

NOTES FROM PEQUANNOCK, N.J. Mrs. Marie Dumont, one of EBBA's senior members, writes: "The birds in this area have been very unpredictable - for example, flocks of 50 or more Evening Grosbeaks arrived September 23rd, an extremely early date for that species. I have also had a Northern Robin on October 19th, the first one I have ever seen. It differed from our Eastern Robin in having a very black head, tail and wings; a deep shade of chestnut breast; and the throat patch, instead of having the ground color white, was black with white markings. The tarsi were heavy, needing a number two band.

CALL FOR PAPERS

Those who wish to give papers at next year's Annual Meeting of EBBA are urged to give the details to Mrs. John Y. Dater, 259 Grove St., Ramsey, N. J. Mrs. Dater will wish to know the title of the paper, the time required to deliver it and whether or not it is to be illustrated.

And it isn't too soon for every member to plan to attend the meeting which will be held at Annapolis, Maryland, on April 23-24, 1960. A visit to the Banding Office at the Patuxent Research Refuge, Laurel, Md., is already on the agenda.

BIRD BANDING MANUAL

Mr. Allen J. Duvall, head of the Bird Banding Office, writes that nearly all of the material for the new Bird Banding Manual has already been typed in final form, and that it is currently planned to issue the manual in looseleaf form, and to add pages to the various sections from time to time. According to plans at present, eleven sections will ultimately be included, as follows:

- A. Contents
- B. Glossary
- C. Banding Office Forms, Reports, and Procedures
- D. Band Sizes and AOU Numbers
- E. Attracting Birds
- F. Devices for Capturing Birds
- G. Plumages and Identification
- H. Methods of Recording Data
- I. Suggested Studies, and Methods of Analysis
- J. General References
- K. Banding Associations

Parts of all sections will be included at the present time, except