Earlier this year, Dr. Charles E. Kellogg, Deputy Director of the Soil Conservation Service for Soil Surveys visited the State of Michigan, for the purpose of introducing the published soil survey of Ionia County, his home county. He was born and raised in the community of Palo in the northeast corner of Ionia County.

Dr. Kellogg made the formal presentation of the first copy of the published soil survey to Ionia County Officials, during a kick off banquet.

In addition to the busy schedule outlined for the week, there was time for Dr. and Mrs. Kellogg to visit with acquaintances from Ionia County as well as a look at the Kellogg homestead.

Ionia County was only the first order of business for Dr. Kellogg during his trip to Michigan. From the minute the Kellogg's stepped off North Central Airlines Flight 345 at 1:59 p.m. until they departed on Flight 975 at 7:30 p.m. four days later, they were placed on a minute to minute schedule. The precision agenda was developed by Verne M. Bathurst, State Conservationist and Dirk van der Voet, State Soil Scientist. Dirk van der Voet held the stop watch at each stop.

Other events included a television appearance; a seminar at Michigan State University; a meeting with the Dean of Agriculture; a visit with former associates at the Michigan Highway Department; a trip showing land use problems resulting from our expanding population; unique conservation practices being applied in Michigan; and a stop at the frost mound phenomenon recently discovered in Michigan. These were among the highlights of the Kellogg visit.