Do you agree or disagree with this conclusion? Is there any sound basis for differentiating the phases of the soil types from the soil types as the lowest category in this classification?

The undersigned will be glad to summarize and report on the reactions of readers as to what should be the lowest category in our National Soil Classification System in a future issue of this pamphlet. Just drop a card or letter to:

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Biographical Sketches of
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I was born on July 5, 1930 on a farm near Beach, North Dakota, which is in the southwestern part of the state just two short miles from the Montana border. I grew up on the family farm and matriculated at North Dakota Agricultural College at Fargo, where I graduated in 1956. My education was interrupted by military service, during which time I served in Korea and Guam. Of the entire soils curriculum, I found classification and survey to be far and away the most interesting and compelling subject. Following graduation, I applied for the position as soil scientist with the Soil Conservation Service in Golden Valley County and am now responsible for the soil survey of the county. The area is a transitional zone between the Chestnut and Brown soil Groups and has soils common to both. Principal soil series of the area are Morton, Armegard, Bainville, Chama and Vebar. The area differs from the remainder of the state in having escaped glaciation. My survey experience has as yet been limited to my own and surrounding counties. I find that soil survey becomes progressively more interesting as experience is gained. I also find that there is a genuine sense of accomplishment in being able to contribute to something as valuable and permanent as soil survey work.

IN MEMORIUM

Dr. Hugh E. Bennett, 79, world famed soil conservationist, who established the nation's first watershed project at Coon Valley, Vernon County, Wisconsin in 1933, died July 7 at Falls Church, Va., where he made his home. Dr. Bennett wrote an article for the last issue of SOIL SURVEY HORIZONS.

PUBLICATIONS RECEIVED

Soil Areas of Fulton County, Ohio, published by State of Ohio Dept. of Nat. Resources, Div. of Lands and Soil, 1960. The soil association map in 5 colors measures 13x8". On the back of this 18x20" folded sheet is a block diagram, a table, "Agricultural and Engineering Characteristics of Major Soils", and descriptions of the soil associations, with "management tips."

La Génese des Soils en tant que Phénomène Géologique, E. Uhart, Paris, France. (Soil Genesis as a geologic phenomenon, 1956)


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