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During the second half of the nineteenth century, the cultivation of phylogenetic trees appeared to be an integral part of biology. In the present century, this form of silviculture has so far been looked on with disfavor, particularly by those experimentalists who did not realize that everything has a history and, since history is the study of the unfinished business of the universe, that history may be highly relevant.

G. E. Hutchinson, 1970,
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