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**Glony z Toporowego Stawu Wyżniego w Tatrach****Algae from the Toporowy Staw Wyżni Lake  
in the Tatra Mts**

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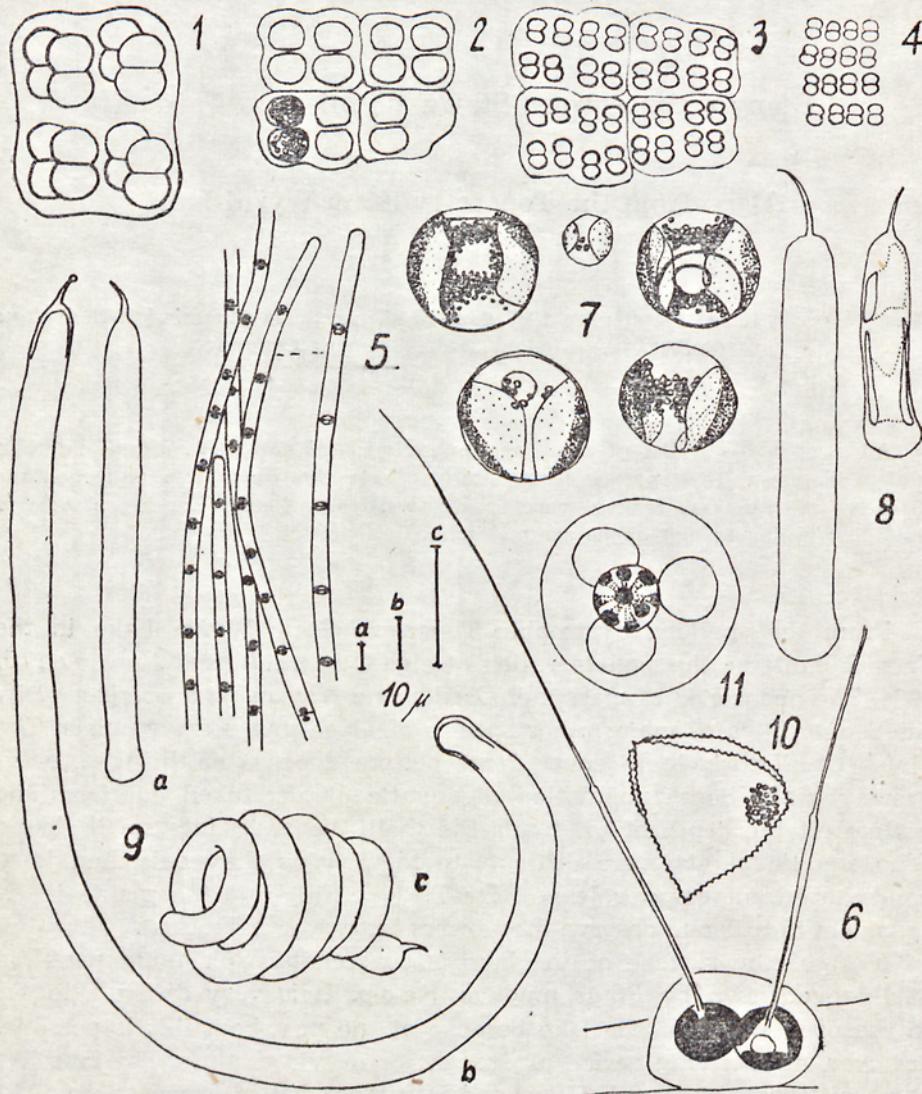
**A b s t r a c t** — A list of algae accompanying *Oscillatoria Komarovii* thalli in winter is given. The species composition reflects the dystrophic and montane character of the lake. Several rare species were also found. Besides, associated *Tendipedidae* larvae and pupae are mentioned.

From the shallow, dystrophic Toporowy Staw Wyżni Lake in the Tatra Mountains the agglomeration of algae were collected January 17th 1964. They consisted of masses of *Oscillatoria Komarovii* accompanied by small quantities of many other species of algae and some animals. The bluish *Oscillatoria* thalli covered the bottom deposits of the lake, overgrown by the dense population of aquatic plants; taken out from the bottom (at the depth of ca. 1 m.), the thalli dispersed into small flocks. (The aquatic plants were difficult to identify as they only had long, band-shaped underwater leaves. Dr T. Tacik grew the plants in an aquarium in order to observe the flowers but without success).

Most of the surface of the lake is covered by *Sphagnum* peat-bog partly overgrown by *Pinus mughus* Scop. It is very difficult to get to the open water of the lake because of the peat-bog; this is possible, however, after a long period of drought or in winter time. The lake lies at an altitude of about 1115 m. and is surrounded by spruce forest. At the time of the investigation its surface was covered by a layer of ice and snow; the pH of the water was 5.2.

Some of the organisms were identified from the live material, some from that preserved in formalin. The most important monograph used

for identification is given with each species of algae. The collection of algal drawings completed since 1959 by my sister A. Siemińska was very helpful during the work. The author is much indebted to Mr and Mrs A. Kownacki for the kind identification of the *Tendipedidae* larvae and pupae.



Figs 1—11. 1 — *Eucapsis alpina*, 2 — *Merismopedia elegans*, 3 — *M. glauca*, 4 — *M. punctata*, 5 — *Oscillatoria Komarovii*, 6 — *Gloeochoete Wittrockiana*, 7 — *Chromulina spectabilis*, 8 — *Ophiocytium cochleare*, 9 a, b, c — *O. majus*, 10 — *Tetraëdriella acuta*, 11 — *Asterococcus limneticus*. Figs 9 a, b magnification a; Figs 1—4, 7, 8, 9 c, 11 magnification b; Figs. 5, 6, 10 magnification c

Explanation of the abbreviations used in the text: br. = broad, l. = long, diam. = diameter, isthm. = isthmus, proc. = processes, sp. = spines.

### *Cyanophyta*

*Aphanothecce microscopica* Näg. (Geitler 1932). Cells 5.5—6  $\mu$  l., 3.5—4  $\mu$  br.; colonies 45—60  $\mu$  l., 36—50  $\mu$  br. In small numbers.

*Eucapsis alpina* Clem. et Shantz (Geitler 1932) (Fig. 1). Cells 7  $\mu$  high, 8—9  $\mu$  br.; colony 35—43  $\mu$  in diam. Cells slightly larger than is given in the literature. Singly.

*Gloeocapsa turgida* (Kütz.) Hollerb. (= *Chroococcus turgidus* (Kütz.) Näg.) (Starmach 1966). Cells 16—20  $\mu$  l., 24—30  $\mu$  br., with envelopes 25—34  $\mu$  in diam. Fairly numerous.

*Merismopedia elegans* A. Braun (Geitler 1932) (Fig. 2). Cells 6—7  $\mu$  high, 7.5—8  $\mu$  in diam., with large and numerous gas vacuoles whose presence is explained by the lack of oxygen at the bottom of the lake. In small numbers.

*M. glauca* (Ehr.) Näg. (Geitler 1932) (Fig. 3). Cells 3—4  $\mu$  in diam. In small numbers.

