

# CLIMATOLOGICAL DATA.

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### GENERAL SUMMARY

The main characteristics of January, 1929, were abnormally low temperatures, numerous and sudden temperature changes, and record breaking snowfall for the month. Severe winter weather prevailed almost the entire month, and the mean temperature was the lowest since 1918. Except for an occasional day, the temperature was continuously below normal, the warmest weather generally occurring on the 10th and 11th, when temperatures were 6 to 12 above normal. The brief periods of mild temperatures were followed by abrupt changes to colder, and six distinct cold waves occurred over almost the entire state. One of the most singular features in connection with the temperature was a warm wave that passed over the State during the night of the 10th-11th, the peak of the wave passing the central portion about midnight, with a maximum of from 36° to 39°, and within a period of six hours dropped to below zero, making a range of 40° at two stations. While this month was considerably warmer than a number of other cold Januarys, the cold was persistent and aggravated by numerous blizzards, with the worst drifting of snow in recent years.

The first, and by far the worst, blizzard, began on the 4th and continued until late on the 5th. A great many highways that were closed during this storm remained closed throughout the month. The main highways were kept open with the greatest effort, and owing to the lack of thawing the work of opening roads was required to be done over and over. One town in the northeastern portion of the State was completely isolated for a period of more than two weeks. Rail traffic was seriously interrupted and at times it was necessary to detour trains around impassable drifts to maintain service. One branch line in the northeastern portion was not able to operate for a period of ten days. It was reported that snowfall as light as one inch was sufficient to fill cuts from three to five feet by drifting. Snow fences were buried. The delivery of mail was impossible on a large number of rural routes, and on other routes the number of deliveries was greatly curtailed. Street car service in the larger cities was badly hampered and was temporarily suspended in many cases; a large number of automobiles were stranded, on the 5th, and it was not possible to move some for several days. All roads leading out of Des Moines were blocked with abandoned autos. Some that attempted to detour around drifts stuck in the snow where they remained at the end of the month. It was impossible to remove the snow from the city streets, and the snow generally packed to the consistency of ice, which made travel very difficult and dangerous. Most travel was confined to single tracks, and the concentrated travel with heavy trucks equipped with chains did enormous damage to paving. The heavy snowfall damaged roofs and caused the suspension of all outside work except such as was absolutely necessary. The snow and unrelenting cold made it necessary to put all livestock on heavy feed practically the entire month. The consumption of feed was unusually large. The icy condition of the packed

