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NEBRASKA WEEKLY WEATHER AND CROP REPORT

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WEATHER It was another warm, dry week. Temperatures averaged from 3 to 6 degrees above normal over most of the State and up to 12 degrees above normal in portions of the central and southern Panhandle. Cool air invaded the north central and eastern portions from Thursday to Saturday morning. Saturday morning was the coldest with below zero readings in the northeast and zero to 10 above in the southeast. By Saturday afternoon warm air had returned and the week ended with temperatures in the 40s and 50s across the entire State on Sunday.

CROPS Winter wheat is going into the dormant stage in good condition. Growth has been sufficient in most areas to protect the soil from wind erosion during the winter months. A good snow cover would be beneficial to the crop in the western area, but there is sufficient moisture under the crop to prevent severe winterkill.

Farm work consisted mainly of caring for livestock, repairing machinery, with some limited stalk cutting. Some farmers were shelling corn and moving hay to feed yards.

Gleaning of corn and sorghum fields continued but forage was becoming limited on these fields because of the extended grazing season. Movement of cattle into feed lots is becoming necessary as this forage is exhausted. Open weather permitted continued use of pasture and range feed in most areas of the State. Sharply lower temperatures caused an increased rate of feeding of grain and hay to animals in order to maintain condition.

LIVESTOCK Open weather during the past week was favorable for livestock, although sharply lower temperatures did cause some slight shrink. However, this was offset by increasing the rate of feeding. Feed lot cattle are making good gains and farm lots are filling. Cold weather caused additional care to be given to sows farrowing. Weather conditions have been favorable for fall calves. Demand for feeder pigs and cattle continues to be rather sharp.

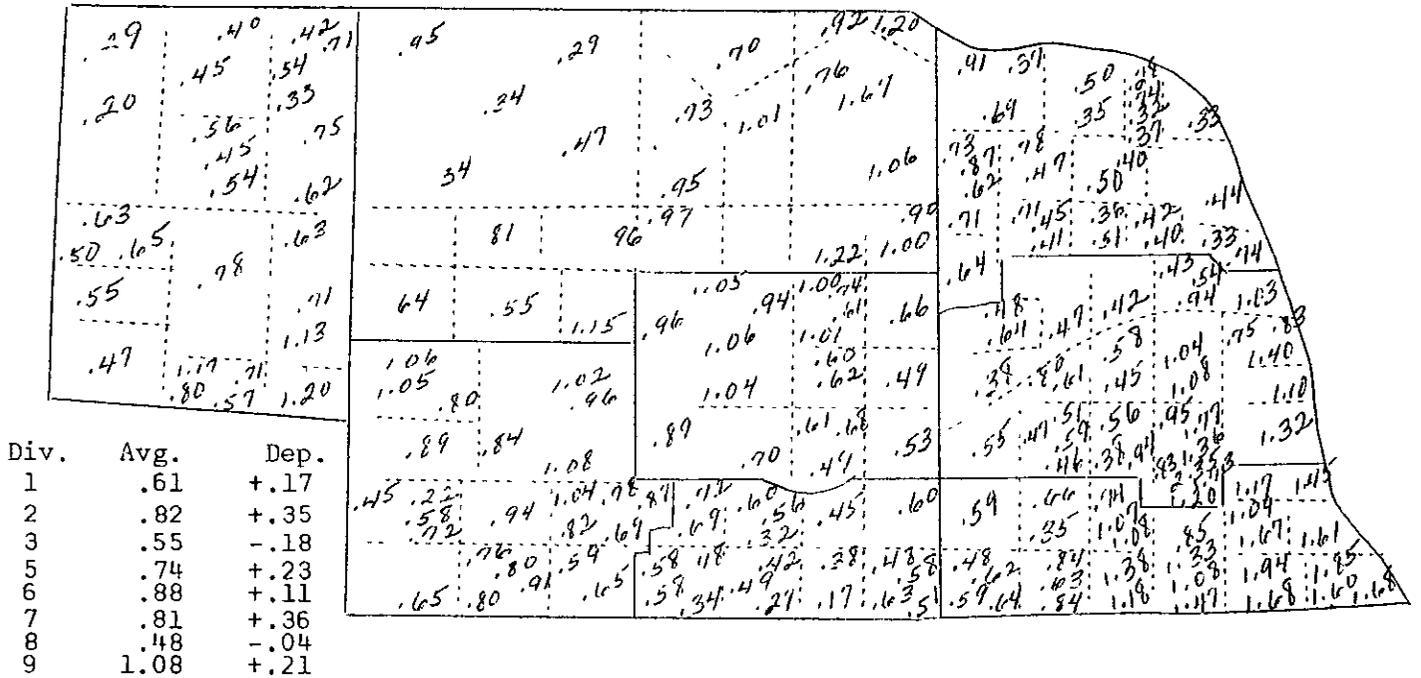
WEATHER BUREAU TELEGRAPHIC REPORT OF PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDING JANUARY 9, 1966

| <u>East</u> | | <u>Central</u> | | <u>West</u> | |
|--------------|---|----------------|---|-------------|-----|
| Grand Island | 0 | Burwell | 0 | Chadron | 0 |
| Lincoln | 0 | North Platte | 0 | Imperial | 0 |
| Norfolk | 0 | Valentine | T | Scottsbluff | .07 |
| Omaha | T | | | Sidney | T |
| Sioux City | 0 | | | | |

