

Fayette County Soil Conservation District

Annual Report — 1962

DISTRICT GOVERNING BODY

Alfred Stewart, Oelwein	Chairman
Hildor Gilbertson, Elgin	Commissioner
Carl Lueder, Fayette	Commissioner
Melvin Wangness, Fayette	Secretary
Ervin J. Burrack, Arlington	Assistant Commissioner
Albert Bodensteiner, West Union	Assistant Commissioner
E. W. Maurer, Fayette	Assistant Commissioner
Others usually attending meetings are Leland A. McCord, Work Unit Conservationist, and Lois L. Heick, Clerk.	

The commissioners hold twelve regular meetings each year and special meetings when necessary. All interested parties are invited to attend these meetings.

The district commissioners are responsible for the administration of the Fayette County Soil Conservation District. Each meeting involves approval of requests for assistance from farmers and the approval of basic farm plans developed and revised.

DISTRICT EMPLOYEES

Lois L. Heick	District Clerk
J. L. Cline	State Aid (part time)

SOIL CONSERVATION SERVICE

Leland A. McCord	Work Unit Conservationist
Howard K. Boyle	Soil Conservation Technician
J. L. Cline	Conservation Aid (part time)

DISTRICT ACCOMPLISHMENTS

	1962 No.	1962 Acres	Total No. To Date	Total Acres
New Cooperators Approved	26	5508	775	136667
Basic Plans Approved	30	5642	430	77253
Soil Conservation Surveys				
Farms Serviced	389			

FAYETTE COUNTY

District cooperators and basic farm plans by townships
December 31, 1962

EDEN	AUBURN	DOVER	CLERMONT
Dist. Coop. 16	Dist. Coop. 40	Dist. Coop. 44	Dist. Coop. 72
Basic plans 3	Basic plans 22	Basic plans 18	Basic plans 42
BETHEL	WINDSOR	UNION	PL. VALLEY
Dist. Coop. 30	Dist. Coop. 44	Dist. Coop. 41	Dist. Coop. 51
Basic plans 18	Basic plans 20	Basic plans 15	Basic plans 21
BANKS	CENTER	WESTFIELD	ILLYRIA
Dist. Coop. 25	Dist. Coop. 38	Dist. Coop. 31	Dist. Coop. 53
Basic plans 10	Basic plans 19	Basic plans 21	Basic plans 34
FREMONT	HARLAN	SMITHFIELD	FAIRFIELD
Dist. Coop. 41	Dist. Coop. 43	Dist. Coop. 37	Dist. Coop. 46
Basic plans 33	Basic plans 25	Basic plans 15	Basic plans 29
ORAN	JEFFERSON	SCOTT	PUTNAM
Dist. Coop. 11	Dist. Coop. 33	Dist. Coop. 27	Dist. Coop. 52
Basic plans 2	Basic plans 22	Basic plans 18	Basic plans 43

MAJOR PRACTICES APPLIED

Practice	Unit	Dist. Coop.	Other Farms	Total 1962
Cons. cropping systems	ac.	650	0	650
Contour farming	ac.	1,604	222	1,826
Crop residue use	ac.	178	0	178
Stripcropping	ac.	119	0	119
Pasture hayland renovation	ac.	26	0	26
Pasture planting	ac.	55	0	55
Pasture proper use	ac.	6	0	6
Woodland harvest cutting	ac.	45	0	45
Livestock exclusion	ac.	45	0	45
Fish pond stocking	no.	5	2	7
Wildlife habitat preservation	ac.	43	0	43
Wildlife wetland preservation	ac.	1	0	1
Diversion	ft.	145	0	145
Grass waterways	ac.	6.3	2.2	8.5
Farm Pond	no.	0	1	1
Pipeline for livestock water	ft.	220	0	220
Tile drain	ft.	408,298	595,921	1,004,219
Terracing	ft.	5,800	0	5,800

DISTRICT OPERATION

The district operation is based on the premise that conservation of the country's soil and water resources, for sustained productive use, is an undertaking of vital concern to citizens in all walks of life. Therefore effort is made to encourage and help everyone - individuals and groups, town and country, private and public - to make contributions to the conservation objectives in a truly American way. Various activities are directed toward marshalling the interest and efforts of all the people.

Respectfully submitted,
DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS
Alfred Stewart, Chairman
Hildor Gilbertson