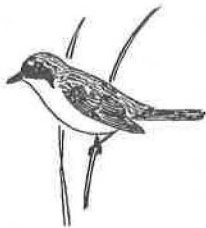


COLOR-MARKED REDWINGED BLACKBIRDS

Redwinged Blackbirds are being color-tagged in several locations in Florida by the U.S. Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife. The purpose is to determine the origins of the Redwings that damage winter sweet corn in the Belle Glade-Pahokee Section of Florida. The birds have the regular U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service numbered band on one leg and a two-inch long fluorescent streamer affixed to the other. The banding locations, and the color used at each, are as follows:

Kraemer and Torry Islands, Lake Okeechobee - Yellow
 Pahokee - Orange
 Gainesville - Pink
 Northern east coast of Florida - Green

Reports of these birds, visual or otherwise, should be sent to: Allen R. Stickley, Jr., U.S. Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife, 3700 East University Avenue, Gainesville, Florida 32601. These reports will be greatly appreciated.



IMPORTANT NOTICE - PHOEBE STUDY

We are still collecting information and reports on the Eastern Phoebe (*Sayornis phoebe*). Our study has been going on since 1964 and will continue until we are satisfied with the results. This year our request for help is more urgent than ever. My brother and I will not be able to do much field work this year or next because we have military service ahead of us. We still, however, want our program to continue.

We would appreciate receiving all possible phoebe reports: nest surveys and studies, behavior studies, and information pertaining to albinism, diseases, parasites, life span, etc. Be sure to include dates, numbers and locations.

Reports should be sent to our address given below. A limited number of nest survey report cards is available and can be obtained by writing Mr. Rudd Stone, 171 Cabot Street, Holyoke, Mass. 01040. We should like to thank all those who sent us reports in past years.

Philip & Paul Robillard, 125 Burnett Road, Granby, Mass. 01033