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## WEATHER

Very cold temperatures prevailed over the State during the first half of January with departures of 20 to 40 degrees below normal. Snow occurred mostly mid-month with amounts from a tenth to as much as a half an inch. The heavier amounts occurred over the southeast portion of the State. Most of the second half of January had temperatures much above normal after Pacific air moved into Nebraska instead of Arctic air. Light amounts of snow fell over much of the State on the 21st and 22nd with water equivalents of less than a half an inch. Over the northwest portion of the Panhandle, there was local accumulation of near one foot with water equivalent of near one inch. Since then, most of the State received no measurable precipitation.

## CROPS

The moisture from the melting snow is mostly soaking into fields. There is limited runoff but many counties report excess moisture. Field work has been restricted by the wetness, and some corn remains to be harvested.

## LIVESTOCK

Open and mild weather has been very beneficial to livestock. Wheat stubble, pasture and winter range, and other field forages are being utilized. Supplemental feeding has been reduced. Supplies of hay and forage are mostly average.

Calving, farrowing, and lambing are underway. Livestock diseases have been minimal, although some T.G.E. in hogs has been reported. Feedlots are getting muddy from the melting snow.

## GENERAL

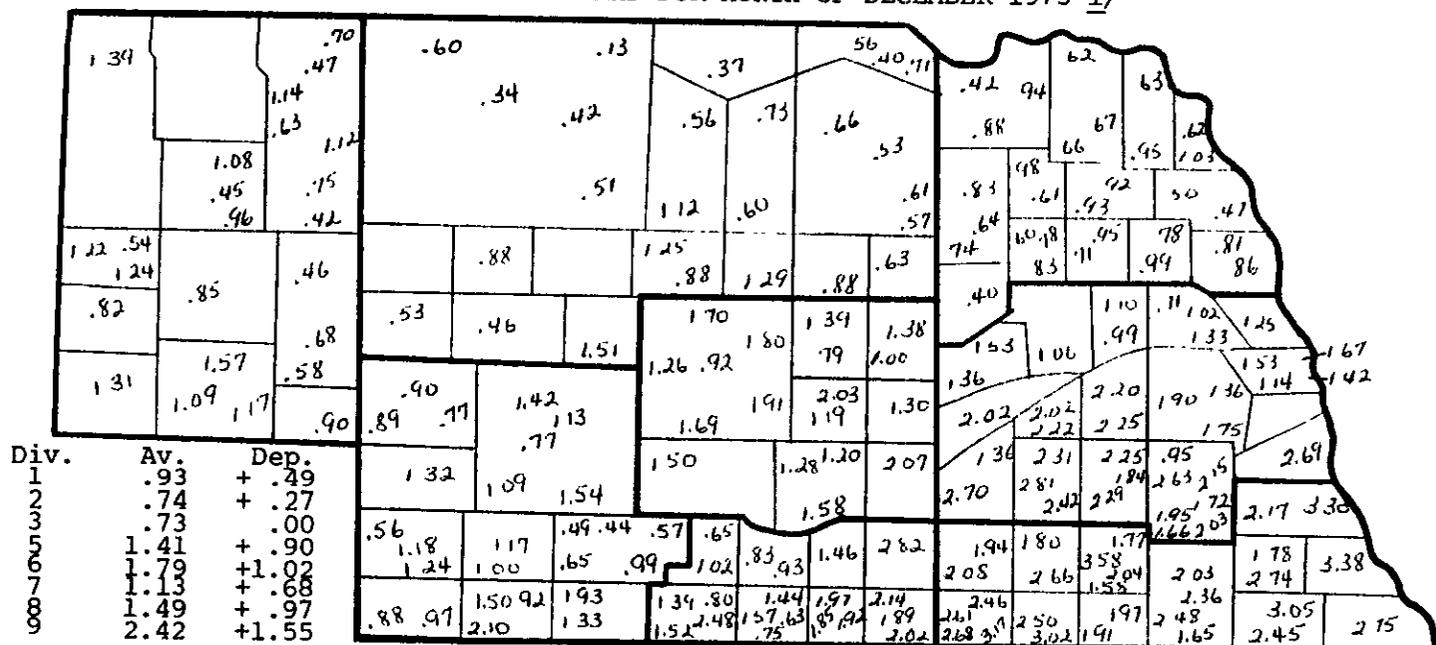
Farmers are busy with spring planning, attending meetings, overhauling farm equipment, income tax reports, and lining up crop production inputs in addition to general winter farm chores and livestock care and feeding.

