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We study the global stability, the boundedness nature, and the periodic character of the positive solutions of the difference equation $x[n+1] = a + bx[n-1]e^{-x[n]}$, $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ which may be interesting in its own right, but which may be viewed as describing a population model. (Received July 05, 2000)