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space along the side walls and said end walls and which opens into said open base section,  
the access space along said side walls having a clearance less than the access space along said end walls,  
an activated trap plate being received on said shoulder and being spaced from the top lid and the open base section,  
said activated trap plate including a plurality of spaced curved sections adjacent to each of said side walls and end walls and an additional curved section located between the curved sections and spaced therefrom,  
the curved sections and the additional section including curved surfaces extending towards the open base,  
means in said base to retain any insects which travel or fall into said open base,  
attractant means in said insect trap positioned so that insects must traverse at least a portion of the curved surfaces to reach the attractant,  
the curved surfaces being coated with an electrostatically charged powder whereby the electrostatically charged powder is transferred to any insects which traverse the trap plate thereby causing the insect to lose stability on the curved surface and fall into the open base where the insect is retained.

2. An improved insect and pest trap as set forth in claim 1 wherein said lower housing member, said top lid means and said activated trap plate are each made of material capable of retaining an electrostatic charge.

3. An improved insect and pest trap as set forth in claim 1 wherein the access space is continuous and extends along said end walls is of a non-uniform clearance and includes a center region having an opening greater than the regions adjacent the center region.

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4. An improved insect and pest trap as set forth in claim 1 wherein said lower housing member and said top lid includes means to maintain the top lid in spaced relation to said lower housing member so as to form continuous access spaces extending continuously along each side of the trap.

5. An improved insect and pest trap as set forth in claim 4 further including means to releasably secure the top lid to the lower housing member.

6. An improved insect and pest trap as set forth in claim 3 wherein the access space along said end walls is sufficient to permit passage of American and oriental roaches.

7. An improved insect and pest trap as set forth in claim 4 wherein said lower housing member includes spaced support pads on the end faces for supporting the top lid in spaced relation to the lower housing member.

8. An improved insect and pest trap as set forth in claim 1 wherein said trap plate includes end portions and side portions with a center portion located between the side portions and spaced therefrom,  
said activated trap plate including open sections between the spaced curved sections and said additional section thereby forming a plurality of open areas above the said open base.

9. An improved insect and pest trap as set forth in claim 8 wherein said trap plate is activated by a finely divided powder electrostatically retained on said trap plate and which can be transferred to an insect traveling over said trap plate to destabilize the same.

10. An improved insect and pest trap as set forth in claim 9 wherein said finely divided powder is selected from the group consisting of carnauba wax and talc.

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