

## OPINION 598

*HANSENIA* KIRKALDY, 1902 (INSECTA, HEMIPTERA); ADDED TO THE OFFICIAL LIST

**RULING.**—(1) It is hereby ruled that Melichar's monograph contained in Heft 3-4 of Band XVI of *Ann. naturh. Hofmus. Wien* is to be considered to have been published on [23 May 1902].

(2) The following generic names are hereby placed on the Official List of Generic Names in Zoology with the Name Numbers specified :—

- (a) *Hansenia* Kirkaldy, January 1902 (gender : feminine), type-species, by original designation, *Poeciloptera glauca* Kirby, 1891 (Name No. 1415);
- (b) *Ormenoflata* Melichar, 1923 (gender : feminine), type-species, by original designation, *Poeciloptera pulverulenta* Guérin, 1844 (Name No. 1416).

(3) The following specific names are hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology with the Name Numbers specified :—

- (a) *glauca* Kirby, 1891, as published in the binomen *Poeciloptera glauca* (type-species of *Hansenia* Kirby, 1902) (Name No. 1728);
- (b) *pulverulenta* Guérin, 1844, as published in the binomen *Poeciloptera pulverulenta* (type-species of *Ormenoflata* Melichar, 1923) (Name No. 1729).

(4) The generic name *Hansenia* Melichar [23 May 1902] (a junior homonym of *Hansenia* Kirkaldy, January 1902) is hereby placed on the Official Index of Rejected and Invalid Generic Names in Zoology with the Name No. 1481.

## HISTORY OF THE CASE (Z.N.(S.) 173)

The case was first brought to the notice of the Commission by a letter from Dr. Fennah received on 24 October 1944, and pointing out the supposed wrong usage of the generic name *Hansenia* for an Old World species. In 1950 an application to the Commission was prepared asking for the use of the plenary powers to suppress the generic name *Hansenia* Melichar, 1901 for the purposes of the Law of Priority but not for those of the Law of Homonymy, in order to validate the current usage of *Hansenia* Kirkaldy. This application was, however, never published. When in 1958 the situation was again examined, it was discovered that although the part of Melichar's monograph in question was dated 1901 on the Title Page, the evidence tended to show that it was published later than this. A paper was therefore prepared asking the Commission to give a Ruling on the date of the part of Melichar's monograph in which *Hansenia* was published. This application was sent to the printer on 7 October 1959 and was published on 8 April 1960 in *Bull. zool. Nomencl.* 17 : 175-177. No objection to Dr. Fennah's proposal was received.

## DECISION OF THE COMMISSION

On 13 October 1960 the Members of the Commission were invited to vote under the Three-Month Rule on Voting Paper (60)19 either for or against the

proposals set out in *Bull. zool. Nomencl.* 17 : 177. At the close of the Voting Period on 13 January 1961 the state of the Voting was as follows:—

Affirmative Votes—twenty-two (22), received in the following order :  
Hering, Holthuis, Riley, Mayr, Prantl, do Amaral, Dymond, Lemche, Vokes, Obruchev, Key, Uchida, Stoll, Mertens, Evans, Kühnelt, Bonnet, Brinck, Jaczewski, Tortonese, Miller, Poll.

Negative Votes—one (1) : Alvarado.

On Leave of Absence—one (1) : Bradley.

Commissioners Boschma and Hemming returned late affirmative votes.

#### ORIGINAL REFERENCES

The following are the original references for names placed on Official Lists and Indexes by the Ruling given in the present Opinion :

*glauca*, *Poeciloptera*, Kirby, 1891, *J. linn. Soc. Lond.* 24 : 154, pl. 6, fig. 14

*Hansenia* Kirkaldy, January 1902, *J. Bombay nat. Hist. Soc.* 14 : 53

*Hansenia* Melichar, [23 May 1902], *Ann. naturh. Hofmus. Wien* 16 : 195, 228

*Ormenoflata* Melichar, 1923, in Wytzman, *Gen. Ins.* 182 : 67

*pulverulenta*, *Poeciloptera*, Guérin, 1844, *Icon. Règne. Anim. Ins.* : 361

#### CERTIFICATE

WE certify that the votes cast on Voting Paper (60)19 were cast as set out above, that the proposals set out in that Voting Paper have been duly adopted, and that the decision so taken, being the decision of the International Commission, is truly recorded in the present Opinion No. 598.

N. D. RILEY  
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*20 January 1961*