

to 44 in favor of dripping water which is not a 50% but a 25% increase.

"(2) Chickadees seem to offer an unusual number of complications. I think Maurice Broun might be interested to determine how many of the Chickadees that appeared in December 1953 subsequently reappeared. I have had similar sudden reductions in the apparent population, and I feel convinced there is a considerable amount of migration, perhaps over very short distances, of this species. As to the trapping of Chickadees together over a considerable period, I think it is not coincidence nor does it indicate mating but rather association which sometimes holds for long periods during the winter and early spring. In one or two cases, I have evidence that the associated individuals were not mated the next breeding season.

"(3) Aviphobia is a hybrid, and I am just purist enough to prefer ornithophobia. I have encountered one case of it, in a woman who was afraid of birds, apparently because they might get in her hair. In this instance it has been cured by a pet canary which is now finger tamed."

(Note: Since the receipt of this note concerning Dr. Wildman's note on aviphobia, I observed a young woman practically have hysterics when a chicken suddenly approached her while she was standing on the back doorstep at her father-in-law's house; her screams brought members of the household running from all directions.--EDITOR)

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1955 ANNUAL MEETING AT HAWK MOUNTAIN

E.B.B.A. President Frank Frazier writes to say that the 1955 Annual Meeting will be held at Hawk Mountain Sanctuary on Saturday and Sunday, April 16 and 17. Detailed information as to accomodations, location of the various activities planned, and announcement of the program will be presented in early issues of EBBA News.

Members who desire to present papers at the meeting should advise President Frazier as soon as possible of their intention; he requests that he be given the title of the paper, the time which will be required for its presentation, whether it will be illustrated, and how (slides or motion pictures), and the equipment which will be required.

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