Richard H. Sullivan Papers

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Content Note

The collection includes the correspondence of Mr. Richard Sullivan when he was the president of the Kansas Audubon Society from 1910-1912. Some of the correspondence deals with Mr. Sullivan's paper "The Economic Value of Birds." This paper was published with the help of the Kansas State Agricultural College, Manhattan. There are also a few letters to and from Mr. T. Gilbert Pearson, Secretary of the National Association of Audubon Societies. Also included in the collection is literature produced by the Audubon Society.

Detailed Description: Series Listing

Series 1  Box 1 FF 1-4  Correspondence of Richard H. Sullivan
Series 2  Box 1 FF 5  Audubon Society Publications
Box 1 FF 1

Letters to Sullivan: (1) September 7, 1909 - Post card from A. L. L. Hamilton regarding a Mr. J. J. Johnson who is interested in joining the Audubon Society; (2) 1910 - Notice from the Treasurer's Office of Sedgwick County that Mr. Sullivan owes his personal tax, from O. W. Jones; (3) January 20, 1910 - A letter from E. J. Robbins, from the Kansas Women's Christian Temperance Union, concerning starting a "Bird Day" in the public schools; (4) May 7, 1910 - Letter from Mr. T. J. Headlee, professor at the Kansas State Agricultural College, concerning the organization of a paper written by Mr. Sullivan; (5) May 16, 1910 - A letter from Mr. Headlee concerning changes in Mr. Sullivan's paper; (6) May 23, 1910 - Correspondence from B. S. Bowdisk regarding some literature to be sent to Mr. Sullivan; (7) August 11, 1910 - A letter from T. J. Headlee concerning illustrations for Mr. Sullivan's paper; (8) August 17, 1910 - Correspondence from Mr. Headlee regarding the pictures Mr. Sullivan sent to have put in his paper; (9) November 7, 1910 - A letter from Mr. Headlee concerning some questions asked by Mr. Forbush about the disappearance of two species of birds the passenger pigeon and the Eskimo Curlew; (10) November 14, 1910 - A letter from Mr. Headlee regarding the pictures to be used in Mr. Sullivan's paper; (11) December 12, 1910 - Correspondence from Mr. Headlee concerning the information given to Mr. Forbush; (12) December 19, 1910 - A letter to Mr. Headlee from Mr. E. H. Forbush thanking him for the information about the Eskimo Curlew from Mr. Sullivan; (13) December 27, 1910 - Correspondence to Mr. Forbush from Mr. Headlee giving credit to Mr. Sullivan for the information about the Eskimo Curlew; (14) December 27, 1910 - Letter to Mr. Sullivan from Mr. Headlee concerning the letter he wrote to Mr. Forbush.

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Letters to Sullivan: (1) January 24, 1911 - A letter from Cliff Matson concerning the introduction of a bill at the state capital, that protected birds while in their nests; (2) April 10, 1911 - A letter to Mr. J. R. Lowe asking to borrow some pictures or charts of birds for a talk that Mrs. Lowe is to give; (3) August 18, 1911 - A letter from J. W. N. (?) (from the Commissioner of Agriculture's office) about Mr. Sullivan's paper "The Economic Value of Birds"; (4) September 14, 1911 - A letter from T. J. Headlee concerning "The Economic Value of Birds"; (5) September 18, 1911 - A letter to Mr. J. H. Miller, Superintendent of Farmers Institutes, from Mr. August Jaedichr, Jr., concerning Mr. Sullivan's paper "The Economic Value of Bird Life"; (6) September 19, 1911 - A letter from Mr. Hueller (?) about Mr. Sullivan's paper "The Economic Value of Bird Life"; (7) April 19, 1911 - A letter from Mr. T. Gilbert Pearson asking Mr. Sullivan to answer an inquiry sent to Mr. Pearson (see Mr. Rose's letter from Mr. Sullivan); (8) April 20, 1911 - A letter from Mr. Headlee concerning the pamphlet written by Mr. Sullivan and some changes that need to be made because of the new law protecting non-game birds; (9) April 28, 1911 - This letter is from Mr. Headlee regarding the pamphlet going to the printers; (10) September 11, 1911 - A letter from Mr. Headlee concerning the printing and distribution of the pamphlet "The Economic Value of Birds"; (11) September 16, 1911 - A letter from Mr. Headlee about the pamphlet and the copies to be sent to Mr. Sullivan; (12) November 1, 1911 - A letter from Amos Butler asking Mr. Sullivan to send a publication to several people; (13) November 1, 1911 - A thank you note from G. O. Shields concerning the pamphlets sent to him by Mr. Sullivan; (14) November 21, 1911 - A letter from Beecher S. Bowdish, secretary of the New Jersey Audubon Society, asking for copies of the
"Economic Value of Birds"; (15) December 8, 1911 - A letter from Mr. Bowdish thanking Mr. Sullivan for the pamphlets and enclosing some of his own; (16) December 19, 1911 - A letter from Mr. Gilbert Pearson concerning the activities of the National Association of Audubon Societies.

