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CORRECTION: Merlin reported in NABB 13:110 from the East Fork River AK was retrapped 25 mi SE of banding site, not 250 mi. [From this correction you can see that when I'm put in charge of the maps, my vacations end up in interesting places. When you report a Significant Encounter to this column, I encourage you to include, if you can, enough details that the banding and recovery locations can be located on a fair-sized road map or atlas. This helps in calculating the distance traveled by the bird. JBD]

I. *Non-passerines*

Black-crowned Night-Heron 677-66203 Banded as L-U by Erma Fisk at Provincetown MA on 27 June 1976. Found dead at Danvers MA 26 July 1984. 8 years old.

... 507-37970 Banded as L-U by Erma Fisk at Stone Harbor NJ on 6 June 1972. Shot at Camaguey, Cuba on 6 June 1974; 2000 mi S of banding site.

... (number not given) Banded as HY-U by Chet Ryndak at Palatine IL on 29 June 1978. Recaptured at Moonans Marsh MN on 10 Oct 1978.

Sharp-shinned Hawk 1173-71714 Banded as HY-F by Len Soucy at Kittatinny Mountains Raptor Banding Station, Branchville NJ on 21 Sept 1976. Found dead at Hartsville SC in Jan 1984, about 900 km SW of banding site. 8 years old.

Northern Goshawk 987-19275 Banded as HY-F by Len Soucy at Kittatinny Mountains Raptor Banding Station, Branchville NJ on 28 Sept 1977. Shot at Klingertown PA on 12 Oct 1987; about 160 km SW of banding site. 10 years old.

Red-tailed Hawks. The following 3 hawks were banded by Len Soucy at Kittatinny Mountains Raptor Banding Station, Branchville NJ:

... 877-40875 Banded as AHY-U on 18 Oct 1976. Found dead along the Merrimac River MA on 29 May 1987; 350 km NE of banding site. At least 12 years old.

... 877-40816 Banded as HY-U on 27 Oct 1975. Found dead at Nokesville VA in June 1988; 400 km SW of banding site. 13 years old.

... 987-02853 Banded as HY-U on 19 Oct 1972. Recaptured

by Roy Frock at Lehigh Furnace Gap PA on 18 Nov 1987. 15 years old.

... (number not given) Banded as SY-U by Chet Ryndak at Barrington IL on 15 Apr 1982. Recaptured at Plato Center IL on 21 March 1988. 7 years old.

... (number not given) Banded as SY-U by Chet Ryndak at Elgin IL on 7 Sept 1977. Recaptured at Palmdale FL on 24 Jan 1978; about 2000 km SE of banding site.

Rough-legged Hawk (number not given) Banded as AHY-U by Chet Ryndak at Barrington IL on 24 Feb 1981. Recaptured at Pointe Parent, Quebec, Canada, on 17 April 1986; about 2200 km NE of banding site. At least 6 years old.

American Kestrel 1143-86992 Banded as L-F by Ted Grisez and Don Watts near Lander PA on 21 June 1986. Retrapped and released by William Symonds near Hamlin NY on 16 Jan 1988; 114 mi NE of banding site.

Herring Gull 856-19967 Banded as L-U by Erma Fisk at Provincetown MA on 26 June 1976. Found dead at Nantucket MA on 22 July 1987. 11 years old.

... 856-19976 Banded as L-U by Erma Fisk at Monomoy MA on 29 June 1976. Found dead there on 23 May 1984. 8 years old.

Laughing Gulls. The following birds were banded as L-U by Erma Fisk at Monomoy MA:

... 825-80277 Banded on 20 July 1980. Caught by hand and released alive at Isla Penal, Columbia on 5 Jan 1985; at least 3300 km S of banding site.

... 825-80269 Banded on 20 July 1980. Reported from La Tola, Ecuador in March 1981; about 4400 km SW of banding site.

... 815-98478 Banded on 19 July 1980. Reported from Nueva Armenia, Honduras on 22 Nov 1980; 3400 km SW of banding site.

... 825-80180 Banded on 20 July 1980. Caught in fishing gear at Bahia Solano, Columbia in Dec 1981; about 4000 km SW of banding site.

... 815-98443 Banded on 20 July 1980. Caught in fishing gear at Puerto de Tala, Honduras 1 Feb 1981; about 3300 km SW of banding site.

