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Twenty-Fourth Annual Report

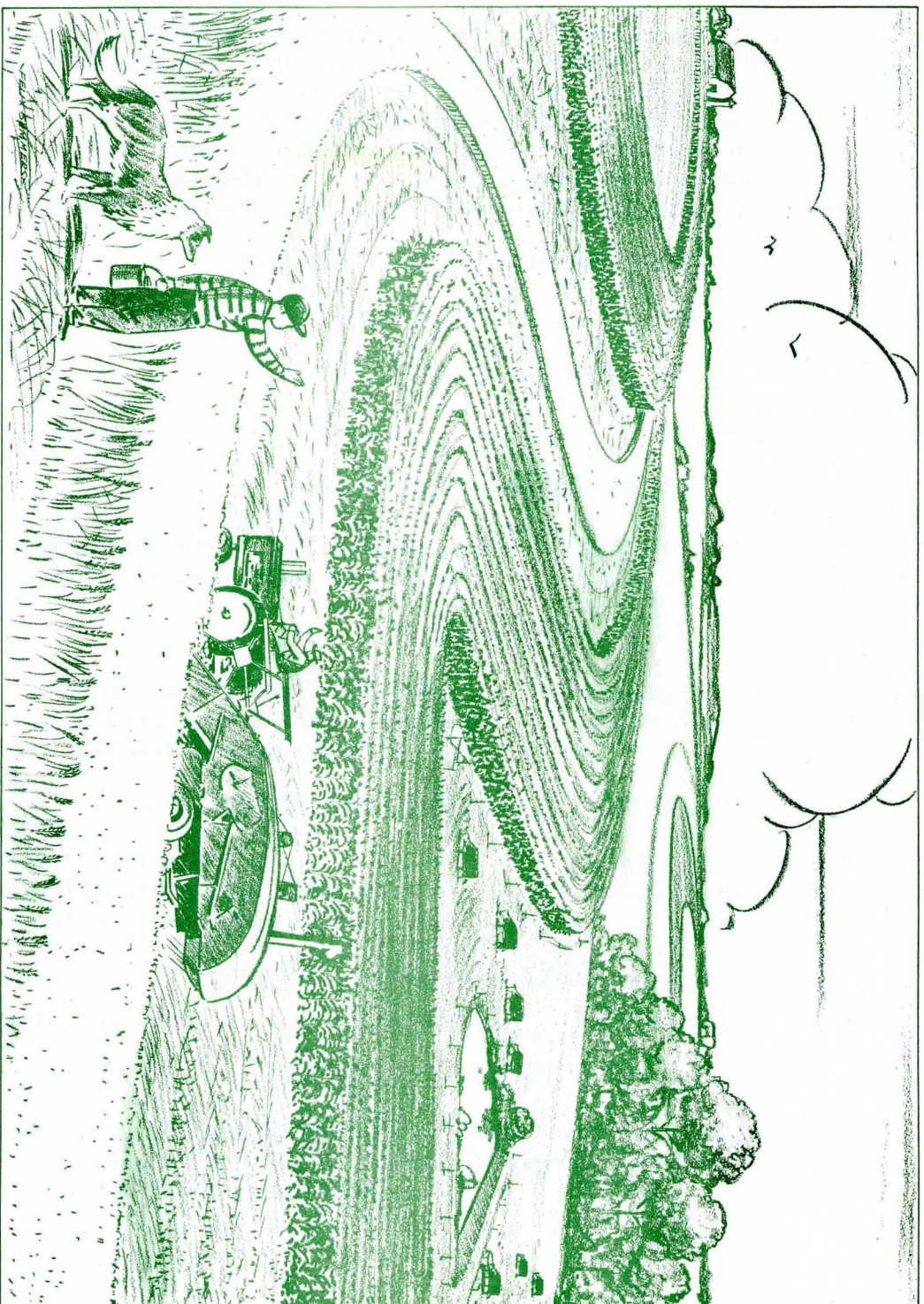
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We, the Cass County Soil Conservation District Commissioners, wish to express our thanks to all those named below, as well as many others in the area, for their fine cooperation over the years in helping to advance the cause of soil and water conservation in Cass County. We feel a great responsibility in conserving our most valuable natural resources -- the soil and water -- for future generations and only with the help of everyone can this goal be realized. We thank all those who have helped us advance in this great enterprise.

SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS

George W. Hosfelt

Lawrence E. Blunk

DISTRICT PERSONNEL

Office assistant

SOIL CONSERVATION SERVICE

David W. Kudej, Conservationist
Elmer L. Nelson, Conservation aid

EXTENSION SERVICE

Margery Jones, Office assistant
Louise Sorensen, Ext. Ass't. in training

AGRICULTURAL STABILIZATION AND CONSERVATION SERVICE

Bernice Muerer, ACP Clerk
Elaine Martens, Price Support Clerk

County Committee

C. R. Anstey

Harold Zellmer

FARMERS HOME ADMINISTRATION

Oliver E. Hagglund, County Supervisor Forrest D. Vermillion, Ass't County Supervisor
Eleanor H. Burgess, County Office Clerk Carolyn M. Johnson, Ass't County Office Clerk
Kermit M. Teig, District Supervisor

COMMISSIONERS ACTIVITIES

The Annual Short Course for District Commissioners was held in Ames in January and was attended by all the Commissioners.

