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NEBRASKA WEEKLY WEATHER AND CROP REPORT

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WEATHER The week was warm and dry, with almost full sunshine. A little light rain fell in the southwest and a little light snow fell over the extreme eastern portion of the state during the latter part of the week, but most stations received no measurable precipitation.

November was wetter than normal over the north-central and eastern portions of the state, and rather dry over the Panhandle, south-central, and central portions. The outstanding feature of the month's weather was the heavy snowstorm over the southeastern and east-central portions of the state on the 17th and 18th. This storm brought light to moderate snow to the remainder of the state.

CROPS Harvesting of corn and sorghums moved ahead rapidly last week as clear, drying weather continued for the second successive week. About 20 percent of the corn was picked with the harvest about three-fourths finished by the end of last week. Sorghum harvest was even more rapid than corn. Over two-thirds of the crop has been combined with last week's efforts bringing in 23 percent.

Harvest was still rather slow in a number of eastern counties where fields were still too wet or soft for equipment to operate. Outside of this section, harvest made good strides. Farmers gave preference to sorghum harvest despite the high moisture content of the grain. Winds have flattened a considerable acreage, causing difficulty in harvesting and some loss in yield. They are eager to get the crop binned and avoid further losses from lodging. Much of the crop is being artificially dried. Many are using pick-up attachments to reap sorghums, but even so, field losses are higher than usual. Demand continues strong for livestock to glean corn and sorghum fields. Some of the high moisture grain harvested early has lost quality, spoiled or become moldy. High moisture grain is being used for immediate feed where livestock are available. Price discounts for "wet" grain are substantial.

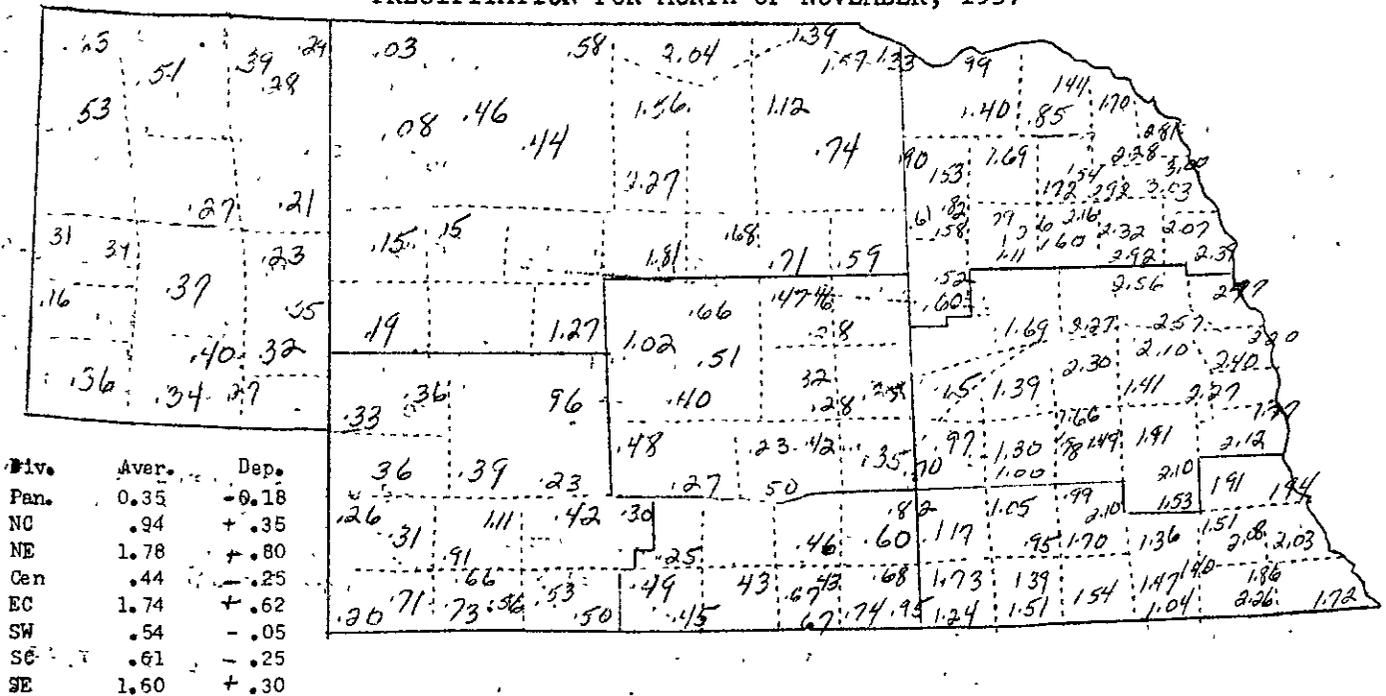
Winter wheat and rye prospects are promising. Both crops have good ground cover and are entering the winter in a strong, vigorous condition.

