

Title: Oehlenschlaeger, Elizabeth Papers

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Abstract: Elizabeth Oehlenschlaeger was born in Denmark on June 2, 1875. She came to the United States in 1883, settling with her family in Oconomowoc. As an adult Oehlenschlaeger supported herself by working as a nurse and housekeeper for several prominent Milwaukee area families. In the 1920's she began working for the Lewis Taylor family, where she remained for the rest of her life. Oehlenschlaeger's real passion was ornithology and zoology, and she was a well-known bird and animal lover who often gave talks and presentations at Milwaukee schools. She also wrote articles on bird watching for local newspapers. She enjoyed caring for injured or abandoned birds, and raised owls, hawks, and purple martins. Oehlenschlaeger died in December of 1954.

Scope and Content: Three personal letters, one envelope, and one address card of Elizabeth Oehlenschlaeger.

Access and Use: No Restrictions

Language: English