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**WEATHER** Temperatures averaged from three degrees below normal in the Panhandle to 12 degrees below normal elsewhere during the past week. On Monday, October 16th, temperatures were slightly above normal over nearly all of Nebraska, but Tuesday a cold front started moving across the State dropping daylight maxima from 16 degrees below normal in the west to 28 degrees below normal in the east on Wednesday, October 18th. On Thursday morning, October 19th, low readings were from eight degrees at Clarkson and Wakefield to the mid-20s in the Panhandle and southwest. Several stations had their lowest recorded temperatures for so early in the season that morning.

During the week ending Friday, October 20th, precipitation was light over most of the State except the east and extreme southwest where isolated spots received .50 inch or more. Precipitation for the week end indicates amounts up to 1.90 inches or more in southeast Nebraska, although information is incomplete because of the holiday week end.

**CROPS** Harvest of sorghum, corn, soybeans and sugar beets were the main activities as weather permitted last week. A general hard freeze the 18th and 19th should aid in drying crops, but rain the 20th stopped most harvesting.

Corn for grain harvest is 24 percent completed, compared with 49 percent last year and 29 percent normal. The moisture content of grain averaged 23 percent, 1 point lower than a week earlier but 3 points above last year. Harvesting speed in many areas is dependent upon drying capabilities. Cutting of corn for silage was limited as the major acreage for silage has been harvested. Losses from stalk rot and corn borer continue to be minimal.

Grain sorghum harvest is 44 percent complete, 2 percentage points less than average and far behind last year's 85 percent completed. Moisture content is averaging 16 percent, compared with last week's 20 percent and last year's 14 percent. Soybean harvest advanced to 65 percent complete. Last year on this date 94 percent was harvested and normal is 73 percent. The moisture of the soybeans is 13 percent, the same as last week and 1 point above last year.

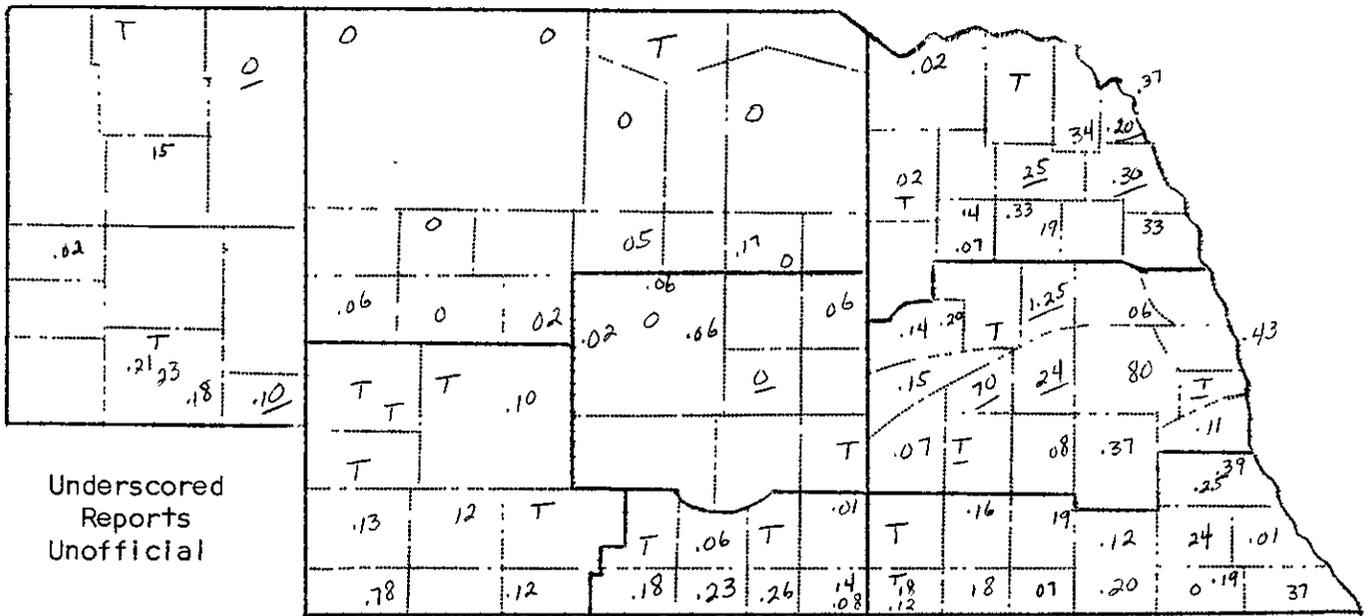
Sugar beet harvest continues at a rapid pace and is 70 percent complete. Yield and sugar content are very good.

**LIVESTOCK** Livestock remain in good condition. Ranges are still in good condition and providing adequate roughage.

### NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE TELEGRAPHIC REPORT OF PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDING 10/22/72

<u>East</u>		<u>Central</u>		<u>West</u>	
Grand Island	.09	Burwell	.17	Chadron	T
Lincoln	1.57	North Platte	.06	Imperial	.13
Norfolk	.19	Valentine	.21	Scottsbluff	.09
Omaha	2.14			Sidney	.31
Sioux City	.77				

PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 20, 1972



HIGHEST AND LOWEST TEMPERATURE (Daytime highs, 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.;  
Nighttime lows, 6:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m., CDT)

		October		16th		17th		18th		19th		20th		21st		22nd	
		Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min
NW	Chadron	70	34	53	29	48	27	48	37	62	37	51	39	43	32		
	Scottsbluff	74	38	63	29	48	28	55	38	61	44	54	41	55	38		
	Sidney	74	39	64	26	43	30	45	32	58	39	55	39	46	31		
NC	Burwell	69	38	48	25	38	17	42	35	47	44	57	38	42	--		
	Valentine	66	32	43	22	38	19	48	37	51	37	52	39	39	32		
NE	Norfolk	69	34	43	26	38	13	44	34	45	43	51	47	47	37		
	Sioux City	68	33	42	27	39	13	45	33	44	41	52	48	49	40		
CEN	Grand Island	73	43	47	32	40	18	44	36	49	46	52	49	49	37		
EC	Lincoln	73	38	45	32	41	13	46	35	47	44	54	50	51	38		
	Omaha	71	38	45	30	40	19	42	34	44	40	51	49	51	37		
SW	Imperial	76	44	69	30	45	28	39	31	60	38	60	40	44	33		
	North Platte	75	39	62	27	44	15	41	35	57	36	61	37	42	32		

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