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NEBRASKA WEEKLY WEATHER AND CROP REPORT

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WEATHER Warm, dry weather during the week gave way to widespread precipitation and lower temperatures over the week end. Temperatures in the 80's and 90's were common over the State Monday through Thursday and most eastern stations had readings of 100 degrees or more on Wednesday and Thursday. Lincoln with 100 degrees and Grand Island with 101 degrees set new record highs for so early in the season. Norfolk with 103 degrees and Sioux City with 102 degrees equalled their all time highs for so early in the season. Afternoon readings on Saturday and Sunday remained in the 50's and 60's. Weekly average temperatures ranged from 3 degrees above normal in the Panhandle to 8 degrees above normal in the east.

Widespread precipitation in the form of showers and thunder showers began in the west Wednesday night and spread across the State by Saturday morning. As is usual in showers the amounts varied considerably but few places received less than a half inch and many places had totals ranging from one to two inches. Isolated hail storms resulted in local crop damage.

CROPS Row crop planting continued at a rapid pace as most days were favorable for work. About 90 percent of the corn has been planted. This is slightly behind last year but equals the 5-year (1961-65) average. A limited amount of early planted corn had to be replanted and some other acreages are being rotary hoed to break the crust covering emerging seedlings. Sorghum planting increased with about 70 percent planted. This lags behind last year's 80 percent planted but is ahead of the 5-year (1961-65) average of 60 percent. Soybean planting has been slower this year with only 50 percent planted as compared to 70 percent last year.

Additional stress was placed on the wheat crop by hot, dry winds and the over-all condition declined slightly. Favorable moisture in the panhandle and southwest caused an improvement in the wheat condition but elsewhere there were some sharp declines. A limited amount of wheat was abandoned in the south central as farmers either cut it for hay or turned cattle into the fields. Hail storms caused some locally severe damage to the crop. Rains over the week end were of tremendous benefit, especially in the south central areas where the kernels are filling.

Sugar beets were making rapid progress with favorable weather conditions. Some weeding and thinning of beets got under way last week. Planting of potatoes is well under way and some are starting to plant dry edible beans.

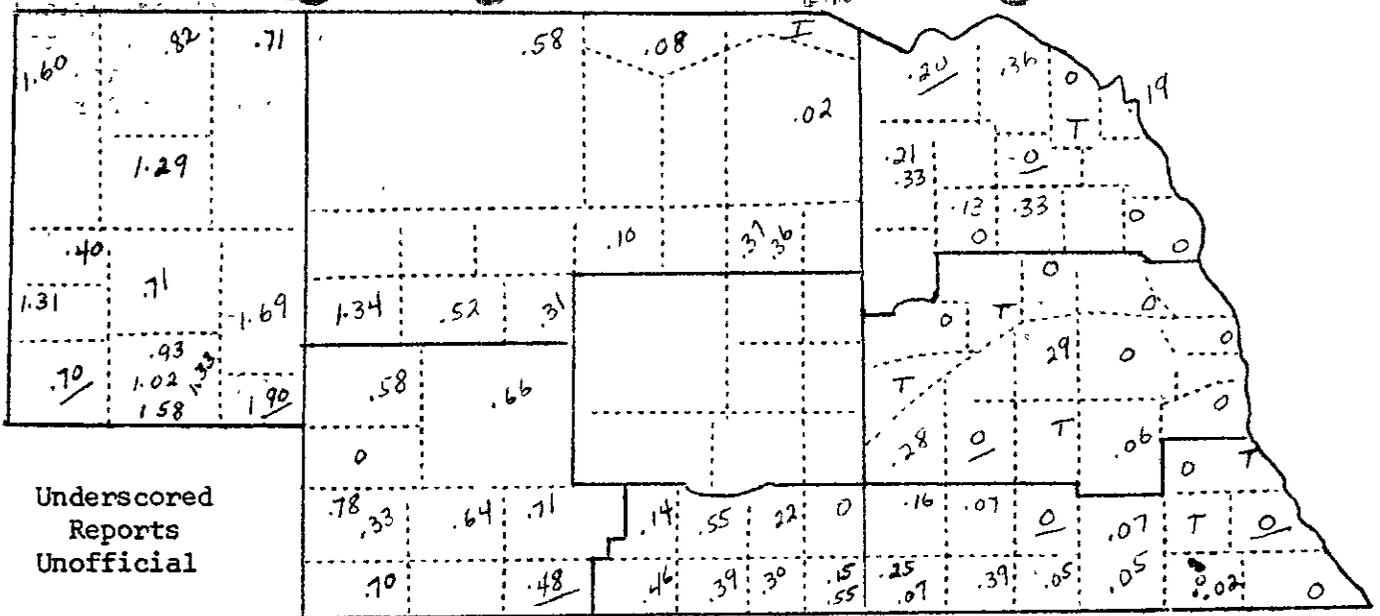
The first crop of alfalfa is short caused by late freezes and lack of moisture. Pasture feeds are very limited caused by lack of moisture and cool night-time temperatures which prevailed up to mid-week.

LIVESTOCK Hot, dry weather at mid-week caused discomfort to livestock, especially those on full feed of grain. The condition of cattle is declining in some areas caused by short pasture and feed supplies.

WEATHER BUREAU TELEGRAPHIC REPORT OF PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDING MAY 28, 1967

East		Central			West				
Grand Island	.68	Burwell		1.28	Chadron			.86	
Lincoln	.77	North Platte		.81	Imperial			1.12	
Norfolk	.83	Valentine		.67	Scottsbluff			.52	
Omaha	.24				Sidney			1.60	
Sioux City	1.13								
Precipitation, April 1 - May 26, 1967									
	NW	NC	NE	CEN	EC	SW	SC	SE	
Total past week	1.12	.45	.14	.29	.06	.54	.31	.09	
Total since April 1	4.72	2.39	2.14	2.72	2.74	3.16	3.31	3.73	
Normal since April 1	4.25	4.77	5.28	5.09	5.39	4.52	5.11	5.88	

PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING 5/26, 196



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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)

		May													
		22		23rd		24th		25th		26th		27th		28th	
		Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min
NW	Chadron	89	48	90	54	88	56	85	53	59	45	58	48	66	54
	Scottsbluff	87	51	89	54	90	56	87	53	60	50	54	46	65	53
	Sidney	86	49	88	52	93	51	86	49	57	42	51	42	60	52
NC	Burwell	90	51	90	51	102	56	102	64	74	52	54	50	60	49
	Valentine	92	54	84	51	96	59	95	58	60	51	62	50	60	48
NE	Norfolk	90	61	87	58	102	65	103	69	81	54	59	52	58	51
	Sioux City	87	67	86	60	94	67	102	70	84	56	63	55	56	53
CEN	Grand Island	89	62	94	63	101	72	100	64	84	54	57	54	68	52
EC	Lincoln	87	66	92	66	100	74	98	71	90	57	69	56	64	57
	Omaha	85	62	87	60	100	71	100	69	90	59	73	55	63	54
SW	Imperial	87	53	92	60	95	52	94	57	67	47	54	49	67	54
	North Platte	85	49	89	57	94	51	96	57	67	48	51	42	65	52

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