locate the babies.

A special request is made to all banders to watch out for our young Songlarks as we very much want to know where they go in the winter months. To date we have banded 10 adult Rufous Songlarks as well as these three.

We should also like to record that on February 18, 1963, we trapped three Eastern Shrike-tits (<u>Falcunculus frontatus</u>) and were interested to find one had been banded by us as an adult as long ago as March 9th, 1960. This shows these birds must live for some years and stay about the same area. We have banded 7 Eastern Shrike-tits so far. We wear gloves to handle them!

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#### REVIEW

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(Compiled by F.C.Kinsky, Banding Convener)

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Fifty active New Zealand banders ringed a total of 22,973 birds of 71 species. Sea-birds, as usual, received the greatest attention. The following species provided top banding figures: Royal Albatross 778, Cape Petrel 566, Broad-billed Prion 500, Fairy Prion 1,047, Great-winged Petrel 895, White-faced Storm Petrel 957, Diving Petrel 728, Australian Gannet 693, Dominican Gull 3,491, Silver Gull 3,679, Black-billed Gull 1,612, White-fronted Tern 1,826, Sooty Tern 1,000, Silvereye 562, Greenfinch 420, Lesser Red Poll 834, and House Sparrow 1,133.

Recoveries of interest include a Royal Albatross breeding on Campbell Island where banded as a breeding adult 19 years previously. A Black-browed Albatross and a Giant Petrel banded off New Zealand were both retrapped on Macquarie Island. Movements of 1,300 and 500 miles were recorded respectively for Grey-headed and White-capped Albatrosses. 52 Cape Petrels were retrapped at intervals of up to 4 years after date of banding at Tory Channel Whaling Station. Cape Petrels banded at sea off New Zealand were also retrapped at South Orkneys (5 birds) and Adelie Land (1 bird). Seven Australian Gannets were recovered in Australia. Movements of up to 450 miles were recorded with Swamp Harriers. As to be expected, the Gulls -

Dominican, Silver and Black-billed, dispersed widely throughout New Zealand. From the number of gulls banded in New Zealand and Australia (approximately 83,800 to the end of 1962 banding season) it appears certain that movement of gulls across the Tasman must be extremely rare. Recoveries of up to 300 miles distant were made with Caspian Terns, while 13 Giant Petrels banded as nestlings at South Georgia, South Orkneys and Macquarie Island were recovered in New Zealand.

To To sum up, this report is of great interest to Australian workers and should be read, particularly by those persons interested in sea-birds movement.

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