### COMPARATIVE DATA FOR THE STATE—JANUARY

YEAR	Temperature			Precipitation					Number of Days				
	Mean	Departure	Highest	Total	Departure	Greatest	Least	Snowfall	With pre. .01 in. or more	Clear	Partly cloudy	Cloudy	
1873.....	12.0	- 6.5	55	-38	2.53	+ 1.46	3.56	0.50					
1874.....	19.6	+ 1.1	64	-24	1.67	+ 0.60	4.72	0.22					
1875.....	4.9	-13.6	48	-30	0.82	+ 0.25	1.61	0.38					
1876.....	23.5	+ 5.0	62	-16	1.49	+ 0.42	3.96	0.60					
1877.....	13.7	+ 4.8	58	-31	1.09	+ 0.02	3.04	0.37					
1878.....	25.4	+ 6.9	55	-13	0.48	+ 0.59	5.00	0.00					
1879.....	16.1	+ 2.4	54	-30	0.48	+ 0.59	1.48	0.00					
1880.....	32.0	+13.5	68	- 6	1.36	+ 0.29	4.52	0.20					
1881.....	9.6	- 8.9	48	-40	0.94	+ 0.13	3.10	0.04					
1882.....	23.4	+ 4.9	60	-17	0.65	+ 0.42	1.80	0.00					
1883.....	8.0	-10.5	46	-38	1.31	+ 0.24	2.85	0.35					
1884.....	13.3	- 5.2	52	-38	0.52	+ 0.55	1.50	0.02					
1885.....	9.4	- 9.1	51	-42	1.28	+ 0.21	3.72	0.18					
1886.....	8.1	-10.4	52	-33	2.59	+ 1.52	4.85	0.68					
1887.....	8.8	- 9.7	55	-34	1.13	+ 0.06	2.92	0.64					
1888.....	5.4	-13.1	58	-43	1.30	+ 0.23	4.00	0.40					
1889.....	21.6	+ 3.1	62	-25	1.22	+ 0.15	2.30	0.50					
1890.....	18.0	+ 0.5	64	-27	1.79	+ 0.72	3.46	0.35					
1891.....	26.0	+ 7.5	58	- 4	1.75	+ 0.68	3.99	0.61	4	13	7	11	
1892.....	15.3	+ 3.2	76	-38	1.09	+ 0.02	3.13	0.10	6.9	5	16	9	6
1893.....	9.3	+ 9.2	54	-34	0.74	+ 0.33	3.20	0.13	6.9	6	11	9	11
1894.....	19.3	+ 0.8	69	-37	1.09	+ 0.02	2.24	0.31	6.0	5	14	9	8
1895.....	13.6	+ 4.9	68	-31	0.85	+ 0.22	2.65	0.09	8.7	4	15	7	9
1896.....	23.4	+ 4.9	68	-20	0.48	+ 0.59	2.10	T.	2.8	3	10	10	11
1897.....	17.2	+ 1.3	66	-30	2.01	+ 0.94	6.16	0.15	8.2	7	12	7	12
1898.....	23.4	+ 4.9	52	-11	1.60	+ 0.53	5.32	T.	12.6	5	15	6	10
1899.....	19.8	+ 1.3	68	-34	0.28	+ 0.79	1.15	T.	1.5	3	15	10	6
1900.....	25.6	+ 7.1	66	-20	0.53	+ 0.54	2.47	T.	2.3	3	16	7	8
1901.....	23.7	+ 5.2	60	-21	0.74	+ 0.33	2.34	0.04	6.2	4	14	9	8
1902.....	22.4	+ 3.9	63	-31	0.88	+ 0.19	2.83	0.19	9.4	4	17	8	6
1903.....	23.0	+ 4.5	60	-12	0.28	+ 0.79	1.46	T.	2.0	4	13	7	11
1904.....	14.0	- 4.5	57	-32	1.18	+ 0.11	3.68	0.02	6.1	6	12	8	11
1905.....	11.2	- 7.3	56	-30	0.91	+ 0.16	1.82	0.12	11.1	7	14	7	10
1906.....	24.6	+ 6.1	69	-19	1.52	+ 0.45	4.71	0.28	11.3	5	14	6	11
1907.....	18.8	+ 0.3	68	-22	1.52	+ 0.45	5.30	0.10	6.0	7	8	7	16
1908.....	24.9	+ 6.4	60	-18	0.44	+ 0.63	1.50	0.06	4.8	2	17	8	6
1909.....	21.2	+ 2.7	72	-25	1.66	+ 0.59	3.74	0.41	7.8	6	9	6	16
1910.....	18.1	+ 0.4	56	-35	1.57	+ 0.50	3.15	0.55	12.6	6	13	7	11
1911.....	20.2	+ 1.7	66	-35	0.97	+ 0.10	3.73	0.11	7.3	5	9	8	14
1912.....	4.2	-14.3	49	-47	0.53	+ 0.54	1.90	T.	5.5	5	14	7	10
1913.....	20.9	+ 2.4	62	-25	0.77	+ 0.30	2.05	0.04	7.2	5	14	9	8
1914.....	27.8	+ 9.3	64	-10	0.88	+ 0.19	2.34	0.27	5.1	5	11	8	12
1915.....	17.5	+ 1.0	59	-32	1.63	+ 0.56	3.15	0.10	7.3	8	13	8	10
1916.....	17.8	+ 0.7	63	-34	2.62	+ 1.55	6.07	0.85	7.2	10	12	6	13
1917.....	17.0	+ 1.5	60	-28	0.83	+ 0.24	2.07	0.17	7.2	4	17	8	6
1918.....	8.6	- 9.9	53	-35	1.02	+ 0.05	2.79	0.26	11.2	7	13	8	10
1919.....	26.8	+ 8.3	64	-32	0.24	+ 0.83	0.86	T.	2.8	2	20	5	6
1920.....	16.7	+ 1.8	58	-26	0.42	+ 0.65	1.05	T.	4.6	4	12	8	11
1921.....	28.4	+ 9.9	67	- 9	0.51	+ 0.56	1.92	0.10	4.1	4	11	7	13
1922.....	19.8	+ 1.3	57	-29	0.89	+ 0.18	2.30	0.32	5.3	4	17	6	8
1923.....	26.7	+ 8.2	58	-10	0.85	+ 0.22	2.34	T.	6.5	6	10	7	14
1924.....	13.9	+ 4.6	59	-36	0.89	+ 0.18	2.47	0.06	5.5	5	17	7	7
1925.....	19.4	+ 0.9	55	-24	0.40	+ 0.67	1.23	0.05	4.2	3	17	7	7
1926.....	22.7	+ 4.2	58	-22	1.09	+ 0.02	2.68	0.31	5.0	7	11	8	12
1927.....	21.7	+ 3.2	59	-27	0.29	+ 0.78	1.10	T.	3.0	4	14	8	9
1928.....	25.2	+ 6.7	70	-20	0.17	+ 0.90	1.04	T.	0.9	3	15	8	8
1929.....	10.2	- 8.3	47	-29	2.06	+ 0.99	4.10	0.40	17.5	9	11	6	14

