AGRICULTURAL CONSERVATION

One duty of the County Agricultural Agent's Office is to cooperate with other agencies working for and with farmers. In addition to educational work, the County Agricultural Agents serve as a coordinating agency and help correlate the work of all agencies into a unified program for the farmers of the county.

As Secretary and member of the County Agricultural Conservation Committee, we have not only assisted with general educational work, but have helped many individual farmers make the adjustments necessary to participate in the Agricultural Conservation Program.

Estimated payments to Dane County farmers participating in the 1941 Agricultural Conservation program will total $843,000. Of this amount, $630,000 will be earned for staying within the general crop allotment and for carrying out recommended soil building practices; $140,000 represents corn parity payments; $3,000 represents wheat parity payments; and $70,000 tobacco parity payments.

A large percentage of these payments have been used by farmers for purchasing legume seed, lime, and fertilizer, all of which contribute to the permanent improvement of the land.

The present farmer committee in charge of A.A.A. for Dane County is composed of Joseph C. Adler, John Fluckiger, Jr., and Andrew J. Nell.