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**Biographical Sketch:** The Illinois Audubon Society was founded in 1897 and is based in Springfield, Illinois. The Illinois Audubon Society is a non-profit organization and is Illinois' oldest non-profit independent conservation organization. The society currently has 18 chapters throughout Illinois, and their mission is to "promote the perpetuation and appreciation of native plants and animals and the habitats that support them."

**Scope and Content:** The contents of this collection are part of the institutional records of the Chicago Academy of Sciences. Content includes the by-laws of the Illinois Audubon Society; articles and newspaper clippings about birds and bird conservation; miscellaneous letters and announcements to and from the Illinois Audubon Society; letters and requests about publications from the Illinois Audubon Society; Letters between Illinois Audubon Society members; bills and receipts for the Illinois Audubon Society; Illinois Audubon Society financial statements; letters and lists regarding the Junior Audubon Society; Illinois Audubon Society meeting minutes; Illinois Audubon Society membership information; publications collected by the Illinois Audubon Society; announcements regarding Illinois Audubon Society activity; Illinois Audubon Society buttons; information regarding the “Checklist of the Birds of Illinois”, which was published by the Illinois Audubon Society; letters regarding a stamp collecting project related to the Illinois Audubon Society; and copies of the Illinois Audubon Society Magazine.

**Related Resources:** There is information about the Illinois Audubon Society chapters and an Illinois Audubon Society Bulletin in the J. de Navarre Macomb, Jr. manuscript collection.

**Container List:**

Box 1: (Affiliated Societies, Box 5)

- Series 1: Illinois Audubon Society – By-Laws (undated)
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- Series 3: Illinois Audubon Society – Correspondence – General (1920-1949, undated)
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- Series 6: Illinois Audubon Society – Correspondence – Deane, Ruthven (1922, undated)
- Series 7: Illinois Audubon Society – Correspondence – Gault, Benjamin T. (1922)
- Series 8: Illinois Audubon Society – Correspondence – Gregory, Stephen S. Jr. (1922-1928)
- Series 9: Illinois Audubon Society – Correspondence – Mitchell, Catherine A. (1920-1934, undated)
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- Series 15: Illinois Audubon Society – Financial – Bills/Receipts (1915-1950, undated)
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- Series 17: Illinois Audubon Society – Financial – Dues (1921-1932, undated)
- Series 18: Illinois Audubon Society – Financial – Statements (1927-1928)
- Series 19: Illinois Audubon Society – Junior Audubon Society – Correspondence (1921-1922)
- Series 20: Illinois Audubon Society – Junior Audubon Society – Lists (1922, undated)
- Series 21: Illinois Audubon Society – Legal – Bequest – Donovan, Anna H. (1920-1923)
- Series 22: Illinois Audubon Society – Meeting Minutes (1927-1930)
- Series 23: Illinois Audubon Society – Meeting Minutes (1931-1932)

- Series 24: Illinois Audubon Society – Meeting Minutes (1933-1937)
- Series 25: Illinois Audubon Society – Meeting Minutes (1938-1942)
- Series 26: Illinois Audubon Society – Meeting Minutes (1943-1946)
- Series 27: Illinois Audubon Society – Meeting Minutes (1947-1949)
- Series 28: Illinois Audubon Society – Meeting Minutes – Incomplete (1932-1944, undated)
- Series 29: Illinois Audubon Society – Membership (1923-1949, undated)
- Series 30: Illinois Audubon Society – Notes on Relationship with Academy (1949, undated)
- Series 31: Illinois Audubon Society – Officers (1921)
- Series 32: Illinois Audubon Society – Publications (non-society) (1921-1945)
- Series 33: Illinois Audubon Society – Printed Materials (1908-1928, undated)
- Series 34: Illinois Audubon Society – Publications – “Checklist of the Birds of Illinois” – Galleys (undated)
- Series 35: Illinois Audubon Society – Publications – “Checklist of the Birds of Illinois” – Lists (1922, undated)

Box 2: (Mary Hennen, Box 1)

- Series 1: Correspondence – Illinois Audubon Society (1994-2000)

Box 3: (Mark Spreyer, Box 1)

- Series 1: Correspondence – Illinois Audubon Society (1986-1987, undated)