

The final chapter concerns - The Science of Humanity. "Nature can be tamed without being destroyed....We must make a strenuous effort to preserve what we can of primeval Nature, lest we lose the opportunity to re-establish contact now and then with our biological origins. A sense of continuity with the past and with the rest of creation is a form of religious experience essential to sanity."

"Many American cities....are the largest centers of nonrestraint in the world, and most of their problems derive precisely from a misapplied interpretation of freedom....Civilizations emerge from man's creative efforts to take advantage of the limitations imposed on his freedom by his own nature and by the limitations of the land.

"The know-how is less important than the know-why; unfortunately technological considerations are practically always given precedence over human factors. Modern man finds it easy to function as Homo faber,....but he has not yet learned to function as Homo sapiens when it comes to using wisely the objects that he makes in such nauseating profusion."

The preceding quotes have been presented as a lure to your discovery of many more. Surely none of us, who has the close contact with nature that is a by-product of our banding, needs to be roused to the ecological problems of our times. But it is enlightening and encouraging to find the problems stated logically and developed scientifically.



REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON SEMPIPALMATED SANDPIPERS AND SANDERLINGS

During the autumn migration of 1970 we hope to band and colour-mark several hundred Semipalmated Sandpipers and Sanderlings at Long Point Observatory (Ontario). Information on the movement of these sandpipers is essential to research presently under way on the energy requirements of their migration. We would greatly appreciate it if anyone sighting these birds would report their observations to Dr. A. Salvadori, Dept. of Mathematics and Statistics, University of Guelph, Guelph, Ontario, Canada.

The following information would be appreciated: Species, Location (including nearest city or town), Dates, Leg that has been banded (this will tell if the bird is an adult or an immature), and colour, as follows:

Birds will be coloured on the breast or abdomen with a single colour, either pink, orange, blue, green; yellow or purple.

Any information on what other birds are with the marked individuals would be very useful also.