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An Interview with David Seibert

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Oral History of Illinois Agriculture project

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David Seibert, an Area Livestock Adviser and Animal Systems Educator for the U of Illinois Extension Service, was interviewed on the date listed below as part of the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and IL State Museum's *Oral History of Illinois Agriculture* project.

Interview dates & location:

Date: September 18, 2008 Location: Springfield, IL

Date September 18, 2008 Location: Bunn farm near Springfield, IL

Interview Format: Digital video

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Session 1: Life as an Extension agent, with emphasis on livestock production

Sessions 2 & 3: Walking tour of the Bunn farms & discussion of livestock issues

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Biographical Information Overview of Interview: David Seibert was born on November 21st, 1944 in Belleville, Illinois and raised on a livestock and grain farm in St Clair County, Illinois. He graduated with a BS and MS from Southern Illinois University in Carbondale in 1968. He was then hired as an Associate Extension Adviser for McDonough County from August 1968 to August 1971. He managed the University of Illinois Swine Nutrition Research Farm in Urbana from 1971 until 1974 when he accepted the responsibilities of Area Livestock Adviser and Animal Systems Educator for the U of I Extension Service.

In 1974 Seibert began serving as an Extension Service agent, a position he has held for thirty-four years. His primary focus during this tenure has been beef cattle production. He spoke on many of the most pressing issues and concerns dealing with beef production today.

Subject Headings/Key Words: Beef cattle production; Southern Illinois University; University of Illinois Extension Service; farm Extension Adviser; Area Livestock Adviser; Animal Systems Educator;

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