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Another relatively good week for harvest allowed most farmers over the northern two-thirds of the State to complete the corn and soybean harvest and concentrate on fall tillage and fertilizing. Farmers in the southern counties continued to harvest under very muddy conditions.

Ninety-four percent of the CORN crop had been harvested for grain by Sunday, November 25, compared to last year's 100% and the 5-year average (1979-83) of 98%.

Harvest of the SOYBEAN crop was 91% complete as of November 25, compared to 100% for both last year and the average.

Twenty-five percent of the WINTER WHEAT acreage has been seeded, compared to 100% for last year and the average of 99%. Sixty-five percent of the crop has emerged, compared to 100% last year and the average of 98%. Condition of the crop on November 23 was 10% excellent, 48% good, 27% fair, and 15% poor.

Eighty percent of the SORGHUM acreage had been harvested for grain by Sunday, November 25. Last year, 100% had been harvested while the average is 98%.

As of Sunday, November 25, 50% of the 1985 intended Corn and Soybean acreage had been TILLED (plowed or chiseled), compared to 70% for both last fall and the average.

PASTURE condition was 7% excellent, 55% good, 36% fair, and 2% poor as of November 23. Pastures were supplying 40% of the total livestock roughage requirements, compared to 12% for last year and the average of 23%.

SOIL MOISTURE on November 23 was reported to be 57% adequate, 41% surplus, and 2% short.

There were 5.25 DAYS suitable for FIELDWORK for the week ending Friday, November 23.

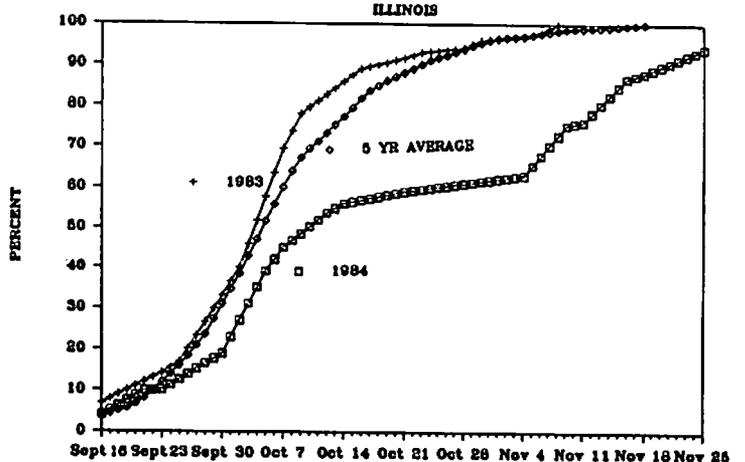
WEATHER

Generally, the week was cooler than normal and dry, PRECIPITATION being restricted to the southern third of the State, with amounts ranging up to about 0.30". The northern third received virtually no precipitation. This week's precipitation was about 0.40-0.50" less than normal in the north and central part of the State, and about 0.80-0.90" less than normal in the South.

A warming trend occurred during the week, with maximum TEMPERATURES in the mid 40's early in the week and in the 50's and 60's at the end. Minimum temperatures were generally about 20° less than the maxima. Mean temperatures for the week were 5-11° below normal, with the greatest deviations found in the West and South.

The OUTLOOK for November 26-December 2 calls for unseasonably warm temperatures and showers Monday and Tuesday with cloudy, colder weather the remainder of the week.

SOYBEANS HARVESTED



ILLINOIS CROP REPORTING DISTRICT SUMMARY

	NW	NE	W	C	E	WSW	ESE	SW	SE	STATE	5-YR. AVG.
As of November 25											
Corn: % harvested	98	98	94	99	99	90	82	80	80	94	98
Soybeans: % harvested	99	99	92	99	99	90	83	80	80	91	100
Week ending November 23											
Days Suitable for fieldwork:	7.0	7.0	6.5	6.0	6.0	5.0	4.5	4.0	2.5	5.25	
Soil Moisture %											
Short	0	0	0	5	10	0	0	0	0	2	
Adequate	100	85	65	75	90	50	25	0	25	57	
Surplus	0	15	35	20	0	50	75	100	75	41	