*M. punctata* Meyen (Geitler 1932) (Fig. 4). Cells 2.5—3  $\mu$  in diam. In small numbers.

*Oscillatoria Komarovii* Aniss. (Starmach 1966) (Fig. 5). Trichomes yellow-green. Cells 1.3—1.8  $\mu$  in diam., 4.7—8.2  $\mu$  l.; end cells rounded at the apex. Trichomes similar to *O. quasiperforata* Skuja but the cells do not reach such great length. In masses.

*Oscillatoria* sp. In small numbers.

### *Glauco phyta*

*Glauco cystis Nostochinearum* (Itzigson) Rabh. (Starmach 1966). Fairly numerous.

*Gloeocheete Wittrockiana* Lagerh. (Starmach 1966) (Fig. 6). Cells 5  $\mu$  in diam. Singly.

### *Chrysophyta*

#### *Chrysophyceae*

*Chromulina spectabilis* Scherffel (1911) (Fig. 7). Only cysts were found, spherical, (11)—23—29  $\mu$  in diam., with or without the eye-spot. The species was first described from the southern part of the Tatra Mts where it was found in peat-bog pits. In small numbers.

*Mallomonas* sp. In small numbers.

### Bacillariophyceae

*Anomoeoneis serians* (Bréb.) Cleve var. *brachysira* (Bréb.) Hust. fo. *thermalis* (Grun.) Hust. Valvae 26  $\mu$  l., 7  $\mu$  br., ca. 25 striae in 10  $\mu$ . Singly.

*Cymbella gracilis* (Rab h.) Cleve. Valvae 35—40  $\mu$  l., 5—6  $\mu$  br., 12 striae in 10  $\mu$  at the dorsal part, 14 at the ventral part. In small numbers.

*Diatoma elongatum* Ag. var. *tenuis* (Ag.) Kütz. Singly.

*Eunotia alpina* (Näg.) Hust. Valvae 50—80  $\mu$  l., 2  $\mu$  br. Singly.

*E. flexuosa* Kütz. Valvae 70  $\mu$  l., 3  $\mu$  br., at the apices 4  $\mu$  br.; 18 striae in 10  $\mu$ . Singly.

*E. pectinalis* (Kütz.) Rab h. var. *minor* (Kütz.) Rab h. fo. *impressa* Ehr. Valvae 17  $\mu$  l., 4  $\mu$  br., 20 striae in 10  $\mu$ . Singly.

*E. robusta* Ralfs var. *tetraodon* (Ehr.) Ralfs. Valvae 36  $\mu$  l., 16  $\mu$  br.; 12—13 striae in 10  $\mu$ . Singly.

*E. septentrionalis* Oestrup. Valvae 22—32  $\mu$  l., 2  $\mu$  br. Singly.

*E. lunaris* (Ehr.) Grun. Singly.

*E. veneris* (Kütz.) O. Müll. Valvae 22  $\mu$  l., 4  $\mu$  br.; 15 striae in 10  $\mu$ . Singly.

*Frustulia rhomboidea* (Ehr.) de Toni var. *saxonica* (Rab h.) de Toni. Numerous, in clusters.

*F. rhomboidea* var. *saxonica* fo. *capitata* A. Mayer. Valvae 38  $\mu$  l., 10  $\mu$  br. Singly.

*Gomphonema constrictum* Ehr. Singly.

*Nitzschia paleacea* Grun. Singly.

*Pinnularia gibba* Ehr. Numerous, in clusters.

*P. gibba* fo. *subundulata* Mayer. Singly.

*P. interrupta* W. Smith. In small numbers.

*Stauroneis phoenicentron* Ehr. Singly.

*Stenopterobia intermedia* Lewis. Valvae 166  $\mu$  l., 9  $\mu$  br.; 5 carinal pores in 10  $\mu$ . In small numbers.

*Tabellaria flocculosa* (Roth.) Kütz. Numerously, forming zigzag colonies.

### Xanthophyceae

*Ophiocytium cochleare* A. Braun (Pascher 1939) (Fig. 8). Cells with a sp. 55—100  $\mu$  l., 9—13  $\mu$  in diam.; sp. 10—14  $\mu$  l. The diam. is greater than is given in the description of the species approaching *O. maius*. In small numbers.

*O. maius* Näg. (Pascher 1939) (Fig. 9). Cells straight, curved or, rarely, spirally bent, 14—18  $\mu$  in diam., 57—279  $\mu$  (rarely up to 3 mm) l.; sp. 15—17  $\mu$  l., mostly with a spherical enlargement at the end. In small numbers.

*Rhizochloris tatraica* Siemińska (1964 b). In small numbers.  
*Tetraëdriella acuta* Pascher (1939) (Fig. 10). Cells 10—14  $\mu$  in diam.  
 Singly.

### *Chlorophyta*

#### *Volvocales*

*Asterococcus limneticus* G. M. Smith (Prescott 1962) (Fig. 11). Colonies 2- and 4-celled, 25—38  $\mu$  in diam.; cells 13—14  $\mu$  in diam. In small numbers.

*A. superbus* (Cienk.) Scherffel (Koršikov 1953) (Fig. 12). Only palmelloid stages were found. Cells connected into colonies similar in shape to *Gloeocystis ampla*. Cells spherical, 12—20  $\mu$  in diam., or elipsoid, 17—20  $\mu$  l., 14—17  $\mu$  br., with individual envelopes 25—37  $\mu$  in diam.; colonies 45—73  $\mu$  in diam. The size of cells is smaller than is given by Lemermann (1915; 25—37  $\times$  20—37  $\mu$ ) and Prescott (1962; 36—43  $\mu$ ); Koršikov gave no size data. In small numbers.

#### *Chlorococcales*

*Ankistrodesmus densus* Koršikov (1953) (Fig. 13). Cells 50—75  $\mu$  l., 2.5—3  $\mu$  in diam. Fairly numerous.

*A. falcatus* (Corda) Ralfs (Koršikov 1953) (Fig. 14). In small numbers.

*Chlorococcales* non det. Spherical cells, 13—15  $\mu$  in diam. with dark green, dense, granular chloroplasts. Numerous.

*Dictyosphaerium* sp. (Fig. 15). Cells spherical, ca. 5  $\mu$  in diam.; chloroplast cup-shaped, without pyrenoid. Colony 4-celled. It differs from *D. pulchellum* Wood and var. *minutum* De Flandre (1929) in having no pyrenoid, and from *D. anomalum* Koršikov (1953) in the spherical shape of cells and different disposition of the chloroplast. Only one colony was seen.

*Oocystis solitaria* Wittrock (Koršikov 1953) (Fig. 16). Cells 13  $\mu$  l., 6—7  $\mu$  br.; colony 56  $\mu$  l., 34  $\mu$  br. The envelope was strongly detached. Singly.

*Oocystis* sp. (Fig. 17). Cells 6.5—8  $\mu$  l., 3.2—4  $\mu$  br.; colony 15  $\mu$  l., 8  $\mu$  br. Singly.

