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How About 100 Years From Now? -- We're doing a good job halting soil erosion, but are we doing it fast enough? This was the Goodhue County Soil Conservation Agent's question in his article in the Red Wing Republican Eagle's Centennial Edition, July 7. The agent, Arnold Wiebusch, said: "The last ten years of our county's first century have seen greater interest in protecting soil and water resources, and more conservation measures applied than in the first 90. But will we check erosion in time? Will all of us take hold of conservation in time, so there will be as many or more prosperous farms in the county in 2054?"

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Plowing Contest Dates -- There'll be plowing contests in Anoka County, Friday, August 20; Dakota County, Monday, September 13; Chisago County, Friday, August 20, and Stearns County, Tuesday, August 24. County agents in those counties have information.

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Heavy Lake Spray Can Erode -- Not long ago, 80-to 90-mile-an-hour winds whipped sheets of spray from Lake Oscar in Otter Tail County, causing severe water erosion on Ted Hegseth's farm. Spray was thrown half a mile by the winds. A corn field north of the lake was badly eroded, even though there was no rainfall during the storm. When Hegseth first noticed his field's poor condition, he couldn't figure why the erosion was so heavy. He has had a soil conservation program on his farm for eight years and the field had been in a legume-grass crop plowed under in 1951. Then, he remembered the heavy spray across the road north of the lake--it could and did account for the heavy damage.

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More About Plowville '54 -- Headquarters for Plowville '54, coming up September 17-18, is the Walter Cyriacks farm near Lake Benton. Wagon trains will carry field day visitors to demonstration and contest areas.