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Seated left to right, J. C. Skow; J. C. "Jack" Nyman, Chairman; and Julius Baas.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THE DISTRICT—1961

	Unit	
District Coopera'tors	Each	30
Basic Plans	Each	37
Follow-up contacts	Each	58
Contouring	Acres	157
Grassed Waterways	Acres	4.6
Pasture Plantings	Acres	6
Tree Plantings	Acres	3
Surface Drains	Miles	1.6
Mains and Laterals	Miles	4.1
Tile Drains	Miles	56.9
Grassland Renovation	Acres	10
Diversion Construction	Miles	.06
Wetland Development	Acres	4

There are 612 District Coopera'tors to date and 453 Basic Conservation Plans.

1961 DISTRICT ACTIVITIES

Ten regular meetings were held during the year.

The Annual meeting and election was at Burt, Iowa in February. Julius Baas was elected District Commissioner.

Soil Stewardship booklets were sent to each church in the County in recognition of Soil Stewardship Week.

The District purchased 200 copies of the booklet "Help Keep Our Land Beautiful" for the use of schools in the District.

The District was represented at the County Fair with a booth prepared by the Commissioners and State Aid. The booth was manned at the Fair by Joe Funk, State Aid and Commissioners, Jack Nyman and Julius Baas. In conjunction with the booth the Commissioners had a registration box. Local winners were Mary Casey of Algona, Iowa; and Eugene Casey of LuVerne, Iowa.

The Kossuth and Humboldt County Soil Conservation Districts jointly sponsored a soil judging contest again this year. The following Vocational Agriculture Departments were represented: Algona, Humboldt, Titonka and Swea City. The contest was held on the Glen Jenkinson farm. Working with a standard soil judging card the students were required to choose the principle features that would determine the proper land use for each site.

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Seated left to right: Joe Funk, State Aid; Lyle R. Riedinger, Work Unit Conservationist; and Loren Bishop, Conservation Aid.

SOIL CONSERVATION SERVICE

The Soil Conservation Service provided two full-time employees, one part-time employee plus the area engineer, soil scientist and administrative staff. Lyle R. Riedinger, Work Unit Conservationist, Loren B. Bishop, Conservation Aid and Eugene Arndorfer, Conservation Aid, made up the local staff in the District. Assistance was provided for the planning and applying of soil and water conservation plans and the servicing of district Cooperators and ACP participants.

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