

in very slowly for the last two months. At this rate your Editor will have to fabricate some or reduce the size of the News. Naturally, only the latter course of action can be considered.

So, in 1952 let us all resolve to help a little more in keeping the News active and interesting.

ANNUAL MEETING

Do not forget the annual meeting which will be on Saturday, March 29, and Sunday, March 30, 1952. The Saturday meeting, which will be devoted to papers on banding and to the business of the Association, will be held in Room 419, Roosevelt Memorial Building, of the American Museum of Natural History in New York City. A dinner is planned for Saturday evening. On Sunday there will be a field trip to some point of interest. We hope to have a good representation from among our New England friends and members this year - so plan to come. Also plan to send the title, an abstract if possible, an estimate of the presentation time, and a statement regarding projection equipment which might be needed, for your paper to President Groskin or to the Secretary. Do this as soon as you can so that we can advise all of you about the program well in advance of the meeting.

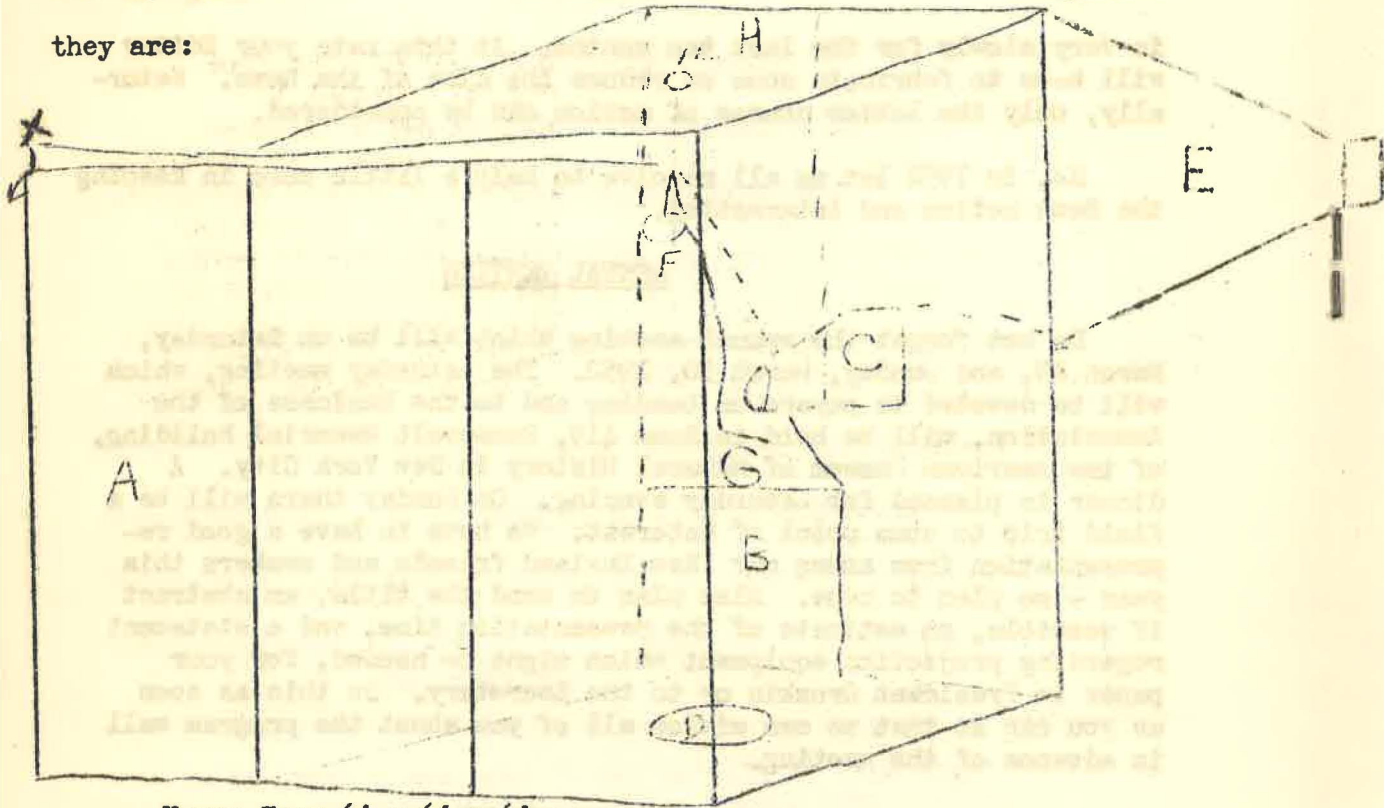
AVIAN ODDITY

This little item from "The Owl" may interest you. "What does a Flicker do when stung by a hornet? Kay Fetter had a nest of hornets in her stone wall and saw a rabbit go up there many times and often wondered if animals were ever stung by hornets. One day a Flicker dug around in the flower bed and all at once he got stung. He jumped up and down, all the time making quite a noise; then he turned over on his back as if he were in pain, gave his alarm cry, and shortly flew away."

