

619 Cedar Waxwing	E. C. Clyde, Jr., S. C.	669
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BANDING NESTLING REDWINGED BLACKBIRDS AT TINICUM

By John C. Miller

The Redwinged Blackbird is a common breeding bird in the Tinicum Wildlife Preserve, at Philadelphia. During this spring and summer I found 47 nests of this species and banded 95 nestlings from most of these nests. I found the first nest in early April and the last in late July. Of these, about 75% were in Wild Rose Mallow and the rest in Cattails, and Elderberry and Button Bushes. The territory of each pair of Redwings was not too large. Several times I found as many as eight to ten pairs nesting on a small growth of Rose Mallow. The average distance of the nest from the ground was about a foot and a half to two feet, with a few up to five feet.

The number of eggs was from three to five, but four was the rule. The eggs were a pale bluish green with shades of black and brown at the larger end. The incubation period is from ten to twelve days, and incubation is performed by the female as far as I know. I found that the average pair produced two young; a few produced only one, but rarely, three or four would survive. About eleven days are required for the young birds to be ready to leave the nest. As this is my first study of nesting Redwings at Tinicum, I hope to be able to supplement these notes with further observations in future years.

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