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July 8 at Flying Cloud -- July 8 has been definitely set for the Hennepin-Scott-Carver county Soil Conservation air tours. Other such tours are planned for Alexandria June 28; Fergus Falls, July 18; and Dodge Center, September 5-6.

"Extra" Demonstration -- An extra demonstration not planned by the conservationists will be ready for observation at the Palmer farm near Twin Lakes on Soil Conservation Field Day, September 3. Soil Conservation Service Farm Planner Elmer Miller and County Agent R. E. Jacobs recently found that a 4-foot gully had been nearly filled in. Someone had planted Reed canary grass sod clumps, and the coarse stems and underground rootlets had done a good job of stabilization. Some farmers keep a small tract of Reed canary grass which they use as a "sod bank" for obtaining sod clumps. It's a simple job to transplant small clumps of sod in small active gully channels.

How About Side-Dressing? -- If your corn is not following a legume sod or you have not applied barnyard manure before the corn, good results can be obtained from applying about 100 pounds per acre of ammonia nitrate or equivalent amount of other nitrogen fertilizer as a side-dressing. This fertilizer should be applied at about second cultivation--which means around knee-high, according to H. E. Jones, extension soils specialist.

The side-dressing may be done with an attachment for the cultivator, or by broadcasting the fertilizer between the rows, or by using a corn planter with a fertilizer attachment and straddling the row. If the fertilizer is broadcast, care must be taken that none of it falls down into the corn plant.

Davis, Oberg Named -- Ward Davis of Williams and Fred Oberg of Baudette have been named directors of the newly organized Lake of the Woods Soil Conservation district.