

NOTES

I. NEW LOCALITY FOR *TYLOTRITON VERRUCOSUS*

In early April 1970 Sanong Vorraurai and I found a number of salamanders in a small artificial pond at 1350 metres altitude near Kasetsart University's watershed research station headquarters on Doi Suthep, the mountain just west of Chiang Mai town. Two of the animals were captured, and proved to be *Tylotriton verrucosus* Anderson. They died after some months of captivity in the biology department at Chiang Mai University, and are now preserved in the department. In frequent visits to the pond over the next eighteen months I failed to find any more salamanders; the species must however have been present for some time before our initial discovery, as local inhabitants that we questioned were familiar with the animal.

TAYLOR (1962) mentions only two records for Thailand—a larva from Doi Chiang Dao, and an adult from Doi Intanon. SODERBURG (1967) draws attention to two more records: another from Chiang Dao, and one from Loei. It is also recorded from Laos, as well as the areas mentioned by TAYLOR (GRESSITT 1970).

It seems likely that *T. verrucosus* will prove to occur in suitable habitat on mountains throughout northern Thailand, and that the present paucity of records is due to meagre coverage of the area by herpetologists.

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