

NEWS

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brief

Mrs. Bradley Fisk writes that while she was working for EBBA member William B. Robertson Jr., Biologist of Everglades National Park last winter she banded 7 Spot-breasted Orioles (*icterus pectoralis*) and 21 Red-whiskered Bulbuls (*pycnonotus jocosus*) in the Homestead and Miami areas. According to Banding Office Records only 8 of these orioles and none of the bulbuls have been previously banded in the United States.

Jane Church writes about two interesting recoveries. The first is an immature Mourning Warbler banded at North Ocean City, Maryland on 9/5/64 and retrapped and released in Kingston, Jamaica at an OR station on 10/31/64. As far as anyone knows, this is the first out-of-the-country recovery of this species. The second recovery was a Myrtle Warbler banded at the same station 10/17/63 and recovered near Wilmington, New York on 7/16/64.

Chan Robbins writes that he has extra copies of his "Brief Bibliography on Ageing and Sexing for Bird Banders" and will be glad to send a copy to banders asking for it. Those desiring copies of this most helpful bibliography should send Chan a stamped and addressed envelope.



Bill Savell urges that banders of Redwinged Blackbirds use size #2 bands. 1A bands are too small, he states.



If you are planning to attend the XIV International Ornithological Congress in Great Britain in 1966, you will need to make a formal application. Each person must fill out an application blank (groups cannot apply as groups). In the U.S., the blanks may be secured from EBBA's Treasurer, Elise Dickerson.

Albert Schnitzer has been appointed by President John Given to serve as chairman of the Memorial Award Committee in place of Bill Pepper. Because of personal commitments, Bill Pepper was forced to relinquish the duty.



Robert McKinney writes that, in order to stop getting his hands scratched when reaching into the collecting cage of his All Purpose Trap, he attaches pieces of plastic tubing on all four sides of the door. He uses Tygon tubing, used in chemical laboratories, but believes that most any plastic or rubber tubing would serve.



Deadline for the next issue will be September 15. Members who plan to send in news, pictures or articles for publication are urged to do so well in advance of that date if possible.

