We are, after all, luring these birds into our yards and traps with specialized foods. We are given special privileges as banders and should, as the banding manual states, have the safety and welfare of these birds in mind at all times.

It seems that since Dr. Worth is a cat-lover, which is certainly his privilege, he should stick to his first love, cats and cats alone. For, if 'tabby' runs true to form, it leaves one with the disquieting thought of how many birds are being happily munched on.--Lydia Gstell (Mrs. Robert Gstell), Evergreen Sanctuary, Berlin, Connecticut

ABOUT THE LAUGHING GULL

Ben B. Coffey, Jr., 672 N. Belvedere, Memphis 7, Tennessee, says this about a Laughing Gull that was recovered on the west coast of Mexico (EBRA NEWS, Nov-Dec 1954, p. 10):

"..very possibly the gull crossed over at the Isthmus of Tehuantepec. While on birding vacations down the highway, we have had the impression that many gulls were crossing over from the Ixtepec area to the Atlantic or Gulf of Mexico side, or vice versa."

NEW MEMBERS

It is a pleasure to welcome the following new members who have joined EBBA since the Annual Meeting. This brings the total of members to 269. The new members are:

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