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NEBRASKA WEEKLY WEATHER AND CROP REPORT

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WEATHER Temperatures averaged mostly 4° to 8° above normal, with a wide daily range in temperature, though the lowest since the 8th remained generally above 10°. There was no measurable precipitation practically throughout the state. The snow that fell early in the month in the south-central and southeastern portions melted quite slowly, with no drifting.

CROPS Reports continue to come in from counties on lack of cars for shipping grain, particularly, corn. A few counties report the moisture content still too high for corn to be accepted under the commodity loan and those counties are eager to sell their corn. In some counties there is a good local demand for feeding purposes. Elevators are full of grain and some corn is being piled on the ground.

The continued dry weather, particularly, in the western half of the state is causing some concern as to the probable effect on wheat, rye and fall sown legumes and grasses. A few counties in southwestern Nebraska are expecting some damage, especially to the late sown wheat. In other counties in southwestern Nebraska farmers report wheat is undamaged. Most of the counties report there has been no wind or blowing during the past week to injure wheat.

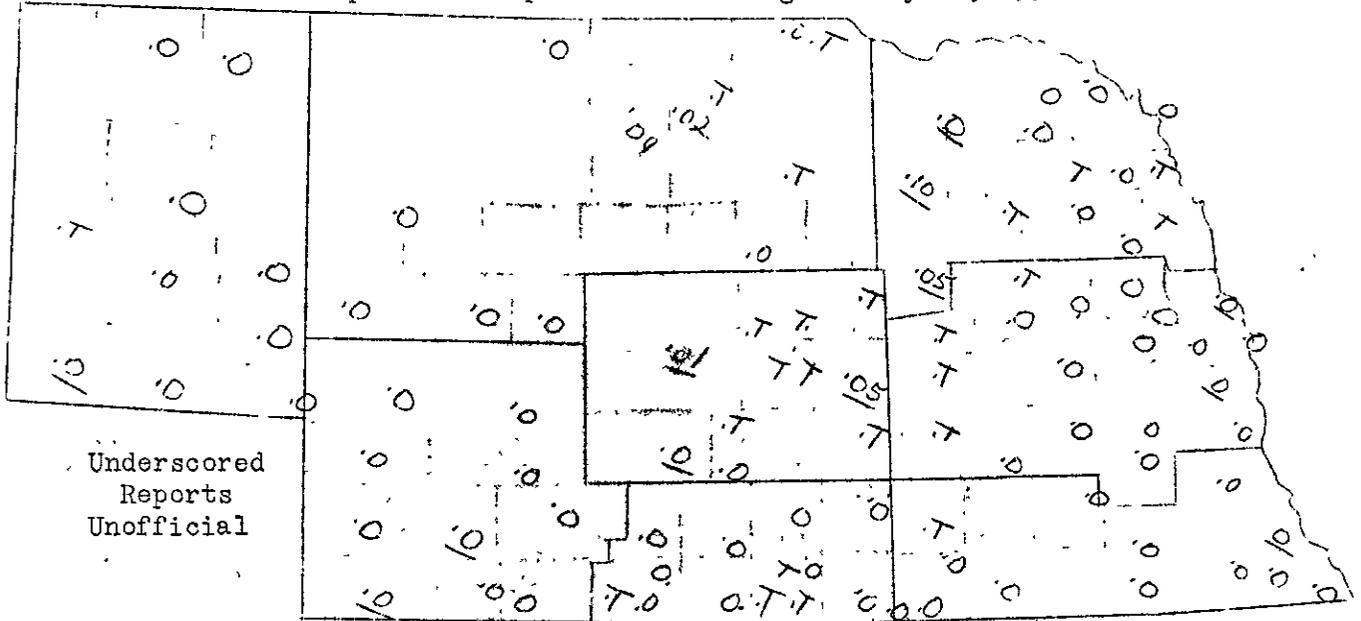
Potatoes continue to move at a rapid rate. Some counties report a farm labor shortage while others report an ample supply at present. A few counties anticipate a shortage when the spring work opens up. Farmers are repairing old farm machinery in anticipation of shortage of new machinery. Oats and other seeds are being tested for germination.

LIVESTOCK Fall and winter season so far has been highly favorable for livestock. It has enabled feeders to get cheaper gains, although there was some complaint that the feeding of soft corn has not produced satisfactory gains. Range has been open which has saved much of the hay supply. One county reports prevalence of diseases such as, milk fever, mastitis and pink eye. Sheep feeding shows a 50% increase. County reports on cattle feeding vary. An official report will be published next Thursday. Many counties report a good demand for bred sows for spring farrowing.

WEATHER BUREAU TELEGRAPHIC REPORT OF PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDING JANUARY 15, 1951

<u>Eastern Division</u>	<u>Central Division</u>	<u>Western Division</u>
Grand Island 0	Burwell 0	Chadron 0
Lincoln 0	North Platte 0	Imperial 0
Norfolk 0	Valentine .01	Scottsbluff 0
Omaha 0		Sidney 0
Sioux City 0		

Precipitation Map for Week Ending January 12, 1951



HIGHEST AND LOWEST TEMPERATURES (for 24 hours ending 6:30 a.m.)

		January		9th		10th		11th		12th		13th		14th		15th	
		Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min
NW	Chadron	48	22	41	10	44	5	41	16	42	10	41	10	52	32		
	Scottsbluff	56	24	42	9	45	10	42	17	44	11	41	13	50	19		
	Sidney	58	26	40	12	45	16	35	20	41	15	40	14	52	16		
N-C	Burwell	58	20	46	--	47	14	44	19	44	11	45	10	54	29		
	Valentine	--	--	41	6	45	7	39	24	35	12	45	11	52	30		
NE	Norfolk	48	13	44	18	41	13	40	26	40	14	43	15	47	27		
	Sioux City	30	9	38	13	38	10	34	25	40	12	42	12	46	30		
cen.	Grand Island	43	13	40	--	45	18	38	20	42	14	40	15	47	32		
E-C	Lincoln	35	16	32	23	35	19	41	30	40	20	39	22	44	32		
	Omaha	37	9	36	--	33	13	39	29	44	17	39	22	45	32		
SW	North Platte	56	17	44	15	45	15	37	14	44	14	43	13	55	31		

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