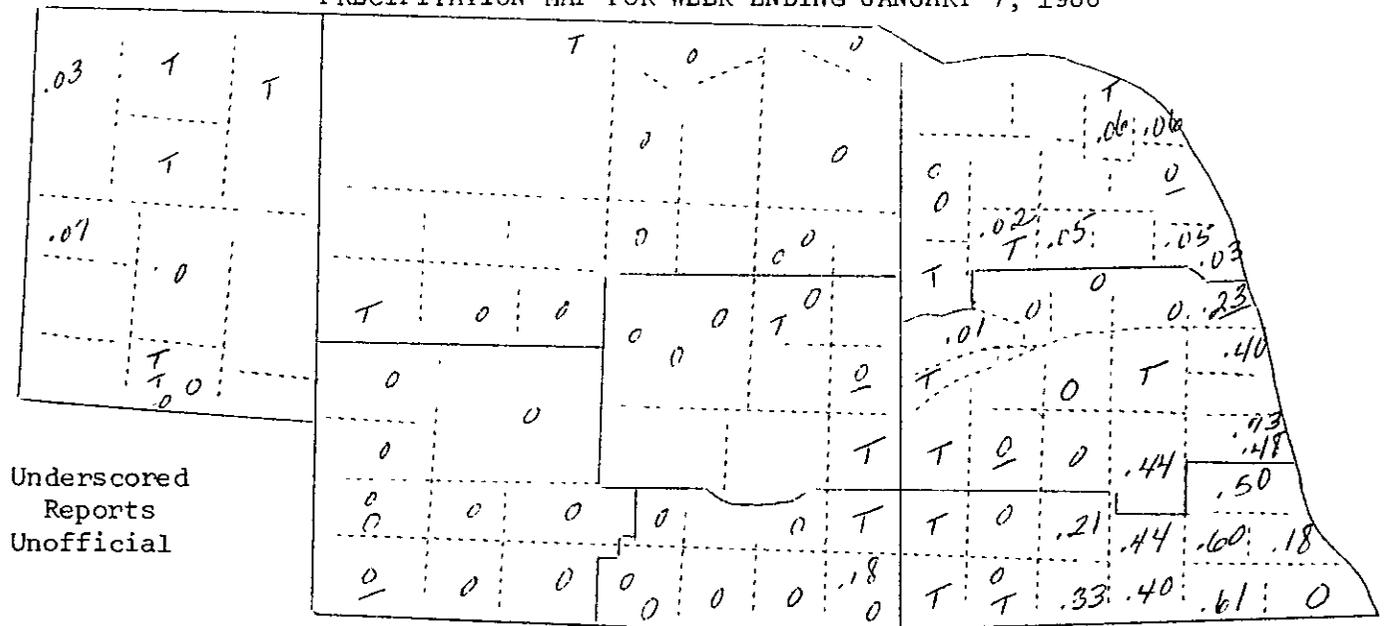
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PRECIPITATION MAP FOR MONTH OF DECEMBER 1965



PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING JANUARY 7, 1966



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

| | | January | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|-----|--------------|---------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| | | 3rd | | 4th | | 5th | | 6th | | 7th | | 8th | | 9th | |
| | | Max | Min | Max | Min | Max | Min | Max | Min | Max | Min | Max | Min | Max | Min |
| NW | Chadron | 50 | 25 | 53 | 32 | 35 | 12 | 55 | 24 | 50 | 24 | 57 | 30 | 41 | 12 |
| | Scottsbluff | 49 | 20 | 49 | 25 | 54 | 25 | 59 | 34 | 52 | 30 | 50 | 32 | 44 | 18 |
| | Sidney | 40 | 16 | 55 | 21 | 55 | 22 | 54 | 32 | 51 | 27 | 54 | 32 | 43 | 14 |
| NC | Burwell | 53 | 19 | 45 | 16 | 25 | 7 | 45 | 7 | 14 | -- | 34 | 27 | 48 | -- |
| | Valentine | 51 | 12 | 48 | 12 | 20 | 4 | 52 | 8 | 16 | 9 | 56 | 34 | 46 | 9 |
| NE | Norfolk | 51 | 26 | 46 | 23 | 23 | 4 | 28 | 4 | 20 | -1 | 35 | 29 | 49 | 12 |
| | Sioux City | 51 | 26 | 48 | 24 | 24 | 7 | 22 | 5 | 19 | -3 | 36 | 26 | 49 | 12 |
| CEN | Grand Island | 48 | 24 | 46 | 20 | 38 | 9 | 37 | 16 | 18 | 8 | 39 | 34 | 52 | 13 |
| EC | Lincoln | 46 | 32 | 49 | 31 | 44 | 9 | 32 | 13 | 32 | 4 | 42 | 33 | 50 | 19 |
| | Omaha | 46 | 30 | 46 | 29 | 41 | 7 | 24 | 9 | 27 | -2 | 35 | 29 | 48 | 14 |
| SW | Imperial | 52 | 14 | 53 | 15 | 58 | 18 | 51 | 32 | 53 | 19 | 59 | 33 | 47 | 14 |
| | North Platte | 51 | 17 | 51 | 17 | 53 | 12 | 42 | 32 | 39 | 15 | 41 | 27 | 47 | 14 |