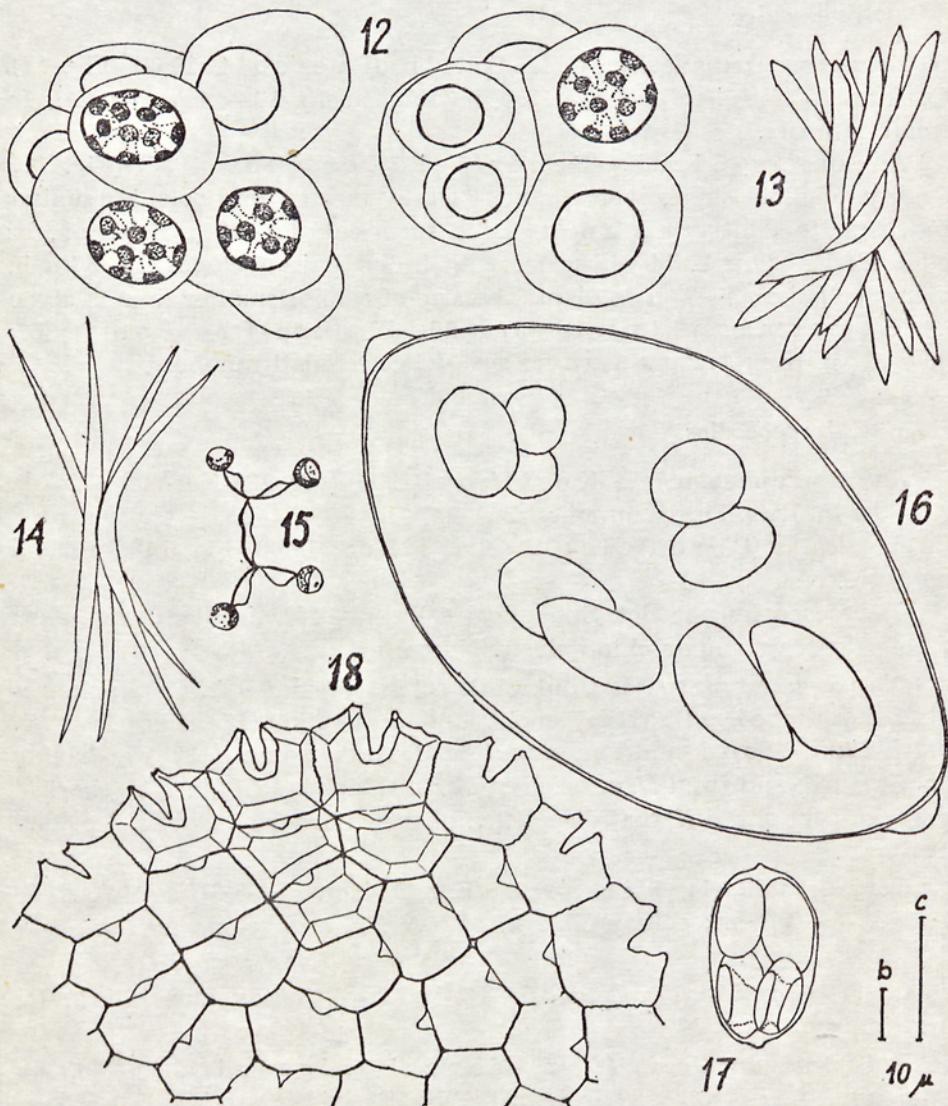
*Pediastrum angulosum* (Ehr.) Menegh. (Bigeard 1933) (Fig. 18). Colony with the type of cells described by Raciborski (1889) as var. *araneosum*. Singly.

*P. Taylori* Siemińska (1965). Cells with proc. 8—9  $\mu$  l., 8—10  $\mu$  br.; cell wall punctate. Colony 24—26  $\mu$  in diam. Only two 8-celled colonies were seen. Wołoszyńska (1925) identified similar specimens from

the Tatra Mts and Czarnohora Mts (in East Carpathians) as *P. tricornutum* Borg e and *P. biradiatum* Mey en?

*P. teras* (E h r.) Ralfs (Big eard 1933). Singly.

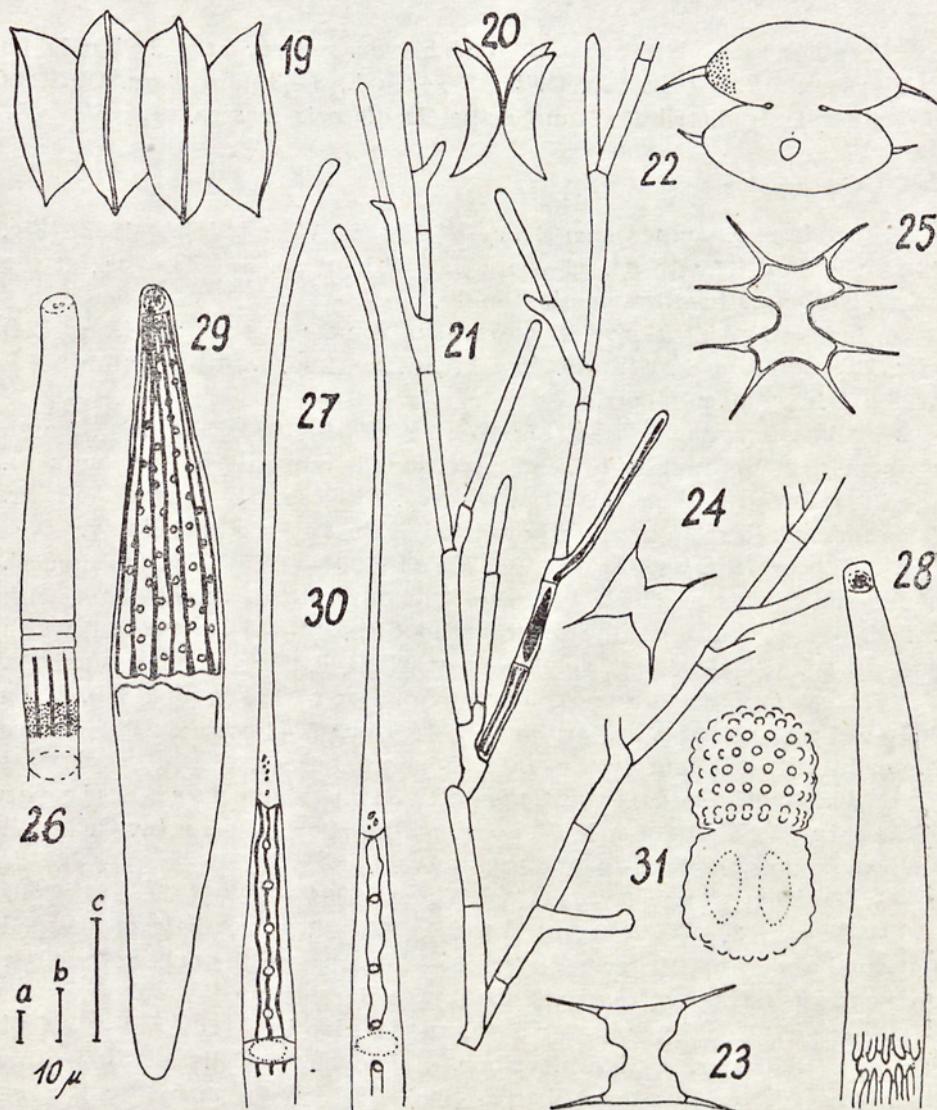
*Scenedesmus acutiformis* Schroder (Prescott 1962) (Fig. 19). Cells 15—17  $\mu$  l., 5—6  $\mu$  br. Single.



