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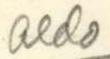
Dear Paul:

I am somewhat encouraged by your letter of September 14. While there are still differences of view, these seem to shrink whenever we get down to a real exchange of ideas, and I am hopeful if we exchange long and hard enough that their proportions may no longer be formidable. I will proceed with a revision, retaining, I think, the greater part of your draft, but with some possible shuffling of contents, if I can persuade myself that clarity is thus enhanced.

Your suggestion that we omit hypotheses altogether interests me. I can't go with you quite all the way because our main justification in publishing at this time is to put the questions raised before other investigators, and most of them will hardly realize what these questions are unless we at least ask them. Perhaps the best definition of my attitude is that we should ask, but not answer, them.

I hope to get around to this within the next couple of weeks.

With personal regards,

  
Aldo Leopold

P.S. Thanks for the extra mink bulletins.