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OPERATION RECOVERY

For details of this opportunity to participate in a migration study that may provide answers to many of the problems concerning the fall migration in the Eastern United States refer to your memorandum of July 9, 1956, from the Bird-Banding Office. Note particularly that although it is desirable to have the banding station located right on the coast, if it is more convenient and perhaps more productive to band or observe in your own locale this is permissable providing you are no more than 50 miles from the sea coast.

It is even desirable to have banding done along the coast just on the weekends during the prescribed periods, if you are unable to go during the week. Target dates (which are inclusive) are as follows:

Sept. 1-16 -- Long Island, N.Y., & Northern New Jersey.
" 8-23 -- Southern New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia & North Carolina.
" 16-30 -- South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama & Florida.
(North of EBBA territory, target dates are earlier)

If you feel that you can join in this project this year please notify James Baird, Norman Bird Sanctuary, Third Beach Road, Newport, R.I., stating where and at what times you will be able to operate the netting station, and he will send you another circular containing particulars concerning the program.

THE REVISION OF THE BIRD-BANDING MANUAL

A committee composed of one member from each of the four birdbanding associations is working on the revision of the banding manual. Suggestions from EBBA members should be sent to Geoffrey Bill, 24 Overlook Drive, Huntington, L.I., N.Y.

The original 1929 banding manual, by Lincoln and Baldwin, has long been out of print and obsolete. An abridgement of it, with some new material on forms and procedures, was printed in 1947, and described as a stop-gap pending a complete revision.

In 1953 some progress was made, with the release of some looseleaf pages for an entirely new manual, by Seth Low except for a few pages by