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NEBRASKA WEEKLY WEATHER AND CROP REPORT

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Week Ending 1/9/50

WEATHER A severe cold spell during the early and middle portions of the week brought the lowest temperature (-34° at Oshkosh) in the State since February, 1936. Temperatures moderated considerably during the latter part of the week. The only precipitation was light snow or sleet on the 2nd and 3rd. Several days were very windy, which increased the discomfort to man and beast caused by the severe cold.

December was dry and a little milder than normal, but there were considerable fluctuations in temperature during the middle and latter portions of the month. Several days were very windy, and considerable dust was raised.

CROPS Wheat needs moisture throughout the State, since precipitation received was generally too light except in a limited portion of the wheat area. There is a little corn moving but some areas report a little difficulty in obtaining corn for feeding because of the large quantity under seal. Movement of potatoes is still slow. Some beans under loan sold slightly below market price. Hay supply is plentiful, and price lower. Prices of farm machinery sold at auctions are much lower than a year ago. There is considerable surplus of farm labor. Farmers are in the market for seed for spring small grain.

LIVESTOCK A considerable number of short-fed cattle were marketed. Farmers in one northeastern county are disgusted with market quotations of \$25 to \$35 per hundred pounds for cattle when they are getting only \$21 to \$23 while retail beef price seems to be based on \$30 to \$35 cattle. Most of the last spring pig crop is marketed, and the demand for sows and gilts for spring farrowing varies considerably. There is still complaint on egg prices ranging from 16 to 23 cents in some counties. Some culling of laying flocks reported, and indications of reduced poultry production this year. December shipments of cattle to Nebraska country points totaled 52,562 head as compared with 36,165 head in December a year ago. December sheep imports were down with only 16,186 head against 44,719 head in December a year ago.

Weather Bureau Telegraphic Report of Precipitation for Week Ending January 9, 1950

Eastern Division		Central Division		Western Division	
Grand Island	0	Burwell	.02	Chadron	.01
Lincoln	.16	North Platte	.02	Hayes Center	.02
Norfolk	.04	Valentine	.01	Scottsbluff	.03
Omaha	.14			Sidney	.08
Sioux City	.0				

