

THE OCCURRENCE OF *ORTHOPODOMYIA ALBA* BAKER AT NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA

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Two larvae of *Orthopodomyia alba* Baker and one larva of *Culiseta melanura* (Coq.) were found on August 7, 1944 in an outside flower pot partially filled with debris and decaying leaves in the vicinity of Audubon Park, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Subsequent search in Audubon Park revealed several tree-holes containing water. In one of these on August 10, 1944 were found other larval specimens of *O. alba*. Some of these were reared, emerging about the middle of September, 1944. Other specimens of this species were obtained from tree-holes in Audubon Park during September and October, 1944, some being early instar larvae. These remained

alive in the rearing jars during the winter, and adults emerged from them during the period of February 24, 1945, through March 30, 1945. The larvae were kept during this time in a small building which was unheated except for short periods on the coldest days.

Another collection of early instar larvae was made on May 30, 1945; all of these, which developed into mature larvae, proved to be *O. alba* and emerged July 14-17, 1945. The tree from which this collection was made was a pecan, *Hicoria pecan*.

New Orleans, Louisiana, is, to the writer's knowledge, the southernmost locality from which *O. alba* has been collected.