CONTINUATION

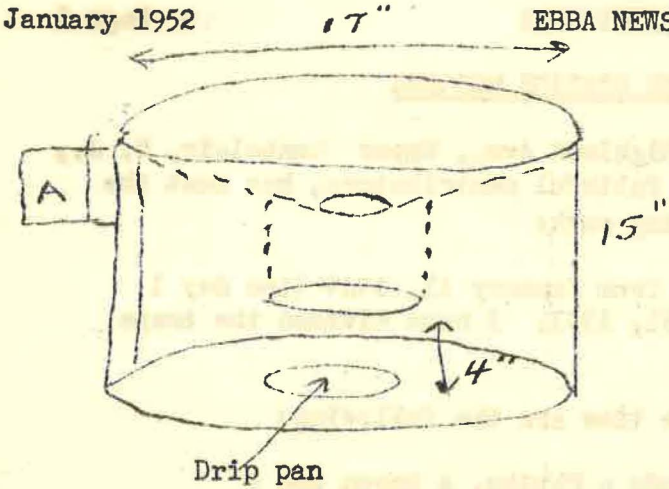
The last issue contained a letter from Mrs. Robert A. Army, Upper Montclair, N. J. and mentioned that some of the drawings which she sent in of her traps would be in a future issue. Here

they are:

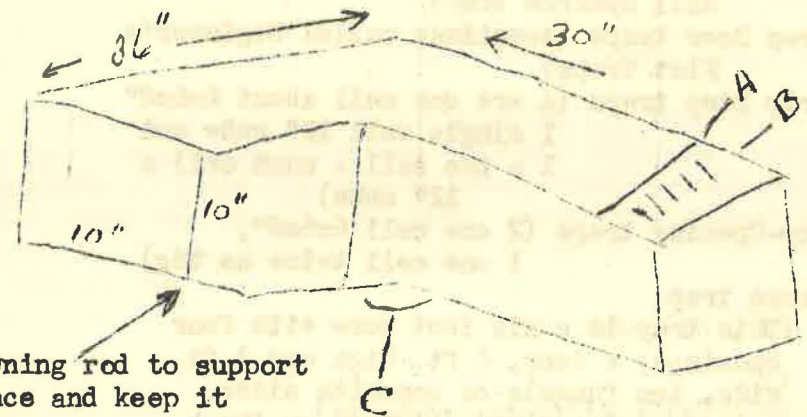


House Trap 6' x 6' x 6'

- A - full length door
 - B - Door one quarter section of back - opens out
 - C - Small funnel opening
 - D - Pan 2' in diameter - Sunk in ground
 - E - Gathering funnel
 - F - Weight - a salt bag full of sand
 - G - Wire mesh which closes funnel C (Warblers escape if this is left open)
 - H - Pulley which holds weight and closes all doors simultaneously.
- Water supplied by constantly dripping hose - a heavy stream runs for Warblers.
 (It does look a bit Rube Goldberg but it works - doors are released by loosening cord X at house.)



This trap differs from regular cohasset in that it has a cylinder of wire below a 3" opening instead of a deep funnel. It is easier to make and easier for bird to enter. The height is reduced to 15". This makes it easier for small birds to enter gathering cage A.



Old awning rod to support entrance and keep it smooth.

- A - Cut out one square 1/4" mesh.
- B - Cut out space 10" x 10" weave in rubber strips.
- C - Opening dug out of soil slope

Regular trap - but have found long gradual slope increases take. Sheet metal slide goes in at A and birds are easily removed at B

I paint my traps dark brown.