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Thomas R. Dunlap discusses the development of birding and of its long-term public influence in the USA through the history of field guides. His account goes from the late nineteenth century “back to nature” movement, through the mid-twentieth century development of birdwatching into a popular hobby, to its role in the current “environmental age.” The main issues at stake are the values and scientific models the guides have been conveying in different periods and how they changed over time.

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