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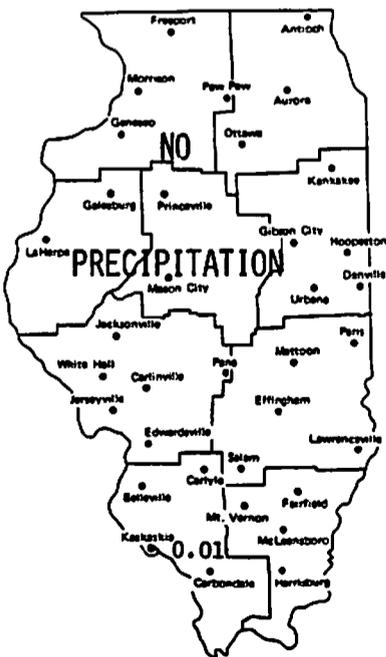
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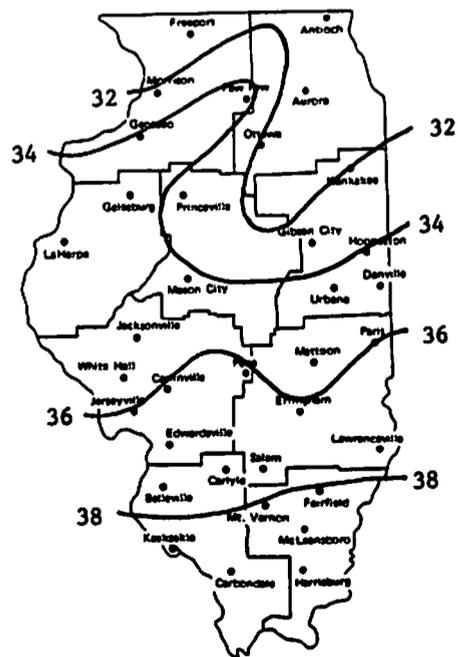
Week ending Sunday, November 25, 1984

Location	Temperatures			Precipitation			Total Soil Water 1/	
	Maxi- mum	Mini- mum	Depar- ture	Current week	Since May 1	Departure since May 1	Inches 0-40 in.	Change from prev. reading
Freeport	39	25	-3	0.00	24.98	1.39	15.4	+2.0
Paw Paw	42	14	-12	0.00	23.71	1.09	15.4	+1.4
Antioch	55	14	-5	0.00	25.67	3.15	15.4	+1.4
Galesburg	58	17	0	0.00	23.93	-1.42	15.4	+2.6
Walnut	34	10	-15	0.00	23.16	0.54	15.4	+1.4
Mason City	59	17	-4	0.00	22.58	1.57	19.2	+3.3
Princeville	58	13	-4	0.00	22.62	-0.31	15.4	+2.7
Kankakee	38	17	-9	0.00	16.76	-6.57	14.0	+1.3
Jacksonville	46	18	-9	0.00	24.93	3.92	14.0	+2.3
Pana	60	18	-3	0.00	19.89	-4.54	18.6	+3.0
Urbana	56	19	-3	0.00	22.01	-1.13	15.3	+2.2
Carlinville	51	19	-9	0.00	27.81	5.67	14.0	+2.3
Effingham	27	27	27	27	27	27	18.6	+2.3
Lawrenceville	42	18	-12	0.00	25.68	0.03	18.6	+2.3
Belleville	41	19	-12	0.00	26.40	5.52	17.4	+2.6
Carlyle	60	22	-4	0.00	15.72	-7.77	27	27
McLeansboro	46	23	-11	0.00	25.35	1.22	16.7	+0.6
Kaskaskia	63	20	-4	0.01	21.63	-2.94	27	27
Dixon Springs	65	18	-6	0.00	32.33	8.20	9.4	27

1/ Soil water is based on reading from closest soil moisture observation. Readings taken approximately October 28. 2/ Missing data.



PRECIPITATION FOR
WEEK ENDING
NOVEMBER 25



MEAN TEMPERATURES FOR
WEEK ENDING
NOVEMBER 25