T. indicates an amount too small to measure, or less than .005 inch rainfall and less than .05 inch snowfall.

snow injured farm animals.

The monthly snowfall at a number of stations was the greatest ever reported in January, and at Dubuque the total was the greatest for any month. The ice harvest was completed during the month, but the snow cover added considerably to the cost of harvesting. The ground was generally frozen to unusual depths. The complete cover of snow made it impossible for birds to obtain feed, and large numbers perished in various portions of the state.

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### TEMPERATURE

The mean temperature for the state, derived from the means of nine districts of nearly equal area, and based on the records of 103 stations, was 10.2°, or 8.3° lower than the normal. The departures were marked throughout the state, being greatest in the northeastern district and least in the southeastern district. Seven stations reported a deficiency of 10.0°, or more, the greatest being 10.6° at Decorah and Postville, and the least was 6.4° at Keosauqua and Oakland. The highest mean for the state was 17.6°, at Keokuk, and the lowest was 3.8° at Lake Park. The absolute range for the State was 76°, from 47° at Sioux City on the 10th, to 29° below zero at Decorah on the 15th. Only three times in January has the range been less. The maximum for the State, 47°, was the lowest, with one exception in the history of the State. The average number of days with the minimum temper-

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STATIONS	COUNTIES	Elevation, feet	Length of record, years	Temperature, in Degrees Fahrenheit						Precipitation, in inches				Number of Days				OBSERVERS		
				Mean	Departure from normal	Highest	Date	Lowest	Date	Greatest daily range	Total	Departure from normal	Greatest in 24 hours	Total snowfall (unmelted)	Precipitation, .01 in. or more	Clear	Partly cloudy		Cloudy	Prevailing direction of wind
<i>Northwest District</i>																				
Akron	Plymouth	1,153	2															Orlan C. Moore		
Alta	Buena Vista	1,513	37	7.1	- 8.9	39	10	-17	7	42	0.90	+ 0.14	0.27	9.5	10	11	7	13	n.	D. E. Hadden
Alton	Sioux	1,365	23	7.4	- 8.1	40	10 <sup>†</sup>	-16	7	46	1.45	+ 0.69	0.30	15.0	11	5	15	11	nw.	W. S. Slagle
Cherokee	Cherokee	1,196	8	7.2	- 8.0	40	8	-20	7	46	0.65	+ 0.03	0.20	7.4	11	9	6	16	n.	J. E. Wirth
Estherville	Emmet	1,298	33	4.2	- 8.9	38	8	-18	7	40	1.34	+ 0.76	0.40	15.5	10	10	17	4	nw.	A. O. Peterson
Hawarden	Sioux	1,181	2															Earl V. Slife		
Inwood (near)	Lyon	1,474	24	5.8	- 8.2	40	8 <sup>†</sup>	-23	29	47	0.85	+ 0.20	0.24	8.5	10	14	7	10	nw.	A. C. Hanson
Lake Park (near)	Dickinson	1,489	15	3.8	- 9.5	42	8	-22	29	42	1.06	+ 0.44	0.54	18.8	9	7	6	18	nw.	P. M. Lawrence
Le Mars	Plymouth	1,224	32	8.6	- 8.5	42	10	-16	7 <sup>†</sup>	44	1.11	+ 0.54	0.20	14.0	15	9	4	18	nw.	Henry Newell
