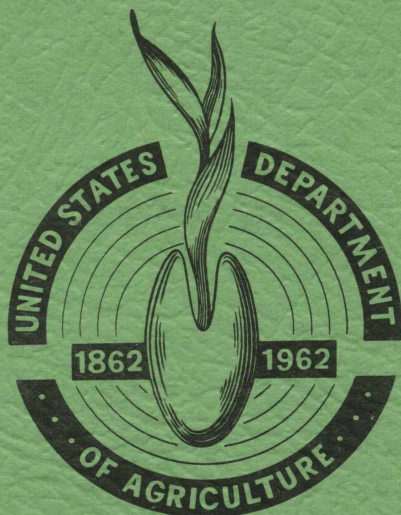


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FOREWORD

We, the commissioners of Dickinson County Soil Conservation District, are reporting our annual and accumulative accomplishments for 1962 in Soil and Water Conservation.

We extend an invitation to all farmers (owners and operators) within the district to stop in at our office in Spirit Lake and utilize the services available to you.

We congratulate you, the district cooperators, for the improvements made on your farms.

We wish to thank the Soil Conservation Service for their technical assistance, the Extension Service, the ASCS County Committee, and the State Soil Conservation Committee for their cooperation and assistance rendered in 1962.

We also wish to express appreciation to the earth movers, tilers, other contractors and the advertisers for their wonderful cooperation rendered to the district.

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Ernest Skow, Member
Andrew Hoffman, Secretary
Doyle Gordon, County Extension Director, Advisory Member

SCS Work Unit Staff

Walter R. Thoreson, Work Unit Conservationist
Adolph M. Ladegaard, Conservation Aid
Gary Eakin, Part Time Aid
Marshall Lawson, Part Time Aid
James Ladegaard, State Aid
Betty Parsons, State Clerk

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DISTRICT ACTIVITIES

1. Annual meeting held February 1st. Ernest Skow was elected commissioner for a six year term. Main address was given by Dr. Shierk from Algona.
2. At reorganizational meeting, Milton Sanders was elected chairman and Andy Hoffman was elected secretary.
3. A tour was conducted for the District commissioners and the ASCS county committee, during Soil Conservation Week.
4. Ninety percent of the churches in the District observed Soil Stewardship Sunday. Materials were again provided by the District.
5. Dickinson District purchased 80 Soil Conservation Workbooks for use in the Spirit Lake Schools.
6. "Queen of Conservation Contest" was again sponsored by district commissioners, Iowa Grain Dealers Association, Extension Service, and Farm Bureau Ladies Auxiliary. Judging of the district contest was done at the annual spring luncheon given by the Ladies Auxiliary. Joan Fries of Superior and Cinda Albers of Spirit Lake, were the winning candidates.
7. Dickinson County again entered the Des Moines Register and Tribune Contest. Winners were Gerald Mayou, Division I, and Pete Van Saten, Division II.

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8. Dickinson County won the Area Contest for Permanent Agriculture, sponsored by the Sioux City Journal and Tribune and the Sioux City Chamber of Commerce. As a result, they were presented with a bronze plaque and an award of \$100.00 which they are using for educational purposes. The winners were Gerald Mayou, Ted Vanden Bosch, and Oliver Aalseth.
Judges for the two contests were Doyle Gorden, County Extension Director, Milton Sanders, and Joe Graff.
9. The SCS personnel and the commissioners attended a land smoothing demonstration in Crawford County.
10. Work Unit personnel gave assistance to Extension Service in setting up agronomy projects for the 4-H. Those boys who had these projects were guests of the commissioners at the Sioux City Permanent Agriculture banquet in November. Several instructional meetings were held with 4-H clubs.
11. Meetings were conducted with Vo-Ag. departments and Farmer's Nite Schools within the county. Tours were also directed for those groups.
12. Instruction was given, on conservation phases of Scouting, at meetings for Boy Scouts. The Arnolds Park Troop had a booth, depicting soil conservation, at the Prairie Gold Area Meeting at Spencer, Iowa.
13. An agronomy Correlation Team made up of Soil Conservation Service personnel from Minnesota and Iowa made a study of agronomy and conservation practices in the area between southern Minnesota and northern Iowa.
14. Talks were given on conservation at several township meetings for the Farm Bureau and local civic organizations.
15. A meeting was conducted for 100 youths at Presbyterian Camp.

