

the Eastern Bird Banding Association. They are: Bennett K. Matlack, Mrs. Frank Townsend, William and Miss Mary Pepper, Frank Frazier, Sr., Frank Frazier, Jr., John Given, John Miller, Richard Riesz, James Baird, and Alexander Bergstrom.

Thanks and respects are due to this hardy group of individuals who demonstrated their ability to withstand heat, rain, dirt, sand, catbrier wounds and poison ivy, and who so very ably carried on a daily experiment to determine which of a multitude of products was REALLY the best mosquito repellent.

Spotswood, N.J.

(Although no mention of the fact is made in the above paper, virtually all the planning, arrangements, supervision, management and everything else connected with this project was done with unflagging cheerfulness and efficiency by Elise and Stanley Dickerson. -- Ed.)

WHO IS BANDING THE MOST OF WHAT?

Edited by Lillian Cardinali

Here are the leaders in the banding of water birds, shore birds, hawks, etc. In the succeeding issues we plan to list the leaders in some of the passerine species. Thanks are due those members who have already sent in their 1957 banding figures -- but many of our banders have not done so. If you are among the missing, please send in your figures as soon as you read this.

<u>AOU</u>	<u>WATER BIRDS, SHORE BIRDS, HAWKS, etc.</u>	
27	Black Guillemot	Joseph M. Cadbury, Phila., Pa. 27
47	Gt. Black-b. Gull	Cadbury 175
		Grace C. Meleney, White Plains, N.Y. 13
51	Herring Gull	William Pepper, Phila., Pa. 821
		Meleney 621
53	California Gull	Seth H. Low, Gaithersburg, Md. 50
54	Ring-billed Gull	Low 60
58	Laughing Gull	Bennett K. Matlack, Bridgeton, N.J. 2803
		Pepper 220
70	Common Tern	Chandler S. Robbins, Laurel, Md. 225
		Matlack 109
74	Least Tern	William Pepper 23
		Grace Meleney 7
81	Bl-footed Albatross	Robbins 50
82.1	Laysan Albatross	Robbins 97
80	Black Skimmer	Matlack 91
		Robbins 44

106 Leach's Petrel	Cadbury	114
120 Double-cr Cormorant	Cadbury	253
	Low	102
125 White Pelican	Low	100
132 Mallard	Low	107
137 Baldpate	Low	18
140 Blue-winged Teal	Low	23
142 Shoveler	Low	12
144 Wood Duck	Arthur H. Fast, Arlington, Va.	27
	Dr. Paul H. Fluck, Washington Crossing, Pa.	4
197 Snowy Egret	Robbins	38
	Frederic R. Scott, Richmond, Va.	29
199 Louisiana Heron	Robbins	22
	Scott	7
201 Green Heron	John C. Miller, Phila., Pa.	14
	Robbins	14
202 Black-cr. Night Heron	Miller	96
	James Baird, Newport, R.I.	43
203 Yellow-c. " "	Miller	11
211 Clapper Rail	Miller	4
230 Wilson's Snipe	Robbins	38
242 Least Sandpiper	Robbins	22
	Harmon Nodecker, Oneida, N.Y.	9
246 Semipalmated "	John V. Dennis, North Miami Beach, Fla.	6
247 Western "	Dr. Charles H. Blake, Hillsboro, N.C.	2
256 Solitary "	Nodecker	5
	Bell	5
263 Spotted "	Bell	7
	Mr. & Mrs. Stanley S. Dickerson, Spotswood, NJ	4
273 Killdeer	Bell	12
	Low	10
289 Bobwhite	Leonard M. Llewellyn, Laurel, Md.	83
	Bell	43
309.1 Ring-necked Pheasant	Fluck	5
316 Mourning Dove	Mrs. Willis Geis	80
	Fluck	73
	Dr. Fred Crenshaw, Rome, Georgia	66
	Baird	41
	Llewellyn	40
320 Ground Dove	William M. Davidson, Orlando, Florida	36
331 Marsh Hawk	Miller	6
332 Sharp-shinned Hawk	Fluck	4
	Baird	3
333 Cooper's Hawk	Dickerson	1
334 Goshawk	Benjamin P. Burt, Syracuse, N.Y.	3
337 Red-tailed Hawk	Burt	32
339 Red-shouldered "	Bell	1

343 Broad-winged "	Evamarie Townsend, Pompton Plains, N.J.	1
343 Broad-winged "	Bell	2
352 Bald Eagle	Burt	1
357 Pigeon Hawk	Dickerson	1
360 Sparrow Hawk	Burt	14
	Bell	10
364 Osprey	Miller	5
	Robbins	4

Jamesburg, N.J. -- send in YOUR figures --

WOS SESSION ON BANDING
By Mrs. Frank P. Townsend

The Wilson Ornithological Society's 1958 annual meeting April 24-27 at Wheeling, West Virginia, this year for the first time devoted an organized, full-session program to banding activities. EBBA members attending included Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Dickerson of Spotswood, Mrs. Betty Carnes of Tenafly, and your reporter, all from New Jersey; Ralph K. Bell, of Clarksville, Pa., and Chandler Robbins of the Fish and Wildlife Service.

The local Brooks Bird Club, host society, provided a top-notch "party" in lovely 1,000-acre Oglebay Park in the hills near Wheeling, and attendance varied between 250 and 500 for the final banquet.

Non-banders heard a comprehensive if necessarily condensed story of banding's purposes, progress and methods, making it less esoteric and less remote from the ends of the average birder's binoculars.

Allen J. Duvall of the Fish and Wildlife Service provided a broad introductory base for the full afternoon session and spoke on "The Banding Office in Recent Developments in Banding." Mr. Robbins, in a paper prepared jointly with James Baird of Newport, R.I., told of "The Cooperative Atlantic Seaboard Migrant Netting Program", better known to EBBA members as "Operation Recovery". He related the progress made even this early in the projected ten-year program, stressing the productivity of wide-spread cooperative effort.

Members will recall that "Operation Recovery" included weighing as well as measuring birds taken during the program last Fall, and the Wheeling meeting heard Charles H. Blake's paper on the related "Way of Using (Bird) Weights to Determine the End of Fall Migration". Mr Bell gave an interesting slide-illustrated discussion of his work at his Pennsylvania poultry farm on "A Method of Trapping Crows for Banding". Considerable interest also was aroused by Helmut C. Mueller's talk on "The Belachatri: a Small Portable Trap for Hawks" with several of these