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NEBRASKA WEEKLY WEATHER AND CROP REPORT

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Week Ending 3/2/70

WEATHER The past week was warm and dry in Nebraska. Temperatures for the week averaged from three to seven degrees above normal. Cloudy, damp weather moved into the State on Saturday and lasted through the week end. Fog, drizzle and light rain covered the State, and a few snowflakes were reported. Amounts of moisture were generally very small except in the southeast where totals reached a half inch to an inch. Temperatures were near the freezing mark and glaze formed on wires, trees, etc. in the southeast.

CROPS Dampness across most of the State has, at least temporarily, halted the threat of grass fires. A small range fire in the Panhandle on Thursday burned out of control for awhile before it was extinguished. The moisture is also quite beneficial to dry top soils but much more is needed. Wheat and rye are greening with moderate temperatures.

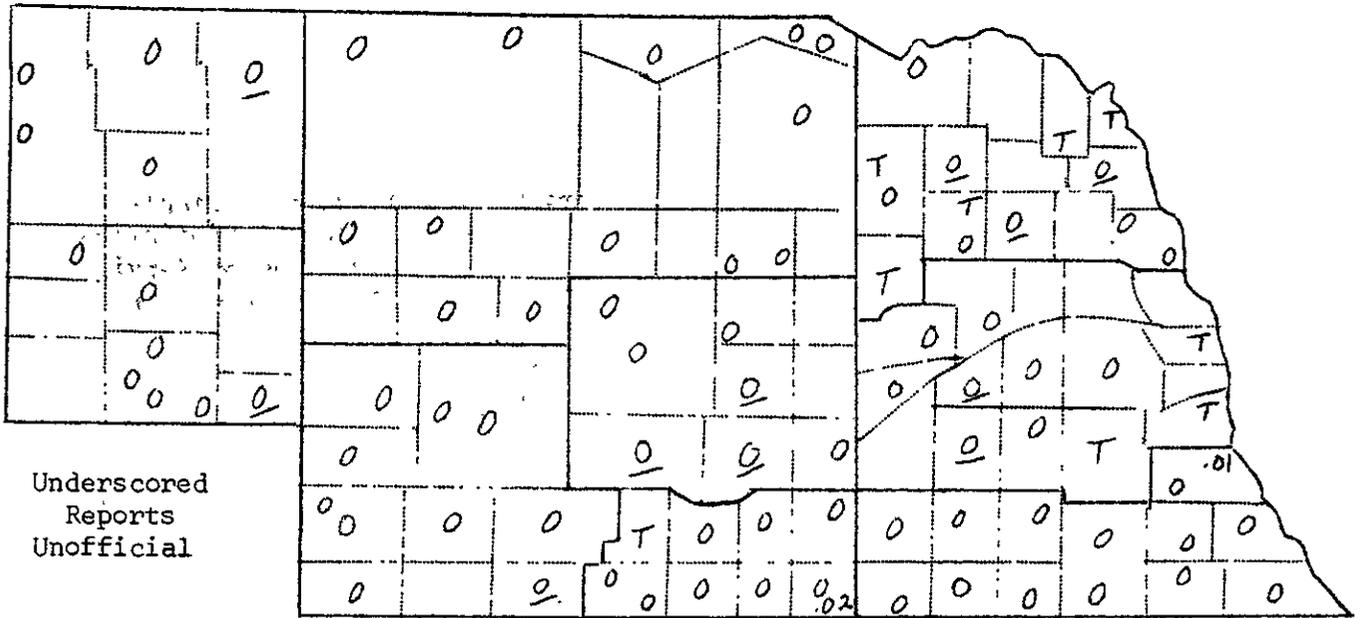
Farmers and ranchers are busy planning spring operations and getting equipment ready for the field. Field operations are picking up but are limited mostly to stalk shredding and fertilizing. Some farmers in the west have been discing ground in preparation for sugar beet planting. Frost has prevented tillage operations in most areas.

LIVESTOCK Livestock care still occupies much of the ranchers' time, especially during calving operations. Farrowing and lambing operations are well under way, and calving operations are progressing well. Most young livestock are making good growth, but a few young swine have been lost from disease. Stalk field grazing is nearing completion. Open weather has helped conserve forage feed supplies.

WEATHER BUREAU TELEGRAPHIC REPORT OF PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDING MARCH 1, 1970

<u>East</u>		<u>Central</u>		<u>West</u>	
Grand Island	.04	Burwell	0	Chadron	T
Lincoln	.51	North Platte	.01	Imperial	.01
Norfolk	.11	Valentine	T	Scottsbluff	T
Omaha	.12			Sidney	T
Sioux City	.10				

PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING FEBRUARY 27, 1970



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							
		23rd	24th	25th	26th	27th	28th	1st							
		Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min
NW	Chadron	60	25	45	14	57	23	57	20	45	18	32	26	39	33
	Scottsbluff	53	23	44	15	49	23	49	20	45	21	44	23	43	33
	Sidney	59	28	44	9	54	25	55	16	50	17	44	22	39	29
NC	Burwell	56	28	45	24	46	26	55	23	49	28	32	26	33	--
	Valentine	60	30	44	15	--	23	55	22	39	24	33	26	30	28
NE	Norfolk	52	30	42	23	36	29	53	29	45	28	31	28	35	32
	Sioux City	52	34	43	17	32	26	51	25	44	28	31	28	35	33
CEN	Grand Island	53	31	48	21	42	27	57	23	51	32	36	29	35	34
EC	Lincoln	55	38	48	27	38	30	55	30	51	33	35	32	39	36
	Omaha	53	37	47	19	34	24	53	31	48	30	36	31	38	33
SW	Imperial	61	24	49	15	53	26	65	18	53	20	51	27	33	29
	North Platte	56	27	47	18	49	21	59	20	50	27	36	28	32	31

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