Figs 12—18. 12 — *Asterococcus superbus*, palmelloid stages, 13 — *Ankistrodesmus densus*, 14 — *A. falcatus*, 15 — *Dictyosphaerium* sp., 16 — *Oocystis solitaria*, 17 — *Oocystis* sp., 18 — *Pediastrum angulosum*. Figs 12—15, 18 magnification b; Figs 16, 17 magnification c

*S. bijugatus* (Turp.) Kütz. (Prescott 1962). Cells 13—14  $\mu$  l., 3—4  $\mu$  br. Fairly numerous.

*S. quadricauda* (Turp.) Bréb. (Prescott 1962). Single.



Figs 19—31. 19 — *Scenedesmus acutiformis*, 20 — *Tetraedesmus wisconsinensis*, 21 — *Microthamnion strictissimum* var. *macrocystis*, 22 — *Arthrodesmus convergens*, 23 — *A. Incus* var. *extensus*, 24 — *A. Incus* fo. *minor*, 25 — *A. octocornis*, 26 — *Closterium angustatum*, 27 — *C. Kütingii* var. *laeve*, 28 — *C. lineatum*, 29 — *C. Lunula*, 30 — *C. setaceum*, 31 — *Cosmarium amoenum*. Figs 26, 28, 29 magnification a; Figs 21—25, 27, 30, 31 magnification b; Figs 19, 20 magnification c

*Tetraedesmus wisconsinensis* G. M. Smith (Prescott 1962) (Fig. 20). Cells 10.5  $\mu$  l., 3  $\mu$  br. Cells sickle shaped touching each other at one point; the size is slightly smaller than is given in the diagnosis. Singly.

### Chaetophorales

*Microthamnion strictissimum* Rabh. var. *macrocystis* Schmidle (Heering 1914) (Fig. 21). Cells 18—42  $\mu$  l., 2—3  $\mu$  in diam. Clusters of thalli sparsely distributed among the *Oscillatoria* masses.

### Conjugales

*Arthrodesmus convergens* Ehr. (West & West 1904—1923) (Fig. 22). Cells 35  $\mu$  l., with sp. 52—56  $\mu$  br., without sp. 37—38  $\mu$  br., at the isthm. 9  $\mu$  br. Cell wall punctate. Singly.

*A. Incus* (Bréb.) Hass var. *extensus* Andersson (Smith 1924) (Fig. 23). Cell 20  $\mu$  l., with sp. 40  $\mu$  br., without sp. 18  $\mu$  br.; isthm. 7.5  $\mu$  br. 8  $\mu$  l. In small numbers.

*A. Incus* fo. *minor* West & West (1904—1923) (Fig. 24). Length of the cell in the middle 13  $\mu$ , greatest length without sp. 15  $\mu$ , with sp. 18—20  $\mu$ ; width without sp. 18  $\mu$ , with sp. 26  $\mu$ ; sp. 5  $\mu$  l.; isthm. 5  $\mu$  br. The semicells seem to be slightly twisted against each other. Singly.

*A. octocornis* Ehr. (West & West 1904—1923) (Fig. 25). Length of the cell in the middle 19  $\mu$ , greatest length without sp. 22—23  $\mu$ , with sp. 38—41  $\mu$ ; width at the apex without sp. 14—15  $\mu$ , greatest width without sp. 18—19  $\mu$ , with sp. 40—41  $\mu$ ; isthm. 6  $\mu$  br. In small numbers.

*Closterium angustatum* Kütz. (Krieger 1937) (Fig. 26). Cells 450—514  $\mu$  l., 19—22  $\mu$  br., at the apex 14  $\mu$  br.; 3—4 costae visible across the cell. Cell wall densely punctate. Fairly numerous.

*C. Kütingii* Bréb. var. *laeve* (Racib.) Krieger (Krieger 1937) (Fig. 27). Cell 362  $\mu$  l., 10  $\mu$  br., at the apex 1.5—2  $\mu$  br. Cell wall colourless, not punctate. In small numbers.

*C. lineatum* Ehr. (West & West 1904—1923) (Fig. 28). Cells 390—424  $\mu$  l., 30—35  $\mu$  br., at the apex 10—12  $\mu$  br. Ends of the cell flattened and with thicker cell wall. 15—17 striae on the cell wall visible across the cell. Chloroplasts with about six ridges. In small numbers.

*C. lunula* (Müll.) Nitzsch (Kossinskaja 1960) (Fig. 29). Cell 324  $\mu$  l., 46  $\mu$  br. Cell wall smooth, colourless. Cells of that size, distinguished by West & West (1904—1923) as fo. *minor* (by Krieger, 1937, as var. *minus* West & West), are included by Kossinskaja into the type. Singly.

*C. setaceum* Ehr. (Krieger 1937) (Fig. 30). Cell 334  $\mu$  l., 10  $\mu$  br., at the apex 2  $\mu$  br. Because of the smooth cell wall the specimens are similar to var. *Rollii* Kossinskaja (1960). The shape and size of the cells were nearly identical to *C. Kütingii* found in the same material, the

shape of the chloroplasts, however, number of pyrenoids and number of gypsum cristals in the vacuoles being different. In small numbers.

*Cosmarium amoenum* Bréb. (West & West 1904—1923) (Fig. 31). Cells 48—51  $\mu$  l., 25—27  $\mu$  br., 19  $\mu$  thick; isthm. 13—15  $\mu$  br. Semicells slightly narrower towards the middle of the cell; vertical view broad elliptic. Lower row of granules is doubled. Two pyrenoids in each semicell. The ornamentation and the size of the cells is also in agreement with *C. pseudamoenum* Wille var. *basilare* Nordst.; because of the number of pyrenoids the specimens were included in *C. amoenum*. Singly.

*C. cucurbita* Bréb. (West & West 1904—1923) (Fig. 32). Cells 40  $\mu$  l., 20  $\mu$  br.; isthm. 18  $\mu$  br. Singly.

*C. margaritiferum* Menegh. (West & West 1904—1923) (Fig. 33). Cells 50—55  $\mu$  l., 42—45  $\mu$  br., 24—31  $\mu$  thick; isthm. 10—13  $\mu$  br. In small numbers.

*C. ornatum* Ralfs (West & West 1904—1923) (Fig. 34). Cell 36  $\mu$  l., 32  $\mu$  br., in the middle of semicell 20  $\mu$  thick; isthm. 10  $\mu$  br. In small numbers.