Box 1 FF 3
Letters to Sullivan: (1) January 6, 1902 - A letter from Mr. Headlee regarding the blank forms to be filled out by the Audubon Society for the Bureau of Biological Survey; (2) January 12, 1912 - A letter from Mr. Pearson concerning a subscription to "Bird-Love" and some information Mr. Sullivan has on the Purple Martins; (3) January 24, 1912 - A letter from Mr. Headlee concerning the information forms sent in the January 6, 1912 letter; (4) February 19, 1912 - A letter from Mr. Pearson regarding Mr. Sullivan's paper being sent to the editor of "Bird-Love"; (5) October 25, 1912 - A letter from R. K. Nabours, Associate Professor at Kansas State Agricultural College, concerning the golden plover sent to the college; (6) n.d. - A letter from the Whitehead & Hoag Co., badge sales department, concerning the use of buttons to advertise the Audubon Society; (7) n.d. - A letter to the Secretary Audubon Society New York, N. Y. from Mr. Rose asking how to start a Audubon chapter in Weir City, Kansas.

Box 1 FF 4
Letters from Sullivan: (1) November 10, 1910 - A letter to Mr. Rollins Bingham (courtesy of the Kansas City Star) regarding the questions asked by Mr. Forbush about the disappearance of certain species of birds; (2) October 19, 1912 - A letter to Prof. L. L. Dyche concerning a Sportsmen's meeting at the Kansas Club. Letters to Prof. T. J. Headlee (T. J. H.): (1) May 14, 1910 - The letter concerns Mr. Sullivan's paper and the changes made in it by T. J. H.; (2) November 10, 1910 - The letter is about the information wanted by Mr. Forbush on certain species of birds; (3) December 6, 1910 - This correspondence is regarding the information Mr. Sullivan found about the passenger pigeon and curlew; (4) April 21, 1911 - The letter concerns Mr. Sullivan's paper and the changes T. J. H. wants to make in the rough draft; (5) September 14, 1911 - The letter is about the pamphlet written by Mr. Sullivan; (6) October 22, 1912 - The letter concerns some information that was sent to Mr. Forbush about the golden plover in Kansas; (7) October 21, 1912 - A letter to Dr. W. T. Hornaday concerning the golden plovers in Kansas. The letter also speaks about a sample sent along with the letter; (8) November 10, 1910 - A letter to the managing editor of The Star (Kansas City, Missouri) asking for some information on the passenger pigeon and the Esquimaux curlew; (9) January 20, 1911 - A letter to Honorable C. A. Matson asking him to introduce a new bill for the conservation of wildlife (birds) to the state legislature; (10) September 21, 1911 - A letter to Mr. J. H. Miller, Director College Extension Kansas State Agricultural College, asking him to distribute the pamphlet written by Mr. Sullivan; (11) October 28, 1911 - A letter to Mr. T. Gilbert Pearson, Secretary National Association of Audubon Societies, reporting on the status of legislation to protect the birds; (12) October 22, 1910 - A letter to Mr. Pearson concerning the Society's accomplishments during the past year with the legislature; (13) April 26, 1911 - A letter to Mr. Frank H. Rose about starting an auxiliary society in Weir City.

Series 2 – Audubon Society Publications

Box 1 FF 5
Publications by the Audubon Society: (1) "The Audubon Society of Kansas" is a pamphlet describing what the Audubon Society is about and its by-laws (three copies); (2) "The Audubon Society of Kansas Publication No. 2", January 2, 1909, this is a copy of the bill to be passed by the state
The organizations that contain copies of documents are: (1) The Kansas Audubon Society, legislature (four copies); (2) "The Audubon Society of Kansas Publication No. 3", March 15, 1909, this pamphlet is about the founder of the Audubon Society, John James Audubon (seven copies); (4) "The Bird Leaflet" contains several small essays against the use of bird feathers for fashion; (5) Copy of the Kansas Fish and Game Laws July 1, 1907; (6) National Association of Audubon Societies For the Protection of Wild Birds and Animals notice of the annual meeting to be held in New York October 25, 1910; (7) National Association of Audubon Societies "Confessions of a Plume Hunter" is a letter written by a former hunter who describes the way in which the feathers are gathered; (8) National Association of Audubon Societies notice of their annual meeting October 31, 1911; (9) "Responsibility of Women For the Destruction of Birds" is an essay on the senseless killing of birds for women's fashion; (10) United States Department of Agriculture, Bureau of Biological Survey, a Directory of Officials and Organizations Concerned with the Protection of Birds and Game, August 27, 1910; (11) "The Wildlife Call" a pamphlet with short essays to encourage people to speak out against the exploitation of animals, March 1911; (12) Miscellaneous. A list of directors of the Kansas Audubon Society. Section 8 of the fish and game laws. Stationery of the Audubon Society. List of photographs of R. H. Sullivan.