Westward Range Extension for *Franclemontia interrogans* (Walker)  
a Rarely Encountered and Little Known Species  
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**Abstract.** A very brief synopsis of the recent investigation by Douglas C. Ferguson of a seldom collected Noctuidae species, and newly reported Louisiana records.

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F. Walker (1856) described *Leucania interrogans* from two specimens, but gave no type locality or country of origin. Approximately 85 years later, John G. Franclemont collected a specimens in Dade Co. Alabama. Kimball (1965) listed one specimen from Escambia Co. Florida. A few specimens were subsequently taken at Charleston Co. South Carolina. Ferguson (1992) speculated the types originated from Georgia and surmised the species is univoltine, dates of capture occurring April 5-21. Ferguson stated probably no more than eight to ten specimens have ever been collected.

For the past 80 years, the species has remained assigned to the genus *Phragmatiphila*. Now it is more appropriately assigned to the newly established genus *Franclemontia* Ferguson. Three specimens, one male and two females have been taken in Louisiana, St. Tammany Parish, sec.24T6SR12E, 4.2 mi.NE of Abita Springs. Dates of capture: March 16,24,25 1994-96.

**Literature Cited**


