

FORMER ELDORAN —

Walter Jeske To Conservation Position In Washington, D. C.



Walter E. Jeske, son of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Jeske of Eldora, has accepted a position as educational relations specialist with the Soil Conservation in Washington, D. C.

Jeske has been editor of the Journal of Soil and Water Conservation for the Soil Conservation Society of America at Ankeny since 1960. In his new position, Jeske will head the conservation education work for the soil conservation agency and will serve as liaison representative with educational groups, youth organizations, other agencies of government and with various publishing companies and conservation organizations. He will leave for his new position on September 1, 1965.

A graduate of Eldora High School where he was active in the Future Farmers of America organization, he received his B. S. degree in agricultural education from Iowa State University in 1951. While at the University he was named to membership in Alpha Zeta (agricultural honorary fraternity), Phi Delta Kappa (honorary fraternity in education), Gamma Sigma Delta (agricultural honorary fraternity), and to Phi Kappi Phi (scholastic honorary group).

Jeske taught vocational agriculture at Waverly, Iowa, from 1951 to 1960. Under his supervision the Waverly Future Farmers of America Organization won a national gold emblem award for six successive years and he received an honorary Iowa Future Farmer degree in 1957.

He became editor of the Journal of Soil and Water Conservation on July 1, 1960. The Journal is a 48-page bimonthly publication of the Soil Conservation Society of America, is a semi-technical in content and goes to the 10,500 members of the organization located throughout the United States and 80 other countries of the world. Under his editorship the publication was completely revised, with a new cov-

er page and interior format.

In addition to his work as editor Jeske served as assistant secretary during the time the Society's new international headquarters building was under construction. He was active in the Iowa Society of Association Executives and served as chairman of their program committee. He is a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, and is a member of the Technical Writers and Publishers Society and Conservation Education Association.

Mrs. Jeske is the former Carol Beth Ahrens of Grinnell and has been a teacher of vocational homemaking at Franklin Junior High School in Des Moines. She is a member of the Executive Committee of the Iowa State University Alumni Association.

Officials of the Soil Conservation Society of America have not selected a successor to Jeske.