Marathon	Buena Vista	1,390	2															E. G. Smith		
Pocahontas	Pocahontas	1,248	24	7.2	- 8.8	38	8 <sup>†</sup>	-20	7	43	1.06	+ 0.28	0.35	12.1	11	10	6	15	se.	F. E. Hronek
Rock Rapids	Lyon	1,349	29	6.0	- 7.5	39	8 <sup>†</sup>	-26	29	48	1.23	+ 0.54	0.35	21.5	10	16	3	12	n.	Nellie F. Medberry
Sanborn	O'Brien	1,553	14	5.2	- 9.4	41	9	-21	7	44	1.64	+ 0.94	0.64	20.2	8	10	8	13	sw.	J. W. Dow
Sheldon	O'Brien	1,418	17	6.4	- 8.2	41	8	-19	7	46	1.14	+ 0.42	0.37	11.4	13	10	6	15	nw.	Ross E. Forward
Sioux Center	Sioux	1,426	29	7.2	- 7.9	42	10	-19	7	46	1.00	+ 0.26	0.24	12.4	11	7	13	11	nw.	F. C. Aue
Spencer	Clay	1,319	14	6.5	- 8.2	40	8	-19	7	45	1.60	+ 0.90	0.64	20.0	8	10	6	15	nw.	E. W. Little
Storm Lake	Buena Vista	1,440	39	8.0	- 8.8	40	8	-16	7	44	0.83	+ 0.13	0.26	9.5	9	10	7	14	nw.	L. B. Florey
Washita	Cherokee	1,157	30	9.6	- 7.0	41	10	-16	7	44	0.53	+ 0.08	0.32	6.5	4	10	7	14	nw.	H. L. Felter
West Bend	Palo Alto	1,197	35	7.2	- 7.8	40	8	-19	7	46	0.92	+ 0.03	0.55	11.5	7	11	11	9	nw.	Jos. Dorweiler
Means and extremes				6.7	- 8.4	42	8 <sup>†</sup>	-26	29	48	1.03	+ 0.35	0.64	12.4	10	10	8	13	nw.	
<i>North Central District</i>																				
Algona	Kossuth	1,224	55	7.2	- 8.2	38	8	-16	7	43	1.45	+ 0.63	0.60	18.0	8	16	6	9	nw.	W. E. Laird
Allison	Butler	1,060	14	6.0	- 9.3	35	8 <sup>†</sup>	-23	15	44	2.03	+ 1.06	0.65	22.0	9	17	8	6	nw.	E. W. Detra
Belmond	Wright	1,181	18	5.5	- 9.2	37	8 <sup>†</sup>	-24	15	45	1.96	+ 0.70	0.64	27.0	8	10	4	17	nw.	H. F. Luick
Britt	Hancock	1,236	41	6.6	- 7.6	38	8 <sup>†</sup>	-17	7	40	1.53	+ 0.85	0.55	14.0	4	15	1	15	nw.	E. P. Healy
Charles City	Floyd	1,015	37	4.6	- 9.1	36	9	-22	15	37	2.68	+ 1.63	0.80	26.9	13	10	6	15	nw.	U. S. Weather Bureau
Forest City	Winnebago	1,226	34	5.1	- 9.2	38	8	-19	7 <sup>†</sup>	45	2.15	+ 1.27	0.55	21.1	14	9	3	19	nw.	Dr. M. B. Neil
Hampton	Franklin	1,145	3															L. H. Davis		
Humboldt	Humboldt	1,095	40	7.8	- 8.7	36	8	-17	7	44	1.75	+ 0.94	0.64	18.5	6	7	11	12	nw.	H. C. Smitkey
Mason City	Cerro Gordo	1,148	31	5.0	- 9.2	38	8	-20	15 <sup>†</sup>	40	1.38	+ 0.41	0.24	32.5	13	3	8	20	nw.	American Beet Sugar Co.
Northwood	Worth	1,222	32	4.0	- 8.7	33	8 <sup>†</sup>	-19	13	41	2.55	+ 1.41	0.40	25.5	11	10	9	12	nw.	Charles Dwelle
Osage	Mitchell	1,163	34	4.8	- 8.5	34	9	-19	13	39	2.22	+ 1.21	0.32	26.5	13	11	7	13	nw.	Dr. C. E. Juhl
Means and extremes				5.7	- 8.7	38	8 <sup>†</sup>	-24	15	45	1.98	+ 1.00	0.80	23.5	10	11	6	14	nw.	
<i>Northeast District</i>																				
Decorah	Winneshiek	872	35	4.6	-10.6	35	9	-29	15	41	2.48	+ 1.24	0.70	27.0	8	17	2	12	nw.	M. D. Whitney
Dubuque	Dubuque	700	55	9.6	- 9.5	36	22	-16	13	36	3.13	+ 1.83	1.04	34.3	15	6	9	16	nw.	U. S. Weather Bureau
Fayette	Fayette	1,003	40	6.6	- 8.8	37	22	-26	15	41	3.15	+ 1.90	0.95	29.9	13	15	5	11	nw.	R. Z. Latimer
Independence	Buchanan	956	64	8.8	- 8.1	38	9	-20	15	37	2.02	+ 0.85	0.47	14.7	11	11	3	17	nw.	Dr. Geo. Boody
Lansing	Allamakee	632	21															Mrs. Mary Spinner		