... 815-70466 Banded on 18 July 1980. Reported from Barraca Bay, Honduras on 7 Dec 1980; at least 3300 km SW of banding site.

... 805-65023 Banded on 22 July 1978. Released alive at El Charco, Columbia on 20 Jan 1979; 4400 km SW of banding site.

... 795-44949 Banded on 20 July 1979. Released at Panama, Panama on 26 Feb 1982; 3600 km SW of banding site.

... 795-44927 Banded on 20 July 1979. Released at Tumaco, Columbia 20 Jan 1980; about 4400 km SW of banding site.

... 755-83738 Banded at Eastham MA on 16 July 1984. Caught by hand at La Ceiba, Honduras, on 25 Dec 1984; about 3500 km SW of banding site.

... 685-63335 Banded on 21 July 1977. Found dead Puntarenas, Costa Rica on 4 Jan 1978; about 3800 km SW of banding site.

... 585-55335 Banded on 21 July 1977. Caught in snare, Puntarenas, Costa Rica; about 3800 km SW of banding site.

Common Tern 812-72864 Banded as L-U by Erma Fisk at Yarmouth MA on 9 July 1976. Recaptured alive and released at San Jose de Norte, N. Brazil on 9 Sept 1981; at least 5700 km SE of banding site.

... 762-71660 Banded as L-U by Erma Fisk at Yarmouth MA on 7 July 1971. Held in captivity at Coari, Amazonas, Brazil in Dec 1971; about 4800 km SE of banding site.

... 812-06471 Banded as L-U by Erma Fisk at Monomoy MA on 20 July 1973. Captured alive and released at Peixe, Brazil; about 7000 km SE of banding site.

... 563-93239 Banded by Oliver Austin Jr. at Waquoit MA on 11 June 1957. Recaptured by Erma Fisk at New Island, Eastham MA on 17 July 1973. 16 years old.

Least Tern 841-48583 Banded as L-U by Erma Fisk at Sandy Neck MA on 2 July 1975. Recaptured and released alive at Seatuck Res. Station, Brookhaven, Long Island on 9 Sept 1978.

Mourning Dove (number not given) Banded as U-U by Erma Fisk at Homestead FL on 9 Feb 1974. Found dead at St. Georges DE on 9 Sept 1978; 1800 km NE of banding site.

... 1183-17220 Banded as U by Kay Burk at Tucson AZ in

1974. Recovered there in 1979. At least 5 years old.

Common Barn-Owl 816-14277 Banded as L-U by Len Soucy at Montgomery Township NJ on 13 May 1976. Recaptured by John Henry at Killbuck Wildl. Area, Wayne Co. OH on 14 June 1988; 390 mi W of banding site. 12 years old. [Recaptured in nest box with a female and 5 young; thus, was determined to be a male. On 14 Oct 1988 the male was found dead along a road in Union Co. OH, 76 mi SW of the Ohio nest site.]

Gila Woodpecker 1013-02810 Banded as AHY by Kay Burk at Tucson AZ in Dec 1982. Recovered there in Oct 1988. At least 7 years old.

Hairy Woodpecker 861-23073 Banded as U-F by Elizabeth Brooks at Alfred Station NY on 20 Sept 1976. Retrapped there on 1 Dec 1988. At least 12 years old, one previous retrap.

II. *Passerines*

Hammond's Flycatcher 122-53041 Banded as AHY-U by Kay Burk at Troy MT on 23 June 1970. Recaptured there on 31 July 1974. At least 5 years old, one previous recapture.

Tree Swallow 2001-22458 Banded as L-U by Cathy Chybowsky and Harvey Halvorsen at Bong St. Rec. Area, Kansasville WI on 20 June 1988. Found dead on road by Carroll Rudy at Johnsburg WI on 21 July 1988; 86 mi N of banding site. About 42 days old.

... (number not given) Banded as adult by Charles Schmid at N. Truro MA on 5 July 1978. Recaptured in nest box by Erma Fisk on 24 June 1984. 7 years old.

Steller's Jay 1003-68928 Banded as HY by Kay Burk at Troy MT on 16 Sept 1973. Recovered there 24 Sept 1979. 6 years old.

Blue Jay 1213-71421 Banded as HY-U by Erma Fisk at S. Orleans MA on 1 Nov 1976. Recaptured there as AHY-F on 28 June 1987. 11 years old.