*C. pseudopyramidatum* Lund. var. *carniolicum* Lütkem? (Fig. 35). Cell strongly flattened, 54  $\mu$  l., 30.5—32  $\mu$  br., at the isthm. 9  $\mu$  br. Cell wall punctate. Only one dead cell was seen, corresponding in shape and size to the specimen found by Messikommer (1965). As Lütkemüller's original diagnosis was not available, and it was, besides, hard to establish how many pyrenoids there were in a semicell, this identification is not certain.

*C. quadratum* Ralfs (West & West 1904—1923) (Fig. 36). Cell 58  $\mu$  l., 33  $\mu$  br., at the isthm. 19.5  $\mu$  br. Cell wall seems to be punctate. Singly.

*Desmidium cylindricum* Grev. (West & West 1904—1923). Cells 25—26  $\mu$  l., 47—52  $\mu$  br., 37  $\mu$  thick, at the isthm. 40—45  $\mu$  br. In small numbers.

*D. Swartzii* Ag. (West & West 1904—1923). Cells 16—17  $\mu$  l., 36—37  $\mu$  br.; isthm. 27—28  $\mu$  br. In small numbers.

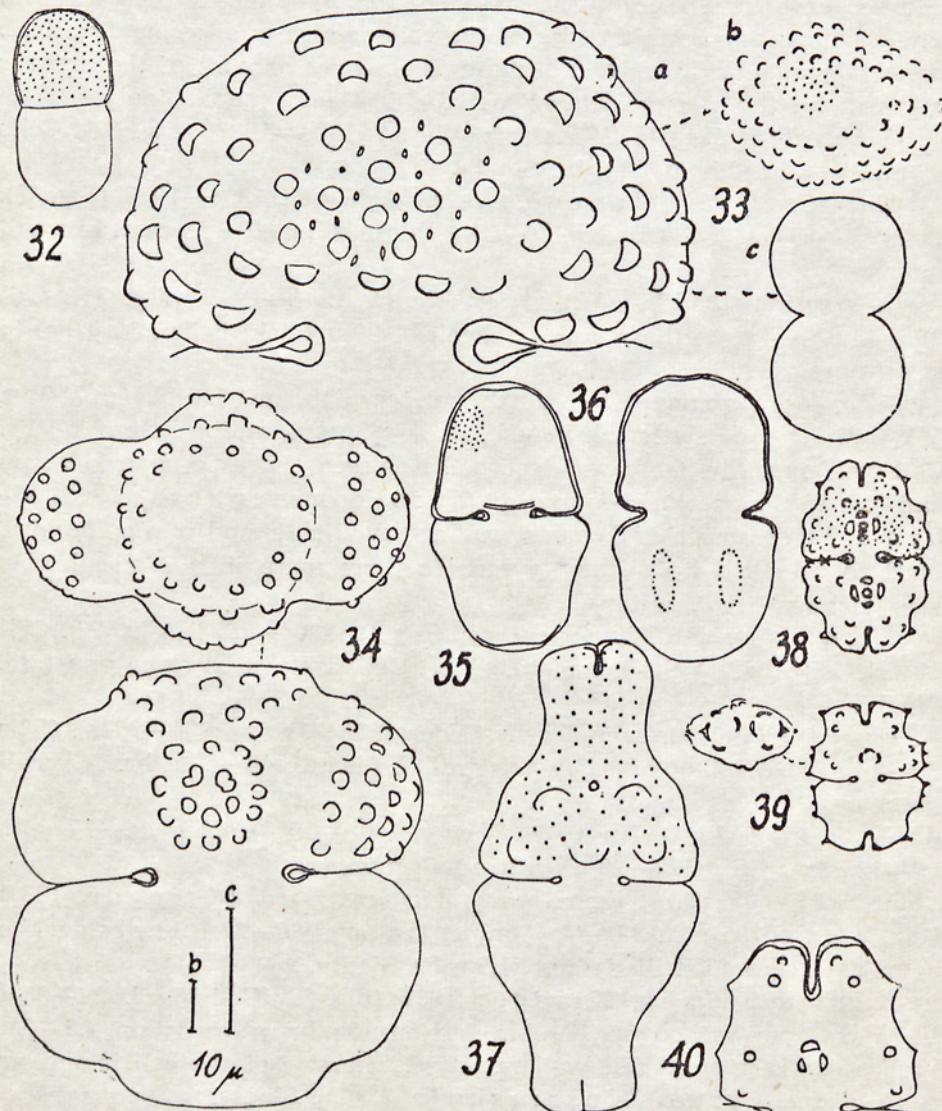
*Euastrum ansatum* Ehr. var. *robustum* Duc. (Krieger 1937) (Fig. 37). Cell 95  $\mu$  l., 43—45  $\mu$  br., at the apex 20—22  $\mu$  br., below the apex 20—21  $\mu$  br., at the isthm. 11.5  $\mu$  br. Singly.

*E. bidentatum* Näg. (Krieger 1937) (Fig. 38). Cell 38  $\mu$  l., 24—25  $\mu$  br., at the apex without sp. 17  $\mu$  br., with sp. 19  $\mu$  br., at the isthm. 4.5—5  $\mu$  br. No central pores. Cell wall punctate. The size of the cell is similar to fo. *minus* (Elenk.) Kossinskaja (1960). Singly.

*E. denticulatum* (Kirchn.) Gay var. *angusticeps* Grönbl. (Krieger 1937, Kossinskaja 1960) (Fig. 39). Cell 29  $\mu$  l., at the apex 15—17  $\mu$  br., at the base of the semicell 23  $\mu$  br., at the isthm. 4  $\mu$  br.; ca. 13  $\mu$  thick; apical incision 2.5—3  $\mu$  deep. The apex is not flat but slightly convex. In small numbers.