LIVESTOCK Stocker and feeder cattle shipped into Nebraska during November numbered 120,000 head, 20 percent above last November. The total shipped in since July was 15 percent above last season. November shipments of sheep and lambs into the state totaled 77,000 head, down 7 percent from last November. The season's total since July this year was 19 percent below a year earlier.

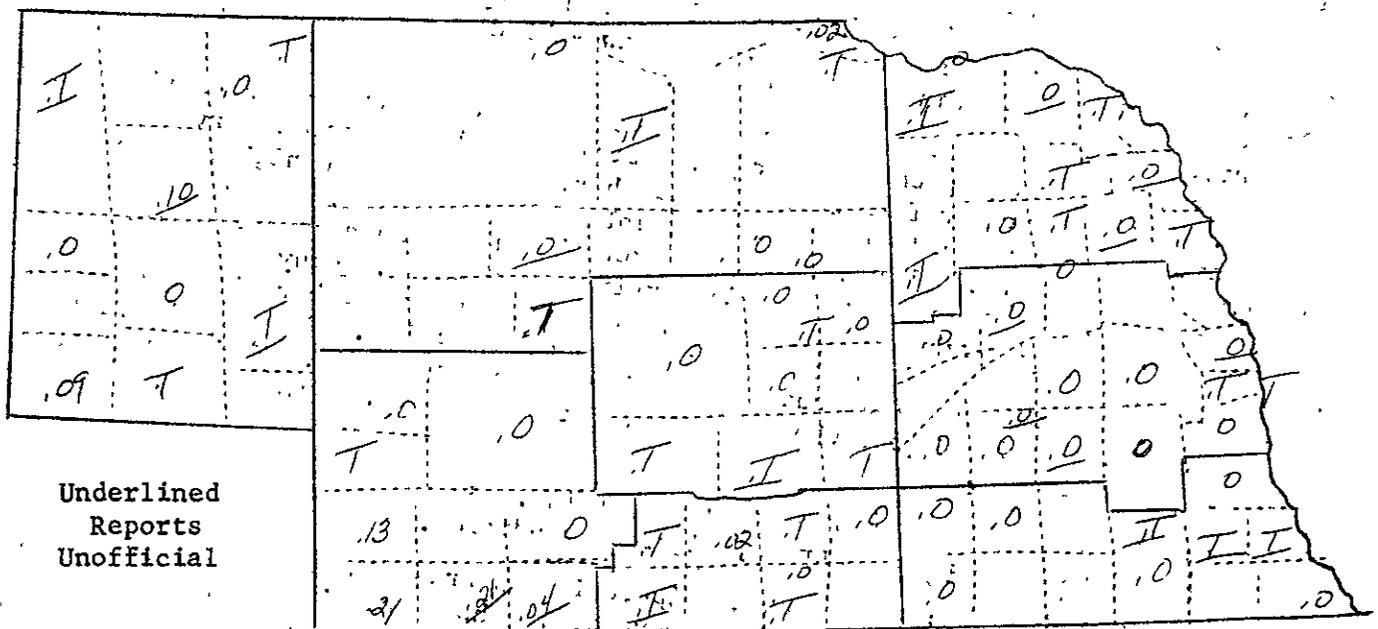
WEATHER BUREAU TELEGRAPHIC REPORT OF PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDING DECEMBER 9, 1957

	<u>East</u>		<u>Central</u>		<u>West</u>
Grand Island	.01	Burwell	0	Chadron	0
Lincoln	0	North Platte	0	Imperial	.07
Norfolk	0	Valentine	0	Scottsbluff	0
Omaha	.04			Sidney	0
Sioux City	.02				

PRECIPITATION FOR MONTH OF NOVEMBER, 1957



PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING DECEMBER 9, 1957



HIGHEST AND LOWEST TEMPERATURE (Highs for 24 hours ending at 12:30 a.m., and lows for 12 hours ending at 6:30 a.m. CST)

		December 3rd		4th		5th		6th		7th		8th		9th	
		Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min
NW	Chadron	45	24	50	20	63	25	52	19	43	25	41	20	51	32
	Scottsbluff	47	18	49	27	63	30	53	28	43	27	44	15	53	27
	Sidney	50	23	49	21	63	30	54	27	40	20	45	17	52	31
NC	Burwell	43	19	47	26	60	24	61	23	30	16	47	15	46	28
	Valentine	46	23	46	26	60	30	56	25	33	19	40	16	45	28
NE	Norfolk	38	20	40	23	55	27	50	29	38	22	39	24	43	23
	Sioux City	43	23	33	21	49	29	49	30	36	22	31	24	41	24
Cen	Grand Island	42	20	50	26	59	35	53	33	34	21	48	21	47	29
	Lincoln	40	25	41	26	56	39	57	36	45	22	38	27	42	31
EC	Omaha	36	23	32	22	51	33	53	32	40	20	28	23	32	24
	Imperial	56	26	54	22	65	26	59	31	42	20	43	25	43	30
SW	North Platte	50	20	50	21	60	27	60	27	39	19	45	20	44	24