



An Aberrant Oregon Swallowtail, *Papilio oregonius* Edwards from Oregon

On 28 August 1967 an apparently unique aberration of a female Oregon swallowtail, *Papilio oregonius* Edwards emerged in the entomology laboratory of the Oregon Department of Agriculture, Salem. It was one of six (the other five normal) reared from larvae collected on *Artemesia dracunculus* L., 5 miles East of The Dalles, Wasco Co., Oregon, by Kenneth Goeden. The wingspread is 85 mm, body length 26 mm. The aberration exhibits an extreme reduction in melanistic scales, which are strongly suffused with yellow ones. The condition is more pronounced ventrally and melanistic scales are entirely absent on the body. In *P. oregonius* I am not aware of another aberration of any kind, let alone one of such a striking nature.

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