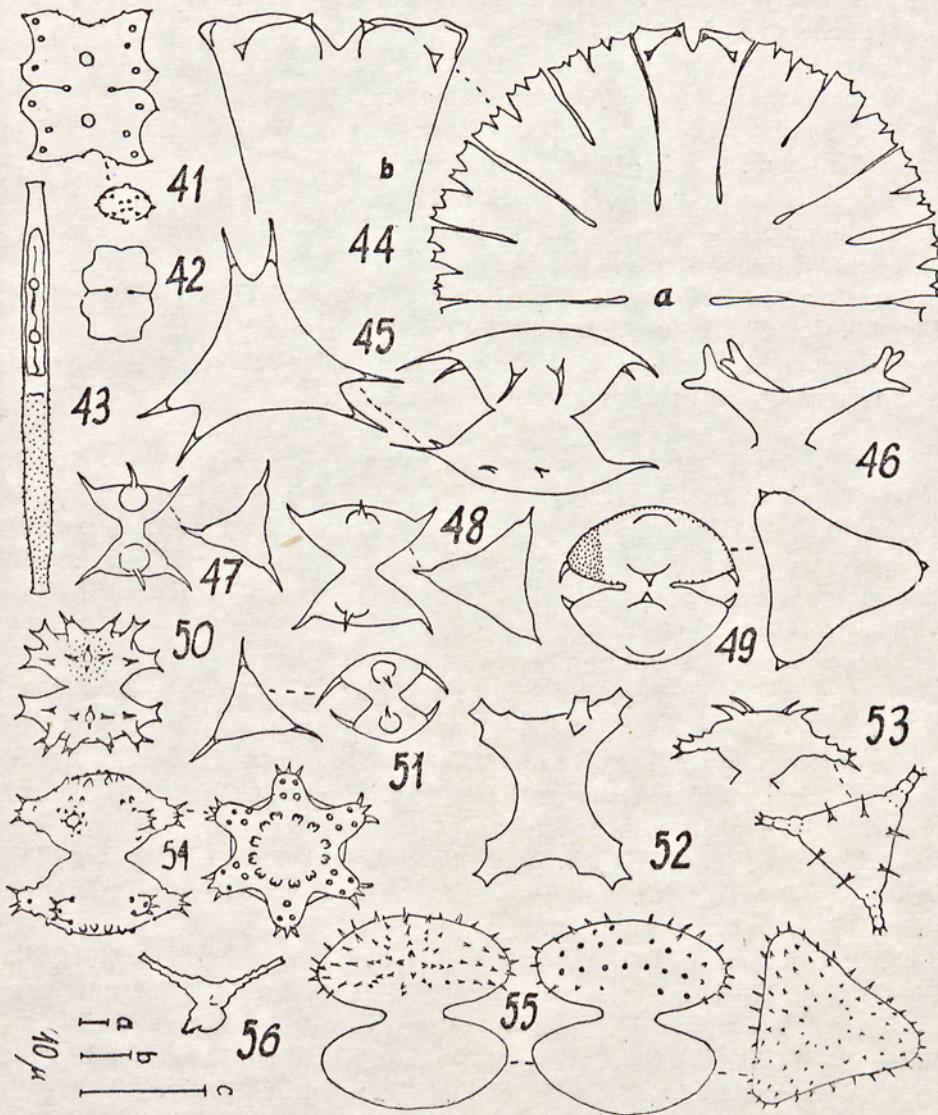
*E. elegans* (Bréb.) Kütz. (Krieger 1937) (Fig. 40). Cell 28  $\mu$  l., 16  $\mu$  br., at the apex 8.5  $\mu$  br., in the upper part of semicell 14  $\mu$  br., at the isthm. 5.5  $\mu$  br. Singly.

*E. Gayanum* de Toni (Krieger 1937, Kossinskaja 1960) (Fig. 41). Cell 12  $\mu$  l., in the middle only 10.5  $\mu$  l., at the apex 9.5  $\mu$  br.



Figs 32—40. 32 — *Cosmarium cucurbita*, 33 a, b, c — *C. margaritiferum*, 34 — *C. ornatum*, 35 — *C. pseudopyramidatum* var. *carniolicum* ?, 36 — *C. quadratum*, 37 — *Euastrum ansatum* var. *robustum*, 38 — *E. bidentatum*, 39 — *E. denticulatum* var. *angusticeps*, 40 — *E. elegans*. Figs 32, 33 b, c, 35—39 magnification b; Figs 33 a, 34, 40 magnification c

at the base of the semicell 10.5  $\mu$  br., with the central nodules 8  $\mu$  thick, without central nodules 6  $\mu$  thick. Singly.



Figs 41—56. 41 a, b — *Euastrum Gayanum*, 42 — *E. insulare* var. *silesiacum*, 43 — *Gonatozygon Brebissonii*, 44 a, b — *Micrasterias Thomasiana* var. *notata*, 45 — *Staurastrum bifidum*, 46 — *S. brachiatum*, 47 — *S. cuspidatum* var. *divergens*, 48 — *S. dejectum* var. *dejectum* fo. *angustatum*, 49 — *S. Dickie* var. *circulare*, 50 — *S. furcatum* var. *subsenarium*, 51 — *S. glabrum* ?, 52 — *S. inconspicuum* var. *crassum*, 53 — *S. oxyacanthum*, 54 — *S. margaritaceum*, 55 — *S. pilosum*, 56 — *S. tetracerum*. Fig. 44 a magnification a; Figs 41 b, 42, 43, 44 b, 45—51 magnification b; Figs 41 a, 52 magnification c

*E. insulare* (Witttr.) Roy var. *silesiacum* Grönbl. (Fig. 42). Cell 20  $\mu$  l., 15  $\mu$  br., at the apex 10.5—11  $\mu$  br., at the isthm. 3  $\mu$  br.; 9  $\mu$  thick. The dimensions of the specimen agree with those given by Krieger (1937), Kossinskaja (1960) and Croasdale and Grönblad (1964) for the variety as well as with those of Prescott and Scott (1945) for var. *silesiacum* fo. *minus*. Singly.

*E. oblongum* (Grév.) Ralfs (Krieger 1937). Cell 186  $\mu$  l., 87  $\mu$  br., at the isthm. 13  $\mu$  br. In small numbers.

*E. pectinatum* Bréb. (Krieger 1937). Cells 56—65  $\mu$  l., 40—48  $\mu$  br., at the apex 28—31  $\mu$  br., below the apex 18.5—20  $\mu$  br., at the isthm. 7  $\mu$  br.; 27  $\mu$  thick. Singly.

*Gonatozygon Brébissonii* De Bary (West & West 1904—1923) (Fig. 43). Cell 84  $\mu$  l., in the middle 5  $\mu$  br., at the apex 3  $\mu$  br.; 2 pyrenoids in each semicell. The length of the specimen is far shorter than is given in the literature but the shape is typical. Singly.

*Micrasterias Thomasiana* Arch. var. *notata* (Nordst.) Grönbl. (Kossinskaja 1960) (Fig. 44). Cells 222—254  $\mu$  l., 202—212  $\mu$  br., at the isthm. 30—34  $\mu$  br. At the apex of the polar lobe there is a pair of teeth on each side of the median notch and of each side of the semicell. Singly.

*Mougeotia* sp. Singly.

*Spirogyra* sp. In small numbers.

*Sphaerozosma excavatum* Ralfs (West & West 1904—1923). Cells 9—11  $\mu$  l., 6—7  $\mu$  br., at the isthm. 4—5  $\mu$  br. In small numbers.

*Staurastrum Arachnae* Ralfs (West & West 1904—1923). Cell 21  $\mu$  l., with proc. 38—40  $\mu$  br., without proc. 17  $\mu$  br., at the isthm. 7  $\mu$  br.; proc. 15  $\mu$  l. In small numbers.

*S. bifidum* (Ehr.) Bréb. (West & West 1904—1923) (Fig. 45). Cells 33.5—35  $\mu$  l., with sp. 50—55  $\mu$  br., without sp. 30—34  $\mu$  br., at the isthm. 15—16  $\mu$  br. In small numbers.

*S. brachiatum* Ralfs (West & West 1904—1923) (Fig. 46). Cells 28—32  $\mu$  l., 47—50  $\mu$  br., at the isthm. 10—11  $\mu$  br. In small numbers.

*S. cuspidatum* Bréb. var. *divergens* Nordst. (West & West 1904—1923) (Fig. 47). Cells with sp. 23  $\mu$  l., without sp. 18.5—20  $\mu$  l., with sp. 23  $\mu$  br., without sp. 18  $\mu$  br.; at the isthm. 4  $\mu$  br. Singly.

