

the value of the Company's original investigations, and the proceeds, approximately £600 a whale, will enable the Company to install some much-needed new plant.

DUCK BANDING

Technical Officer J. Traynor reports that during the period November 29, when banding operations recommenced, to January 22, 301 ducks were banded. Of these, 146 were black duck and 100 grey teal. The remainder consisted of 42 mountain duck, 9 maned geese, 3 white-eyed duck and one pink-eared duck. They were banded at stations in the Wagin, Woodanilling, Metropolitan and Dandaragan districts. At the present time, Mr. Traynor is operating again in the Metropolitan district.

Recoveries.

Since the commencement of the open season on December 22, quite a number of bands have been handed in. As will be seen from the table hereunder, a surprisingly large proportion has been recovered from ducks of this season's bandings.

Band No.	Banding		Recovery		Distance Flown
	Date	Place	Date	Place	
			<u>Black Duck</u>		
3740	29.2.56	Queen's Gardens	25.5.56	Dale River, 23 miles W. Beverley	55 miles
3434	28.3.55	do.	May '55	9 miles from Boddington	65 "
3697	27.2.56	do.	approx. 30.10.56	On property at Riley Rd. Riverton	(found dead) 6 "
2698	29.4.54	do.	approx. 28.11.56	North Lake Hamilton Hill	10 "

Band No.	Banding		Recovery		Distance Flown
	Date	Place	Date	Place	
<u>Black Duck</u> (contd)					
6279	19.12.56	Flagstaff Lake	26.12.56	Coyrecup Lake	35 miles
6218	8.12.56	Gundaring Lake	Opening Day '56	Gundaring Lake	- "
2923	25.10.56	Cockle-shell Gully	30.12.56	Walyengarra n. of Lancelin	50 "
3964	28.3.56	Wardering Lake	13.1.57	Swamp S. Gundaring	20 "
6254	16.12.56	Flagstaff Lake	20.1.57	Fitches Swamp, 12 M. Nth Kojonup	10 "
3424	9.2.55	Cape Riche	9.1.56 or 10.1.56	Near Pingrup	80 "
6243	16.12.56	Flagstaff Lake	27.1.57	Woody Lake	14 "
<u>Grey Teal</u>					
2818	21.5.54	Eyre River Cape Riche	19.5.56	Frankland River	about 120 "
4165	6.12.56	Gundaring Lake	9.1.57	5 mls N.W. Lake Grace	55 "
3791	11.3.56	Dumbleyung	22.12.56	Kondinin	65. "
4159	5.12.56	Gundaring Lake	6.1.57	Gundaring	- "
2622	7.4.54	Karrinyup Lake	30.12.56	Gundaring	140 "

Band No.	Banding		Recovery		Distance Flown
	Date	Place	Date	Place	
			<u>Grey Teal</u>	(contd)	
3828	23.3.56	Wardering Lake	1.1.57	Parkeyer-ring Lake	12 miles
4152	5.12.56	Gundaring Lake	23.12.56	Gundaring	- "
4161	5.12.56	Gundaring Lake	22.12.56	Wagin	
3851	24.3.56	Wardering Lake	27.1.57	Taarblin	45 "
4166	6.12.56	Gundaring Lake	19.1.57	Gundaring	- "
4068	13.4.56	Yathroo Station	22.12.56	Taarblin Lake	195 "
3200 3201	24.1.55) ")	Yealering Lake	not known	Yealering	- "
			<u>Mountain Duck</u>		
6268	17.12.56	Flagstaff Lake	26.12.56	Coyrecup Lake	35 "
6275	8.12.56	do.	1.1.57	Park	10 "