

rificapilla), which was hopping around in the underbrush of blackberries in a grove of *Populus tremuloides*. Upon searching the ground near by, we discovered a young bird of this species, out of the nest but unable to fly. While we were near the fledgling, the adult bird approached within inches of our hands and feet, chipping constantly. Fearing that we would step on other young birds, we withdrew from the area at once.

Nashville Warblers were observed at two other similar locations in the county during the breeding season of 1948. No other nests were located. A local bird student, Mr. E.G. Tabor of Meridian, has a nest of the species which was taken in the town of Conquest many years ago. A singing male was found in 1948 at the spot where he took the nest, so the species is apparently well established here.--Allen H. Benton, New York State College for Teachers, Albany, New York.

BALTIMORE ORIOLES AT BIRD HAVEN

On May 7th the first 3 male Orioles returned "home" and were sighted on their favorite raisin dish. The following day there were 6 males and 1 female. On the 9th we counted 7 males and 1 female on the raisin dishes. May 10th there were 9 males and 2 females. Then on May 13th we counted 14 males and 4 females--the 15th there were 15 males and 8 females--the 16th of May set an all time record. There were 20 males and 15 females all flying about the yard and overflowing the raisin dishes--a sight beyond description! This is the largest influx of Orioles ever to visit Bird Haven .

I banded 3 males on May 8th--on May 11th 7 males and 2 females--on May 12th 2 males and 1 female--May 15th 4 males and 4 females--May 18th 1 female--May 18th 1 female and on May 20th I banded 2 males and 1 female to reach the grand total of 18 males and 10 females wearing my aluminum "bracelets".

There were many "repeats". One gorgeous fiery orange male no.-49-157103 repeated ten times. We became quite friendly. He never left my hand without accepting a raisin to carry away to his favorite perch.

I discontinued banding the Orioles on May 20th as they were busy nesting and I did not wish to disturb them. I hope to be able to band all 20 males and the 15 females before migration time which is September 6th in this section. Four pairs are nesting in our yard and are very busy feeding their hungry young.

I shall look forward with much pleasure to banding their young when next spring and Oriole time roll around again at Bird Haven. -- Mrs. Gerald Fitzgerald, Sassafras Bird Club, Amsterdam, New York.

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