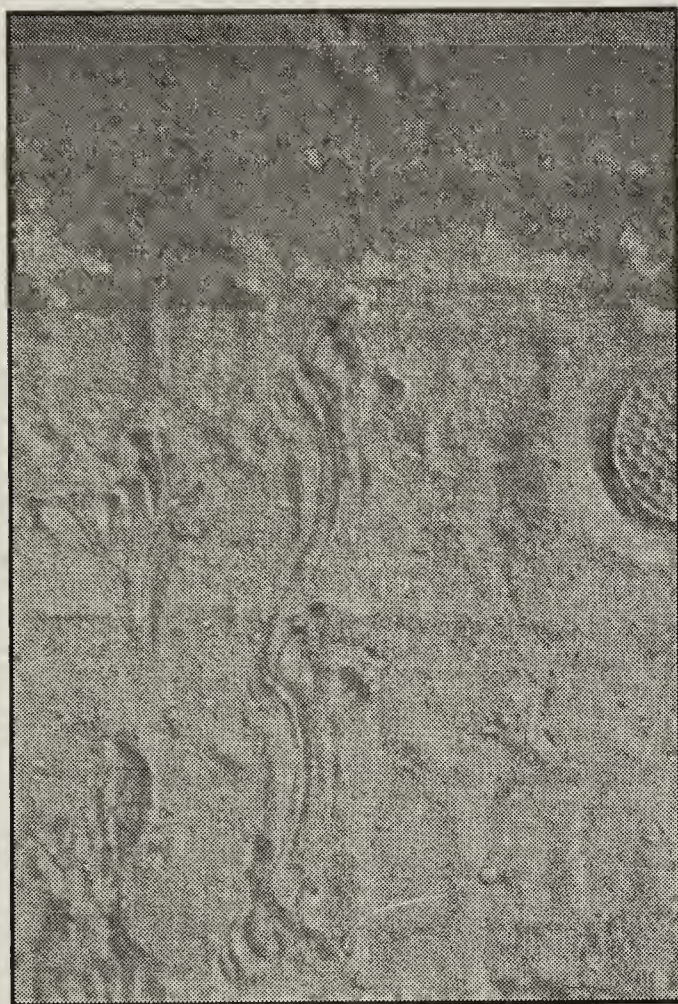
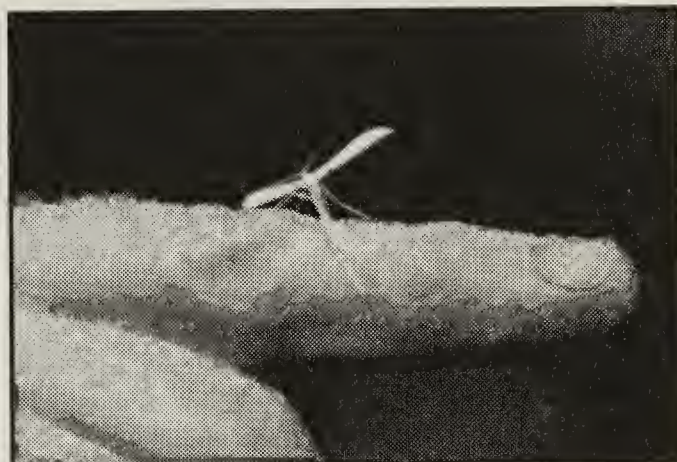

MYSTERY PHOTO



Whose ornately scrolled track is this? It was found on a dusty trail in the river valley near Saskatoon early on the morning of May 9. (The heel imprint of a running shoe on the right will give you an idea of the scale.)

Answer for SEPTEMBER 2000 MYSTERY PHOTO.



This delicate creature is a Plume Moth (family Pterophoridae). Looking unwieldy on its long legs, the moth's fringed, segmented wings are its most unusual feature. The hind wings are especially deeply cut and each of the three segments is fringed like a feather, giving the family its name. The long narrow segments are not visible in this photograph of a live moth; it folds its hind and forewings together and holds them at right angles to its body.

Jim Wolford of Nova Scotia correctly identified this mystery photo. Thanks for writing in!

We would also like to thank Ron Hooper for his help with this mystery photo.

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The September 2000 issue of Blue Jay is Volume 58 Number 3, not Volume 58, Number 2 as shown on the cover of that issue.