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This past week I had some topwater action for smallies on the Conestoga River. I managed to catch 3 SMB on pencil style poppers in the last half hour before dark. There was a decent Hex spinnerfall at about 7:30 PM that lasted for about 15 minutes. Then right at dusk (8:00 - 8:15) there was a fairly heavy hatch of some other type of fly. As best I can describe them, they were basically swarming within 1 - 2 feet of the surface and flying very fast and erratically (much like you would see moths flying around an outside flood light). They were lighter in color but were definitely not white flies. They were too quick for me to catch any. Anyone have any idea what these might have been? Thanks.

Anyway, I had a good night watching night fall on the river. Catching smallies on poppers is a blast!