On January 18th. the Crooked Creek Watershed Annual Meeting and Inspection was held at Anita.

District Commissioners from Region 5 met at Trinity Lutheran Church in Avoca, Iowa at 10:00 A. M. for an all day meeting.

FEBRUARY

The Soil Conservation District Annual Meeting was held on Feb. 2nd. in connection with the Turkey Creek Watershed Annual Meeting with a free pancake supper being served to approximately 400 people at the 4-H and F.F.A. Community Building. C. W. McManamy from the Omaha Livestock Exchange was the featured speaker. Bob Bollman from the State Soil Conservation Service discussed progress in the Watershed and Fred Knop, Speech contest winner, presented his oration on the subject --- "Water Conservation - Vital to all".

On Feb. 14th. Elmer Nelson began work with the District.

On Feb. 17th. Gilbert Wehrman and Volney Smith met with Glen Durst of the State Conservation Commission to discuss structures proposed for the Anita Lake which are near of will hinder construction sites in the Turkey Creek Watershed.

On Feb. 21st. a neighborhood group meeting was held at the Fletcher Chapel Church basement to discuss the Turkey Creek Watershed in the Wm. Fudge area.

MARCH

The State Clerk accompanied Soil Conservation Service personnel to an Area Meeting in Harlan.

APRIL

The Soil Conservation Speech Contest was held in the Vo. Ag. Room of the Atlantic High School on April 14th. Four contestants were entered and delivered speeches on the theme, "Water Conservation - Vital to all". Entered were Fred Knop, John Heiden, Dick Woodward and Steve Dolch. Dick Woodward was named the winner.

MAY

District Commissioners and SCS personnel attended the Allen Steer Watershed banquet held in Mondamin on May 28th.

JUNE

A Troublesome Creek Watershed meeting was held June 21st. at the Uptown Cafe, in Exira at 8:00 P. M.

The Regional Speech contest was held in connection with the Area Picnic, at Edgerton Park, at Avoca, at 1:00 P. M. June 26th.

Lloyd Dumenil, Associate Professor of Agronomy at Iowa State University checked the Corn Yield Study plots during the month.

JULY

Commissioner, SCS personnel and Extension Director judged the Register and Tribune Contest entries on July 12th.

The Iowa Chapter of the Soil Conservation Society of America held its summer meeting at Springbrook Park on July 22nd. A park tour was held at 1:30 with a pot luck dinner served at 5:30.

Commissioners from Region 5 held a Regional meeting at Trinity Lutheran Church in Avoca on July 25th.

AUGUST

The Queen of Conservation Contest was held Aug. 2nd. in connection with the 4-H and F.F.A. Fair. Contestants appeared on stage during the evening program and 2 candidates were chosen to represent Cass County in the Regional Contest.

Lawrence Blunk was elected as District Commissioner to serve a 6 year term. He replaced Wendell Pellett who did not seek re-election. Voting was held at the District Booth on Aug. 3rd.

The Regional Queen of Conservation Contest, was held on stage at the Audubon County Fair, Aug. 16th. at 7:00 P. M.

SEPTEMBER

Commissioners and SCS personnel assisted at the National Field Day and Flowing Matches at Jefferson, on Sept. 8th. and 9th.

OCTOBER

The Corn Yield Study plots were harvested on Oct. 10th. and 11th.

A meeting of the Turkey Creek Watershed board was held Oct. 18th. in Anita to discuss easements and structure sites.

On Oct. 26th. a tour of the Anita Lake State Park area was made with the Conservation Commission Engineer, Mike Hill at 2:30.

The Annual Meeting of the Iowa Chapter of the Soil Conservation Society of America was held Oct. 28th. at the South Holiday Inn in Des Moines.

NOVEMBER

A meeting and tour of the Treynor Research project was held on Nov. 2nd.

The Drill rig began work in the Turkey Creek Watershed on Nov. 14th.

DECEMBER

A meeting was held with the State Conservation Commission at the Anita Lake State Park on Dec. 5th.

Regular monthly meetings were held by the Commissioners each month during the year.

Commissioners, Max Miller, George Hosfelt and Lawrence Blunk are now being assisted by three Assistant Commissioners, Hans D. Sothman, Glenn R. Olsen and Wendell C. Pellett.

