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Biographical Sketch: The Wilson Ornithological Club was founded in 1888 and originally established as the Wilson Ornithological Chapter of the Agassiz Association. It was named in honor of Alexander Wilson. The group eventually changed its name to the Wilson Ornithological Club, and then in 1955 became the Wilson Ornithological Society. Chicago Academy of Sciences staff served on the club board, and meetings would sometimes be held at the Chicago Academy of Sciences. The first recorded meeting

for the club was held in Chicago in 1914, and the first meeting held at the Chicago Academy of Sciences was in 1926. Board members for the club lived in different states, so the annual meetings would be held in various cities around the country. The Wilson Ornithological Society headquarters is now at the University of Michigan's Museum of Zoology in Ann Arbor, Michigan. The society still holds annual meetings, and publishes a quarterly journal called 'The Wilson Journal of Ornithology'.

Scope and Contents: The contents of this collection are part of the institutional records of the Chicago Academy of Sciences. Content includes letters regarding the Wilson Ornithological Club meeting held at the Chicago Academy of Sciences in 1936; flyers and programs for the 1936 club meeting; and letters between Alfred Bailey and T.C. Stephens regarding club meetings and articles for the Wilson Ornithological Club Bulletin.

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