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NEBRASKA WEEKLY WEATHER AND CROP REPORT

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Week Ending 4/7/69

WEATHER Temperatures averaged from near normal in the east to 14 degrees above normal in the west. Thursday was the warmest day of the week, and there was considerable thunderstorm activity Thursday night. Only traces of snow cover were left by Friday. Heavy thundershowers of one inch to over three inches occurred in the southeast on Thursday night causing some lowland flooding. Precipitation elsewhere was generally less than one-fourth of an inch.

CROPS Farmers are quite anxious to start field work, but tillage operations were limited to the western half of the State. Oats and sugar beet planting got under way in the southern Panhandle and southwest. Elsewhere soils were too wet for discing or plowing. There are still some deep snow drifts in the northeast, but these are mainly in fence rows and windbreaks. Stalk chopping and fertilizing operations were accomplished wherever field travel was possible.

Winter wheat was greening, but growth was limited to the west and southwest districts where temperatures have been much warmer. Cutworm eggs have been hatching in the west, but limited feeding has caused little if any noticeable damage to the wheat. Winter kill in the southeast appears to be light and spotted rather than complete fields.

Farmers were busy making machinery repairs, laying in feed, seed, and fertilizer supplies and taking care of newborn livestock. Cattlemen were repairing fences that are broken down as a result of winter snow. Fire burned over several large acreages of dry grass in the northwest.

LIVESTOCK Livestock condition improved, but many feed yards, especially in areas of heavy rains, are muddy. There was some stalk field grazing, but forage is mostly of low quality. Calf losses are above normal.

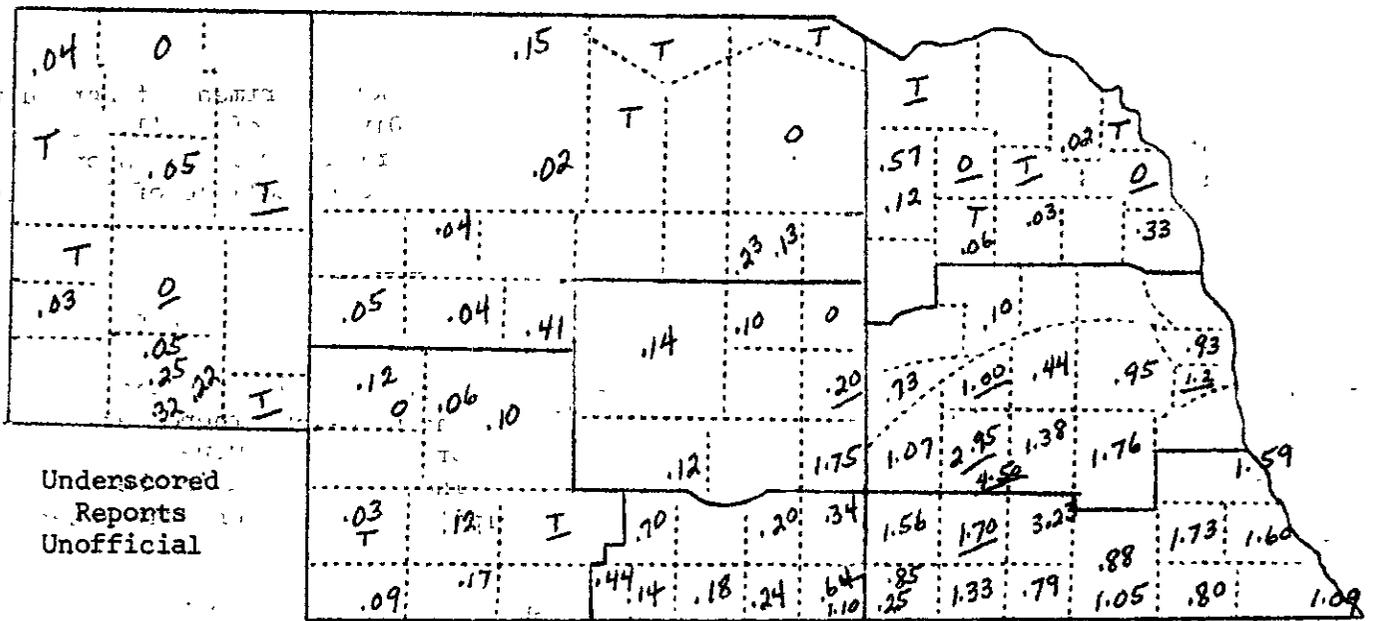
WEATHER BUREAU TELEGRAPHIC REPORT OF PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDING APRIL 6, 1969

<u>East</u>		<u>Central</u>		<u>West</u>	
Grand Island	1.72	Burwell	.23	Chadron	0
Lincoln	1.76	North Platte	.10	Imperial	T
Norfolk	T	Valentine	.15	Scottsbluff	T
Omaha	.93			Sidney	.32
Sioux City	T				

Precipitation, April 1 - April 4, 1969

	NW	NC	NE	CEN	EC	SW	SC	SE
Total past week	.10	.09	.16	.38	.77	.03	.28	1.32
Total since April 1	.10	.09	.16	.38	.77	.03	.28	1.32
Normal since April 1	.21	.24	.27	.24	.27	.21	.24	.27

PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING APRIL 4, 1969



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HIGHEST AND LOWEST TEMPERATURE (Day-time highs, 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.; Night-time lows, 6:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m., CST)

		March		April		2nd		3rd		4th		5th		6th	
		Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min
NW	Chadron	76	46	65	25	74	38	77	39	67	35	78	49	80	50
	Scottsbluff	74	49	61	31	72	38	75	49	65	35	76	43	79	48
	Sidney	77	47	63	30	69	35	73	42	63	30	73	39	80	49
NC	Burwell	56	30	64	30	59	34	69	48	50	31	58	34	66	--
	Valentine	73	43	65	31	73	45	77	44	59	27	62	45	74	50
NE	Norfolk	49	40	60	30	51	35	67	54	56	31	52	31	58	43
	Sioux City	50	36	57	33	46	33	61	48	55	34	53	30	61	41
CEN	Grand Island	56	42	72	32	58	36	71	50	56	33	58	36	64	46
EC	Lincoln	57	46	66	35	53	34	66	56	63	34	51	33	54	46
	Omaha	51	43	60	32	51	35	61	53	59	35	45	33	52	43
SW	Imperial	80	45	68	33	71	39	77	52	65	30	74	40	81	54
	North Platte	71	36	67	28	70	42	75	47	62	27	71	35	74	48

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