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(Annotated by Joanne Wells)

Note: For Central Texas butterfly information, look for books on butterflies of Eastern North America or United States; butterflies apparently have problems scaling the Rocky Mountains.

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