

NEBRASKA WEEKLY WEATHER AND CROP REPORT

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WEATHER Showery weather continued during the week with most areas having showers Tuesday or Wednesday and again Friday and Saturday as a cold front moved across the State. Amounts of precipitation in the showers varied greatly from place to place but the average for each division was near the normal for this time of the year. Amounts ranging from 1 to 2 inches or better fell in local areas across the State in the heavier showers. Excessive rains of five to nine inches occurred in some portions of Butler and Lincoln counties Friday night and Saturday morning resulting in washed fields and local flooding. Temperatures averaged near normal being warm early and cool Friday through Saturday.

CROPS Field work was slowed during the past week by rain that ranged from intermittent showers to heavy downpours. About 95 percent of the corn had been planted by the close of the week and this was approximately the same progress that was made at this time last year. Sorghum planting was approaching 75 percent completion and this is a little slower than last year. Nearly 70 percent of the soybeans were in the ground. Considerable replanting of all row crops has been and will be necessary because of the severe washing rains and flooding in some areas. Fields are becoming quite weedy as it has been impossible to cultivate. Warm, dry weather is needed for these crops.

Prospects for wheat production continue to show improvement over most of the State. There has been some late tillering and there could be some difficulty at harvest resulting from green heads from these late tillers. The crop is all headed and kernels are developing in the southern half of the State and the crop is now heading in the northwestern counties. Oats and barley continue to show improved prospects as cool weather and adequate moisture promoted plant growth.

There has been a rather severe loss of sugar beet acreage in the Upper Platte Valley caused by heavy washing rains and black rot has taken a toll of the acreage. It is becoming rather late to replant beets. Thinning and blocking is well under way in areas where the crop has made good growth. Planting of dry beans is getting under way in the Upper Platte Valley with some of the abandoned sugar beet acreage being planted to beans. Potatoes are making fair to good growth.

Harvest of alfalfa hay was slowed and some of the crop that was on the ground was damaged by rain. Growth has been much better than previously expected, but the crop quality is being reduced by rain and lateness of harvest.

Pasture and range feed has made marked recovery since the rains started and are providing adequate feed for current livestock needs. Wild hay prospects are materially improved with some of the low meadows being completely flooded by heavy rains.

LIVESTOCK All livestock continue in good condition. Cattle are now making good gains on range and pasture feed and young calves are picking up in weight. Many feed lots continue to be very muddy, but gains in weight are running about average.

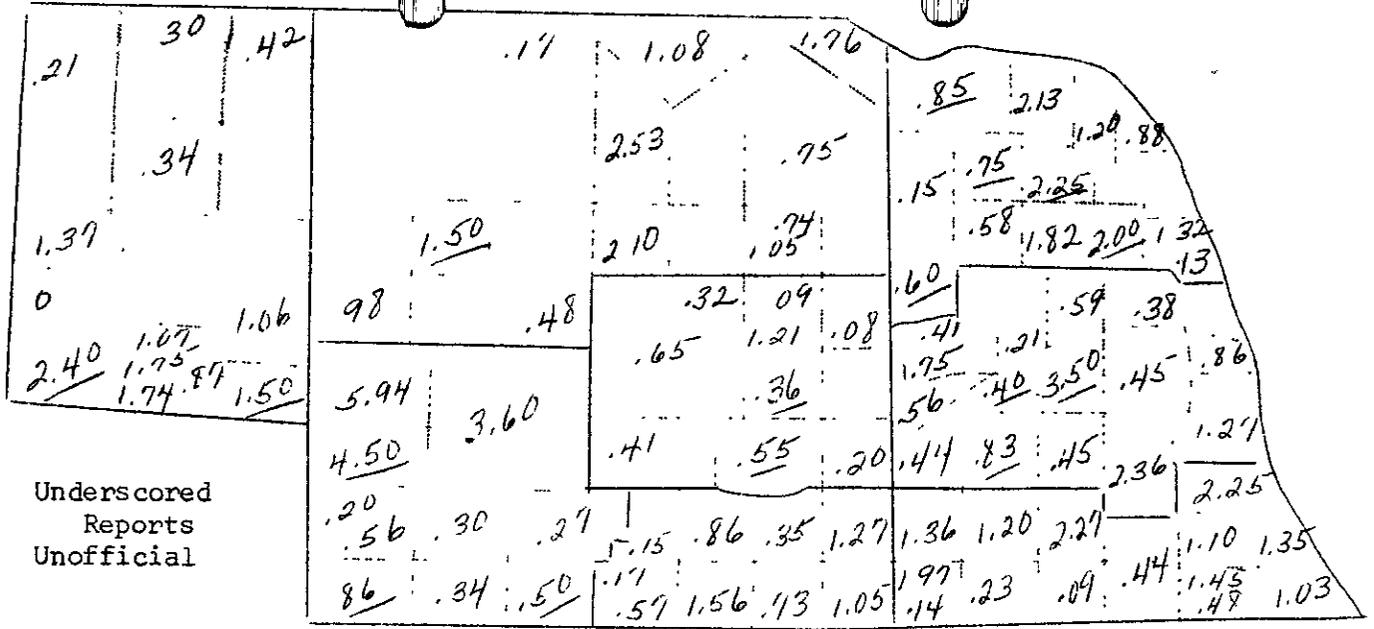
WEATHER BUREAU TELEGRAPHIC REPORT OF PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDING JUNE 6, 1965

East		Central		West	
Grand Island	.26	Burwell	1.52	Chadron	.45
Lincoln	2.46	North Platte	4.25	Imperial	1.71
Norfolk	.58	Valentine	1.33	Scottsbluff	1.44
Omaha	1.60			Sidney	2.24
Sioux City	.99				

Precipitation, April 1 - June 4, 1965

	NW	NC	NE	CEN	EC	SW	SC	SE
Total past week	.83	1.09	.92	.42	.94	1.30	.75	1.04
Total since April 1	5.69	6.95	8.84	7.23	11.05	6.68	8.89	7.90
Normal since April 1	5.22	5.86	6.56	6.27	6.69	5.63	6.32	7.19

PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING JUNE 1965



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)

		May		June		2nd		3rd		4th		5th		6th	
		31st		1st											
		Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min
NW	Chadron	78	50	82	53	74	48	83	53	59	52	61	40	78	52
	Scottsbluff	86	50	77	48	73	54	79	55	60	48	60	44	74	57
	Sidney	84	49	77	46	76	53	75	52	65	46	59	43	75	49
NC	Burwell	84	--	--	56	76	57	82	61	78	55	59	48	74	--
	Valentine	86	53	85	52	75	52	87	62	75	53	54	49	75	58
NE	Norfolk	84	59	83	60	78	55	84	61	72	61	71	54	73	58
S	Sioux City	85	62	76	64	81	55	83	62	73	66	77	57	72	55
CEN	Grand Island	85	61	84	59	79	55	85	66	79	61	69	48	76	57
EC	Lincoln	85	62	77	61	80	61	84	69	79	64	78	55	74	60
	Omaha	84	61	75	60	81	61	83	63	73	63	77	55	73	56
SW	Imperial	84	56	84	51	77	57	86	55	73	52	57	42	77	51
	North Platte	82	52	83	52	77	58	83	55	75	55	57	40	74	49

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