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NEBRASKA WEEKLY WEATHER AND CROP REPORT

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Week Ending 6/5/72

WEATHER Cool weather prevailed in Nebraska early in the past week, but it was very warm from Thursday through Sunday. Temperatures for the week averaged from one to three degrees above normal. Scattered showers were reported on Monday and again from Friday through Sunday. Most of the showers were light, but locally heavier showers fell over the week end west of the Valentine-Imperial line. Local amounts there ranged from a half inch to an inch and a half.

CROPS Planting of row crops proceeded rapidly last week. Only occasional thunderstorms hindered field work. Top soil moisture is mostly adequate, the exception being some areas of the Panhandle. Subsoil moisture is adequate to surplus over the entire State. Corn planting is nearing completion in many localities. About 93 percent of the acreage has been planted compared to 96 percent normally planted on this date. Early plantings are up to good stands and making excellent development. Rotary hoeing and cultivation operations are under way where plants have attained adequate height.

Sorghum growers were quite busy in the field last week and now have 64 percent of the acreage planted. This compares with 76 percent normally planted. Most fields have emerged to good stands. Crusting action in some eastern areas has caused farmers to replant. Green bugs have been noted on some fields of sorghum in the south central and southeastern parts of the State.

Soybean planting is now past the half-way mark with 55 percent of the acreage in the ground. This compares with 70 percent normally planted on this date.

Winter wheat condition remains mostly good to excellent. The crop is making excellent development with much of the acreage headed and in bloom stages.

Thinning of sugar beets is well under way with both machine and hand labor being used. Some replanted beets in the western portion of the Panhandle need additional precipitation to give good germination and emergence. Dry bean growers are just getting under way with planting operations. The first crop alfalfa is being cut for hay with mostly good yields and quality.

LIVESTOCK Livestock conditions are good with adequate supplies of pasture and range feeds. Most cattle have been moved to summer ranges. Feedyards that had been quite muddy are now drying.

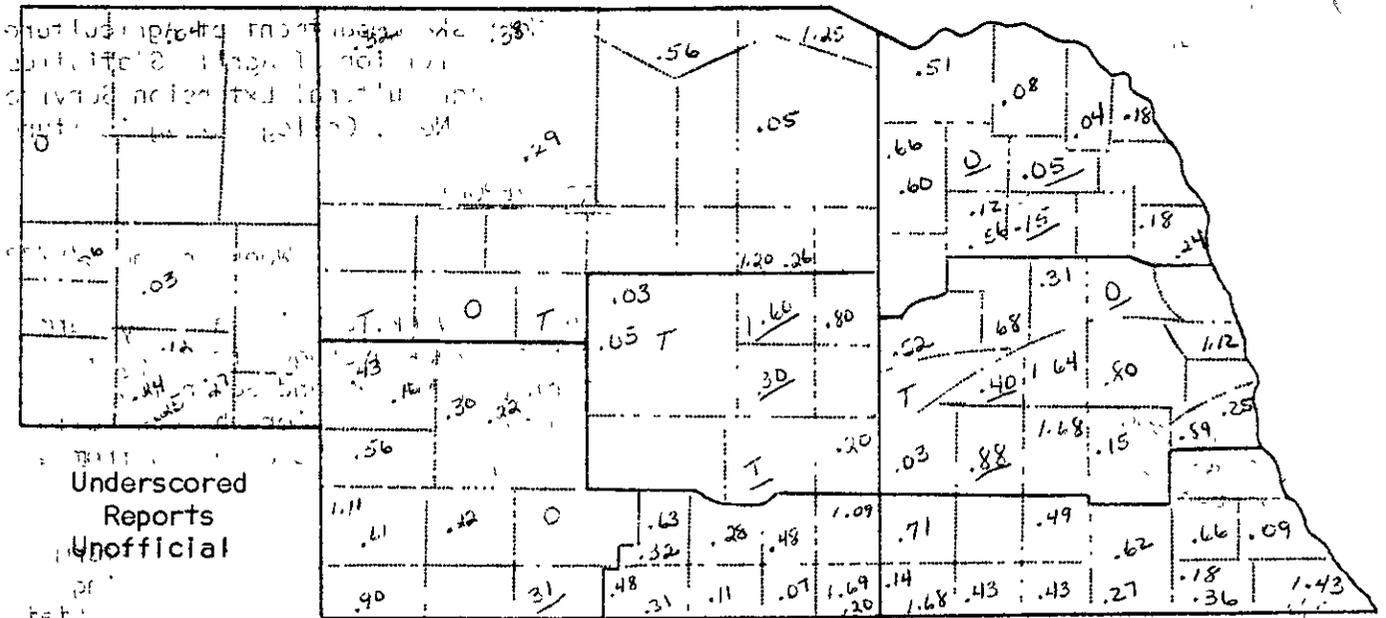
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE TELEGRAPHIC REPORT OF PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDING 6/4/72

<u>East</u>		<u>Central</u>		<u>West</u>	
Grand Island	.02	Burwell	T	Chadron	.26
Lincoln	.27	North Platte	.18	Imperial	.85
Norfolk	.05	Valentine	1.23	Scottsbluff	1.70
Omaha	.03			Sidney	1.59
Sioux City	.14				

Precipitation, April 1 - June 2, 1972

	NW	NC	NE	CEN	EC	SW	SC	SE
Total past week.....	.15	.29	.30	.46	.64	.41	.51	.65
Total since April 1.....	3.89	5.66	8.72	7.03	11.07	4.42	7.26	8.17
Normal since April 1.....	5.00	5.61	6.26	6.00	6.39	5.38	6.04	6.88

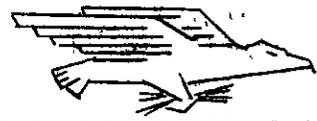
PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING JUNE 2, 1972



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)

		May 29th		30th		31st		June 1st		2nd	3rd	4th			
		Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min			Max	Min		
NW	Chadron	62	39	71	50	84	43	87	54	87	60	78	59	87	--
	Scottsbluff	61	32	72	44	86	48	92	55	89	57	81	56	82	57
	Sidney	60	32	68	40	83	47	89	48	89	55	85	53	82	54
NC	Burwell	--	45	67	37	80	53	90	51	88	58	84	62	86	--
	Valentine	61	44	67	43	83	51	84	52	85	56	77	60	84	60
NE	Norfolk	65	49	64	41	77	58	90	59	88	58	84	62	87	69
	Sioux City	69	50	68	43	77	54	90	61	92	62	91	67	78	70
CEN	Grand Island	68	51	70	43	78	57	85	57	91	61	88	65	89	66
EC	Lincoln	70	52	68	46	75	58	87	63	94	67	90	67	90	71
	Omaha	67	49	67	46	72	56	86	60	89	66	89	65	79	70
SW	Imperial	65	41	72	44	80	50	89	53	91	49	91	59	84	58
	North Platte	65	44	71	37	79	53	86	48	88	58	88	61	84	60

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