

cameras were scarce here also (in those post-war years) but we sent him magazines. We never heard from him again. Maybe the lack of a reward was disappointing. Or perhaps the insult of the enclosed, stamped envelope rankled more and more, and the youth dismissed us as overbearing North Americans. The joke was on us not to have realized that United States stamps would be useless in a foreign country. ★ ★ ★

WHO IS BANDING THE MOST OF WHAT?

A few "toppers" head the list -- then warblers and a few others. In the next issue we shall list 1956 figures for sparrows and shore-birds.

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514	Evening Grosbeak	G. Hapgood Parks, Hartford, Conn.	1050
		Mrs. Sara F. Hoyt, Etna, N. Y.	835
517	Purple Finch	Chandler S. Robbins, Laurel, Md.	505
529	Goldfinch	Seth H. Low, Gaithersburg, Md.	466
593	Cardinal	Leonard M. Llewellyn, Laurel, Md.	80
		<u>WARBLERS</u>	
636	Black and White	James Baird, Middletown, R. I.	40
647	Tennessee	Mrs. Charles E. Peterson, Madison, Minn.	46
		Stephen W. Simon, Monkton, Md.	25
650	Cape May	John V. Dennis, Nantucket, Mass.	122
654	Blackthroated Blue	Stephen W. Simon	18
655	Myrtle	James Baird	218
		W. M. Davidson, Orlando, Fla.	177
660	Bay-breasted	John V. Dennis	81
674	Ovenbird	Seth H. Low	47
		Frank P. Frazier, Montclair, N. J.	41
675	No. Water Thrush	Seth H. Low	62
		John V. Dennis	53
		James Baird	32
681	Yellowthroat	Seth H. Low	55
		James Baird	42
687	Redstart	Seth H. Low	111
		<u>MISCELLANEOUS</u>	
356	Peregrine Falcon	James N. Rice, Wayne, Penna.	34
704	Catbird	James Baird	282
		Mrs. Stanley Dickerson, Spotswood, N.J.	240
		Bennett K. Matlack, Bridgeton, N. J.	197
705	Brown Thrasher	Bennett K. Matlack	38
		Seth H. Low	37
		Frank P. Frazier	36

748	G.C. Kinglet	John V. Dennis	23
749	R.C. Kinglet	Stephen W. Simon	76
		Seth H. Low	41
718	Carolina Wren	James Baird	20
721	House Wren	Seth H. Low	55
<u>SWALLOWS, SWIFTS</u>			
423	Chimney Swift	Ralph K. Bell, Clarksville, Penna.	1060
611	Purple Martin	Ralph K. Bell	133
613	Barn Swallow	Charles J. Spiker, Branchport, N. Y.	379
		Ralph K. Bell	220
614	Tree Swallow	Mrs. Sara F. Hoyt	75
		Chandler S. Robbins	58
616	Bank Swallow	Orville W. Crowder, Fawngrove, Pa.	102
		Chandler S. Robbins	78
		Seth H. Low	75

RETURNS

477	Blue Jay	Geoffrey Gill, Huntingdon, L.I., N.Y.	20
514	Evening Grosbeak	G. Hapgood Parks	5
517	Purple Finch	G. Hapgood Parks	6
567	Junco	Frank P. Frazier	25

HOW MANY WHITE-THROATS?

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One of the thrills of banding happened to me in the spring of 1956 when a very obvious fact was proved to be false through the medium of banding. Had I been merely a bird lover with a winter feeding station, I would have said that a flock of from 25 to 30 white-throats spent a month at my feeder during April and May. However, since my feeder is in reality a trap A picture and description of the trap appear elsewhere in this issue. -Ed. my banding records show that there were six separate flocks and a total of 111 individuals. Here is the break-down:

- April 23 Trapped and banded 16 white-throats.
 24 Only one new bird banded but 9 repeats of birds banded on the 23rd.
 25 One bird banded, 10 repeats of those banded on the 23rd.
 27 15 new birds banded, only one repeat from the 23rd. The first flock has moved on.
 30 21 new birds banded, still one holdover from the 23rd, no repeats from the birds banded on the 27th. The second flock must have moved on over the weekend.
- May 1 14 new birds banded, 10 repeats from April 30, no other repeats. These two days must be the third flock of at least 35 individuals.