Erosion and soil fertility depletion are ever present problems which affect not only the present, but future economic welfare of Dane County farmers. The County Agent's office has always devoted considerable time to this problem and has conducted demonstrations, and distributed information on proper land use.

In addition to special demonstrations on problems of fertility and erosion, this office has been responsible for conservation education and information in connection with both the Agricultural Conservation program and the work program of the Dane County Soil Conservation District.

Last year, the Dane County Board by resolution made all of Dane County a soil conservation district. The County Agricultural Committee constitutes the supervisory body in charge of the district. Mr. A.J. Wojta and three other technicians are the U.S.D.A. employees responsible to these supervisors for carrying out a program of work in the district. The County Agent's Office is responsible for promotional and educational work. During the past year, we assisted in securing 354 applications from farmers desiring service from the district. Not the least of our activities was assistance given in the promotion of a contour plowing match attended by 4500 people.

In brief, here are a few of the accomplishments of the district itself during the past year:

1. Farmers requesting service

2. Total trees distributed and assistance given in planting

3. Lime ground and given to farmers for 5¢ per ton at quarry

4. Erosion surveys completed

5. Farm plans completed

6. Farmers assisted in growing crops on contour

7. Gulley control work

8. Drainage surveys made

9. Land clearing