

AWARD WINNERS, 1971



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Fred W. Lahrman (left) and Thomas White

CLIFF SHAW AWARD

Each year since the death of Cliff Shaw in 1959 the Saskatchewan Natural History Society has given the Cliff Shaw Award to the person contributing the best item to the *Blue Jay* since the preceding annual meeting. This year the award was presented to Fred Lahrman. The editor, who presented the award, mentioned the Lahrman photo of the big cow moose running over the flat plains just south of Regina and quoted from the article to point out some qualities of the Lahrman style and humour. The award was made mostly, however, for the two articles on natural hybrids in birds, the White-front X Ross Goose and the Cinnamon X Blue-winged Teal. Mr. Lahrman is artist and preparator at the Saskatchewan Museum of Natural History and as such is in an excellent position to stimulate others to become more interested in nature. It is hoped that he will continue to contribute to the *Blue Jay* in the same invaluable manner he has done in the past.

1971 CONSERVATION AWARD

At the Saskatchewan Natural History Society annual meeting in Moose Jaw, October 16, 1971 the society's 1971 Conservation Award was presented by our new president Mr. J. A. Wedgwood to Thomas White of Regina. Mr. White, an architect, is chairman of the conservation committees of both the Regina and the Saskatchewan Natural History Societies and it is largely through his efforts that the Saskatchewan Government this year by Order-in-Council established the Wildcat Hill Wilderness Area. This area, some 40,000 acres in the Pasquia Hills, is the first legally declared wilderness area in Saskatchewan in which there will be no lumbering, no mining and no roads. We congratulate Thomas White and express the hope that he will continue to work for the cause of conservation in general and for the setting aside and protection of natural areas in particular.