*S. dejectum* Bréb. var. *dejectum* fo. *angustatum* Teiling (1954) (Fig. 48). Cells with sp. 25—26  $\mu$  l., without sp. 25  $\mu$  l., with sp. 27—30  $\mu$  br., without sp. 24—26  $\mu$  br., at the isthm. 6  $\mu$  br.; sp. 3—4  $\mu$  l. Not having in hand the original diagnosis of Teiling, I compared the specimens with the description and drawing given by Grönblad, Scott and Croasdale (1964). The specimens were also similar to those shown by West and West (1904—1923; Pl. 129, fig. 7), and by Prescott (1931; fig. 6, 6a) identified as *S. apiculatum* Bréb. I supported the

opinion of Teiling because the semicells had divergent spines but not directed vertically upwards. Singly.

*S. Dickiei* Ralfs var. *circulare* Turn. (West & West 1904—1923) (Fig. 49). Cell 34  $\mu$  l., with sp. 36—37  $\mu$  br., without sp. 33—34  $\mu$  br., at the isthm. 8  $\mu$  br. Cell wall densely porous. Singly.

*S. furcatum* (Ehr.) Bréb. var. *subsenarium* West & West (1904—1923) (Fig. 50). Cell with proc. 30  $\mu$  l., without proc. 23  $\mu$  l., with proc. 27  $\mu$  br., without proc. 20  $\mu$  br., at the isthm. 11  $\mu$  br. Cell wall granulate. Singly.

*S. glabrum* (Ehr.) Ralfs (West & West 1904—1923). Cells 20—25  $\mu$  l., with sp. 38—41  $\mu$  br., without sp. 26—31  $\mu$  br., at the isthm. 6—7  $\mu$  br.; sp. 8—9  $\mu$  l. Singly.

*S. glabrum* (Ehr.) Ralfs ? (Fig. 51). Cell 18  $\mu$  l., with sp. 27  $\mu$  br., without sp. 17  $\mu$  br., at the isthm. 5  $\mu$  br.; sp. 8  $\mu$  l. The size agrees with the diagnosis but the semicells are distinctly convex at the apex instead of being straight or slightly concave. In shape the specimen recalls *S. Dickiei* var. *rhomboideum* West & West but it is much smaller. Singly.

*S. inconspicuum* Nordst. var. *crassum* Gay (West & West 1904—1923) (Fig. 52). Cell with proc. 16  $\mu$  l., without proc. 12  $\mu$  l., with proc. 13  $\mu$  br., at the isthm. 5.5  $\mu$  br. Singly.

*S. oxyacanthum* Arch. (West & West 1904—1923) (Fig. 53). Cell without sp. 28  $\mu$  l., with proc. 40  $\mu$  br. without proc. 21  $\mu$  br., at the isthm. 6—7  $\mu$  br.; apical sp. 4  $\mu$  l., proc. with terminal sp. 10—12  $\mu$  long. Singly.

*S. margaritaceum* (Ehr.) Menegh. (West & West 1904—1923) (Fig. 54). Cells 33—35  $\mu$  l., with sp. 35—38  $\mu$  br., without sp. 32—34  $\mu$  br., at the isthm. 11  $\mu$  br. In small numbers.

*S. pilosum* (Näg.) Arch. (West & West 1904—1923) (Fig. 55). Cells without sp. 40—41  $\mu$  l., 38—39  $\mu$  br., at the isthm. 11—12  $\mu$  br.; sp. ca. 2  $\mu$  l. Sinus distinctly rounded. In small numbers.

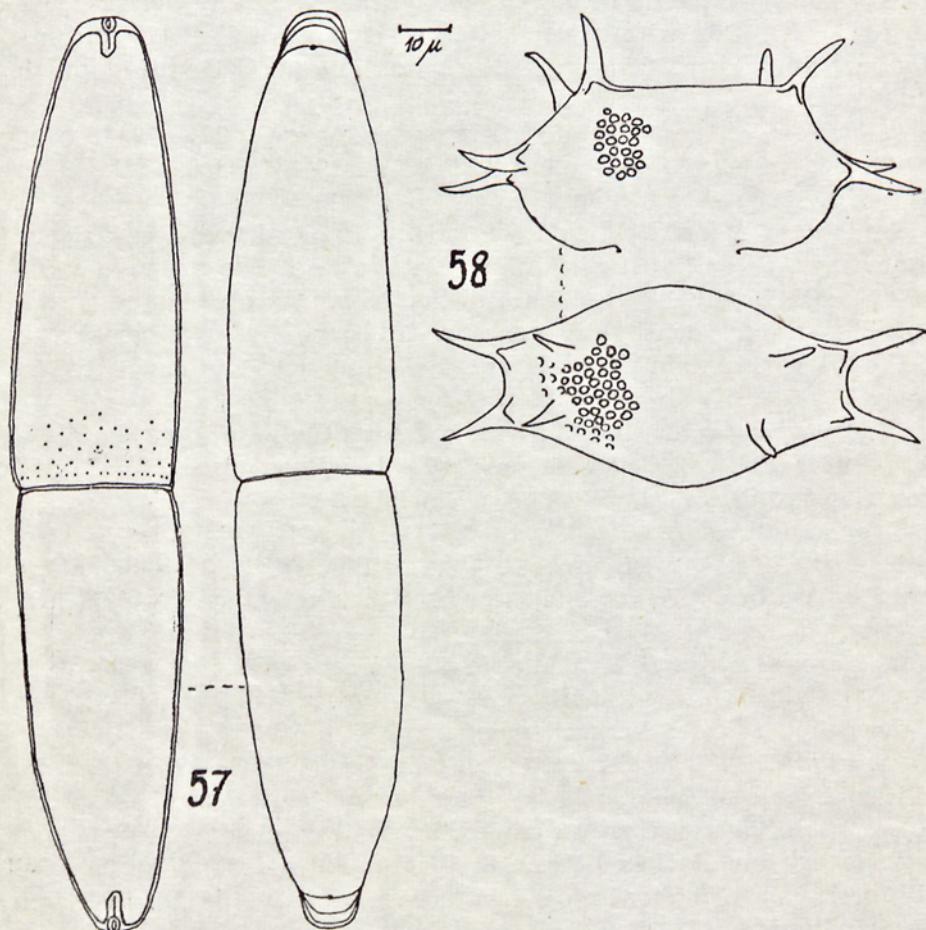
*S. tetracerum* Ralfs (West & West, 1904—1923) (Fig. 56). Cell with proc. 21  $\mu$  l., without proc. 11  $\mu$  l., with proc. 30  $\mu$  br., at the isthm. 6  $\mu$  br. Singly.

*Tetmemorus granulatus* (Bréb.) Ralfs (Krieger 1937) (Fig. 57). Cell 190  $\mu$  l., 33  $\mu$  in diam. Singly.

