



Doug Whitman, whose excellent photos and articles have often appeared on these pages, has gone off on a new and exciting job with the Smithsonian Institution to work on a Biological Survey in the Central Pacific Islands. "The work will consist of studies of the ecology and reproductive biology of the birds of the Pacific Islands of Hawaii, the Marshalls, Wake, Phoenix, Christmas, Howland and others and the expansive ocean between," he writes.



Mrs. F. L. Bower of Basking Ridge, N.J. would like to know how to "unattract Starlings." "Please send me anti-Starling ideas," she writes.



Walter Bigger sends us news that each day he carries a half bushel of corn 600 yards out from his home to feed "one lonely wild Turkey gobbler. . . sometimes he gets there before the deer and squirrels carry it away." Walter writes also that he has "more than the usual number of Chickadees, including one banded in February, 1958."



Paul Fluck writes that he and Jeanne Fluck know they can't expect to continue indefinitely running the Washington Crossing Nature Education Center -- so they'd like to find an "interested, energetic, conservation-minded bander to help" them, and to eventually take over the active work. See Dr. Fluck's advertisement on page 18 of this issue. This should be a wonderful opportunity for some lucky bander.



Your Editor and Katherine Frazier sneaked off to Florida for 10 days in January. . . spent 7 of the 10 looking for birds in the Everglades, on the Keys and around Lake Okeechobee. . . saw 126 species including 19 life birds (one of the latter was the Everglades Kite, one of possibly 7 left in the United States). . . spent a happy hour or so with Lillian and Joe Cardinali at their new home in Naples. . . stopped at the homes of three other EBBA members, but missed seeing them alas. Wonderful trip on the whole, although it makes this issue of EBBA News a little late!



Plan now your trip in June to EBBA's Annual Meeting. We have attended the last 15 meetings. . . learned something at each one. . . enjoyed our fellow banders