NOTES AND NEWS

Leon Kelso would like to remind readers that a major sunspot eruption and magnetic, or geomagnetic, storm series started about 1 August 1972. People keeping detailed bird observations and notes at banding stations might check for any unusual activity possibly associated with the storm series.

The North American Nest-record Card Program at the Cornell Laboratory of Ornithology again requests completed nest-card cards. A special appeal is made for nesting information on the American Robin, Eastern Bluebird, Eastern Phoebe, Red-winged Blackbird, Barn and Tree swallows. Completed cards, additional nesting information, and inquiries should be sent to Mrs. Enrhu Engerrson, Cornell Laboratory of Ornithology, 159 Sapsucker Woods Rd., Ithaca, N. Y. 14850.

A North American Hawk Migration Conference will be held at a Holiday Inn near Syracuse, N. Y. on 19-21 April 1974. The purpose of the Conference is to gather under one roof hawk-watchers from all over eastern North America, to exchange observations on hawk migration, to set standards for record-keeping, and to agree on ways of sharing and collating information on a continuing basis. Inquiries on accommodations and transportation may be sent to Dorothy W. Crumb, 3983 Gates Road North, Jamesville, N. Y. 13078.


NEBBA MIST NETS

The Northeastern Bird-Banding Association, Inc. imports mist nets from Japan as a service to its members and other netters. Net income has been used to build up the needed working capital, to support Bird-Banding's indices, reference tools which don't pay their own way fully, and to support research work. The Manomet Bird Observatory, P.O. Box 0, Manomet, Massachusetts 02345, acts as agent for NEBBA in the mist net business.

This list replaces all previous lists. As indicated in the Winter 1973 issue (Vol. 44: 80), prices have to be increased because of the devaluation of the dollar relative to the yen. Because the dollar is floating, it may be necessary in the future to adjust prices with each new shipment of nets from Japan.

Most nets are in stock for immediate shipment. We have generally been able to fill orders promptly, but delays may occur for a variety of reasons, such as strikes, or customs. If you know your needs in advance, an early order may avoid delay in your netting project.

The prices shown include shipment by surface parcel post within the U. S. For shipment by air parcel post, add 10%. If desired, we can ship by parcel post "special delivery" or "special handling", at the actual extra cost. We make every effort to deliver by desired dates, but some requests are unrealistic, even to the point of asking for a date earlier than the day the order reaches us. Requests should keep in mind the limitations of the postal service.

For shipment outside the U. S. by surface parcel post, add 10% (of this 5% is for additional postage and 5% for additional handling, such as preparing customs forms). For shipment outside the U. S. by air parcel post, we charge the actual postage instead of the 10%.

On any shipment outside the U. S., the purchaser (1) arranges any import license or other formalities; (2) pays any customs duties or other charges levied by his country; and (3) should remit in U. S. dollars or in currency freely convertible into U. S. funds at par. If special customs invoice forms have to be filled out, the necessary number of blank copies should be furnished with the order (except for Canada), as we have no quick or convenient way to obtain them here.