incompleta
californica = Pogonomyrmex californicus
emeryana emeryana = M. emeryana
emeryana tahoensis = M. emeryana
fracticornis = M. lobicornis
hamulata hamulata = M. hamulata
hunteri = Manica hunteri
incompleta incompleta = M. incompleta
lineolata = Crematogaster emeryana
lobicornis fracticornis = M. lobicornis
lobicornis lobifrons = M. lobicornis
lobifrons = M. lobicornis
mojave = M. testaceus
nolesta = Solenopsis nolesta
mutica = Manica mutica
occidentalis = Pogonomyrmex occidentalis
rubra brevinodis = M. incompleta
rubra brevinodis brevispinosa = M. brevispinosa
rubra brevinodis sulcinodoides = M. incompleta
rubra scabrinodis fracticornis = M. lobicornis
sabuleti americana = M. americana
sabuleti hamulata = M. hamulata
scabrinodis = M. onticola
scabrinodis brevinodis = M. emeryana
scabrinodis lobocornis fracticornis = M. lobicornis
scabrinodis mexicana = M. emeryana
scabrinodis schenki emeryana = M. emeryana
scabrinodis schenki monticola = M. monticola
scabrinodis sulcinodoides = M. emeryana
schenecki emeryana = M. emeryana
Novomessor
albitosus = Aphaenogaster uinta
Pheidole
biciarina buccalis = P. biciarina
biciarina longula = P. biciarina
biciarina vinelandica = P. biciarina
biciarina paise = P. biciarina
californica oregonica = P. californica
longula = P. biciarina
morrisi dentata = P. dentata
pilifera artemisia = P. pilifera
pilifera coloradensis = P. pilifera
pilifera pilifera = P. pilifera
sitarches sitarches = P. sitarches
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Polyergus
rufescens = P. breviceps
ru'escens breviceps = P. breviceps
rufescens fusca subumbatus = P. breviceps
rufescens umbatus = P. breviceps
Ponera
coaetata pennsylvanica = P. pennsylvanica
opaciceps = Hyponotera opaciceps
trigona = P. pennsylvanica
trigona opacior = Hyponotera opacior
Solenopsis
molesta validiuscula = S. molesta
Stenamma
knowltoni = S. smithi
Symmyrmica
chamberlini = Formicoxenus chamberlini
Tapinoma
pruinosum = Iridomyrmex pruinosus

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