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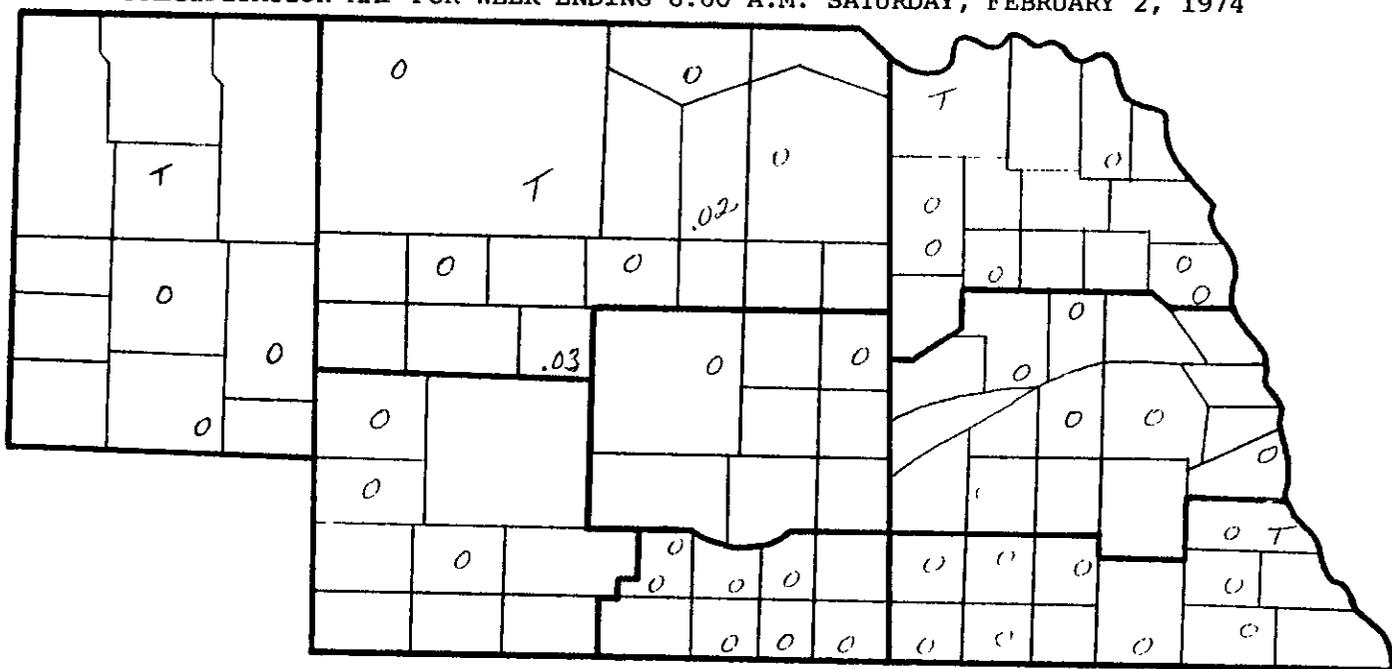


PRECIPITATION MAP FOR MONTH OF DECEMBER 1973 1/



1/ Courtesy of Conservation and Survey Division, University of Nebraska.

PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING 6:00 A.M. SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 1974



TEMPERATURE AND PRECIPITATION DATA FOR WEEK ENDING 6:00 P.M. SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 1974

Station	Temperature				Precipitation
	Extremes		Mean	Departure	
	Max	Min			Total Inches 1/
NW Chadron	48	6	31	--	0
Scottsbluff	54	20	36	+9	0
Sidney	--	--	--	--	--
NC Burwell	55	17	33	--	0
Valentine	53	5	28	+7	.02
NE Norfolk	57	9	27	+7	.01
Sioux City	55	9	26	+7	.01
CEN Grand Island	51	11	29	+5	0
EC Lincoln	55	12	28	+4	T
Omaha	60	10	27	+6	.02
SW Imperial	55	19	37	--	0
North Platte	52	13	35	+10	0

1/ Precipitation totals not included in map above.