*Xanthidium antilopaeum* (Bréb.) Kütz. var. ? (West & West 1904—1923) (Fig. 58). Cell with sp. 98  $\mu$  l., without sp. 66  $\mu$  l., with sp. 95  $\mu$  br., without sp. 67  $\mu$  br. at the isthm. 25  $\mu$  br. Cell wall everywhere distinctly scrobiculated. The scrobiculation of the entire cell wall has not hitherto been observed in the species or its varieties. Only one dead cell was seen.

*X. armatum* (Bréb.) Rabenh. (West & West 1904—1923) (Fig. 59, 60). Cell with sp. 120  $\mu$  l., without sp. 108  $\mu$  l., with sp. 93  $\mu$  br., without

sp.  $75 \mu$  br., at the isthm.  $33 \mu$  br.;  $56 \mu$  thick. Cell wall punctate. One specimen had no teeth on the central wart (Fig. 59). On some dead, empty cells the cell wall was distinctly scrobiculate. Some specimens were surrounded by a thick layer of mucilage. In small numbers.



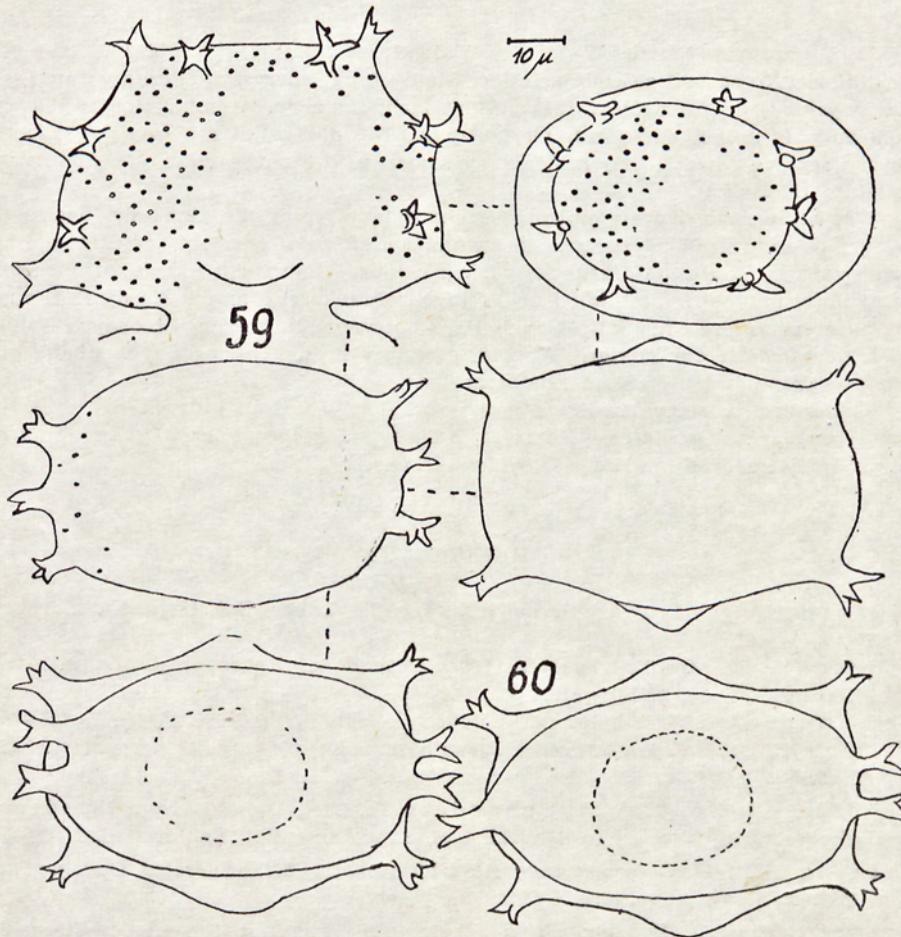
Figs 57—58. 57 — *Tetmemorus granulatus*, 58 — *Xanthidium antilopaeum* var.?

Among the microscopical animals living in the *Oscillatoria* masses there were *Protozoa*, *Rotatoria*, *Gastrotricha*, *Nemtodes*, *Tardigrada*, and *Cladocera*.

Macroscopical animals were mostly small larvae and pupae of *Tendipedidae*: *Orthocladius Korosiensis*? Tschern. singly, *Polypedilum* sp. (ex gr. *constrictum* Walk.?) singly, *Procladius* sp. singly, *Psectrocladius* ex gr. *psilopterus* Kieff. numerous (ca. 4 larvae in 1 ccm of algae), *Tendipes plumosus* L. in small numbers. Most of the larvae were 1—1.5 mm

long, the greatest reaching up to 6 mm length. Besides, small, white *Pisidium* (*Mollusca*) was found fairly numerously.

All organisms found are characteristic for sessile fresh-water communities; the only alga which might be considered as planctonic is a single specimen of *Dictyosphaerium* sp. *Oscillatoria Komarovii*,



Figs 59—60. 59 — *Xanthidium ornatum*, 60 — *X. ornatum*, teratologic specimen

appearing here in masses, was originally found in mineral lakes in the Ukraine (Starýmach 1966) also on the mud. The great number of desmids and acidophilous diatoms is explained by the dystrophic type of the lake and low pH of the water. The occurrence of species of northern or alpine character (e.g. *Pediastrum Taylori*, *Eunotia alpina*, *E. septentrionalis*, *Cymbella gracilis*) is connected with the montane climate of the Tatra.

The finding of several rare species is to be stressed, among which *Oscillatoria Komarovii*, *Chromulina spectabilis*, *Stenopterobia intermedia*, *Tetraedriella acuta*, and *Tetraedesmus wisconsinensis* are the most interesting.

#### STRESZCZENIE

W Toporowym Stawie Wyżnim w Tatrach zebrano 17 stycznia 1964 r. plechy *Oscillatoria Komarovii* zaścielające dno. Sinicy tej towarzyszyły liczne gatunki glonów występujące na ogół w małych ilościach. Ze zwierząt mikroskopowych występowały *Protozoa*, *Rotatoria*, *Gastrotricha*, *Nematodes*, *Tardigrada* i *Cladocera*. Licznie reprezentowane były małe larwy i poczwarki *Tendipedidae* oraz małe okazy *Pisidium* (*Mollusca*).

Wszystkie znalezione organizmy są charakterystyczne dla słodkowodnych zbiorowisk osiadłych. Występująca masowo *Oscillatoria Komarovii* została opisana z mineralnych jezior na Ukrainie, gdzie również żyła na mule dennym. Obecność dużej ilości gatunków desmidii i acidofilnych okrzemek tłumaczy się dystroficznym charakterem jeziora i niskim pH wody. Występowanie gatunków północnych i alpejskich (np. *Pediastrum Taylorii*, *Eunotia alpestris*, *E. septentrionalis*, *Cymbella gracilis*) związane jest z górskim klimatem Tatr.

Znaleziono tu szereg rzadkich gatunków glonów, wśród których na szczególną uwagę zasługują: *Oscillatoria Komarovii*, *Chromulina spectabilis*, *Stenopterobia intermedia*, *Tetraedriella acuta* i *Tetraedesmus wisconsinensis*.

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