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## WEATHER

Temperatures averaged below normal for the period. Precipitation averaged from one-half inch west up to 2 1/2 inches east. Snowfall of over 5 inches was reported mostly Tuesday in the south central portion of the State and lesser amounts over the west and north sections.

## CROPS

Nebraska farmers made limited progress during the week in harvesting corn and doing other fall work. Rain, snow and/or sleet starting last Monday kept farmers out of fields for most of the remainder of the week.

Corn for grain is about 85% harvested according to County Agents. This is way ahead of the 50% harvested a year ago but is the same as average. Moisture content of corn being harvested is 18%, down 1 point from a week earlier and 4 points below a year earlier. Harvest progressed slowly this week as precipitation in the form of rain, ice and/or snow resulted in limited harvesting after Monday. Some corn was down because of the sleet.

Wheat condition continued mostly good with 24% of reporting counties indicating excellent, 52% good, and 24% fair. Moisture during the week was

beneficial, and soil moisture supplies are now adequate to surplus.

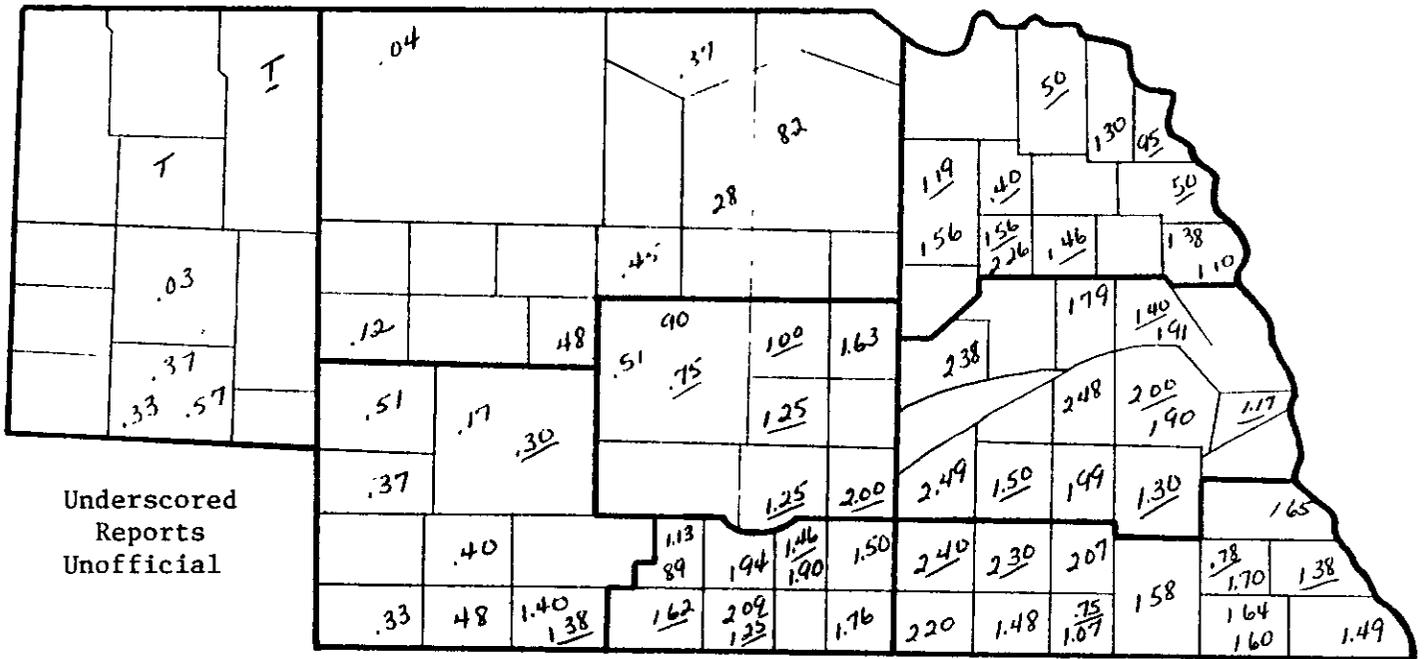
Electric power outages caused by sleet resulted in problems to some farmers in the northeast third of the State. Outages were particularly severe in the Antelope, Madison, Boone and Nance County area with a few farmers being out of electricity up to three days or more. Power outages caused major problems to dairy farmers relying on milking machines and also made it necessary to provide alternate methods for supplying water to livestock.

Field work, when weather permitted, consisted of harvesting corn, moving hay, applying fertilizer, fencing, shredding stalks, plowing and discing. Other farm activities consisted of opening roads and cleaning snow from feedlots and preparing for winter. An average of 3 days were suitable for fieldwork in the week ending Friday.

## LIVESTOCK

Range and pasture feed supplies remain mostly average with 17% of counties above average and 83% average. Hay and forage supplies were reported as above average in 14% of counties, average in 81%, and below average in 5%. Livestock are doing well but some feedlots are muddy.

PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING 6:00 A.M. SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 1973



TEMPERATURE AND PRECIPITATION DATA FOR WEEK ENDING 6:00 P.M. SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 1973

Station	Temperature				Precipitation
	Extremes		Mean	Departure	Total Inches <u>1/</u>
	Max	Min			
NW Chadron	46	12	29	--	T
Scottsbluff	47	11	30	-2	.06
Sidney	46	7	28	--	.21
NC Burwell	--	--	--	--	--
Valentine	45	16	29	-1	.18
NE Norfolk	46	15	32	0	1.56
Sioux City	51	24	38	-5	1.42
CEN Grand Island	43	10	27	-7	2.38
EC Lincoln	47	22	37	+1	1.77
Omaha	51	26	38	+5	1.31
SW Imperial	48	14	30	--	.10
North Platte	47	14	27	-6	.39

1/ Precipitation totals not included in map above.

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