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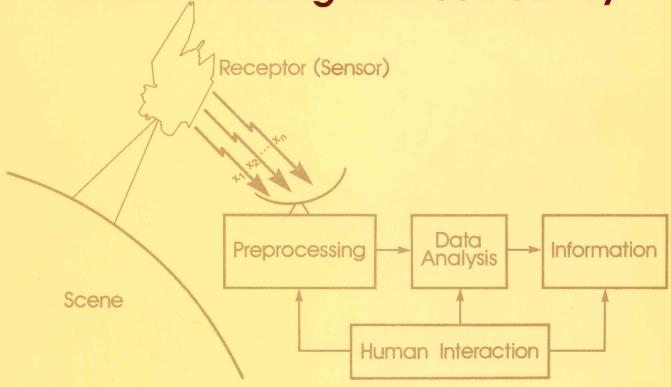
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#### IN MEMORIUM

This volume is dedicated to the memory of Ival D. Persinger (1935-1978), innovative and dedicated soil scientist.



Born and reared on a farm in Iowa, Ival Persinger came to appreciate early in life the importance of good management of our land resources. Immediately after completing his Bachelor of Science degree in Agronomy from Iowa State University in 1957, Ival was employed by the Soil Conservation Service (SCS) as a soil scientist. This employment was interrupted by two years of service in the U.S. Army, 1957-59. From 1959 until his untimely death on April 14, 1978, Ival Persinger had an outstanding career as a professional soil scientist with the SCS, including seven years in Iowa, seven years in Indiana and five years in Missouri.

As Assistant State Soil Scientist in Missouri (1972-1977), Ival played a pioneering role in the analysis and application of remote sensing data for preparation of land resource and soil maps. He became one of the few distinguished soil scientists familiar with the application of remote sensing data to soil survey and mapping.

His professional and personal commitment and his sense of adventure prompted him in 1977 to accept a professional assignment in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. There, as the Remote Sensing Specialist in the Ministry of Agriculture and Water, Persinger was charged with the introduction of a new and challenging technology, which was then essentially untried if not unknown in that country. Using an enhanced Landsat image mosaic of the country, he produced the first schematic soils map of an entire country that was based on Soil Taxonomy and which used Landsat image interpretation.

Although Ival Persinger did not live to see the completion of the Saudi Project, his work was completed according to his exacting standards. Even today, soil survey activities, based on the principles that Persinger established, continue in Saudi Arabia.

The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia presented the Exceptional Service Award posthumously to Ival D. Persinger, the first American to be so honored.

The dedication, energy and creative spirit of Ival Persinger, who had close professional and personal ties with Purdue University and the Laboratory for Applications of Remote Sensing, will continue to inspire those who were privileged to know and work with him.

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#### **PREFACE**

In the early stages of planning the Sixth Symposium on Machine Processing of Remotely Sensed Data, an invitation was extended to the International Society of Soil Science (ISSS) to be a cosponsor. In accepting the invitation ISSS assigned two specific Working Groups to participate—the Working Group on Soil Information Systems and the Working Group on Remote Sensing and Soil Survey.

Although these Proceedings reflect the special emphasis on the applications of remote sensing to soils, the total range of papers is broad, covering the general areas of data processing analysis, data processing systems, crop inventory, forestry, land use, soil survey and soil information. The Plenary Sessions on the first day focus on the current and future need for land resource information, future Earth resource data acquisition systems, current soil information systems, remote sensing and soil survey, and the future challenge of resource data storage, retrieval, analysis and utilization. The Closing Plenary Session highlights plans for the U.S. operational land satellite program, soil information needs, non-federal information requirements and research priorities for the 1980's.

In addition to the formal presentations several optional half-day field trips are scheduled midway in the Symposium. These field trips feature field measurements (instrumentation and techniques), soil survey, soil information systems and data bases, electronics, and local history. Evening discussion sessions are also scheduled to stimulate a more direct interchange of ideas on specific topics of interest.

The success of this Symposium may be largely attributed to the support and cooperation of the cosponsoring organizations and the valuable technical and organizational contributions made by program committee members and session chairpersons.

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Dr. Marion F. Baumgardner, B.S., Texas Technological College; M.S., Ph.D., Purdue University, joined Purdue Agronomy Department staff in 1961. After two years (1964-66) in Argentina with the Ford Foundation, Dr. Baumgardner joined the Laboratory for Applications of Remote Sensing. He often serves as consultant to several international development agencies with assignments in Africa, Asia, Latin America, and Europe. He is a Danforth Associate and a Fellow of the American Society of Agronomy and the Soil Science Society of America. He is vice-chairman of the International Soil Science Society's Working Group on Remote Sensing and Soil Survey and is chairman of the U.S. Agricultural Research Institute's Study Panel on Remote Sensing.

#### SYMPOSIUM CO-CHAIRMAN: DR. LUIS BARTOLUCCI

Dr. Bartolucci received his B.S., M.S., and Ph.D. in Geophysics from Purdue University. He has been involved in Remote Sensing research since 1969. He has played an active role in the development of remote sensing technology applied to water resources and in the field of thermal infrared radiation. Dr. Bartolucci has served as consultant to the U.S. Information Agency, the U.S. Agency for International Development, the Interamerican Development Bank and to several Latin American development agencies. He has been Principal Investigator and Project Director of several domestic and international research and training programs involving computeraided processing and analysis of remotely sensed data for earth resources inventories. Dr. Bartolucci is currently Program Leader and Director of Training of the LARS educational and training program.

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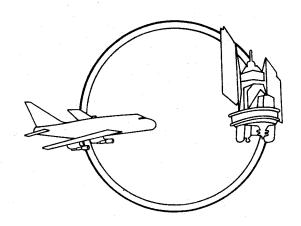
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