NOTES FROM THE GREAT PLAINS

John Millett, who has been in the soil survey laboratory at Lincoln, Nebraska, has transferred to Springfield, Missouri on August 4. He will be working on the National Forest lands in southern Missouri.


Reports to editors: Saunders County, Nebraska by John Elder, Wm. McKenzie and Tom Beezley was submitted to Dr. Steele in July. Ford County, Kansas, by Darold Dodge was sent in June.

Hollis Omodt and A. Francis Bahr of North Dakota spent a week in Lincoln, Nebraska working with Andy Aandahl completing the intermediate correlation of Stark County, North Dakota. Kermit Larson is the party chief and is writing the report. They also worked on La Moure County, S.D. Don Thompson is the party chief of this survey.

Vic Link, soil correlator, was a recent visitor in Lincoln working on the intermediate correlation of Torrance County and the Cabezon Area in New Mexico. Bobby Bourlier is writing the report for Torrance County and James J. Folks is preparing the one for the Cabezon Area. Bobby Bourlier has transferred from Aztec, New Mexico to Pawhuska, Oklahoma. He will work on the soil survey of Osage County.

Award of merit: A. P. Nelson, State Soil Scientist, and Dr. O. W. Bidwell, Professor of Agronomy at Kansas State University, were honored by the Soil Conservation Society of America. They received the Merit Award in Conservation for bringing added knowledge and appreciation of the "Science and Art of Good Land Use."

The award was presented by "T-Bone" McDonald at the Annual State SCSA meeting held at Salina, Kansas on June 19. The award was made for their pioneering work in an educational program, and for their work in distribution of soil survey reports.

Also recognized for their part in the soil survey community program were Dr. Harold E. Jones, director of the Kansas Agricultural Extension Service; Reuben C. Lind and Harold B. Harper, both soil conservationists with the Kansas Extension Service; and Dr. Robert A. Bohannon, assistant to the K-State dean of agriculture.

Mike Stout is the new State Soil Scientist for South Dakota. He transferred from Texas in August where he had been Assistant State Soil Scientist. Gordon McKee is the new Assistant State Soil Scientist in Texas.

Tommy Yager is in Northern Rhodesia working on a soil survey of a big irrigation project. He reports many pleasant experiences in his first few weeks.