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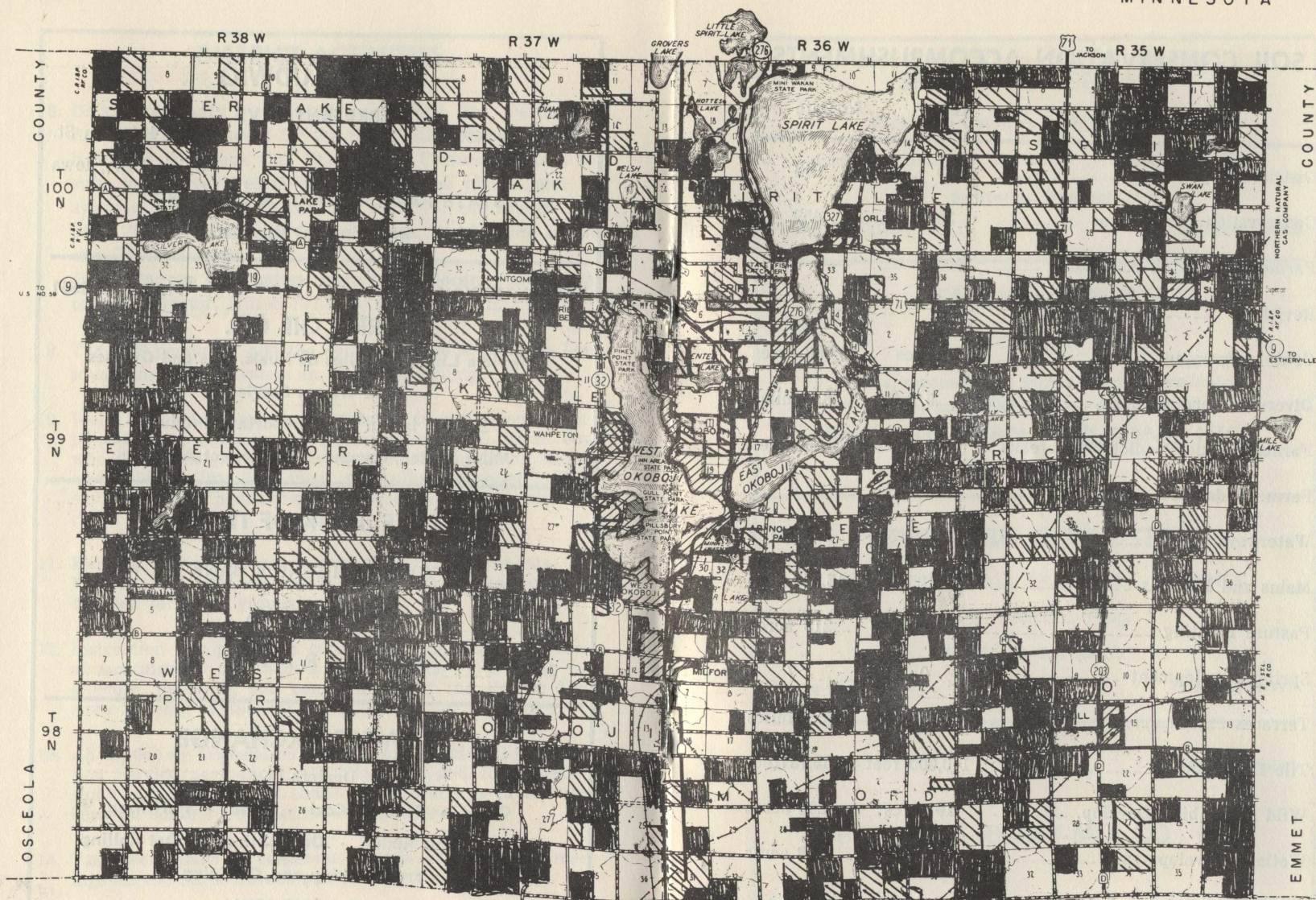
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SOIL CONSERVATION ACCOMPLISHMENTS

