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NEBRASKA WEEKLY WEATHER AND CROP REPORT

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Week ending 2/18/47

WEATHER Fair to partly cloudy weather prevailed during the week, with unseasonably mild temperatures, which averaged 11° to 14° above normal for this time of year. Only a few light local snow showers occurred.

CROPS Opinion varies as to the extent of the damage from the recent high winds, dry top soil, and low temperatures. Generally, such damage can be repaired if moisture arrives soon enough. An inch of moisture throughout the wheat belt would help materially. There is ample subsoil moisture but the surface is dry.

High winds have caused soil in plowed fields to blow. In the Northeastern quarter of the State, some of the roads were still blocked by drifts of snow or mud. Farm auctions of personal property have been quite numerous but are slowing up somewhat now. There has also been a large number of land sales. Some reports indicate that the railroad car situation is improving. Considerable corn is moving to market. There is still a little corn to be husked. Farm labor supply seems to be adequate. A number of coyote hunts have taken place.

LIVESTOCK The advance in price of fat cattle brought an increased number to market. Also some cattle are moving into feed lots. There seems to be an increasing interest in hog production because of the favorable hog-corn ratio. The recent cold wave made quite a dent in the hay supply but generally open winter, that permitted cattle to feed on the range, has conserved the supply of hay in areas that were short. Alfalfa is short and there is a very good demand. All hay has been high priced.

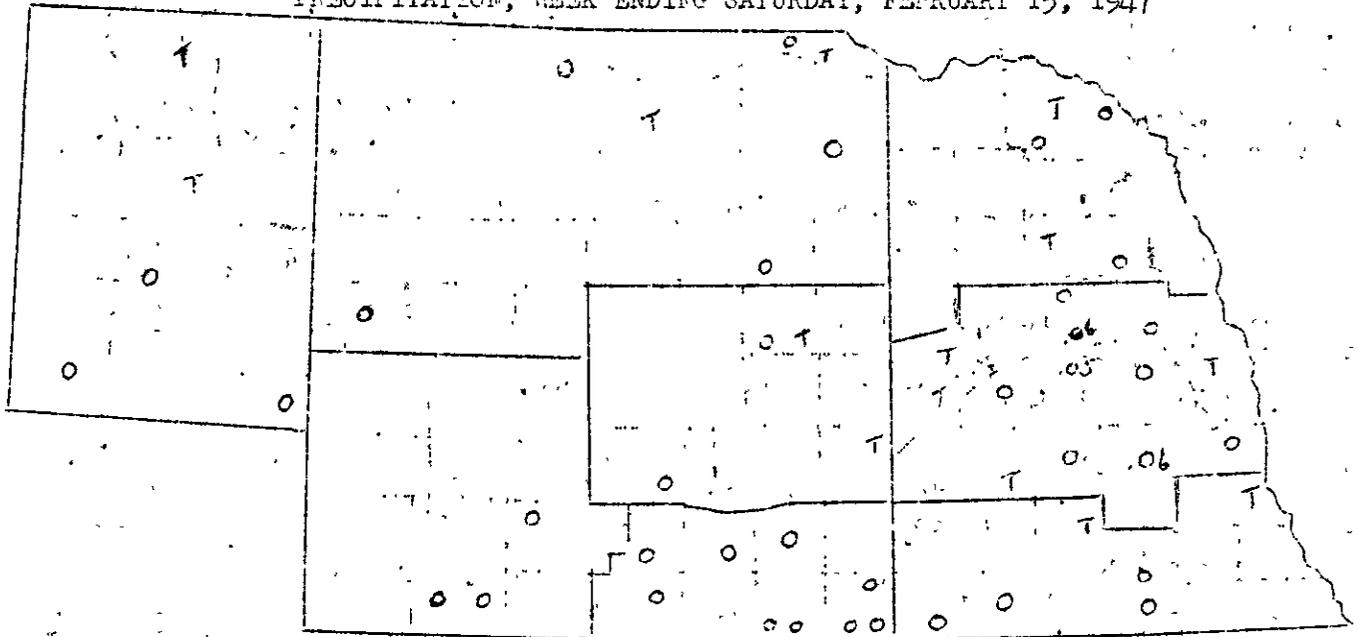
Reports on feed supplies are as follows: Five per cent of the counties report a shortage of grain, 70% ample, and 25% report a surplus. About 43% of the counties report a shortage of concentrates and the balance an ample supply. Nineteen per cent of the counties report a shortage of hay, 76% an ample supply, and 5% a shortage. About 28% of the counties report a shortage of range and pasture, 70% ample, and 2% report a surplus.

PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDING FEBRUARY 18, 1947

Eastern Division	Central Division	Western Division
Grand Island 0	Burwell 0	Chadron .06
Lincoln .06	North Platte 0	Hayes Center 0
Norfolk T	Valentine T	Scottsbluff 0
Omaha T		Sidney 0
Sioux City T		

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PRECIPITATION, WEEK ENDING SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1947



HIGHEST AND LOWEST TEMPERATURES (For 24 hrs. ending 7:30 a.m.)

		Feb. 12th		13th		14th		15th		16th		17th		18th	
		Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min
NW	Chadron	45	20	63	27	--	29	56	32	54	--	52	29	39	21
	Scottsbluff	49	13	63	30	--	24	58	24	60	32	56	29	38	12
	Sidney	48	12	62	20	--	24	60	22	61	24	55	23	36	26
N-C	Burwell	38	13	51	--	68	33	55	26	60	32	55	--	42	21
	Valentine	36	16	61	36	57	36	56	32	55	31	52	34	41	18
NE	Norfolk	33	17	42	35	53	36	42	26	55	28	49	32	41	22
	Sioux City	36	15	40	33	49	33	39	28	49	29	42	30	37	21
Gen.	Grand Island	35	19	46	33	53	34	57	29	62	32	52	34	40	25
	Lincoln	38	27	49	34	61	39	48	28	60	31	45	35	45	26
E-C	Omaha	40	25	47	34	60	38	43	29	52	32	38	32	42	21
	Heyes Center	37	18	59	25	65	32	59	30	62	31	54	29	42	29
SW	North Platte	40	12	56	25	64	31	60	25	64	33	53	31	41	27

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