



Apart from documenting the first Saw-whet Owl breeding record on Long Island since 1879, Fred Schaeffer writes that he has spent two weeks banding on Great Gull Island (also on Long Island) in June. Among the interesting birds he banded there was an Acadian Flycatcher, of which he says, "...it is very rare for this part of the

country. It met with all the characters in the Phillips-Howe-Lanyon paper on genus *Empidonax*, light pale mouth color, etc. Besides this it called several times after release... We also had a late Yellow-bellied Flycatcher (June 15) and Traill's and Least, making for easy comparison with the Acadian." Who could ask for more?



In past issues we have asked for some scarce older copies of EBBA News to complete the collection in the New Jersey State Museum. In June, Mrs. Charles J. Kientzler of Port Jervis, New York, very kindly contributed not only the missing issues but a large number of other scarce issues as well, which are very welcome additions to EBBA's files. We are very grateful for her generosity.



Mr. & Mrs. Sydney Mitchell of Newport News, Va., have just returned from a trip to England, Ireland and Belgium where they visited the famous bird observatories and saw 86 "life-birds".



A Bluejay banded by Connie Katholi on Sept. 20, 1966 as an "HY" succumbed to foul play within a mile of the banding location on April 20, 1968. She sent us the original report which is unfortunately too large to reproduce here: a handwritten report in boyish block letters complete with an illustration - quite good - of the "murderer" (a cat).



Mrs. John W. Duffield writes, "Mr. Duffield will be a Fulbright Lecturer in Yugoslavia from September through June '69...we hope to do a lot of birding along the Danube".



Elise Dickerson is dividing her time between family, banding, and the EBBA treasury at Block Island since May, apart from a brief visit to N.J. in June ... the Co-Editor and Mrs. Frazier just returned from a trip to Alaska to visit daughter Nancy and family - her husband is an Air Force doctor about to complete two years of service and return to warmer climes - returning, they crossed Canada by rail, saw many new birds and breathtaking scenery.



Deadline for the next issue is September 1. Please re-read the editor's note on page 185 and start thinking about sharing your experiences, knowledge and findings with EBBA News readers. We are anxious to have some more new names in the table of contents! Since we will be away the first week in September it will be especially helpful this time if material is received a few days, at least, before Sept. 1st.