FINANCIAL REPORT

	RECEIPTS	DISBURSEMENTS
1-M Budget		
Allocation	\$500.00	
Commissioners Mileage		\$265.98
Office supplies		59.58
Prizes for contests		37.95
Materials for demonstrations		14.53
Office expense		24.90
	\$500.00	\$402.94

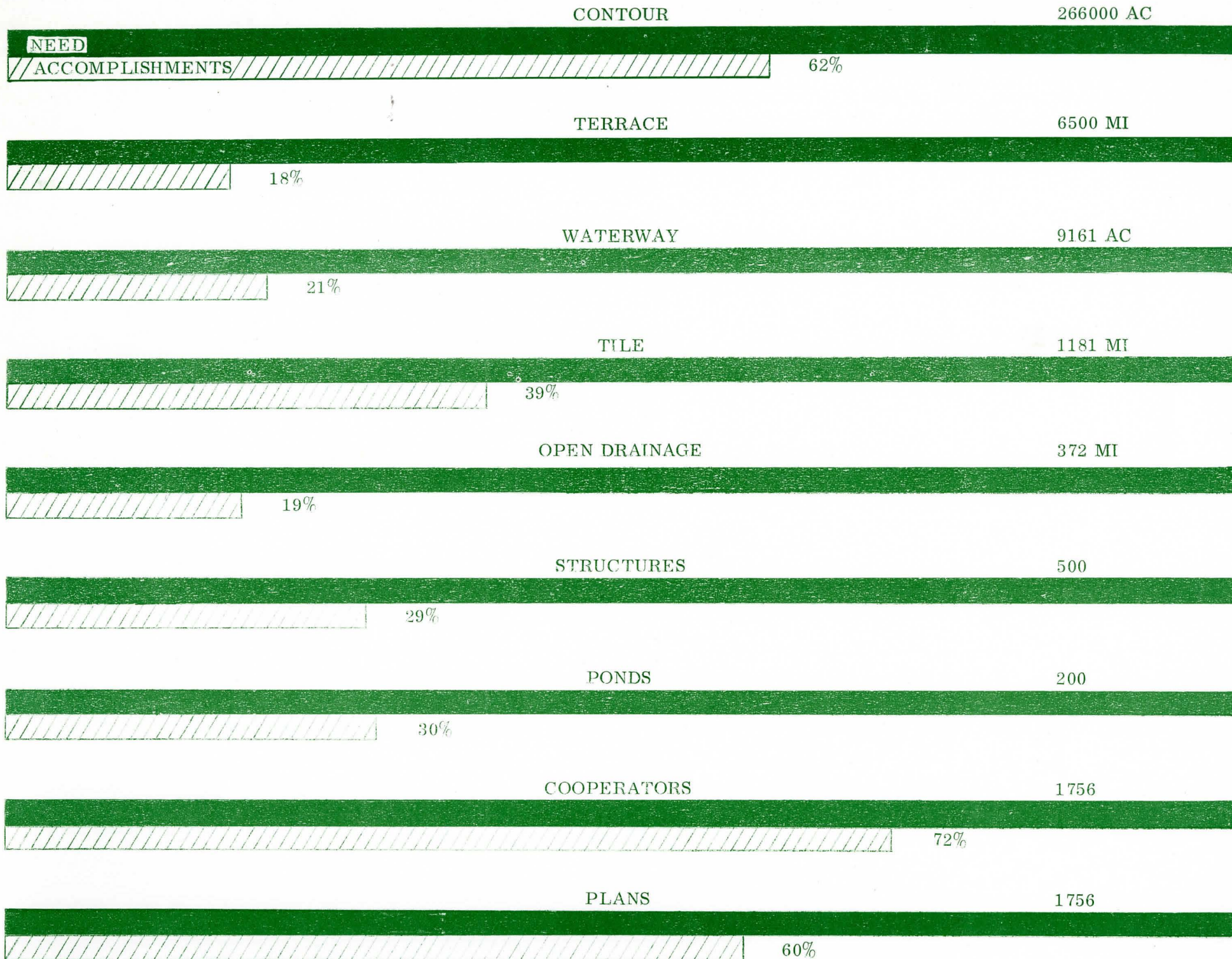
2-M Budget		
Allocation	\$6000.00	
Clerical and technical salaries		\$5951.79
Returned to State		48.21
	\$6000.00	\$6000.00

DISTRICT REVOLVING FUND

Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1966	\$535.42		
State Comptroller		\$220.61	
Queen Contest			\$35.40
Office supplies			68.51
Fair Booth			31.41
Teacher tuition			25.00
Prizes for contests			4.00
Post Office			49.00
Rental of Meeting hall			5.00
	\$535.42	\$220.61	\$218.32
Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1966	\$537.71		

CASS COUNTY SOIL CONSERVATION NEEDS AND GOALS

	Unit	Accomplished 1966	Now on the land 1966	Total long time need	1967 Annual Goal
District Cooperators	No.	77	1388	1756	40
Farm Plans	No.	49	1143	1756	40
Revised Plans	No.	3	14	200	5
Contour	Ac.	7699	100866	266000	4000
Terrace	Mi.	24	1249	6500	40
Waterway	Ac.	163	2135	9161	80
Structures	No.	6	154	500	6
Ponds	No.	6	69	200	6
Tile	Mi.	95	635	1181	80
Open drain	Mi.	.5	77.5	372	3
Pasture renovation	Ac.	28	871	34323	500
Pasture planting	Ac.	45	1686	15325	300
Woodland Improvement	Ac.	0	0	338	0
Tree Planting	Ac.	10	22	100	2
Fence Row Improvement	Rds.	0	876	40000	500
Hedgerow Planting	Rds.	0	0	33440	500
Wildlife Habitat	Ac.	15	900	5000	16



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