

U. S. Department of Agriculture
 Statistical Reporting Service
 and
 U. S. Department of Commerce
 Weather Bureau

1400 - June 19, 1962

Nebr. Dept. of Agr. & Inspection
 Division of Agr'l. Statistics
 Agricultural Extension Service
 of Nebr. College of Agriculture

NEBRASKA WEEKLY WEATHER AND CROP REPORT

Release 6/19/62

Week Ending 6/18/62

WEATHER Scattered thunderstorms continued the past week. The most severe storms occurred Saturday and Sunday nights. Tornadoes were reported in Ansley and near the towns of Cozad, Lexington, Pierce and McCook. There was hail 2 to 3 inches in diameter in South Omaha Sunday evening.

Precipitation for the growing season is .34 below normal in the east-central and 2.30 below normal in the southeast. Other sections have received amounts well above normal during this period.

Temperature averages across the State for the past week were near normal.

CROPS Farm work was slowed by continued wet weather in the western part of the State, but fields were dry enough to work in the eastern districts. Heavy washing rains damaged newly planted crops, thinning stands and requiring much replanting of row crops. Wet weather interrupted alfalfa hay harvest, reducing quality in some cases. Nearly three-fourths of the first cutting of alfalfa has been cut. The second cutting has just started with only a fractional amount cut.

Winter wheat is well advanced for this date. About 95 percent of the crop has headed and close to half of the acreage is turning ripe. Black stem rust is widespread with a severe infection in some central and eastern counties. Leaf rust is also widespread. Some localities report damage from Hessian fly. A few early wheat fields were combined about the end of the week.

About four-fifths of the oats crop is headed and around 10 percent is turning. The crop has made a comeback in some northern areas where June rains followed by cool weather gave the crop a boost.

Cultivation of row crops is behind schedule, but progress was rapid toward the end of the week. Corn and milo have made varied growth. Some fields are well advanced with good color--others show slow growth, needing sunshine and warm weather.

Range and pasture feed has made exceptional growth following generous rains in most places. The wild hay crop has been growing well despite the early setback by dry weather in April.

LIVESTOCK Conditions have been quite favorable for livestock. New green feed is becoming plentiful and gains and production rates are better than average. Flies are becoming troublesome. New crop calves, pigs and lambs are doing fine.

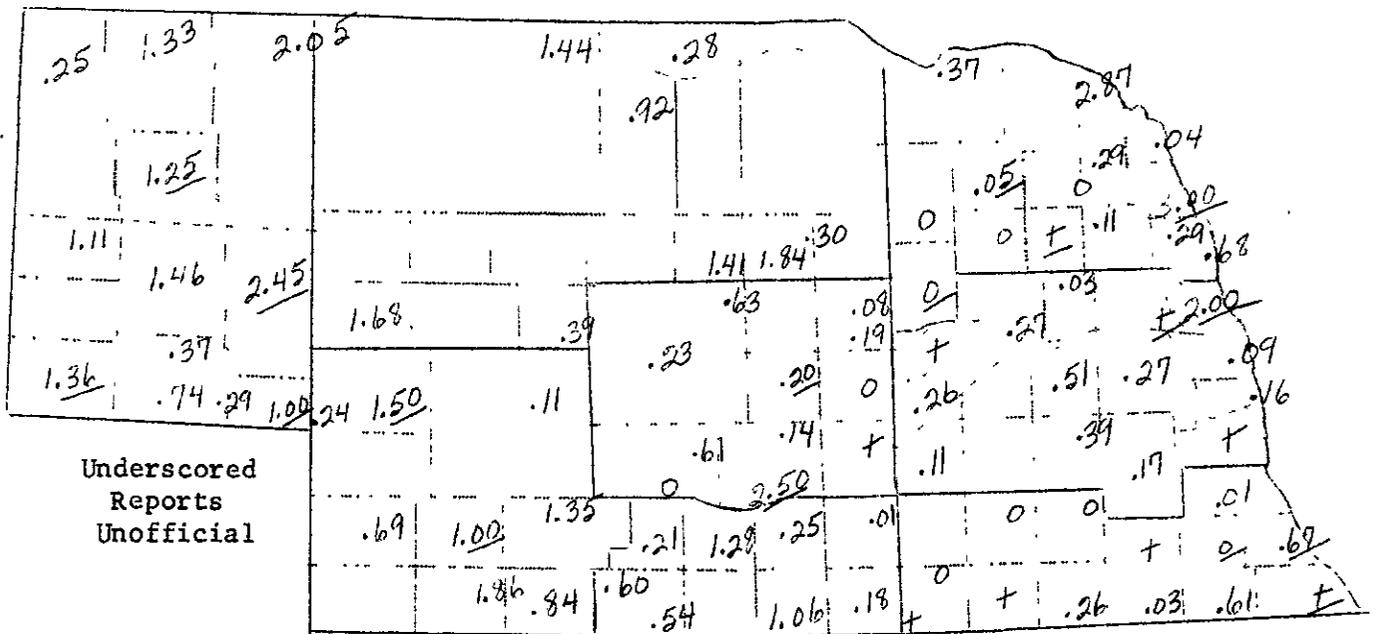
WEATHER BUREAU TELEGRAPHIC REPORT OF PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDING JUNE 18, 1962

<u>East</u>		<u>Central</u>		<u>West</u>	
Grand Island	T	Burwell	1.84	Chadron	1.53
Lincoln	.01	North Platte	.76	Imperial	.75
Norfolk	1.28	Valentine	2.00	Scottsbluff	1.11
Omaha	.23			Sidney	.51
Sioux City	2.49				

Precipitation, April 1 - June 15, 1962

	NW	NC	NE	CEN	EC	SW	SC	SE
Total past week	.81	.92	.45	.20	.23	.71	.80	.15
Total since April 1	8.19	10.54	10.31	10.66	8.03	11.63	8.70	6.67
Normal since April 1	6.41	7.20	8.06	7.82	8.37	6.64	7.89	8.97

PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING JUNE 16, 1962



HIGHEST AND LOWEST TEMPERATURE (Highs for 24 hours ending at 12:01 a.m., and lows for 12 hours ending at 6:00 a.m. CST)

		June		13th		14th		15th		16th		17th		18th	
		Max	Min												
NW	Chadron	82	54	79	58	79	63	82	53	72	50	72	53	72	--
	Scottsbluff	83	52	80	54	81	61	85	52	77	48	73	48	74	50
	Sidney	81	53	77	53	79	59	84	56	87	49	75	47	73	47
NC	Burwell	82	57	81	55	77	55	82	61	84	60	82	53	79	--
	Valentine	83	61	77	60	81	61	84	58	83	53	75	54	72	52
NE	Norfolk	81	60	77	55	77	58	82	63	88	70	90	62	83	59
	Sioux City	82	61	76	54	78	54	80	62	83	64	85	60	83	62
CEN	Grand Island	80	62	85	61	81	58	86	61	86	69	90	59	84	54
EC	Lincoln	83	61	80	56	77	59	80	64	86	70	90	70	90	62
	Omaha	80	60	75	54	75	53	78	62	83	68	87	72	89	61
	Imperial	82	58	77	58	75	62	80	61	88	55	77	50	77	51
SW	North Platte	82	59	77	60	76	60	80	65	86	57	79	52	77	53

U. S. Department of Agriculture
 203 P. O. Building, Box 1911
 Lincoln 1, Nebraska

POSTAGE AND FEES PAID
 U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE