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WEATHER The week was considerably warmer than normal, with several windy days. Rainfall was light to moderate until the end of the week, when moderate to heavy rains with gales overspread the State, and with a marked change to cooler weather.

CROPS The outstanding feature of the week ending Monday was the substantial and general rain that fell Sunday. The topsoil was dry and most of the wheat had received little or no rain since it was sown. Subsoil moisture was generally ample and the splendid rain received was ample to connect with the subsoil moisture and give winter wheat the start that it needed. Practically all the wheat had been sown and was up, and should make splendid progress. In fact, the present soil moisture condition for wheat could hardly be better.

The past week has been highly favorable for drying and maturing the corn crop. Weather conditions have been almost perfect for the past four weeks for the corn crop. Husking of corn for cribbing began in northeastern Nebraska last week. All but a small percentage of the crop escaped damage from frost. In fact, about 25 percent of the acreage had not received frost to date.

Considerable corn borer damage is reported from northeastern Nebraska, some reports indicating that down stalks and corn on the ground may necessitate hand picking. Corn borers have also caused some damage in southern Nebraska.

The condition of pasture is unusually high for this date. The splendid rain will help further to maintain the high condition. The condition of range is also very high. Grasshoppers have killed fall sown grasses and alfalfa along the edges of fields.

Harvest of the late potato crop in western Nebraska is in full swing. Some shortage of potato pickers is reported from the Panhandle. The dry edible bean harvest is about completed. The sugar beet harvest is starting. Harvest of the Safflower crop is nearing completion. The past week was favorable for maturing grain sorghum.

LIVESTOCK Receipts of cattle at country feeding points indicate a marked increase in the feeding operations so far this season. Hay, forage and corn crops are large. There is also increased interest in feeding lambs for market. The recent rain should insure good wheat pasture.

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Eastern Division

Grand Island .87
Lincoln 2.46
Norfolk .69
Omaha 1.95
Sioux City 1.45

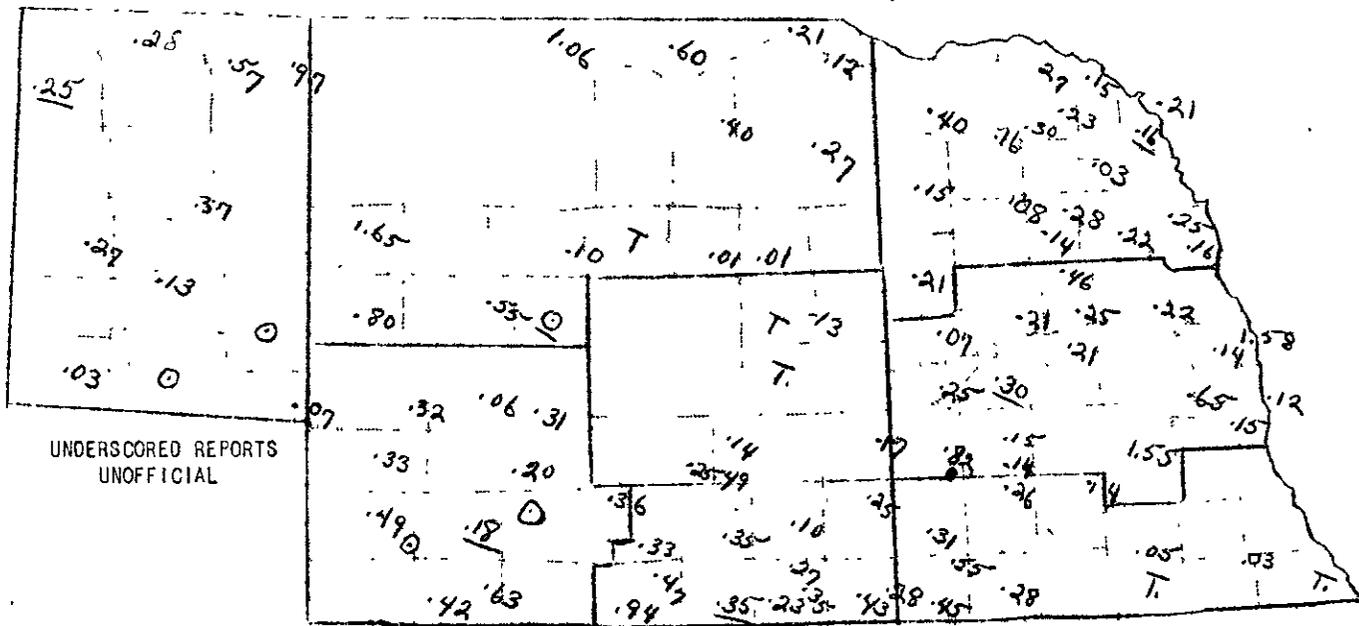
Central Division

Burwell --
North Platte 1.15
Valentine 2.05

Western Division

Chadron .36
Hayes Center .82
Scottsbluff .65
Sidney .59

PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 7, 1949



HIGHEST AND LOWEST TEMPERATURES (FOR 24 HRS. ENDING 6:30 A.M.)

		OCTOBER													
		4TH		5TH		6TH		7TH		8TH		9TH		10TH	
		MAX	MIN	MAX	MIN	MAX	MIN	MAX	MIN	MAX	MIN	MAX	MIN	MAX	MIN
NW	CHADRON	65	49	80	54	89	50	64	42	54	38	43	35	49	43
	SCOTTSBLUFF	69	41	78	48	89	47	59	44	65	40	46	37	44	40
	SIDNEY	64	31	74	43	85	48	66	47	67	40	47	36	44	38
N-C	BURWELL	76	39	70	55	77	59	68	50	57	47	54	40	—	—
	VALENTINE	65	42	71	53	—	—	59	45	55	42	45	37	50	45
NE	NORFOLK	—	42	70	62	76	56	67	55	84	58	74	46	68	57
	SIoux CITY	83	40	72	61	77	61	70	58	82	72	82	48	69	52
CEN.	GRAND ISLAND	85	46	61	57	77	58	71	53	87	58	74	60	70	49
E-C	LINCOLN	85	52	65	57	76	61	76	58	87	75	85	51	73	56
	OMAHA	84	54	74	62	77	62	73	58	86	74	88	52	74	62
SW	HAYES CENTER	78	40	70	50	79	54	73	51	71	47	53	39	60	42
	NORTH PLATTE	73	38	66	50	77	56	69	50	60	47	51	40	61	44

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