

Bald Eagle, Blackbirds

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A dead blackbird on the driveway, eagle
swooping down to avoid the plague of blackbirds

darting in and out to harass it, eagle
low and close, distracted by the blackbirds.

It was an old movie: bald eagle
the lumbering bomber with blackbirds

fighter planes attacking. The eagle
won my allegiance at once, blackbirds

the enemy, and it even seemed the eagle
was the underdog, whether it had killed the blackbird

or not.