

An Education In Mo

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Jack Chamberlain, assistant technician for the Davis Soils District, is shown above addressing the group at the Alvin Baughman farm. Chamberlain, together with Burdette Stamps, P. W. Spillman, Leland McCord and Sylvan Runkle of the Soil Conservation Service, Doyle Schmitter of the Farmers' Home Administration, Lynn Fitzsimmons of the Extension Service and Earl Hem of the Production Marketing Administration planned the tour.



While at the Bollman farm the visiting merchants and producers admire a herd of Angus cattle. The caravan included a school bus and was the first of several planned by the Chamber of Commerce.

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The farm of Earl Trachsel, pictured above, was one of four visited on the tour. The stop at the Trachsel farm featured a milking parlor and grass silage. Trachsel was in the process of demonstrating a method employed in storing the silage in a silo, when the cameraman snapped the picture.

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Professional men took a few minutes to bus and six private cars. The tour was during the summer.



The steps to be taken in the construction of a farm pond were being explained at the D. C. Bollman farm when the above photo was snapped Thursday afternoon. The benefits of farm ponds, both from the standpoint of recreation and water supply, were explained.

Twenty-Five Men Tour Rural Areas Thursday

Twenty-five Bloomfield business and professional men took part in an agricultural tour Thursday afternoon. They were accompanied by several farmers and representatives of local agricultural agencies.

The tour, conducted in cooperation with the Extension Service, Soils District, Farmers Home Administration and Production Marketing Administration, was sponsored by the Bloomfield Chamber of Commerce.

The following men made the tour by bus: Dawson Bennett, Buddy Leon, Frank Crouse, Donald Hunter, Harold Jones, Verl Spilman, Donald Harris, George E. Keith, Hawk, Edward Burdett, Carl Jenkins, John Garrett, Henry Foglesong, Max Reno, Dale Snook, Earl Mikels, Audie Redmond, H. E. Rehfield, Harry Burdett, Clarence Johnson, Ed Foscoe, James Bengt, W. R. McMains, Reginald Myers and Dr. Otto Bowling. Representatives of agricultural agencies making the trip included Lynn Fitzsimmons, Earl Hem, Burdette Stamps, Sylvan Runkle and P. W. Spilman.

Four farms were visited during the tour, which was staged for the purpose of exhibiting modern farming and conservation practices. The farms visited included those of Alvin Baughman, Eugene Grim, D. C. Bollman and Earl Trachsel. Items covered included crop rotation, terracing, pasture improvement, waterways, contouring, grass silage, Multiflora Rose, purebred cattle, farm ponds, milking parlor and windbreaks.

Women of the Mennonite church served a chicken dinner at the church following the tour.

The tour was the first of several being planned for the summer by the Chamber of Commerce. The committee for the event included Dale Snook and Earl Mikels.



Many of the business men had their first glimpse of a Multiflora Rose fence at the D. C. Bollman farm. The fence, being examined above by Donald Harris (left) and Earl Mikels, was one of the first to be planted in this county.



The men also enjoyed the portion of the tour shown above. It featured a fried chicken dinner served at the Mennonite church by the women of that congregation. Forty-two men, including farmers, were present for the dinner.