

RECOVERY REPORT
and FOREIGN RETRAP
EXCHANGE

We wonder if there is much sense in continuing to report recoveries. Quite a few of the meager amount of recoveries which are sent in to be published here have proved erroneous. An example is the case of a 31 year old Osprey. When I received the report from the bander I decided to check this one out with Mr. Baysinger and we were informed that it was a "band only" recovery. The band, held by the Banding Lab was in mint condition, but there is no concrete evidence that this bird was 31 years old.

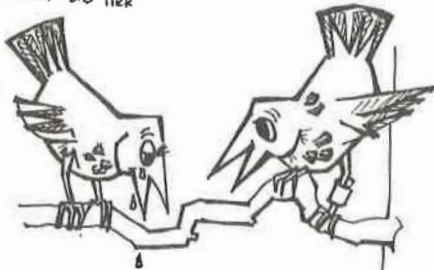
A few issues back, I listed a Ruby Crowned Kinglet and an Egret, both proved to be erroneous due to a misread band number on the part of the finder. Now we received a letter from another bander concerning a Least Flycatcher which was found shot in Mexico and we sincerely wonder about the validity of the report. It is rather unlikely that such a small bird is shot, we feel.

Lately, there has been a noticeable drop in reports submitted for publication and we wonder if the above has something to do with it. As such, we will continue to run the recoveries sent in by Dorothy Bordner and Fred Scott and if no new material comes in, we will drop the column. Please note however: Continue to send recoveries on Mimidae and Tanager to Dr. Kenneth Prescott and Swallow recoveries to the editor, please!

The Foreign retraps will be published when such numbers are reported to us. Mrs. Foy, our secretary reports a Starling, #712-88510. Would the bander please contact her?

Recoveries

- 73-108953 Evening Grosbeak AHY-M. Banded by F. Scott on 24 Apr 1969, nr. Richmond, Va. Recaptured by R.P. Yunick in Schenectady, N.Y. 12 May 69.
- 73-128676 Evening Grosbeak U-F. Banded by W.L. from "Dns Ties" Fye, Knox, Pa. Recaptured at Richmond, Va. as AHY by Fred Scott on 11 Feb 1970.
- 706-62054 Louisiana Heron (Local). Banded at St. Marks, Fla, by Dr. P. Homann on 7 Jun 69. Found dead on 9 Feb 70 at Santa Fe, Cuba.
- 721-98096 Bobolink AHY-U. Banded at Tallahassee, Fla. by Dr. Homann on 30 Apr 1969. Found dead on 28 Sep 70 at Gatlinburg, Tenn.
- 750-92697 American Goldfinch Imm, (Sex-5). Banded at Tallahassee, Fla by Dr. Homann, on 10 Nov 68 and found dead on highway 6 miles north of Fort Erie, Ont. on 6 July 1969.



other woman! It is only a king from the bird banding station." (Taken from "Op het Vinketouw" a dutch banding publication similar to EBBA News; Dec '70)

On the last recovery, please excuse "Sex 5"- ye editor misplaced the MTAB which shows what '5' means. Sorry.