

## **Norsk Grotteblad nr 15, November 1985**

### **Insekter og andre småkryp i grotter**

Insects and other small creatures in caves - a call for the springtail *ONYCHIURUS SCHOETTI*

Insects living in the darkness of the caves have developed special features during thousands of years of evolution.

Some of these rare specimens are also found in the cold caves of Norway. The springtails (*Collembola*) are represented by about 300 different species in Norway, but they are rarely found in caves. Although specimens of *Onychiurus* have been found on a few occasions in Norway, more material is needed. You can look for them in damp places with flood debris. The author encourages cavers to keep looking for, and possibly collect, further specimens for him.