

is quite possible that other workers have other methods of arriving at conclusive figures, but I have found no other method as simple.

To date I have found no method of accomplishing the same end in the ground nesting species, unless the entire colony of young was fairly uniformly banded. A system that I have used in the Terns is to count the number of banded young in several catches, say 1,000 birds banded. If we assume that 200 previously banded young were handled in order to band 1,000 birds and they were representative of the entire colony, we can then have a fairly close estimate of the fledgling success of the entire breeding population. I do not consider this nearly as accurate a method but have found no other means to date. Perhaps other banders have previously conquered this problem in some other manner. If so, I would appreciate their help regarding any easier and more accurate method.

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#### TRIALS & TRIBULATIONS OF IBOR

Four days before the start of Island Beach Operation Recovery, its director Mabel Warburton was rushed to the hospital for an emergency operation. Then, the day she was discharged from the hospital, her sub-permittee and indispensable IBOR assistant Fran Hornick was admitted for surgery.

Both are recovering now, and we understand that Mabel will soon be at Island Beach, at least to direct and assist - but IBOR will suffer with both Mabel and Fran out of the running for active participation. Meanwhile, IBOR got off to a nice start with Dorothy & Blanche Bordner, Hazel & Jim Gorman, Tom Dougherty, John Miller, Bruce Adams and Ken Prescott on hand; later, with Frank Frazier Sr. and Terry Frazier (and FF Jr. for a while - which is why this issue will be somewhat late. - Ed.).

We sympathize with Mabel and Fran for their ill-timed illnesses, and wish them both a speedy and complete recovery.