Black-capped Chickadee 120-19638 Banded as adult-M by Erma Fisk at S. Orleans MA on 22 July 1970. Recaptured there and released alive on 28 Aug 1980. At least 11 years old; captured 13 times.

... 1560-67753 Banded as AHY by Kay Burk at Troy MT on 8 June 1979. Recovered there on 30 Aug 1984. At least 6 years old, 2 previous recoveries.

Eastern Bluebird 1271-27836 and 1271-27837 Banded as AHY-M and AHY-F by Harry Krueger at Ore City TX as a breeding pair. Recaptured in same nest box on 17 Apr 1987.

[This pair successfully fledged 3 clutches both in 1986 and 1987.]

American Robin 742-94968 Banded as AHY by Kay Burk at Troy MT on 1 July 1972. Recovered there on 5 July 1977. At least 6 years old, 2 previous recoveries.

Curve-billed Thrasher 1013-02703 Banded as AHY by Kay Burk at Tucson AZ on 15 Jan 1976. Recovered there on 12 Mar 1982. At least 7 years old.

Red-eyed Vireo 79-68144 Banded as AHY by Kay Burk at Troy MT on 11 June 1971. Recovered there on 23 July 1975. At least 5 years old.

Northern Waterthrush 870-57520 Banded as AHY by Kay Burk at Troy MT on 1 July 1978. Recovered there on 11 July 1984. At least 7 years old, 3 previous returns.

MacGillivray's Warbler 1360-25232 Banded as AHY by Kay Burk at Troy MT on 26 June 1975. Recovered there on 3 June 1978. At least 4 years old.

Common Yellowthroat 1610-34169 Banded as AHY by Kay Burk at Tucson AZ on 10 Apr 1982. Recovered there on 10 Apr 1986. At least 5 years old.

Northern Cardinal 76-127633 Banded as AHY-M by Kay Burk at Tucson AZ on 24 Nov 1975. Recovered there 6 Dec 1986. At least 12 years old, 1 previous recovery.

Pyrrhuloxia 76-127632 Banded as U by Kay Burk at Tucson AZ on 24 Nov 1975. Recovered there on 20 Feb 1982. At least 7 years old.

Green-tailed Towhee 821-08851 Banded as HY by Kay Burk at Tucson AZ on 15 Oct 1981. Recovered on 9 Apr 1986. 5 years old.

Song Sparrow 840-80938 Banded as Adult-M by Erma Fisk at S. Orleans MA on 22 June 1980. Recaptured there on 2 June 1988. At least 9 years old.

Swamp Sparrow 860-38332 Banded as HY by Kay Burk at Tucson AZ on 16 Nov 1980. Recovered there on 10 Apr 1986. 6 years old.

White-crowned (Gambel's) Sparrow 1141-97775 Banded as AHY-U by Kay Burk at Tucson AZ on 18 Mar 1974. Recovered there on 21 Mar 1982. At least 9 years old, one previous record.

Yellow-headed Blackbird 852-39534 Banded as AHY by Kay Burk at Pahrnagat NWR NV on 28 Apr 1980. Recovered there on 1 May 1986. At least 7 years old.

Purple Finch 870-11725 Banded as AHY-U by L.S. Ryan at Little Falls MN on 13 April 1980. Recaptured as AHY-F by Doug Collister at Water Valley AB on 3 July 1988; 1600 km NW of banding site. At least 9 years old.

... 900-93369 Banded as AHY-U by Doris and Don Cohrs at East Point GA on 18 March 1978. Found dead by Bill Toner at McGraw NY on 5 April 1988; about 1300 km SW of banding site. At least 11 years old. [This record was submitted independently by both the Cohrs and Bill Toner. The bird was a male.]

House Finch 81-51811 Banded as AHY-M by Kay Burk at Tucson AZ on 1 Jan 1974. Recaptured there on 13 Nov 1981. At least 8 years old.

Evening Grosbeak 901-33807 Banded as AHY-F by Mrs. J.H. Patton at Woodcock PA on 17 Dec 1985. Retrapped by W.A. Dunbar, Jr. at Watkinsville GA on 9 Mar 1988; 1000 km SW of banding site. [Only banded member of flock of 100+ grosbeaks which wintered at Dunbar's feeders.]

