Editorial—

Salvation for Wolf Coming at Last?

The Metro Goldwyn Mayer documentary film, "The Wolf Men," recently shown throughout the Lower 48 and more recently in Alaska, may turn out to be the vehicle that will be the salvation of the wolf in Alaska.

The animal has been the target of hate, or something evil, for centuries probably due to the nursery rhyme, "Red Riding Hood." At least some of it can perhaps be attributed to it. What nature had intended for the animal to do was all but forgotten—the gleaning of the infirm among animals it preys upon, thereby keeping herds in pretty healthy condition. The best bred the best under the system, or nearly so.

The wolf has been under great pressure for centuries. It may not be pretty the way it goes after its prey, but nature put it there. We are most inclined to go along with Mother Nature.