

Robins banded in Saskatchewan appear to follow the same east-of-south direction taken by many other species, though they seem somewhat more widespread in winter than the grackles mapped in the September, 1968 *Blue Jay*. The exact migration pathway is not well defined since only one recovery occupies the long gap between Saskatchewan and Missouri. Of the 21 recoveries outside Saskatchewan, only four were "direct" (the same year), though another six occurred early the next year before the robins returned north.

The faithfulness of adult robins to their nesting territory is well demonstrated by the many "returns" (caught by the bander another season) and local recoveries in succeeding years, although three years is the longest such interval recorded to date.

The writer's observations confirm those of Maurice Street of Nipawin, that the first robin to be seen in the spring may be a banded male reoccupying his territory; those migrating farther north pass through later on. In 1968, the three pairs of robins whose territories bordered on our yard included four banded birds, first caught on April 27 and 29, 1966 and on May 1 and May 2, 1967, returning in 1968 on April 23 and 25 and on April 26 and May 6, respectively.

On the other hand, it is of interest that robins banded as immatures at Indian Head apparently took up territories of their own at Regina Beach, Balcarres, Killaly and Wolseley, up to 60 miles from their birthplace. One of these reached the age of seven years, still over four years short of the published record for this species.

Banded by George Lang, Indian Head, Sask. (503-1034) (1662 banded):

- July 12/24. I. Found dead July 26/24 (direct) Kennedy, Sask. (493-1015).
- June 8/26. I. Shot, season 1930 (4 yr.) in Arkansas (352-0932).
- May 29/27. I. Shot Jan. 10/28 (-1 yr.) Moreauville, La. (310-0915).
- June 12/27. U. Shot Jan. 28/28 (-1 yr.) in Mississippi (331-0891).
- July 23/27. I. Shot Jan. 23/30 (-3 yr.) Dallas, Texas (324-0964).
- June 8/28. I. Found dead mid-April/32 (-4 yr.) Regina Beach, Sask., (504-1045).
- July 23/28. I. Captured Feb. 5/30 (-2 yr.) Cruger, Miss. (331-0901).
- June 3/31. I. Found dead Nov. 5/34 (3 yr.) in Missouri (372-0934).
- June 3/31. I. Shot Dec. 5/31 (direct) Henderson, Tennessee (352-0883).
- June 6/31. I. Trapped July 1/34 (3 yrs.) Balcarres, Sask. (504-1033).
- June 12/31. I. Captured early June/36 (5 yrs.) Killaly, Sask. (504-1024).
- June 13/31. I. Found dead Feb. 19/34 (-3 yrs.) in Texas (310-0972).
- June 15/31. I. Found dead June 11/38 (7 yrs.) Wolseley, Sask. (502-1031).
- July 4/32. I. Shot late Feb./34 (-2 yrs.) in Tennessee (350-0854).
- July 4/32. I. Found dead Oct. 23/32 (direct) Broseley, Mo. (364-0901).
- June 14/33. I. Found dead April 27/35 (-2 yrs.) in S. Dak. (450-0964).

Plus the following local recoveries, all the same year: 4 found dead, 3 killed by cat, 2 flew into wires, 1 shot, 1 killed by auto, 1 miscellaneous.

One return (retrapped by bander in another season): 2 yrs. later.

Banded by Reuben Lloyd, Davidson, Sask. (511-1055) (62 banded):

One local recovery: found dead the same year.

Banded by Robert M. Blakeley, north of Canora, Sask. (515-1022):

One local recovery: caught in a trap 3 years later.

Banded by Mrs. F. Wickencamp, Stenen, Sask. (515-1022):

One local recovery: band found same year.

Banded by Thomas A. Harper, Simpson, Sask. (512-1052):

One local recovery: drowned same year.

Banded by R. H. Carter, Jr., Muscow, Sask. (504-1035) (113 banded):

July 28/27. A. Found dead May 17/31 (-4 yrs.) Lipton, Sask. (505-1035).

June 6/28. J. Caught by bird, mid-May/31 (-3 yrs.) Lipton (505-1035).

Return: 1 after 1 year.

Banded by Wotherspoon Bros., Hvas, Sask. (515-1022) (35 banded):

June 5/32. J. Band found Feb. 9/33 (-1 yr.) Wells, Texas (312-0945).

June 6/34. J. Injured Jan. 31/36 (-2 yr.) Hermitage, La. (303-0912).

July 28/42. J. Injured May 6/45 (-3 yr.) Canora, Sask. (513-1022).

Banded by Fred G. Bard, Regina Beach (504-1045):

July 11/36. J. Shot before Feb. 15/37 (-1 yr.) in Mississippi (334-0905).

June 12/38. J. Shot Dec./38 (direct) in Oklahoma (345-0970).

Local recovery at Regina Beach: 1 found dead 2 yrs. later.

Local recovery, banded at Regina: 2 found dead 1 yr. later.

Banded by Arthur Ward, Burnham, Sask. (501-1072):

Aug. 27/44. J. By cat, July 24/46 (2 yr.) Kerrobert, Sask. (515-1090).

July 26/47. J. Found dead before Feb. 1/48 (-1 yr.) in Okla. (343-0982).

July 3/49. A. By dog, Sept. 5/51 (2 yr.) Swift Current (501-1074).

July 12/50. I. Band found Jan. 31/51 (-1 yr.) in Miss. (331-0905).

Plus the following local recoveries: 1 dead same year, 2 by cat after 1 year, 1 dead after 1 year, 1 dead 2 years later.

Returns: 2 after 1 year, 2 after 2 years.

Banded by A. McPherson, Saskatoon, Sask. (520-1064):

June 28/49. A. Shot Feb. 2/51 (-2 yr.) in Texas (290-0952).

Aug. 16/49. J. Shot Dec. 16/49 (direct) in Texas (300-0960).

Aug. 17/49. J. Found dead early Feb./51 (-2 yr.) in Texas (333-0953).

Aug. 27/51. U. Found dead before Jan. 18/53 (-2 yr.) in Virginia (364-0801).

Plus the following local recoveries: 1 diseased same year, 1 found dead 1 year later; 1 injured, 2 dead, 1 tangled in net and 1 band found 2 years later; 1 dead and 1 band found 3 years later.

Returns: 9 after 1 yr., 1 after 3 yrs.

Banded by C. Stuart Houston, Yorkton, Sask. (511-1022) and Saskatoon, Sask. (520-1063) (224 banded):

Only local recoveries: 1 injured and 4 found dead 1 year later.

Returns: 7 at 1 yr. at Yorkton; 3 at 1 yr. and 2 at 2 yrs. at Saskatoon.

Banded by Maurice G. Street, Nipawin, Sask. (532-1040) (291 banded):

Local recoveries: 1 by cat same year; 1 shot, 1 found dead, 1 sick, 1 killed by cat at 1 yr.; 1 killed by cat and 1 found dead at 2 yrs.

Returns: 14 at 1 yr., 8 at 2 yrs. and 3 at 3 yrs.

Banded by Walter and Billy Matthews, Nipawin, Sask. (207 banded):

Local recovery: 1 dead 3 yrs. later.

Returns: 4 at 1 yr., 1 at 2 yrs., 2 at 3 yrs.

Note: 493-1015 means 49° 30' north and 101° 50' west.