vicinity of the nest since the spout was dismantled and are taking a great personal interest in the young birds' welfare. Each afternoon I have received a report of their progress and today (June 16) I was told that although the scrap metal is to be removed tomorrow the iron ball will not be disturbed until the young have flown.

"I think that you will agree that an experience such as this adds zest to the banding program."

## CONCERNING CONTENT OF THE NEWS

Mrs. William Gary Irving, Van Houten Fields, West Nyack, N.Y., in a very provocative letter has suggested the following topics as ones which might profitably be discussed in EBBA NEWS. Your comments or contributions relating to these would be very helpful.

- 1) What would be considered a good string of traps for different types of habitat?
  - 2) What kinds of baits are especially good for certain species?
- 3) Lists of books, together with price, publisher, etc., and comments about, of topics of value to banders.
  - 4) How to keep records efficiently for personal use.
- 5) List of special projects being worked on by various banders who would like data from others working on same project.
  - 6) How best to remove bands from smaller birds.

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## BRIEFS

The NEWS is sorry to chronicle the death of EBBA member, Miss Anne Bathurst Dobbin, of Baltimore, Maryland, on April 22, 1952.

A new member whom we are happy to welcome into EBBA is