

ANNUAL FISCAL REPORT

JULY 1, 1967—JUNE 30, 1968

of the

Cherokee County Soil Conservation District

Cherokee County, Iowa

BY YOUR COMMISSIONERS

VERE CORRINGTON

ARTHUR DORR

DONALD DEWITT

MISCELLANEOUS DISTRICT ACTIVITIES



The District Commissioners held 11 business meetings during the year. Regular meeting date is the 4th Tuesday of the month.

District Commissioners accepted construction work in the Grand Meadow Sub-watershed as satisfactorily completed.

District Commissioners voted to request a work plan priority for the Ashton Creek Sub-watershed (in cooperation with Ida County Soil Conservation District).

District Commissioners signed a revised Supplemental Memorandum of Understanding with the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

District Clerk, Mrs. Gladys Schroeder, received a Certificate of Recognition from the State Soil Conservation Committee for ten years of service to the Cherokee District.

Cherokee District furnished one tuition scholarship to the Iowa Teachers Conservation Camp at Springbrook State Park.

The District had an exhibit at the Cherokee County Fair.

Organization meetings were held in the Ralston Sub-watershed.

Donald L. DeWitt, re-elected District Commissioner for a six year term.

Vere Corrington elected District Chairman for a two year term.

Donald L. DeWitt named District's Representative on the Little Sioux Works Committee for a two year term.

The Cherokee District participated in two soil conservation contests.

1. The Sioux City Program for Permanent Agriculture
2. Iowa Soil Conservation Achievement Awards Program

The District participated in Conservation Field Days for intermediate grade students of the Marcus and Meriden-Cleghorn schools.

Louis C. Bengtson is still serving as District Treasurer and Forrest Kohrt as official Secretary.

CONSERVATION ACCOMPLISHMENTS



	This Year	Total To Date
Terraces	56,073 Feet	2,854,756 Feet
Grass Waterways	106 Acres (20 Miles)	1,327 Acres
Dams	18 Each	230 Each
Tile Drains	96,645 Feet	1,800,875 Feet
Diversions	190 Feet	55,704 Feet
Drainage Ditch	8,835 Feet	29,870 Feet
Wildlife Plantings	1 Acre	254 Acres
Contour Guide Lines Established	1,700 Acres (row crops)	92,789 Acres
Watersheds Completed	1 Each	9 Each
District Cooperators	22 Each	847 Each*
Basic Plans	9 Each	726 Each
Plans Revised	13 Each	

* The 1967 Iowa Census reports 1,306 farms in the District

PERSONNEL



DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS

Vere Corrington	Cherokee, Iowa	Chairman
Arthur Dorr	Marcus, Iowa	Member
Donald DeWitt	Washta, Iowa	Member

STATE SOIL CONSERVATION COMMITTEE

Mrs. Gladys Schroeder	Quimby, Iowa	District Clerk
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SOIL CONSERVATION SERVICE

Harvey R. Lindberg	Work Unit Conservationist
Monas C. Nixon	Conservation Technician
Glen Craft (retired during year)	Conservation Technician
Larry Caldwell	Summer Student Trainee
with technical assistance, on request, from	
Wallis Tonsfeldt	Area Conservationist
John Worster	Area Soil Scientist
Wayne Ducommun	Area Engineer

STATE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Bill Farris, District Forester, is available to Cherokee County landowners for technical assistance on forestry.

CHEROKEE COUNTY AGRICULTURAL STABILIZATION CONSERVATION SERVICE



With limited funds available for Agricultural Conservation Program cost-sharing, it became necessary for the County Committee to cut down amounts approved on individual applications. In addition, priorities were set so that permanent type practices such as terraces, waterways and structures were given first consideration.

As a result, 80 Cherokee County farmers installed terraces, dams, waterways and waterway tile, with ACP cost-sharing assistance, during the year.

Members of the Cherokee County ASCS Committee are William Turner, Louis Bengtson and Eric Carlson. Clifford Chapman is Office Manager and Mrs. Bernice Mahoney is ACP Clerk.

