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THE WILSON ORNITHOLOGICAL SOCIETY MEETING

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Gatlinburg, Tennessee and the Great Smoky Mountains National Park were chilly but the meeting was most stimulating, the field trips productive of birds and magnificent scenery, and good fellowship abounded.

EBBA members were everywhere and included President Eleanor Dater and Elinor McEntee, Vice President Merrill & Mrs. Wood, Treasurer Elise & Stanley Dickerson, Editor Frank & Mrs. Frazier, Art Editor Dorothy Bordner and her parents, Maurice & Mrs. Broun, Jim Baird and many others.

A number of the papers presented were of particular interest to banders, including a symposium: The Ecological Significance of Bird Weights. James Baird's Operation Recovery findings - Weights and Bird Banding with Special Reference to the Catbird - illustrated clearly how much the banding cooperator (provided he bands with some purpose) can do to advance scientific knowledge.

Banding was referred to in many of the papers of the meeting, and the opportunities opened up by the intelligent use of mist nets were particularly stressed.

Maurice Broun appeared twice on the program: first with some unusually fine camera studies by John B. Holt Jr. of nesting hawks and owls, and finally after the Annual Dinner with his magnificent color movie, Four Seasons at Hawk Mountain.

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TWO RECENT O.R. A Black-throated Blue Warbler banded on September 17, RECOVERIES 1959 at Island Beach, N.J. by Albert Schnitzer, was found in the Dominican Republic, and reported by the

American Consul at Ciudad Trujillo on February 2, 1960. And a Myrtle Marbler banded on October 10, 1959 at Tuckerton, N.J. by Michael Logue, was found dead on March 22, 1960 at Tabor City, North Carolina.

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