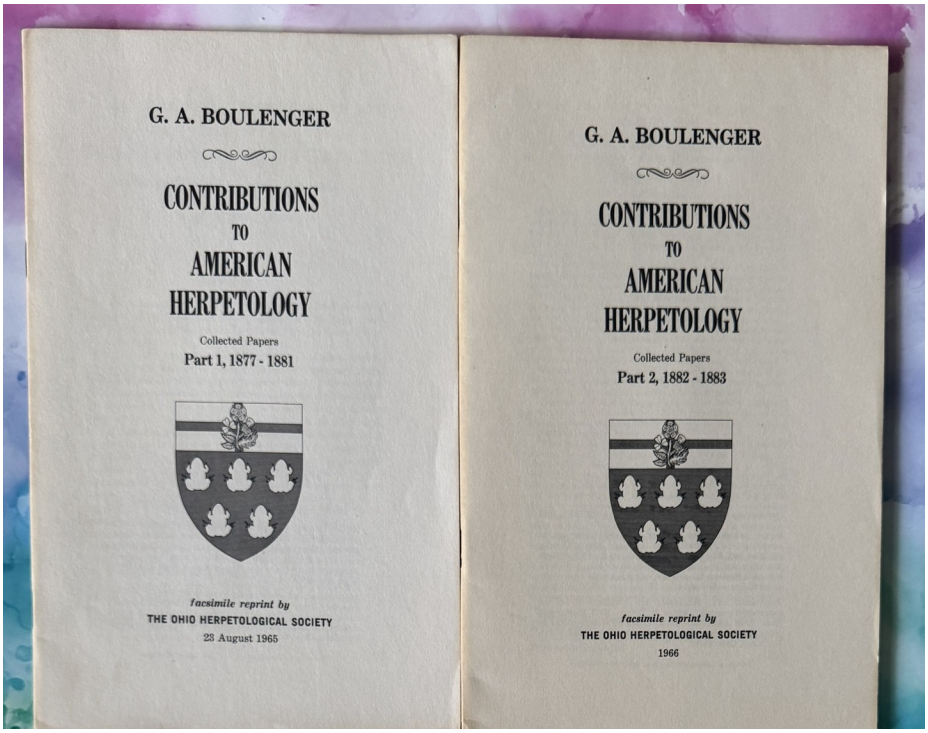
Contributions to American Herpetology

Magazine Research Record



Facsimile reprint Parts 1 and 2. The Ohio Herpetological Society, 1965 and 1966.

Publication Identification

Field	Information
Country	United States
Publication title	Contributions to American Herpetology
Years represented in the collection	Facsimile reprints 1965–1977; original papers represented 1877–1920
Publisher(s)	The Ohio Herpetological Society; Society for the Study of Amphibians and Reptiles (SSAR)
Frequency	Irregular: facsimile reprint series
Publisher address	Pending research update
Publication status	Completed facsimile reprint project represented by Parts 1–18 and supplementary finding aids
Publication run	Facsimile reprints 1965–1977; original papers 1877–1920
Editor	Pending research update
Printer	Pending research update
ISBN / ISSN	Pending research update
Language	English
Publication type	Facsimile reprint series of collected herpetological papers
Collection coverage	Complete Parts 1–18; introduction and tables of contents; separate Taxonomic Index
Earliest part represented	Part 1, reprinted 23 August 1965
Latest numbered part represented	Part 18, reprinted 1973
Supplementary index	Taxonomic Index compiled by John S. Applegarth, reprinted 1977

Preservation Significance

This collection has substantial preservation significance because it retains the complete physical facsimile sequence of Parts 1 through 18, together with the introductory and table of contents material and the separate Taxonomic Index. The reprints preserve access to George Albert Boulenger's American herpetology papers originally published from 1877 through 1920, while the physical booklets themselves document a second period of preservation work carried out from 1965 through 1977 by The Ohio Herpetological Society and the Society for the Study of Amphibians and Reptiles. As a complete sequence, the collection therefore preserves two layers of herpetological history: Boulenger's original scientific work and the later institutional effort to gather, reproduce, organize, and keep that work accessible. Retaining the individual parts and their supplementary finding aids also preserves the original structure of the facsimile project, including the transition between the two reprinting organizations, rather than reducing the material to later bound or digital bibliographic records.

G. A. Boulenger: Contributions to American Herpetology

Complete facsimile reprint set represented by the photographed physical copies.

