select the best "modal" soil for a central concept, identify inclusions or erroneous correlations, and analyse what we have done in the past or any classification we may propose in the future.

If this can be done, the job of the soil surveyor should be much easier, because he then would have a set of truly modal soil descriptions for soil series (at least with respect to those soils for which we have enough descriptions) and the correlation of doubtful or new soils could be quickly checked.

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SOIL TEXTURAL CLASSIFICATION
DETERMINATION MADE EASY WITH THE AID OF A TRANSPARENT PLASTIC OVERLAY TRIANGLE GUIDE

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A plastic overlay triangle guide designed by Paul J. Barlow, Soil Scientist, Soil Conservation Service, will be helpful to any technician who uses these textural triangle guides when mechanical analysis data are known. This overlay triangle guide has been adopted for state wide SCS use in Mississippi and forwarded to Washington for possible use in other states.

The present method is to locate the percent sand, silt and clay on the proper side of the triangle then follow the lines until they meet. Since there are one hundred lines extending from each side of the USDA triangle guide, it is very difficult to accurately follow the desired line with the natural eye. With the aid of this guide, the strain on the eye is eliminated making the process easier, quicker and more accurate.

The guide consists of three lines on a sheet of