

others forming.—JOHN WILLIAM MOYER, *Field Museum of Natural History, Chicago, Illinois.*

Two Unusual Nesting Sites of the Carolina Junco.—Having made something of a study of the nesting habits of the Carolina Junco (*Junco hyemalis carolinensis*) during summers spent in the mountains of western North Carolina where this form is abundant, the writer has published notes on this subject in former issues of 'The Auk.' Two highly unusual nesting sites came under his observation during this past summer and seem worthy of notice.

The first of these was discovered in early July the nest being placed on a rafter of a garage. Three other nests in normal situations were found on the place inside of a week, all of which were under banks. The garage nest was identical with that of a Phoebe in regard to situation. A prominent item of building material was a strand of small rope, knotted at one end. This dangled a foot or so below the rafter. In all the writer's experience with scores of nests of this bird, it was the first found anywhere than under the overhang of a bank, or in a small thickly growing evergreen. The garage nest contained young on the point of flight, the adult was seen to feed them several times.

Even stranger than the first was the situation of the other nest. This was built in a fern basket on the porch of a large house, a porch much frequented by the family and visitors. The basket was not of the swinging type but stood upon an iron stand immediately to one side of the doorway to the living room. The stand was literally less than a foot from it. The plants in it were luxurious and the bird could only be seen on the nest by looking closely. The nest was sunk into the earth of the basket and contained four eggs when the writer examined it, the sitting bird being flushed purposely although it allowed approach to within six inches. Some of the material was the thread of a porch mat and while the nest was in process of construction the bird would fly down on the mat and up to the basket with several people sitting within a few yards. Just why this location was chosen instead of a thousand more natural places in the adjacent garden is inexplicable, and it is strange that these two highly unique nesting sites should be found in the same summer when many other years have revealed nothing of the sort.

These nests were found at Blowing Rock, Watauga County, North Carolina at an altitude of 4100 ft., July 2-7, 1930.—ALEXANDER SPRUNT, JR., *92 South Battery, Charleston, S. C.*

Third Nesting Record of the Rocky Mountain Evening Grosbeak in New Mexico—My good luck in finding a set of five eggs of the Rocky Mountain Evening Grosbeak on June 22, 1930, gave me a great thrill, more especially since it was my first discovery of a nest with eggs in some thirteen years of collecting in New Mexico.

The nest was discovered in Santa Fe Canyon across the Sangre de