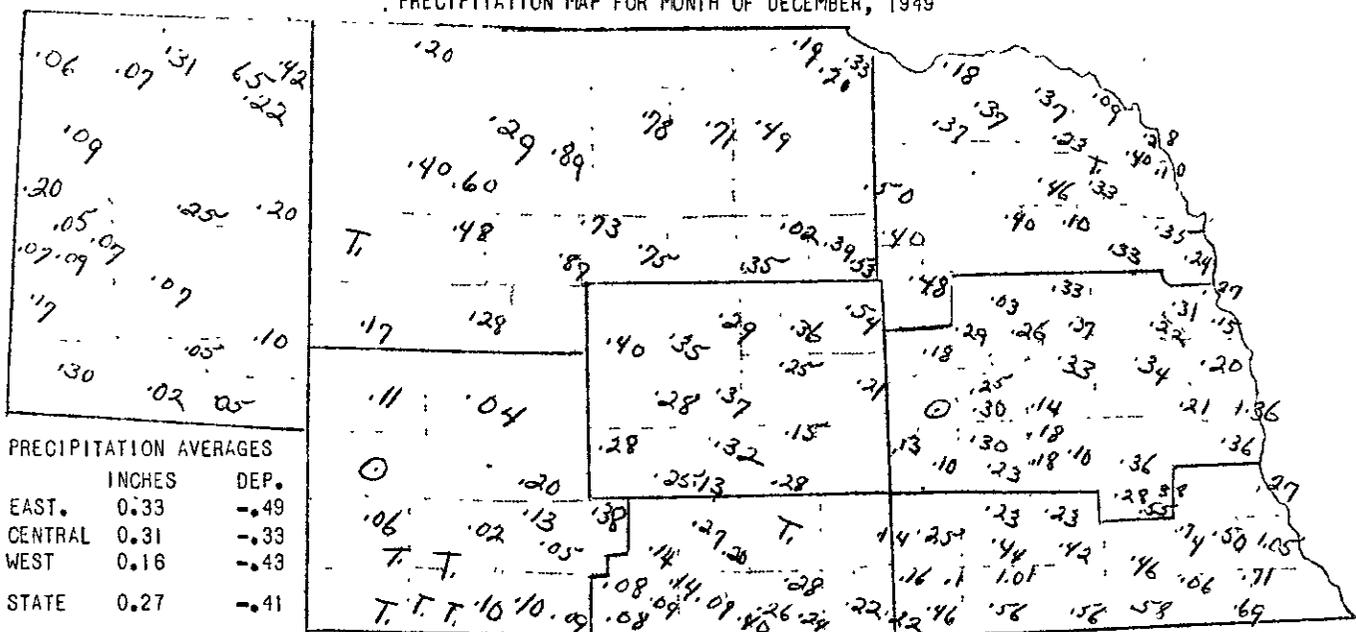
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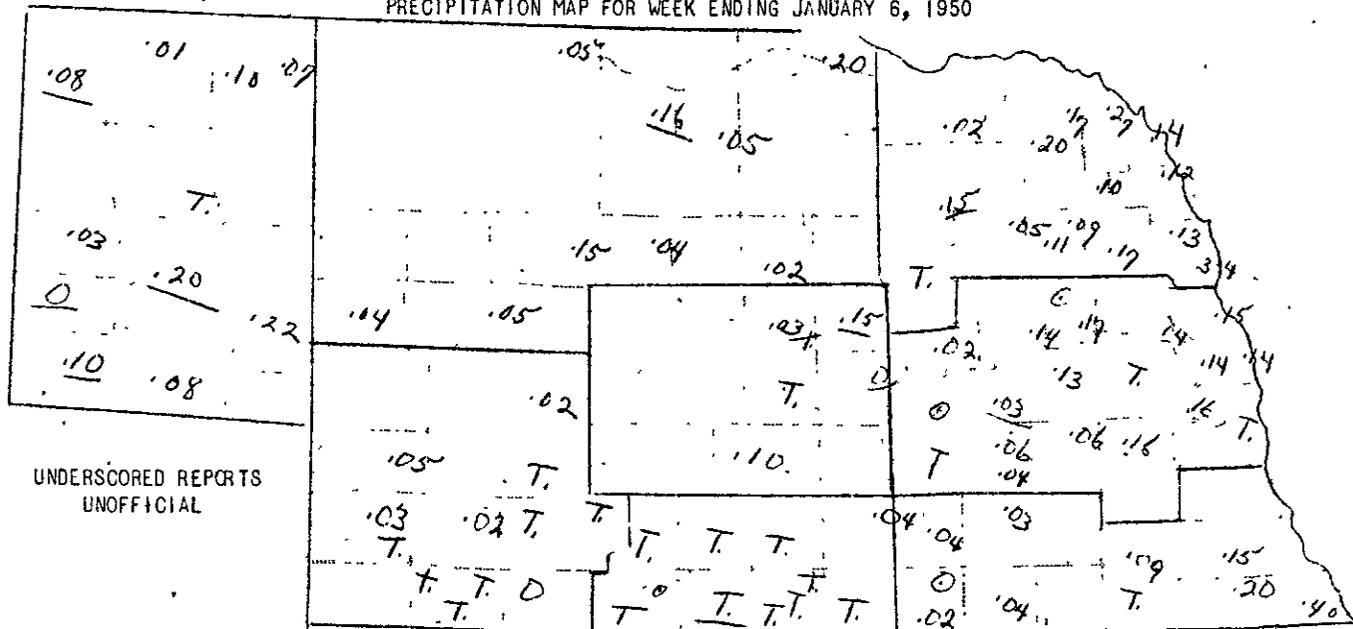
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PRECIPITATION MAP FOR MONTH OF DECEMBER, 1949



PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING JANUARY 6, 1950



UNDERScoreD REPORTS
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HIGHEST AND LOWEST TEMPERATURES (FOR 24 HOURS ENDING 6:30 A.M.)

		JANUARY						
		3RD	4TH	5TH	6TH	7TH	8TH	9TH
		MAX MIN						
NW	CHADRON	15 -12	-8 -24	18 1	- 3	36 1	- 21	50 12
	SCOTTSSBLUFF	35 -13	-6 -16	16 -3	24 6	40 9	- 7	49 16
	SIDNEY	- -14	- -	- -8	- -4	- 2	- 11	49 12
N-C	BURWELL	35 - 6	1 -17	- -	- -	36 2	39 21	42 10
	VALENTINE	- -	-9 -23	13 -1	21 3	36 6	36 20	42 16
NE	NORFOLK	- -	1 -10	5 -11	17 -6	34 5	30 25	43 16
	SIOUX CITY	- - 2	3 -10	2 -14	13 -10	27 6	28 16	43 20
CEN.	GRAND ISLAND	- - 1	3 - 9	13 0	19 5	39 9	42 29	46 17
	LINCOLN	47 2	7 - 6	8 1	17 9	36 15	36 32	46 30
SW	OMAHA	46 3	7 - 7	5 -5	16 7	31 13	34 29	47 31
	HAYES CENTER	30 - 7	-2 -13	22 0	23 1	41 17	- 15	44 17
	NORTH PLATTE	32 - 7	-1 -14	18 0	24 -2	39 8	51 17	38 13

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