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NEBRASKA WEEKLY WEATHER AND CROP REPORT

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WEATHER It was another cloudy week with frequent snows that were generally light, except in the central and northeast where the snows were heavier and contained appreciable amounts of moisture. The persistent cloudiness resulted in mild nights and cool days with weekly averages near normal.

CROPS Slightly warmer temperatures accelerated thawing in the southern part of the State causing moderate runoff. Small icy lakes are forming on flat fields or those where snow banks are preventing drainage. There is some concern about loss in wheat fields if they remain covered with water or ice.

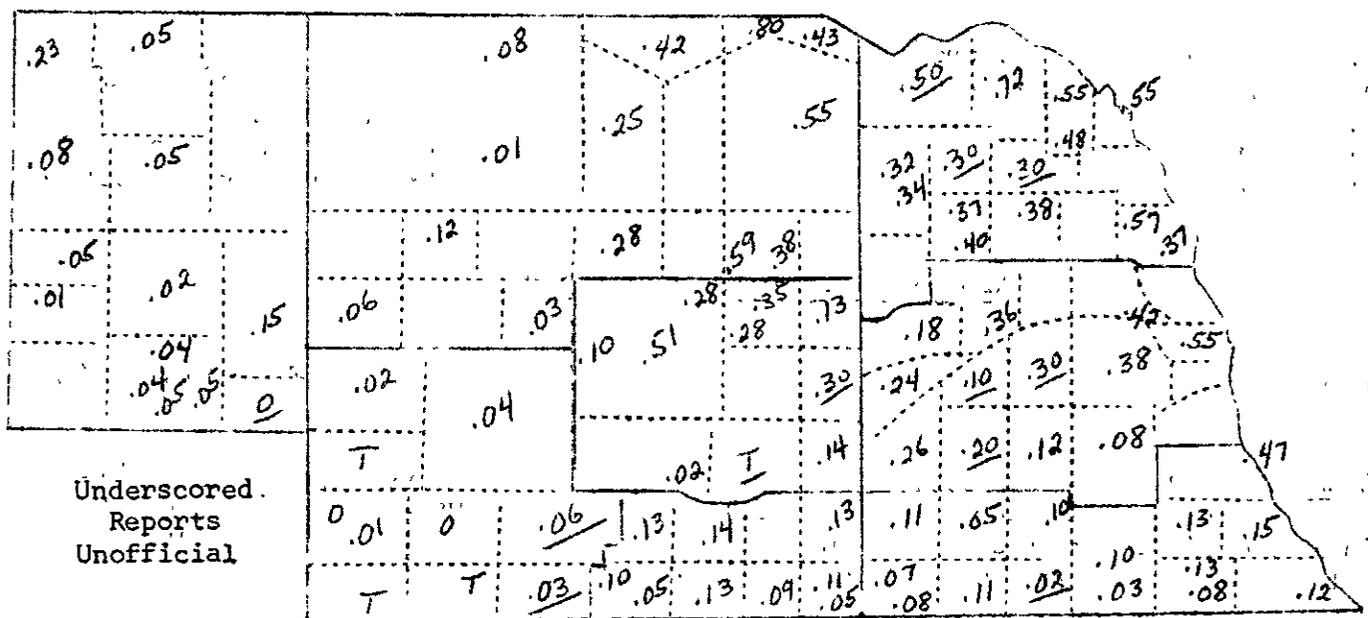
Feed yards, lots and roads have become very muddy. Vehicle travel is extremely difficult to impossible in some areas. Maintaining day-to-day feed supplies for livestock, especially large herds, has been a real problem. Hay and forage are in very short supply in some areas. Below average supplies of hay and forage were reported by 65 percent of the counties.

LIVESTOCK Livestock gains were limited by the adversities of snow, mud, and occasional low temperatures. Some farmers in eastern and southern areas are turning livestock into open fields as feed yards have become too muddy. Keeping young livestock bedded in dry areas is difficult, and some losses from exposure and disease were reported.

WEATHER BUREAU TELEGRAPHIC REPORT OF PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDING MARCH 2, 1969

<u>East</u>		<u>Central</u>		<u>West</u>	
Grand Island	.13	Burwell	.59	Chadron	.12
Lincoln	.08	North Platte	.05	Imperial	.05
Norfolk	.37	Valentine	.38	Scottsbluff	.07
Omaha	.55			Sidney	.12
Sioux City	.55				

PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING FEBRUARY 28, 1969



HIGHEST AND LOWEST TEMPERATURE (Day-time highs, 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.; Night-time lows, 6:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m., CST)

		February				March									
		24th		25th		26th		27th		28th		1st		2nd	
		Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min
NW	Chadron	48	27	43	32	45	26	37	14	45	26	32	26	28	21
	Scottsbluff	50	32	45	33	41	29	42	19	47	22	32	27	32	25
	Sidney	54	27	40	29	33	25	41	15	45	19	30	21	31	20
NC	Burwell	42	32	40	31	36	26	33	22	28	18	31	26	32	--
	Valentine	36	31	37	33	34	29	29	16	27	16	28	23	31	19
NE	Norfolk	35	33	37	34	35	30	32	22	27	22	31	24	29	21
	Sioux City	35	34	37	35	35	31	32	29	32	22	32	13	28	18
CEN	Grand Island	34	33	37	34	36	32	34	28	30	25	29	29	31	24
EC	Lincoln	38	35	43	36	36	33	34	28	32	29	34	29	34	24
	Omaha	38	34	43	35	37	31	32	27	32	27	34	22	31	20
SW	Imperial	43	29	35	31	35	29	41	22	44	20	27	23	31	23
	North Platte	34	31	36	32	33	30	33	16	31	18	34	25	32	24

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