

Three tours of the Fennimore project area were held this year. The Agent hoped to make even greater use of these demonstrations in spreading soil erosion practices. The closest cooperation has been in effect between the Soil Conservation Service and this office.

A problem of significance to the Board at some future date will be the suggestion to declare Grant County a "Soil Conservation District" as defined under a new State Law passed last year. The purpose is to make it possible to secure the services, over the whole county, of a member of the Federal Soil Conservation staff working thru this office. The plan does not involve a cent of expense to the County either directly or indirectly, but does make it possible for farmers to secure the services of this technician on soil erosion problems. The study I have given this, leads me to believe it entirely feasible for Grant County in the near future.

#### SLEEPING SICKNESS DISCUSSED

Perhaps the liveliest farm subject in the County last spring was the matter of sleeping sickness among horses. Interest was high because accurate information was scarce and fake cures and remedies were numerous. The Agent has just been through the complete cycle of the disease in South Dakota so was able to discuss the problem at several meetings around the County. These meetings and other publicity helped to spread accurate information concerning the disease and vaccination methods. A large percentage of horses were vaccinated and sleeping sickness caused little damage this year.