

and subscribers of the situation and we urge them to contribute according to their ability, in order to make possible the prompt publication of this useful and necessary Index Volume so that we can send it gratis to the members and subscribers.

Please send your checks at your earliest convenience to the undersigned.

Yours sincerely,
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Long Island Banding Stations

Only one additional report has been received- this came from Mr. Gilbert J. Raynor. He writes: "Banding was started in 1937 as soon as I became old enough to obtain a permit and has continued to the present with the exception of the years 1942-1945 when defense work and military service took me elsewhere. After the war my banding was handicapped by having to move several times to different locations; none of them favorable for birds. Now, however, I am settled permanently in my own place which is located in a very favorable area for birds and with the assistance of my wife the work has expanded considerably in the past year. I now operate nine traps of various types and catch the usual run of small birds. I have banded 41 species of birds and two of bats. Also a few colonial birds and young hawks and owls of several species. Few recoveries from any distance have been received but a fair percentage of station returns have been obtained. Further expansion of the work is expected in the near future.

Gilbert J. Raynor,
Manorville, N.Y.

Miscellaneous Notes

Mr. Ross Baker of Toronto, Can. writes: "Re your editorial in the Jan. 1950 News why not carry the idea further, make a collection of items of outstanding points of determining species, sex, and age, and as many will test the points mentioned, it should be possible to very quickly supply data to make publication of it in book form advisable"

What do other members think of this idea? Your Editor believes it to be an excellent one which represents the kind of contribution an organization such as EBBA can make to Science-and one which cannot be duplicated by professional ornithologists. Why not send in our observations of this kind so that an idea can be obtained of the quality and quantity of information available? Suggestions regarding a member who would be competent and willing to compile and edit the contributions would also be desirable.

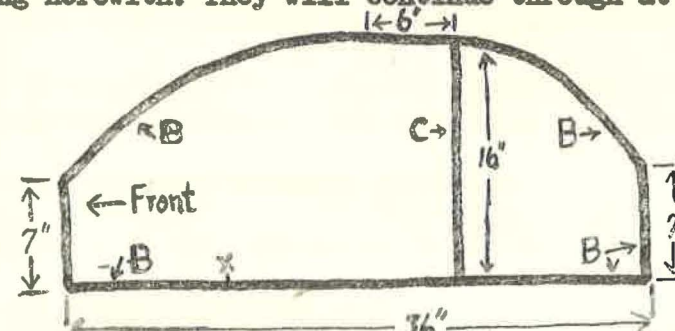
Miscellaneous

Mrs. Dater also writes that she has banded 497 Purple Finches this season obtaining one banded by President Groskin and some others from stations not yet identified. Her total of Evening Grosbeaks was 453.

Some years ago EBBA members could send dead birds to several biologists for post mortem examinations. Are there any biologists today who would like to receive specimens for similar examination?

A New Trap

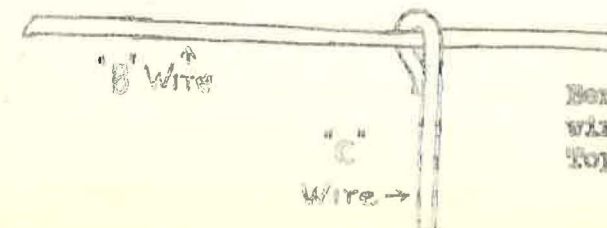
With this issue we try something new. Many of you remember the new, improved Sparrow Trap which Jeff Gill displayed at the Annual Meeting in New York. He has kindly drawn up detailed plans of this trap which we are reproducing herewith. They will continue through at least two issues.



STEP ONE:- Make 2 frames as above exactly alike of No. 9 galvanized wire. "B" is one piece of wire joined at "X". "C" is a separate piece of wire. See detail below for connections.



"B" wire joint at "X"- lap wire and bind tightly with 1/2" galvanized metal, turn ends of "B" slightly as shown.



Bend "C" wire around "B" wire and hammer it snug. Top and bottom.