

The discussion of robin behaviour includes group roosting, territorial tolerance on feeding grounds, changes of behaviour at different seasons of the year and overwintering. The care of injured birds is treated briefly.

The author's clear style, not burdened with excessive detail, makes his book readable from Grade level up. His reference to studies of the natural history of robins inspire the reader's confidence. There are several colour photographs of robins — nestlings, juveniles and adults — these are excellent. But the use of

very wide margins in the text seems a waste of paper hardly in keeping with thrift in use of natural resources.

By its general tone, this book emphasizes the sacredness of life and the fragility of the relationship between human beings and the wild animals which we meet at close range. It repeatedly conveys the thought expressed in the final chapter in the description of a young robin shot by a boy with an air rifle, "A little lame Robin who lived in the hands of human compassion but died at the hands of human callosity." — J. R. Jowsey, 2635 - 19th Ave., Regina, Saskatchewan S4T 1X2



Robin

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THE RECLAMATION STORY — a glossy, 12 page brochure that tells the story of the Saskatchewan Power Corporation's efforts at reclaiming strip mined land in the Estevan area. Available from SPC Head Office, Regina, Saskatchewan.

LAND FOR WILDLIFE AND PEOPLE — an attractive brochure that introduces Manitoba's Wildlife Management Areas. Available from the Department of Renewable Resources and Transportation Services, Box 22, 1495 St. James Street, Winnipeg, Manitoba R3H 0W9.