	1962	To Date
District Cooperators -----	39	----- 642
Conservation Farm Plans -----	30	----- 459
Farmers Receiving Assistance -----	400	-----
Revisions -----	4	-----
Contour Farming -----	555 acres	--13,706 acres
Diversion Terraces -----	.5 miles	--3.1 miles
Farmstead and Feedlot Windbreaks -	15 acres	27.5 acres
Farm Ponds -----	-----	8
Waterways -----	15 acres	- 218 acres
Mains and Laterals -----	12,125 feet	15,349 feet
Pasture Planting -----	10 acres	--213 acres
Spring Development -----	0	----- 7
Terraces -----	7 miles	66.6 miles
Tile Drains -----	110,000 feet	2,152,737feet
Wild life Habitat Develop. -----	19 acres	234 acres
Wetland Development -----	55 acres	- 638 acres
Structures -----	4	----- 8
Referrals Received From ASCS -----	121	-----

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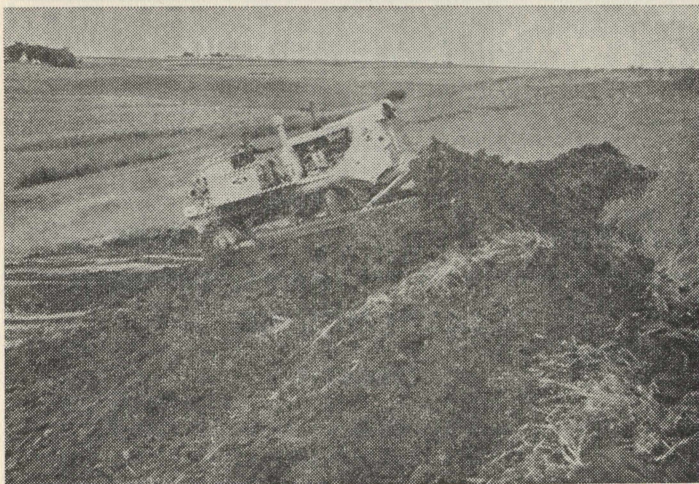
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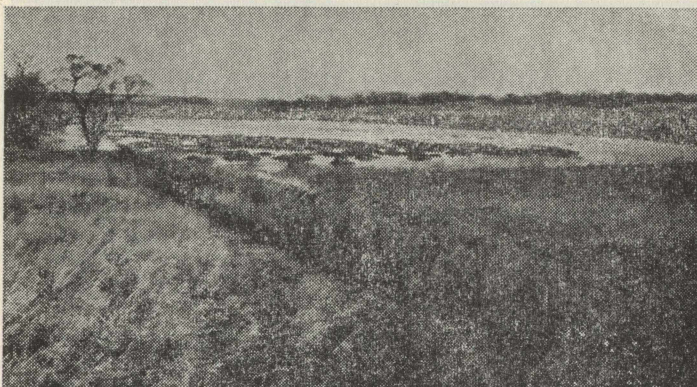
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An earthen dam constructed on the State Conservation Commission farm (formerly Kettleson's) created the above habitat for waterfowl. The pond is 6 acres in size and varies in depth from 2 to 6 feet. Three other areas were constructed in the county with the assistance of the SCS.



35 students from the Lake Park and Milford Vo-Ag Departments received instructions in laying out and building terraces on Ray D. Smith farm operated by Bernie Krebs. Farm is located in Silver Lake Township.

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I-M Budget

State Appropriations Assisting Dickinson	
Soil Conservation District -----	\$ 500.00
Commissioner's Expense -----	\$ 137.76
Office Supplies -----	112.80
Materials for Demonstration -----	77.31
Office Expense -----	60.75
Meeting Expense -----	73.18
	\$ 461.80

2-M Budget

State Appropriations Assisting Dickinson	
Soil Conservation District -----	\$ 4,313.00
Total Gross Salaries of State Employees -----	\$ 4,055.00
District Share of State and Federal	
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