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NEBRASKA WEEKLY WEATHER AND CROP REPORT

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Week Ending 11/19/62

WEATHER The week began warm with sunny skies and low humidity. A change to colder began Thursday. The week ended cold with high humidity and rain or snow ranging from less than 1/10 of an inch of moisture in the north to as much as one inch in the southeast. Up to 4 inches of snow was reported in the southwest. Several stations reported temperatures into the lower 70's on Monday and Tuesday; Valentine reported 9 degrees on Sunday morning.

CROPS Completion of the corn and milo harvest was delayed at the close of the week by rain, snow and cold weather. By Saturday, harvesting of sorghum was in the clean-up stage and slightly less than one-fifth of the corn was still in the fields. Local storage facilities in the eastern districts are insufficient to handle the bumper crops and some farmers have constructed additional bins and cribs. A shortage of rail cars is delaying movement of the grain to terminal storage points. The soybean and sugar beet harvest is finished except for occasional fields in scattered areas. Yields of sugar beets are below a year ago.

Winter wheat continued in excellent condition and top growth is considerably above normal. Leaf rust is prevalent in many counties and some fields are becoming quite yellow. Hessian fly and mosaic are reported in some counties.

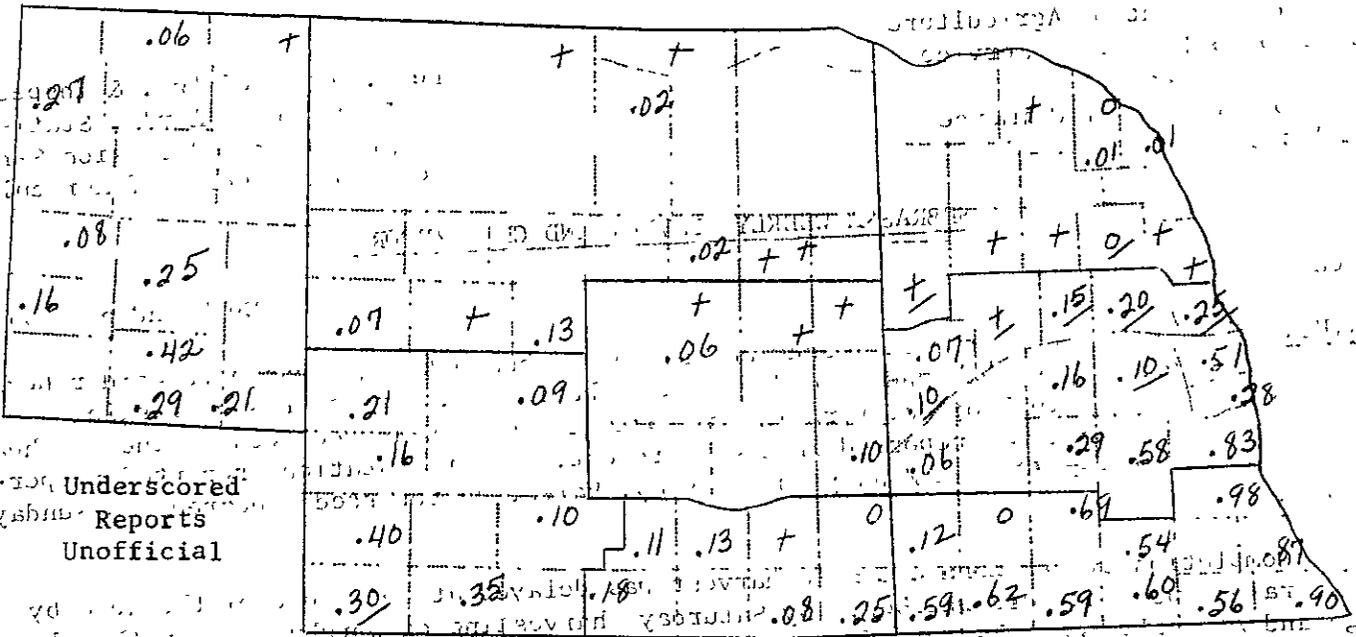
Pastures and ranges continue to provide ample grazing and there is plenty of feed available from harvested corn and sorghum fields. Wheat fields are also affording good grazing. Farmers and ranchers will enter the winter season with adequate to abundant supplies of forage and roughage. Topsoil moisture supplies are short in the western and some central counties. Shortages are also showing up in other areas. Storms last week relieved the severe fire hazard on range land but additional precipitation would be helpful for preventing fires and to increase the palatability of range feed.

LIVESTOCK Cattle and sheep remain in good condition. Movement of feeder cattle and calves is declining as most sales have been made. Cattle and calves in stalk and wheat fields are making good gains. Shipment of feeder cattle and calves into the State during October totaled 262,000 head, 16 percent above a year earlier. For September and October, receipts were 432,000 or 18 percent above last year's two month total. Lamb shipments into the State during October amounted to 159,000 head, 5 percent below a year ago. September and October receipts equaled 253,000 head, 6 percent below the same period in 1961.

WEATHER BUREAU TELEGRAPHIC REPORT OF PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 19, 1962

<u>East</u>		<u>Central</u>		<u>West</u>	
Grand Island	.11	Burwell	T	Chadron	.06
Lincoln	.62	North Platte	.09	Imperial	.13
Norfolk	.01	Valentine	T	Scottsbluff	.06
Omaha	.55			Sidney	.02
Sioux City	.02				

PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 16, 1962



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HIGHEST AND LOWEST TEMPERATURES (Highs for 24 hours ending at 12:01 a.m., and lows for 12 hours ending at 6:00 a.m., CST)

		November 13th		November 14th		November 15th		November 16th		November 17th		November 18th		November 19th	
		Max	Min												
NW	Chadron	69	24	61	24	55	30	40	30	32	23	40	17	36	17
	Scottsbluff	70	29	63	27	63	37	34	31	32	27	37	19	34	20
	Sidney	68	28	71	27	68	38	43	28	30	23	30	12	29	16
NC	Burwell	69	24	73	25	67	30	34	27	31	24	28	25	31	--
	Valentine	68	30	75	24	59	31	34	26	30	24	29	9	36	14
NE	Norfolk	65	28	70	29	60	39	42	34	36	31	33	26	31	28
	Sioux City	65	30	67	38	56	34	47	37	39	34	35	39	32	30
CEN	Grand Island	64	26	68	28	61	40	39	30	33	27	30	23	28	25
EC	Lincoln	66	37	70	47	63	44	48	35	37	33	35	29	33	32
	Omaha	65	35	67	48	57	41	50	35	37	33	35	28	30	29
SW	Imperial	67	25	71	30	68	34	40	25	35	25	31	13	29	20
	North Platte	68	23	69	25	67	34	47	29	32	25	29	15	28	24

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