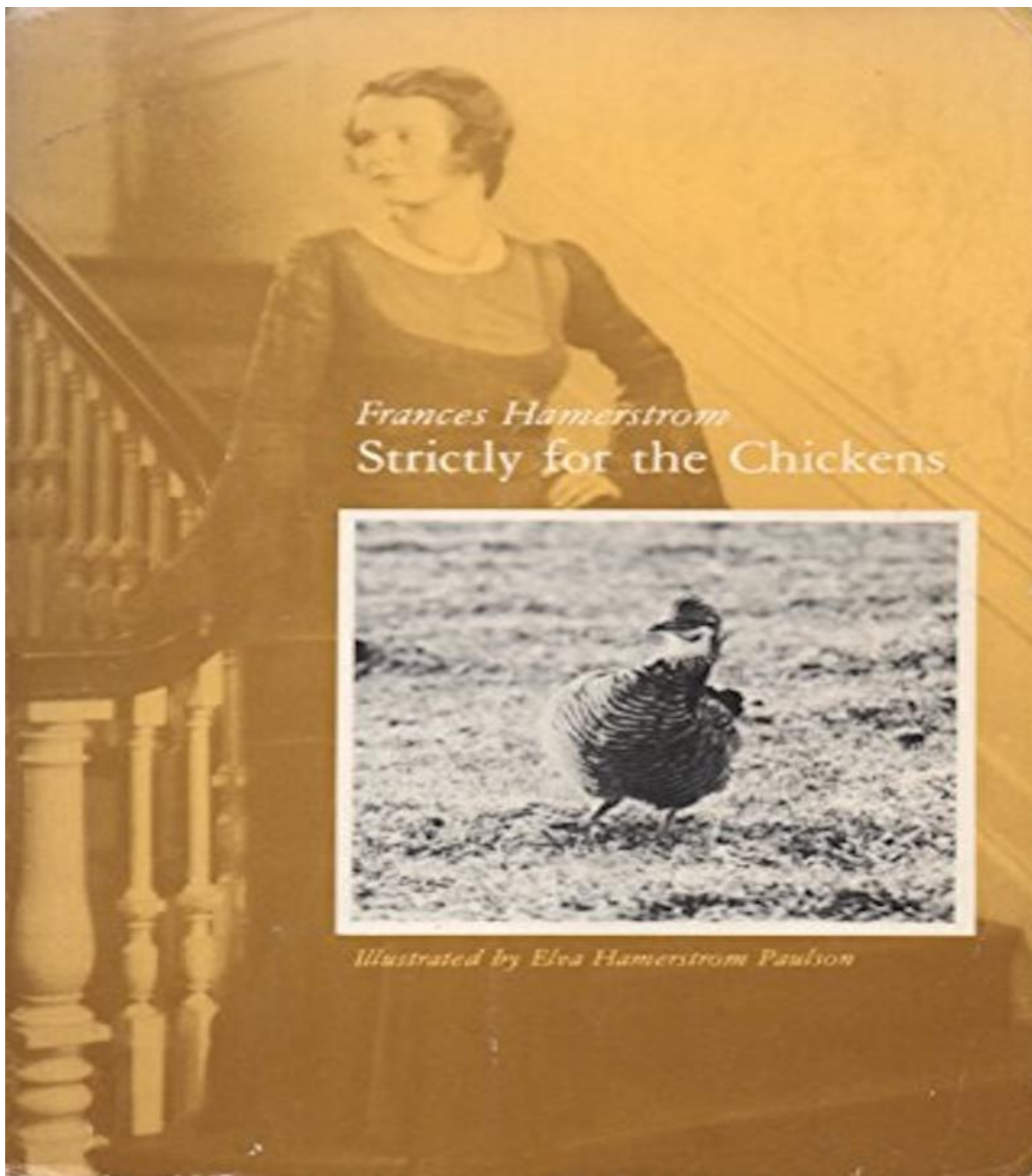


BOOK REVIEW

Hamerstrom, Frances. **Strictly for the Chickens**. Iowa State Univ. Pr. 1980. 174p. photos. by Frederick Hamerstrom. illus. by Elva Hamerstrom Paulson. fwd. by George H. Harrison. LC 80-19387. ISBN 0-8138-0800-6. \$11.95 NAT HIST



Frances and Frederick Hamerstrom, both wildlife biologists, spent half a century studying the prairie chickens of central Wisconsin. Though their research was challenging and painstaking, there were many lighter moments. This book is chiefly about the latter. It is written to entertain readers and is quite successful in doing so. The text is fast-moving and replete with fascinating anecdotes. The author touches on events that occurred while she was observing prairie chickens on their booming grounds. Most interesting is the author's interaction with some 7000 "boomers," volunteers who helped gather field data each spring. The book offers insight into Wisconsin's customs, and much more. For general natural history collections and public libraries.

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