New Hampton	Chickasaw	1,169	31	5.0	- 9.5	34	9 <sup>†</sup>	-23	15 <sup>†</sup>	42	1.96	+ 0.98	0.95	19.0	7	13	4	14	nw.	D. W. Dawson
Oelwein	Fayette	1,036	5	7.4	- 9.0	36	9	-22	15	36	1.44	+ 0.28	0.48	18.0	6	12	9	10	nw.	John T. Ridler
Postville (near)	Clayton	1,192	29	4.6	-10.6	35	9	-22	15	40	2.10	+ 0.87	0.50	18.0	12	12	7	12	nw.	F. L. Williams
Waterloo	Black Hawk	854	45	7.4	-10.0	36	9	-22	15	38	2.63	+ 1.51	0.70	19.8	10	15	5	11	nw.	R. B. Slippy
Waverly	Bremer	936	32	5.8	-10.4	35	9	-25	15	42	3.81	+ 2.70	0.96	30.5	8	20	3	8	nw.	D. H. Murphy
Means and extremes				6.6	- 9.7	38	9	-29	15	42	2.52	+ 1.34	1.04	23.5	10	13	5	13	nw.	
<i>West Central District</i>																				
Audubon (near)	Audubon	1,297	33	9.2	- 7.9	37	11	-15	7 <sup>†</sup>	43	2.32	+ 1.49	0.85	19.0	12	7	10	14	n.	George Kibby
Carroll	Carroll	1,265	38	9.6	- 7.8	38	11	-16	7	41	1.05	+ 0.27	0.45	6.0	5	11	4	16	nw.	Mrs. Jos. J. Wolfe
Denison	Crawford	1,171	34	9.6	- 8.6	38	21	-15	7	39	0.88	+ 0.22	0.44	10.0	5	6	9	16	nw.	V. L. Byers
Guthrie Center	Guthrie	1,077	33															Walter Bell		
Harlan	Shelby	1,192	29	10.8	- 7.3	39	11	-15	15	41	0.97	+ 0.17	0.41	9.1	7	9	4	18	nw.	
Jefferson	Greene	1,052	29	10.2	- 7.9	39	11	-16	7	39	1.80	+ 0.94	0.60	16.0	8	11	9	11	ne.	W. I. Lyon
Little Sioux	Harrison	1,040	23	12.3	- 7.0	45	10	-10	25	44	0.52	+ 0.23	0.16	4.5	10	8	9	14	n.	H. W. Kerr
Logan	Harrison	1,120	61	12.2	- 8.1	40	10 <sup>†</sup>	-11	25	41	1.09	+ 0.09	0.41	13.5	8	5	17	9	nw.	Amy Ann Stern
Onawa	Monona	1,051	27	11.8	- 7.0	45	10	-12	25	44	0.40	+ 0.59	0.16	5.0	7	7	13	11	nw.	Mrs. H. E. Colby
Rockwell City	Calhoun	1,232	32															A. W. McIsaac		
Sac City	Sac	1,269	52	8.4	- 8.8	38	8 <sup>†</sup>	-15	7	39	1.32	+ 0.31	0.43	11.0	8	8	6	17	nw.	F. P. Kessler
Sioux City	Woodbury	1,135	39	9.3	- 8.5	47	10	-13	7	37	0.59	+ 0.15	0.12	6.1	12	7	10	14	nw.	U. S. Weather Bureau
Means and extremes				10.3	- 7.9	47	10	-16	7	44	1.09	+ 0.24	0.95	11.1	8	8	9	14	nw.	
<i>Central District</i>																				
Ames	Story	926	51	10.6	- 7.9	41	9	-14	7 <sup>†</sup>	40	1.81	+ 0.91	0.73	15.0	6	13	0	18	nw.	Iowa State College
Baxter	Jasper	998	28	10.4	- 9.0	37	9	-17	7	38	1.99	+ 1.09	0.67	19.0	8	6	13	12	nw.	Otto Sanderman
Boone (near)	Boone	894	23	10.4	- 7.5	39	11	-23	7	40	1.80	+ 0.96	0.53	13.5	11	9	10	12	n.	C. F. Henning
Des Moines	Polk	861	50	11.6	- 8.5	38	9	-10	7	37	2.70	+ 1.63	1.18	21.4	10	9	6	16	n.	U. S. Weather Bureau
Fort Dodge	Webster	1,114	28	8.0	- 8.7	37	11	-19	7	36	1.69	+ 0.85	0.57	14.0	9	12	2	17	nw.	Mrs. Emma Sampson
Grinnell	Poweshiek	1,031	34	10.8	- 9.4	38	9	-19	7	36	2.63	+ 1.48	0.90	16.0	8	12	6	13	nw.	R. E. Bates
Grundy Center	Grundy	976	37	8.0	-10.5	38	10	-19	15	40	3.15	+ 2.18	0.60	28.0	10	11	10	10	nw.	M. G. Heiberger
Iowa Falls	Hardin	1,127	35	7.4	- 8.3	36	8	-21	15	41	2.73	+ 1.49	0.75	22.5	10	9	7	15	nw.	C. H. Gilbert
Marshalltown	Marshall	947	36	9.8	-10.2	37	9	-15	7 <sup>†</sup>											

