

Albuquerque, N. Mex.,  
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Mr. Philip A. DuMont,  
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Dear Mr. DuMont:

I am pleased to know of your interest in possible game management work. I had assumed that you were permanently attached to straight ornithology, but welcome the prospect of more men whose sympathy and skill covers both fields jointly. The two fields have a great deal to give to each other.

During the past three months I have been rounding up erosion control work in the CCC camps of the Southwest and am entirely out of touch with developments along game management lines. Word reached me just the other day that the Michigan Conservation Department (P. S. Lovejoy) is looking for an ornithologically trained man to do certain special work. I would suggest you get in touch with him.

I have recently engaged to take over a new chair of Conservation at the University of Wisconsin. This information is, for the moment, confidential. I mention it because I hope some possibilities will develop for graduate research in the field intermediate between straight ornithology and straight game management. If such should be the case, I would naturally think of you. After I have gained a more thorough size-up of the job I would like to talk this over with you in person.

Yes, Indiana is projecting a game survey. The active field work will probably be undertaken by John Ball, whose address is Kennedy Manor, Madison, Wisconsin. He is connected with the American Game Association. Errington knows him. It is probable that he will take on a man and I would advise you to get in touch with him. I am taking the liberty of sending him a copy of this letter for his preliminary information.

I am delighted to hear that the revised Iowa list is in press. I am looking forward to seeing it with great interest.

With kindest regards,

Yours as ever,

*Aldo Leopold*

Mr. Paul Errington - copy for information