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WEATHER

Mild weather was the rule, with little precipitation. Most of the week's precipitation fell in the Panhandle on the 18th where one to two inches of snow were reported. Average weekly temperatures ranged from four to nine degrees above normal.

The weekend of the 24th saw cooler weather move back into the State-- especially in the East. Grand Island and Norfolk reported one inch of new snow Monday morning, with trace amounts elsewhere in the East.

CROPS

With no significant precipitation falling during the week, farmers and ranchers hope relief from the muddy lot, field and road conditions is at hand. Milder temperatures have allowed frost to gradually go out of the soil; thus, the water logged soils should start draining. Harvest took place last week where field conditions and storage capacities allowed.

There is concern about corn in storage as warmer weather approaches. Most of the corn in storage was picked at rather high moisture levels and was expected to be marketed by this time; however, local grain dealers do not have storage available and are not buying much corn at the present time.

Although some harvesting did take place during the week, the corn harvest remains at 97% complete while 93% of the grain sorghum is out of the field. Winter wheat is in good to excellent condition with some greening occurring with the warmer temperatures.

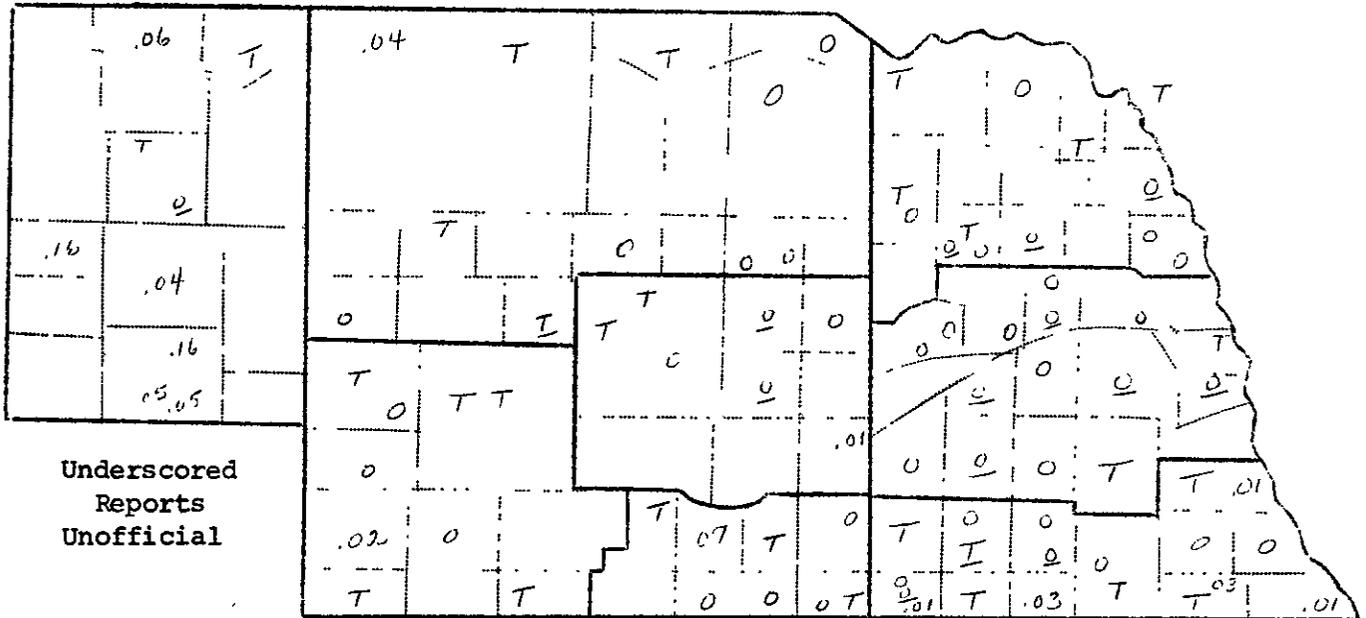
LIVESTOCK

Thawing weather last week kept feedlots in poor condition but some are beginning to dry out. Losses remain above average while gains are slow. The warmer temperatures have been excellent for spring calving and farrowings. Most livestock producers continue to feed large amounts of grain, silage, cake and hay.

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE TELEGRAPHIC REPORT OF PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDING 2/25/73

<u>East</u>		<u>Central</u>		<u>West</u>	
Grand Island	.17	Burwell	0	Chadron	T
Lincoln	.03	North Platte	.06	Imperial	0
Norfolk	.14	Valentine	.01	Scottsbluff	.01
Omaha	T			Sidney	T
Sioux City	T				

PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING FEBRUARY 23, 1973



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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., CST)

		February													
		19th		20th		21st		22nd		23rd		24th		25th	
		Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min
NW	Chadron	36	20	45	23	48	30	53	28	59	31	44	27	33	23
	Scottsbluff	33	15	47	22	48	26	53	25	56	31	54	29	56	26
	Sidney	34	23	53	21	43	22	51	22	58	35	52	27	55	26
NC	Burwell	39	19	50	24	46	26	53	--	38	29	38	27	32	--
	Valentine	39	19	48	25	49	25	54	25	65	28	30	26	31	30
NE	Norfolk	38	22	46	24	39	27	49	26	55	32	41	28	31	26
	Sioux City	38	22	43	23	33	26	44	28	51	32	43	30	33	29
CEN	Grand Island	39	26	53	28	41	31	53	27	59	32	42	30	31	29
EC	Lincoln	39	26	51	29	36	27	52	26	58	32	44	31	34	28
	Omaha	37	28	46	29	33	28	46	30	54	37	41	30	33	28
SW	Imperial	42	23	54	24	47	24	53	26	60	31	54	27	48	29
	North Platte	42	15	55	18	46	18	56	19	62	23	46	25	35	30

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