Publication Metadata

Field	Information
Author	George Albert Boulenger (G. A. Boulenger)
Title	Contributions to American Herpetology
Material	Collected papers, facsimile reprints
Original-paper span	1877–1920
Reprint publisher	The Ohio Herpetological Society for the earliest parts; Society for the Study of Amphibians and Reptiles (SSAR) for later parts
Reprint period represented	1965–1977
Language	English
Subject	Herpetology; amphibians and reptiles; taxonomy, systematics and zoology
Complete physical sequence shown	Parts 1–18, plus introductory/table-of-contents material and a separate Taxonomic Index
Later bound bibliographic form	The series is also cataloged as two bound volumes plus index by SSAR

Complete Part Sequence

Part	Original papers covered	Facsimile reprint year / organization
Part 1	1877–1881	23 August 1965: The Ohio Herpetological Society
Part 2	1882–1883	1966: The Ohio Herpetological Society
Part 3	1884–1885	1966: The Ohio Herpetological Society
Part 4	1886–1887	1967: Society for the Study of Amphibians and Reptiles
Part 5	1888	1967: Society for the Study of Amphibians and Reptiles
Part 6	1889–1890	1968: Society for the Study of Amphibians and Reptiles
Part 7	1891–1893	1968: Society for the Study of Amphibians and Reptiles

Part 8	1894	1969: Society for the Study of Amphibians and Reptiles
Part 9	1895–1896	1969: Society for the Study of Amphibians and Reptiles
Part 10	1897	1970: Society for the Study of Amphibians and Reptiles
Part 11	1898	1970: Society for the Study of Amphibians and Reptiles
Part 12	1899–1900	1971: Society for the Study of Amphibians and Reptiles
Part 13	1901–1902	1971: Society for the Study of Amphibians and Reptiles
Part 14	1903–1904	1972: Society for the Study of Amphibians and Reptiles
Part 15	1905–1911	1972: Society for the Study of Amphibians and Reptiles
Part 16	1912–1913	1972: Society for the Study of Amphibians and Reptiles
Part 17	1914–1919	1973: Society for the Study of Amphibians and Reptiles
Part 18	1920	1973: Society for the Study of Amphibians and Reptiles

Supplementary Pieces Shown

Item	Coverage / credit	Date / notes
Introduction and Table of Contents	Parts 1–10, 1877–1897	Photographed separately; later catalog records describe the first collected volume as 392 pages
Table of Contents and Index	Parts 11–18, 1898–1920, and index	Photographed separately; later catalog records describe the second collected portion as pages 395–826
Taxonomic Index	Collected Papers	Compiled by John S. Applegarth; facsimile reprint by SSAR, 1977; dealer record gives pages 829–869

Bibliographic / Publication History

These booklets are not nineteenth- and early-twentieth-century originals. They are facsimile reprints assembling George Albert Boulenger's American herpetology papers originally published between 1877 and 1920. The photographed covers document a serial reprint project beginning with The Ohio Herpetological Society and continuing under the Society for the Study of Amphibians and Reptiles.

Independent SSAR collection records describe Boulenger's Contributions to American Herpetology as covering 1877–1920 and catalog a bound set as two volumes plus index. Independent specialist-dealer records also identify individual SSAR facsimile parts, including Parts 4, 7, 8, 9, 11, 15 and 16, and separately catalog the introduction/table-of-contents material and the taxonomic index.

Preservation Notes

- The photographs supplied show the entire numbered sequence, Parts 1 through 18.
- The original scientific papers span 44 calendar years, from 1877 through 1920.
- The physical reprints themselves document an institutional transition: Parts 1–3 bear The Ohio Herpetological Society name, while Part 4 onward bears the Society for the Study of Amphibians and Reptiles name.
- The separate Taxonomic Index was compiled by John S. Applegarth and reprinted in 1977.

- Because the covers state 'facsimile reprint,' website metadata should distinguish the original publication dates of Boulenger's papers from the dates of these physical reprint booklets.
- The two photographed back cover pieces are useful collection-level finding aids and should be cataloged separately from the 18 numbered parts rather than treated as numbered issues.

Website Category Placement

Material	Best label/type
Author, title, reprint organizations, language, subject and overall date span	Publication Metadata
Part number, original-paper years and reprint year for each booklet	Issue / Part Metadata
Introduction, tables of contents and Taxonomic Index	Supplementary / Reference Material
History of the Ohio Herpetological Society / SSAR reprint project	Publication History
Distinction between original paper dates and facsimile reprint dates	Bibliographic Research / Preservation Notes
Complete Parts 1–18 physical sequence	Collection / Preservation Notes

Sources Used

Source	Use
The photographed physical copies	Primary evidence for part numbers, original-paper date ranges, facsimile reprint years, reprinting organizations, introductory pieces and Taxonomic Index.
Society for the Study of Amphibians and Reptiles	Independent catalog evidence describing Contributions to American Herpetology, 1877–1920, as an SSAR two-volume set plus index.
RepFocus	Independent bibliographic confirmation of Part 5 as an SSAR facsimile reprint.
Specialist herpetological dealer catalogs	Independent records for multiple individual parts, the introduction/table-of-contents material, the second collected portion and the Taxonomic Index.