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Dear Paul:

I think perhaps the seeming disagreement when my train left was not so great as our conversation might have indicated. The point I wanted to bring out but didn't have time to was that we do not yet know what are the effective elements in "food and cover". This is, of course, the same thing as your "ordinarily visible changes".

Since our talk I went over the Prairie du Sac area to see whether I could see any relation between physical changes in food and cover and the known histories of survival. I certainly found instances where thresholds had apparently changed without any visible change in environment.

Cyril Kabat, who has a very long head and has been on the ground with Albert this winter, is making his own appraisal. He is the ablest man who has seen Prairie du Sac since you left, and is a highly trained agronomist. I suspect he is going to contribute some ideas that will be of interest to both of us.

With best regards,

Celilo

Aldo Leopold