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... Sometime around 1900, Iowa's white-tailed deer population was extirpated. Elk and bison, both species native to Iowa, disappeared from the state's landscape even earlier due to over-hunting ...

[These are the 'good old days' of deer hunting](#) January 5, 2022 Iowa, The Gazette

...White-tailed deer were eliminated from most of Eastern Iowa by the 1860s. Total legal protection of deer in 1898 was too little and too late. Iowa State professor emeritus James Dinsmore said the deer was extirpated as of 1900. Then regulations, deer releases, and changing attitudes revived the herd to the point where Iowa legalized a new deer season in 1953...

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