

watching starlings patrol and probe the lawn for Japanese beetle larvae and cling to tree trunks as they picked off female cankerworm moths, plus little indication of material increase in local starling abundance, and plus equally little indication of serious detriment to native birds which, latter, to this writer, would constitute really the only important economic consideration."

Also, there is an additional comment from Mr. Stone, who writes as follows:

"...in connection with Dr. John W. Aldrich's comments (Sep-Oct 1954, pp. 2-3) and with my stand on Blue Jays, let me state that I believe we all agree and understand the primary purpose in conducting a cooperative bird banding program.

"Although I dislike the Jay, all birds visiting my station are treated the same, and all leave unharmed, wearing a new leg bracelet regardless of what species they are. As a matter of fact, over ten percent of my banded birds are Jays.

"I was also glad to read in Dr. Aldrich's article that usually the undesirable birds are needed for information, as I spent some weeks recently in Florida trying unsuccessfully to capture and band shrikes but with no success."

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ALFRED F. SATTERTHWAIT DIES

Elizabeth Allen Satterthwait wrote Treasurer Merrill Wood recently that her husband, EBBA member Alfred F. Satterthwait "passed away 9/22/1954 after months of serious illness and severe suffering." She continues, "We have had to give up bird banding for many months, and I will not be able to carry on now. I believe we started banding in 1920. I was told that I was either one of the first three or first six (I forget now which) women banders in the United States. We both enjoyed the work very much and have many records that are interesting to us. We banded in Missouri, Illinois, and Florida." --24 West Street, Media, Penna.

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A CORRECTION

The address of Mrs. F. L. Bower should read, Lee's Hill Road, Route 1, Basking Ridge, New Jersey.

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