LITTLE SIOUX FLOOD CONTROL PROGRAM WATERSHED DEVELOPMENT



Installation of planned structures in the Grand Meadow Sub-watershed was completed this fiscal year. This sub-watershed is located on the west side of Grand Meadow Township with the lower portion in Plymouth County. It is a joint undertaking with the Plymouth County Soil Conservation District. Three flood detention dams and three grade control structures were installed plus about 1.2 miles of channel improvement.

This is the ninth sub-watershed treated in Cherokee County under the Little Sioux Flood Control.

A tenth sub-watershed, the Ralston, located west of Washta, should be ready for construction this coming year. This will be a joint undertaking with the Woodbury and Ida County Soil Conservation Districts.

DISTRICT WATERSHED MAINTENANCE FUND

Balance on Hand July 1, 1967 ----- \$24,985.56

Maintenance payments received during
fiscal year 1968:

Mrs. Elsie Conley -----	45.00
D. W. Simonsen -----	150.00
Clarence Pennington -----	70.00
Mrs. Ralph Robeson -----	65.00
Ralph Simonsen -----	48.50
Whitfield Adamson -----	127.00
James Fee -----	45.00
E. E. Beck -----	72.75
Joe Nelson -----	87.00
Neil Warner -----	45.00
Harold Clark -----	70.00
Earl Ebert -----	121.33
Lewis Shea -----	90.00
Forrest Spencer -----	30.34
Donald W. Smith -----	125.00
Francis Herron -----	20.00
F. D. Cathcart (Initial Payment) -----	100.00
Eric Meissner (Initial Payment) -----	100.00
Eldon Meissner (Initial Payment) -----	100.00
Dr. J. H. Wise (Initial Payment) -----	100.00

Other Income:

Interest on Time Certificate -----	538.43
Interest on H. Bonds -----	498.40

Disbursements during Fiscal Year 1968:

County Recorder (Mortenson Watershed) --	\$ 1.50
Bank Box Rental -----	2.75
Title Search Expense (9) (Ralston Watershed) -----	20.00
County Recorder--Meissner Agreement Recording -----	2.50
Title Search--(Bliss-Dobbins) (Ralston Watershed) -----	5.00

Ida Grove County Recorder--Recording Crocker Easement -----	4.50
County Recorder--H. Hilger, Recording Easement and Agreement -----	7.00

SUB-TOTAL -----	\$27,634.31	\$ 43.25
Balance on Hand June 30, 1968 -----		\$27,591.06
TOTAL -----	\$27,634.31	\$27,634.31

NOTE: As of June 30, 1968, the amount of \$27,591.06 is disposed of
as follows:

\$15,000.00 in Certificate of Deposit
\$10,000.00 in H Bonds
\$ 2,591.06 in Checking Account

Bank accounts are at the Farmers National Bank in Aurelia,
Iowa.

IOWA STATE SOIL CONSERVATION COMMITTEE

Accounting of state funds allotted to Cherokee County Soil Conser-
vation District.

I-M Budget

Commissioners Expenses -----	\$ 44.50
Office Supplies -----	59.49
Printing Annual Report -----	92.60
Material for Demonstrations -----	31.25
Office Expense -----	80.50
Sub-Total -----	\$ 308.34
Allocation from State Soil Conservation Committee -----	\$ 500.00
Amount carried over to next fiscal year -----	191.66
TOTAL -----	\$ 500.00 \$ 500.00

II-M Budget

Allocation from State Soil Conservation Committee -----		\$4,282.00
Salary plus FICA, IPERS, Travel and Insurance -----	\$4,281.08	
Amount turned back to State Soil Conservation Committee -----	.92	
TOTALS -----	\$4,282.00	\$4,282.00

District General Fund

Cash on Hand July 1, 1967 -----	\$ 817.48	
Tree Sales -----	202.94	
Gift Item -----		\$ 2.00
NASCD Dues -----		75.00
Iowa Association Dues -----		100.00
Equipment for District -----		60.00
Expenses incurred in Tree Sales -----		148.80
Sub-Total -----	\$1,020.42	\$ 385.80
Balance on Hand June 30, 1968 -----		634.62
TOTAL -----	\$1,020.42	\$1,020.42

NOTE: The balance of \$634.62 in the District General Fund is deposited in a checking account at the Farmers National Bank in Aurelia, Iowa.

