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PUBLICATIONS RECEIVED.

Five papers by Arthur A. Allen, Ithaca, N. Y. From *Bird-Lore: At Home with a Hell-Diver; On the Trail of the Evening Grosbeak*. These are intimate studies of the species, profusely illustrated from photographs. The *Paramo of Santa Isabel*, from "*The American Museum Journal*," January, 1915, being an account of the author's experiences in this interesting region in South America, illustrated from photographs. Two from the Cornell Reading-Courses, *Birds in their Relation to Agriculture*. These papers are in furtherance of the commendable university extension work of the College of Agriculture of Cornell University. Other state universities might well introduce more of this sort of extension work in part repayment for the support given to these institution by the whole people in taxes.

U. S. Department of Agriculture publications: *Some Common Birds Useful to the Farmer*, by F. E. L. Beal, *Farmer's Bulletin* No. 630; *Food of the Robins and Bluebirds of the United States*, by F. E. L. Beal, *Professional Paper* No. 171; *Preliminary Census of Birds of the United States*, by Wells W. Cooke, No. 187; *Bird Migration*, by Wells W. Cooke, No. 185. These papers and many others are continued evidence that our government officials are not unmindful that the nation's welfare is bound up in the intelligence of the people who compose it.

Several papers from the pen of Henry Oldys, under the caption, "*Current Items of Interest*," published by the Audubon Society of the District of Columbia, deal with the general question of bird conservation.

A series of papers in the *Outer's Book*, by Dr. R. W. Shufeldt, "*American Bob-whites and Quails*," in the September, October, November, and December numbers. These papers deal with the descriptions of all of the species, with some life history notes.

*Bird-Lore*, August-September, 1914, to May-June, 1915.

*Bluebird*, September, 1914, to June, 1915.

*Nature-Study Review*, September, 1914, to May, 1915.

*The Oregon Sportsman*, September, 1914, to May, 1915.

*The Condor*, September-October, 1914, to May-June, 1915.

*The Victorian Naturalist*, September, 1914, to April, 1915.

*The Guide to Nature*, September, 1914, to May, 1915.

*The Oriole*, June and August, 1914.