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NEBRASKA WEEKLY WEATHER AND CROP REPORT

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Week Ending 1-4-54

WEATHER Temperatures were very changeable, with some rather cold nights and several very warm days for this season of year. There was considerable wind, which raised some dust on several days. No precipitation occurred during the week.

CROPS Wheat is generally in a highly favorable condition. There were some reports of soil blowing where surface soil is dry. Most of the snow on the wheat fields has melted without any run-off.

Many of the counties report a surplus of farm labor. The open winter weather so far has enabled farmers to get most of their work done without hired help.

Increased interest in soil testing is reported. Increased yields from application of fertilizer were very apparent last year.

The moisture from the melted snow in the range area has packed the soil, making the grass less susceptible to winter injury. Reports on fall seeded grasses are generally favorable.

The open winter so far has been highly favorable for livestock. Very little disease is reported. Hay and forage is high priced. Some feed shortage is expected in south-central areas, where snow covering during much of December increased the feed requirements for cattle. Favorable weather conditions have reduced the need for feed over most of the State. More or less marked fluctuation in price of cattle has made some cattle feeders somewhat "jittery".

WEATHER BUREAU TELEGRAPHIC REPORT OF PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDING JANUARY 4, 1954

Eastern Division

Central Division

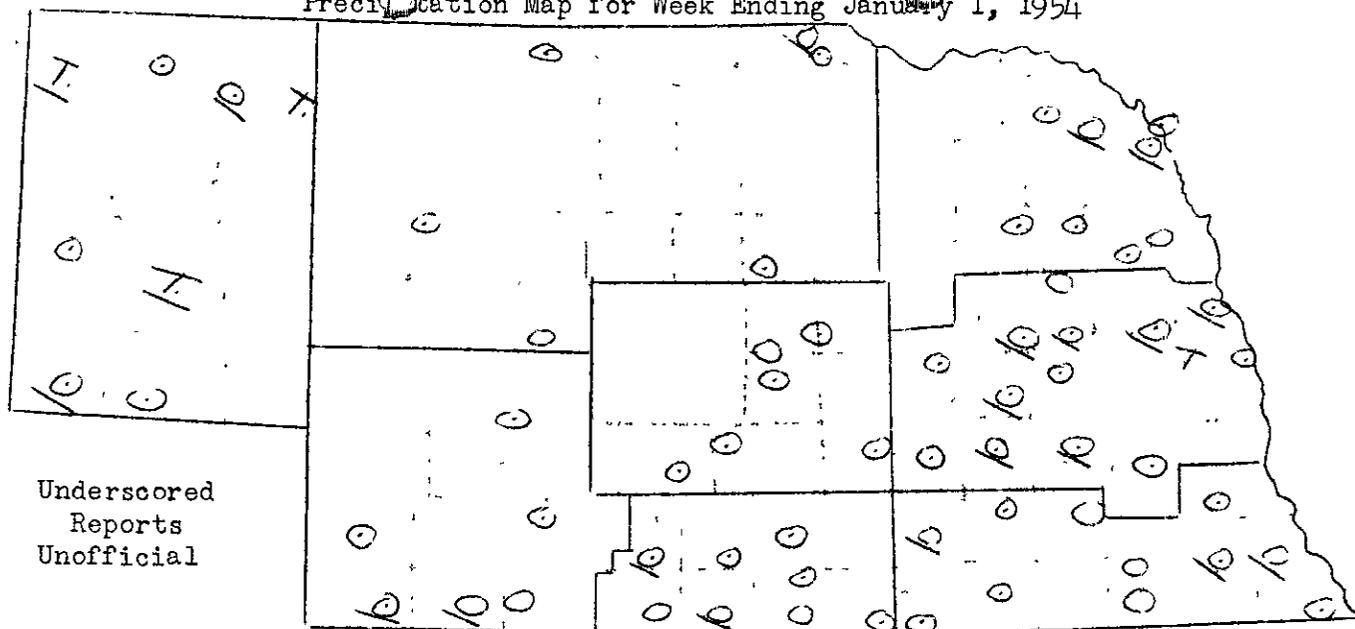
Western Division

No precipitation reported

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Precipitation Map for Week Ending January 1, 1954



HIGHEST AND LOWEST TEMPERATURES (for 24 hours ending in a.m.)

		December				January									
		29th		30th		31st		1st		2nd		3rd		4th	
		Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min
NW	Chadron	49	28	34	18	43	20	--	28	56	29	--	20	53	23
	Scottsbluff	47	20	36	15	42	29	--	23	59	24	--	18	49	20
	Sidney	48	22	35	14	42	18	--	23	55	23	--	19	54	25
N-C	Burwell	41	29	33	9	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
	Valentine	48	29	37	16	41	24	56	29	58	34	41	20	46	31
NE	Norfolk	42	27	37	3	36	20	51	21	55	30	41	8	39	24
	Sioux City	44	30	37	4	36	15	49	21	55	24	40	7	34	20
CEN.	Grand Island	41	28	36	9	41	26	52	27	54	32	44	17	47	25
	Lexington	41	28	34	14	40	22	--	23	48	29	--	20	44	26
E-C	Lincoln	46	27	37	7	43	26	56	25	56	33	47	15	42	24
	Omaha	47	29	37	6	42	20	55	25	55	31	46	11	37	23
SW	Imperial	46	26	35	17	45	21	--	22	51	28	--	20	47	25
	North Platte	46	22	33	16	44	19	56	18	52	26	45	21	41	24

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