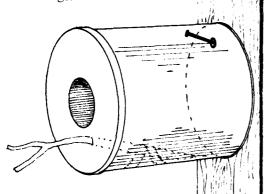
Fledgling's Corner by Judy Jennings

## **COFFEE CAN NEST**

Springtime is nesting time for many cage and aviary birds, as well as our own native birds. Here's an easy way to provide an interesting nest some bird is bound to accept.

- 1. Use a clean, empty 1 pound coffee can and it's plastic lid.
- 2. Cut a neat round hole in the plastic lid, about 1-3/4" in diameter.
- 3. Insert (and stabilize) a perch below entry hole. Use wooden dowel or natural stick. If you can get your fingers through the hole when the lid is on, you can tape the perch-stick to the sides or bottom.
- 4. Use a large nail to puncture a hole in the end of the can so it can be hung or slid over a nail driven into a tree (for wild birds) or someplace in the aviary.
- 5. You can spray paint the can with Rust-oleum to keep it looking nice while exposed to the weather. Use earth colors that blend your nest in with it's surroundings.



6. A nice feature about this nest is the ease of cleaning it out after use — simply by removing the plastic lid on the front.



## coming up — A.F.A. NATIONAL ALL BIRD SHOW

The American Federation of Aviculture is planning an all bird show for the fall of 1975. We hope to make this the most comprehensive show ever held in North America. Details will be published in future issues of the Watchbird.

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