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Experience Speaks -- Younger farmers might benefit by the experience of old timers who have regretted not planting trees around the farmstead earlier in life. Marvin Smith, University of Minnesota extension forester, points out that for an investment of \$50-\$100 or less in planting stock a shelterbelt can be established which in a few years will add \$2,000 to the sale value of a farm. Annual savings in the home fuel bill alone often equal the cost of planting stock. And livestock feeders shouldn't overlook the savings they can realize on feed bills by feeding animals in sheltered feedlots.

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More Co-operators -- A total of 82 farmers became new cooperators with the Dakota County Soil Conservation District in 1952, according to Martin Shields, chairman of the district's board of supervisors. This reflects a similar national increase of 80 percent more cooperators, bringing the total for the country to 1,120,000 soil conservation farmers who operate about one fourth of the Nation's farm land.

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God, Man and Land -- "Man only has the right to use the land. The land itself belongs to the human race--especially to the human race of the future. The landowner is bound in conscience to God and to the human race to preserve and conserve the land; to hand it on to his sons in as good condition as he received it." -- Bishop Peter W. Bartholome, St. Cloud, Minnesota.

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Pipestone District Elects -- M. A. Thorfinnson, extension soil conservationist at the University of Minnesota and secretary of the State Soil Conservation Committee, reports that the Pipestone County Soil Conservation District governing body has elected these officers: Paul Cunningham, Pipestone, chairman; Paul Kollman, Pipestone, vice chairman; Wayne Hapke, Holland, secretary; Orlo Gilbertson, Ruthton, treasurer. Chris Pederson, Pipestone, is the fifth member of the board. The newly elected supervisors made plans for a meeting to map out a program for the district.

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