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Our thanks is extended to those contributors, many of whom are pioneers in this young province, who have done so much to make this Special Jubilee Number a success. All are imbued with an intense feeling of pride in Saskatchewan and affection for its vast and varied scope of natural beauty. Across the open prairies to the south, throughout the park area of the central regions and among the rugged forested and watered areas of the north can be found, within the confines of one province, all the types of beauty which nature has to bestow.

The members of the Saskatchewan Natural History Society have done and are doing their best to protect and conserve all forms of wild life and their natural habitats. Recognizing that many mistakes have been made in the past, resulting in the permanent loss or depletion of rare flowers, valuable birds and other animals, they are dedicated to the task of advocating and putting into practise those recognized schemes of conservation which will preserve for our grandchildren and great grandchildren the precious heritage which should be theirs to enjoy in the future as it is ours to admire today.

During this, the Golden Jubilee Year of our province, we especially invite visitors from other provinces and states. They will find that our cities and towns are not desolate regions scattered here and there across a wind-swept prairie, but lovely home-like places as beautifully treed and gardened as any from where they came. They will find modern highways extending across great wheat-lands, meadows and forests, where numerous flowers grow in profusion, where typical birds inhabit the open plains, the tree tops, lakes and sloughs. They will be thrilled at the magnificent prairie sunsets at dusk. Above all they will meet a friendly and hospitable people, who are proud of their homes and surroundings, and whose great desire is to make Saskatchewan even more beautiful and inviting.