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the various adaptations and specialisations and gives a short account of what is known of their history. Distribution throughout the British Isles is given on a county by county basis.

The conservation of widely distributed species is always difficult and although the release of young birds, which have been bred from parents initially taken into captivity because they were injured, has helped, it is not a long-term solution: habitat protection is the only answer. The book is well produced with a coloured frontispiece, 31 excellent black-and-white photographs and a sprinkling of fine line drawings by Ian Willis. The text is supplemented with numerous diagrams, tables, charts and maps. I have no hesitation in thoroughly recommending this excellent monograph.

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Where Have All the Flowers Gone? Deforestation in the Third World

Studies in Third World Societies 13, 1981

Blowing in the Wind: Deforestation and Long-range Implications

Studies in Third World Societies 14, 1981

V.H. Sutlive, N. Altshuler and
M.D. Zamora (Editors)

Department of Anthropology, College of
William and Mary, Williamsburg, Virginia
23185 USA, \$10.00 each or \$17.50 for
two

These two publications include interesting papers on various aspects of tropical deforestation. *Blowing in the Wind* looks at the environmental consequences of forest destruction whereas *Where Have All the Flowers Gone?* considers in addition the social implications. Both books provide detailed examples showing that we are not coming to terms with the nature or extent of the problems. In a paper discussing Indonesia's environmental management, Robert Goodland points out that natural resources 'require a longer term management strategy than conventional economics provides' in order to allow sustainable utilisation. Little is being learnt from the life-styles

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of forest dwellers who do utilise and trade in forest products in a sustainable way as heavy-handed exploitation continues relentlessly.

Although the series of which these publications form part is addressed 'both to laymen and scholars' these books will be more useful as reference works than for general readership.

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Also received

The following books have also been received and are held in the ffPS office for reference:

Chemical Immobilization of North American Wildlife. Proceedings of the North American Symposium: Chemical Immobilization of Wildlife, held on 4, 5, 6 April 1982

Edited by L. Nielsen, J.C. Haigh and
M.E. Fowler

The Wisconsin Humane Society, 4151
North Humboldt Avenue, Milwaukee,
Wisconsin 53212, USA, 1983. \$17.50
plus \$1.25 postage and handling

Chemical Immobilization in Urban Animal Control Work

Leon Nielsen

Wisconsin Humane Society, 4151
North Humboldt Avenue, Milwaukee,
Wisconsin 53212, USA, 1983. \$6.00
plus \$1.00 postage and handling

Chimpanzee Politics

Frans Waal

Unwin Paperbacks, 1983. £3.95

Life: The Science of Biology

William K. Purves and Gordon H. Orians
Blackwell Scientific Publications, 1983.
£19.50