particularly where the forest floor was covered with a thick layer of sphagnum moss. The permafrost and annual frost increased the internal drainage problem of the soils. This was the first experience that I had with all the various internal drainage classes.

The areas that we worked in were modern frontier areas. The people were very friendly and cooperative. The area is sparsely settled and the homesteaders are happy to talk with anyone who comes along. Southern Alaska was originally inhabited by American Indians. The Eskimo villages occur only in the northern part of the state. A few Eskimos have migrated to the towns in southern Alaska.

The dominant industries of the areas that we worked in were agriculture, mining, hunting and fishing, trapping and tourist services. There are Army-Air Force bases also.

NEWS FROM THE GREAT PLAINS

Ted Miller from Montana has joined Mike Stout in South Dakota as Soil Correlator.

Arvad Cline, Soil Correlator from Colorado, spent two weeks in May at Lincoln, Nebraska working with Andy Aandahl on Colorado correlations.

Bob Eikleberry and Dick Jackson spent the week of February 24 working with Colorado personnel, headed by Milt Payne and Bob Dansdill, on eight soil survey reports in Colorado.