A new classroom teaching aide was used by Dr. John L. Retzer in teaching his course *Soils and their Ecosystems* during the 1963 fall semester at the University of Wisconsin. Dr. Retzer purchased a group of 52 SCS color photographs (one for each state and territory) from the U.S. Government Printing Office for $5.00. After receiving a broad background in the classification and interpretation of soils for wise land use, each student was allowed to select a 15 by 20 inch color photograph for which he was required to develop a plan for at least four different land uses. Many students used clear cellulose acetate overlays upon which the various land management groups were delineated. The plans were presented before the class for examination and discussion. Much interest and imaginative and creative thinking was generated by this project and each student was allowed to keep the photograph which he had worked up.