

NEWS Oliver Irwin of Memphis, Tenn. writes Mrs. Lillian Cardini that he banded 100 Grackles and more than 1000 Starlings during the first three weeks of 1960 \*\*\* Before he went into the army, Joe Jehl of Clifton, N. J. netted an adult male Robin wearing a plastic green color band (#75) on its left wing. It had no other band so he put #562-27853 on it. Anyone knowing the origin of this bird and band, please let us know \*\*\* The new address of W. Rydzewski, publisher of THE RING, is 2 Lower Addcombe Road, Croydon, Surrey, England. (If you aren't yet a subscriber to this fine and useful international bird banding magazine, send \$2.50 for a year's subscription to Dr. Rydzewski - or to EBBA's Treasurer, who will forward) \*\*\* Mr. Arthur Fast of Arlington, Va. writes that the Evening Grosbeaks are abundant in good numbers - Purple Finches, too \*\*\* Dorothy Bordner wrote just before Christmas, "...we banded 116 Evening Grosbeaks this morning and had two returns and five foreign retraps and numerous repeats..." \*\*\* Agnes North, a willing and able worker at Island Beach O. R. in 1957 and 1958 writes from the Antipodes, "I am really having a grand time observing and studying Australian birds" \*\*\* Frank Frazier Jr. was made a Fellow of the Delaware Valley Ornithological Club recently. As with the past three issues, he has prepared this issue of EBBA NEWS for the press \*\*\* Roy Wilcox of Meriden, Conn. that on a train trip westward, between Detroit and Grand Rapids, "we passed at least a dozen big and I mean big concentrations of flocks of blackbirds ... some 15,000 or more in my estimate feeding in stubble fields" \*\*\*

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