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Professor Aldo Leopold
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My dear Leopold:

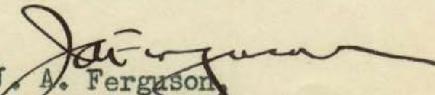
I want to thank you for your letters in regard to Mr. Wing and Mr. Errington. They certainly appear to be the type of men we need in our game research work at the Pennsylvania State College. It is interesting how things change. Professor A. C. McIntyre, who has been the research forester at the Pennsylvania State College for a number of years, has accepted a position with the Soil Conservation Service. This together with the fact that there does not seem to be any forester available for game research work has made a change in our plans for this year. I shall look for a research forester to take the place of Professor McIntyre. Next summer the college is expecting an increase in the appropriation from the Government for research work and at that time the college will undoubtedly be interested in a man who can take charge of this line of research work. I have talked this over with the Director of the Research Division in the School of Agriculture, Dr. S. W. Fletcher, and the man to be hired will be one with a training in biology who has also a knowledge of the woods. I have presented the names of these two men to Dr. Fletcher, and he is very much interested in them. Of course this matter will not come to a head until after July 1st when the increased appropriation for research is received. You may rest assured we shall get in touch with these men at that time. I realize that that is a long way into the future, but we feel there is a splendid opportunity here for a man who wishes to carry out real research work in game and to put into effect some of his own ideas.

Seth Gordon, as you know, has recently been reappointed as Secretary of the State Game Commission. This I know is going to mean quite a difference in the relation of the college with the game interests of the State. He has written me more than once expressing his interest in our efforts to secure a game research man. So it is possible this whole matter may come to a head sooner than we think.

I am taking the liberty of writing to Mr. Errington calling his attention to the possibilities of this position here, and I want to thank you for his name and also the name of Mr. Wing and for your interest in our efforts.

With kindest regards.

Very sincerely yours,


J. A. Ferguson
Professor of Forestry

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