SOME AGE RECORDS AND RECOVERIES FROM NORRISTOWN, PA. 179 (Part two) By Raymond J. Middleton

The first part of this lengthy list can be found in EBBA NEWS, 32: 224-229, 1969. Mr. Middleton writes: "Our station has always been in Jeffersonville but some years ago, mail delivery was rearranged and it was changed to Norristown. We are located some four miles from Mill Grove where John James Audubon marked the first wild bird ever banded in North America. It is particularly appropriate that one of the oldest stations in the country should be in the same area.

In 1951 the Commisioners of Montgomery County purchased Mill Grove and established a wildlife sanctuary in memory of the great artist. Now some 30-40,000 visitors from all over the United States and many countries throughout the world, come to see this delightful place that Audubón loved so well."

Abbreviations used in the tabulation given below are: TR Trapped and Released; FD Found dead; S Shot; K "Killed"; C caught by cat; I Injured.

(number/date banded/date recovered/place recovered)

41-356278:09-26-42: K-10-25-44: Valhalla, New York 643-42357:05-06-61:FD-07-14-61: Miller Place. New York (ad) 643-42482: 10-04-61: FD 10-04-64 at Huntington, Long Island, N.Y. 713-02017: 05-04-62: FD 06-18-64 at Lindenhurst, L.I., N.Y. (ad) 41-356277: 09-23-42; FD 05-13-43 at Plainfield, New Jersey 503-82306; 10-01-53; FD 04-15-57 at Plainfield, N.J. 713-02265; 10-03-62; FD 07-19-66 at Basling Ridge, N.J. 643-42362: 05-08-61: C 07-04-63 at New Brunswick, N.J. (ad) 743-08212: 05-12-64: caught 01-04-66 at Summit, N.J. (ad) 743-08281; 05-18-64; S 04-22-65 at New Market, N.J. (ad)523-83737; 10-12-54; I 10-17-60 at Mt. Lakes, N.J. 813-31416; 05-03-60; FD 07-04-68 at Livingston, N.J.(ad) 813-31195: 10-04-65: FD 04-01-66 at Montelair. N.J. 743-08239: 05-12-64: FD 06-05-64 at Northampton. Pa.(ad) 563-40516: 11-15-58: I 03-28-62 near Newark. Deleware.

House Wrens

Blue Jays

B74505; 06-06-29 nested in our boxes for the next three years.(ad) H77253; 05-10-33 nested in our boxes for the next five years.(ad) 34-93489; 05-12-35; nested in our boxes for the years 1937-39. (ad) L73089; 05-09-34; nested in our boxes for the next four years. (ad) 34-93521; 06-17-35; idem (ad) 49-2108*; 05-09-49 nested in our boxes for the next three years (ad) (*Seems to be a number missing. Ed) All the above birds were nesting in boxes the year banded.

Tree Sparrow

57-80955; 03-10-60 TR 04-05-60 by John Given, Peekskill, N.Y.

Purple Finches 50-81008: 03-05-52; TR 04-13-56 at Ledyard, Conn. (ad) 42-87984; 07-26-48; TR 05-04-50 at Norristown. The bird was banded at Groton, Mass., by Wm. Wharton. Catbirds 42-214699; 08-17-43; FD 02-09-46 at Litchfield, Conn. 44-212778; 08-01-47; FD 11-11-47 at Miami, Fla. 512-35160; 05-11-56; FD 05-27-58 at Lake Carmel, N.Y. Crested Flycatcher 49-137646 banded as a nestling 06-25-50; FD 06-16-53, 25 miles SW of here. Common Grackles A404954; 06-12-29 returned 05-26-34 (ad) A443918: 05-18-32 FD 05-01-37 Norristown, Pa. (ad) 34-333514; 05-27-28 returned for 2nd time 05-22-35 (ad); FD 10-21-35, 12 miles away. 36-403521; 06-18-31 returned for 2nd time 05-05-36 (ad) 36-403610; 04-23-38 returned 07-07-44 (ad) 36-403649: 05-14-32 returned 05-08-33 and 05-22-38 (ad) 36-403681; 05-01-39 returned 05-19-40 and 06-21-44 (ad) 563-40638; 06-11-60 shot near here 04-10-67 (imm) 563-40699; 05-02-61 returned 4th time 03-22-65 (ad) 563-40670; 05-02-61 returned 05-02-63 and 06-04-65 (ad) 713-02216; 04-02-58 returned 05-10-60 and 05-13-64 (ad) 713-02311; 05-09-58 returned 04-28-63 (ad) 813-31030: 04-14-59 returned 04-20-65 (ad) 983-40625; 07-01-61 returned for 4th time 05-19-68 (imm) Rufous sided Towhee 36-229605; 10-12-36 C 05-21-37 Islip, L.I., N.Y. Flicker A458706; 06-09-33 returned for 2nd time 06-12-37 (ad) Red Eyed Vireo H21734; 08-26-32 FD 06-07-38 (ad) At least seven years of age. 131 North Whitehall Road, Norristown, Pa. 19401

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