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Collection Summary

Title: Joseph Sanford Wade Papers

Span Dates: 1898-1955

ID No.: MSS44271

Creator: Wade, Joseph Sanford, 1880-

Extent: 14,000 items

Extent: 32 containers

Extent: 10 linear feet

Language: Collection material in English

Location: Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

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Summary: Zoologist and entomologist. Correspondence, notes, journals, and scientific and literary writings relating primarily to Wade's career as a scientist.

Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the LC Catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically.

People

Audubon, John James, 1785-1851.

Barber, G. W. (George W.)

Barber, Harry Gardner, 1871-1960--Correspondence.

Burroughs, John, 1837-1921.

Essig, E. O. (Edward Oliver), 1884-1964--Correspondence.

Gilbert, Ralph Early--Correspondence.

Kelly, Edward O. G. (Edward Owen Guerrant), 1880-1949--Correspondence.

King, Vernon, 1886 or 1887-1918--Correspondence.

McAtee, W. L. (Waldo Lee), 1883-1962--Correspondence.

Muir, John, 1838-1914.

Rehn, James A. G. (James Abram Garfield), 1881-1965--Correspondence.

Wade family--Correspondence.

Wade, Joseph Sanford, 1880-1961.

Walton, William Randolph, 1873-1952--Correspondence.

Webster, F. M. (Francis Marion), 1849-1916--Correspondence.

Wickham, H. F. (Henry Frederick), 1866-1933--Correspondence.

Organizations

United States. Bureau of Entomology

United States. Department of Agriculture.

Subjects

Agriculture.

Beetles--North America.

Entomology.

Forage plants.

Grain.

Hessian fly.

Insect pests--Control.

Insects.

Naturalists--United States.

Phyllophaga.

Sugarcane.

Zoology.

Places

Kansas--History.
Nebraska--History.
Oklahoma--History.
United States--History--1865-

Occupations

Entomologists.
Zoologists.

Provenance

The papers of Joseph Sanford Wade, zoologist and entomologist, were given to the Library of Congress by Wade in 1954. Additions were given by Ralph E. Gilbert in 1955 and by Carrie Wade and Nan Wade in 1961.

Processing History

The papers of Joseph Sanford Wade were arranged and described circa 1965. The finding aid was revised in 2012.

Copyright Status

The status of copyright in the unpublished writings of Joseph Sanford Wade is governed by the Copyright Law of the United States (Title 17, U.S.C.).

Access and Restrictions

The papers of Joseph Sanford Wade are open to research. Researchers are advised to contact the Manuscript Reading Room prior to visiting. Many collections are stored off-site and advance notice is needed to retrieve these items for research use.

Preferred Citation

Researchers wishing to cite this collection should include the following information: Container number, Joseph Sanford Wade Papers, Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Biographical Note

Date	Event
1880, July 20	Born, Cumberland County, Ky.
1905-1906	Student, Fairmount College, Wichita, Kans.
1923-1925 .	Student, University of Chicago, Chicago, Ill.
1913-1950	Entomologist, U.S. Department of Agriculture
1925	Published <i>A Bibliography of the European Corn Borer</i> . Washington, D.C.: Government Printing Office
1934	Published <i>An Annotated Bibliography of the Hessian Fly</i> . Washington, D.C.: Government Printing Office
1947	Published <i>Insects of the World Associated with Sugar Cane, their Predators and Parasites: A Preliminary Check List</i> . Washington, D.C.: Bureau of Entomology and Plant Quarantine, Agricultural Research Administration, U. S. Dept. of Agriculture
1950	Retired from government service

1961, Jan. 1

Died, Washington, D.C

Scope and Content Note

The papers of Joseph Sanford Wade (1880-1961) span the years 1898-1955 and pertain to agricultural science, particularly to the study of the control of insects affecting cereal and forage crops during the first half of the twentieth century.

The collection includes manuscripts and extensive source notes for scientific articles published by the Department of Agriculture, including annotated bibliographies on the Hessian fly, sugar cane insects of the world, a documented checklist of the immature stages of the North American coleoptera, and a bibliography on the ecological study of the genus phyllophaga. There are also articles of a nonscientific nature concerning early American naturalists such as John Muir, John Audubon, and John Burroughs and a collection of Wade's book reviews.

Correspondence between Wade and banker and insurance agent Ralph Early Gilbert reflect conditions in Kansas and Oklahoma, with comments on national affairs, 1898-1954. Other correspondents are Edward O. G. Kelly of the Bureau of Entomology's laboratory in Wellington, Kansas, F. M. Webster of the Washington D.C., office, and W. L. McAtee. The papers also contain Wade's daily journals depicting life in Nebraska and Kansas, 1914-1949.

The bulk of the collection consists of index cards of titles and authors compiled by Wade that are devoted to his special interests in science, art, history, biography, and the early American West.

Arrangement of the Papers

This collection is arranged by type of material or topic.

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