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Dear Paul:

I am much pleased to hear that the paper will come out so soon, and I will be grateful for any reprints that you can spare.

Alice has checked the Prairie du Sac Journals, and they are all here. Yes, I agree with you that your office or mine is a safer place than the Conservation Department. I will put the Journals in regular library boxes and keep them here subject to call by yourself or the Department, and I am sending a copy of this to Bill Grimmer to make sure such disposition is agreeable to him.

That's good news that you are getting new insight into the muskrat disease. I have been thinking about it a lot ever since your Goose Lake mimeograph came out, especially now that Wisconsin faces the problem of regulating trapping on state-owned areas like Horicon Marsh.

Yes, I, too had recomputed the rate of gain at Prairie du Sac, and noticed that the additional coveys cause the figure for this year to align much more closely with those of other years. As you know, I am not yet persuaded that your "phases" are not an over-refinement, but that doesn't matter as long as we are gaining new insight.

With best Christmas wishes to yourself and your family,

Yours as ever,

Aldo

Aldo Leopold

cc Grimmer