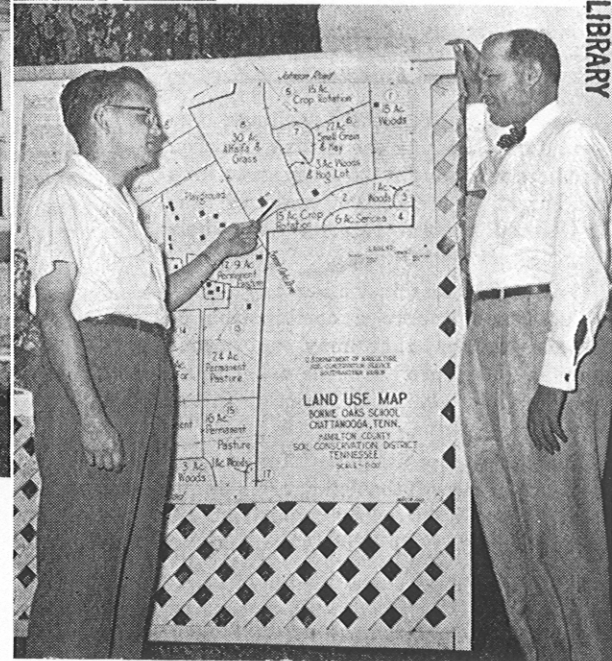


Left—Administration Building at Bonny Oaks; Band in foreground, day of soil conservation demonstration.

Lower—Malcolm M. Adamson, superintendent, shows Buford Ellington, Commissioner of Agriculture, map of grounds.



HUNDREDS WATCH CONSERVATION MIRACLE

at BONNY OAKS

One of the greatest one-day demonstration lessons in soil conservation in Tennessee's history was staged recently at Bonny Oaks School near Chattanooga.

More than 2,500 persons looked on as 100 volunteer workers swarmed over 300 acres plowing and disking, turning and subsoiling, liming and fertilizing and seeding various grasses and clovers.

When the day was over 44 acres had been plowed, fertilized, disked and seeded to small grain and hay. Thirty acres were prepared for crop rotation. Another 30 acres were put in alfalfa. Three fields totaling 60 acres were put into permanent pasture. A 23-acre tract was seeded for winter pasture.

In addition, drainage ditches were cut where necessary, many acres were subsoiled for better aeration and waste areas were cleared and cleaned and put back into use.

The project was a combination Keep Tennessee Green and Soil Conservation field day. It was sponsored jointly by all the active agricultural agencies in Hamilton County and the board of trustees of Bonny Oaks School.

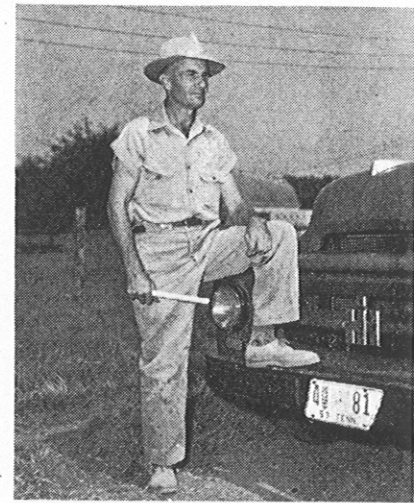
The U. S. Soil Conservation Service had prepared a conservation plan for the farm. It is estimated the job would have cost \$7,000 and perhaps years of time if it had been done by an industrial farmer. Farm equipment dealers and seed, feed

and fertilizer dealers furnished all the supplies.

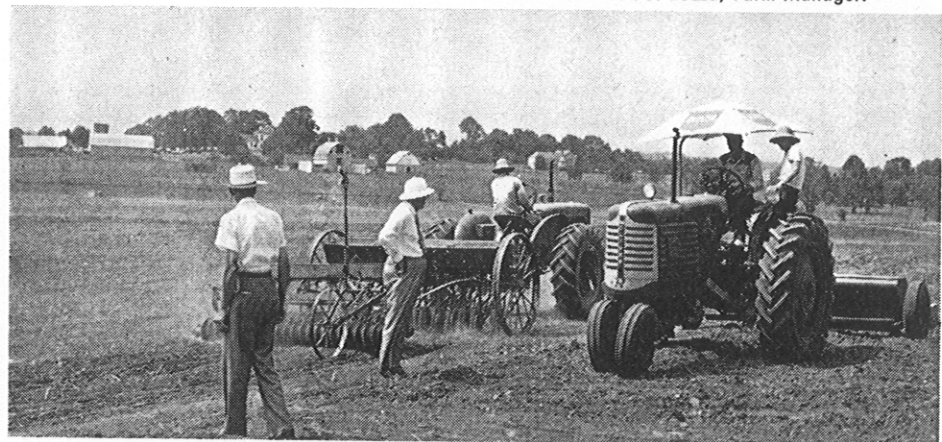
Buford Ellington, State Commissioner of Agriculture, was on hand and said: "This conservation lesson has demonstrated practices and techniques which will never be forgotten by those who are here.

"The real test of the effectiveness of this program is whether or not the farmer spectators take home the lessons and put them into practice in their own farms."

Malcolm Adamson, Superintendent of Bonny Oaks School, and County Judge Wilkes Thrasher welcomed the hundreds of guests.



A. J. Bozza, Farm Manager.



Modern equipment prepares hundreds of acres for production.

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