Climatological Data for January, 1929—Continued

STATIONS	COUNTIES	Elevation, feet	Length of record, years	Temperature, in Degrees Fahrenheit							Precipitation, in inches				Number of Days				OBSERVERS	
				Mean	Departure from normal	Highest	Date	Lowest	Date	Greatest daily range	Total	Departure from normal	Greatest in 24 hours	Total snowfall (unmelted)	Precipitation, .01 in. or more	Clear	Partly cloudy	Cloudy		Prevailing direction of wind
<i>East Central District</i>																				
Belle Plaine	Benton	866	38	10.0	-8.8	35	9	-19	7	36	3.17	+1.61	0.88	32.0	15	12	3	16	n.w.	O. C. Burrows J. T. Wurster Dr. A. P. Bryant U. S. Weather Bureau Rex Shriver  Bureau of Fisheries Prof. J. F. Reilly Margaret T. Disney John Strodthoff William Molis  Mrs. L. Stingley John Kroepfen Dr. F. C. Schadt
Cedar Rapids	Linn	737	46	10.0	-8.9	36	9	-21	7	40	3.07	+1.67	1.00	27.0	9	11	0	20	n.w.	
Clinton	Clinton	595	55	12.7	-7.9	39	22	-18	15	36	3.28	+1.46	0.93	15.7	14	14	3	14	n.	
Davenport	Scott	580	57	13.7	-8.1	41	22	-11	7	35	3.01	+1.50	1.04	15.6	13	9	7	15	n.w.	
Davenport No. 2	Scott	690	3	14.5		40	22	-14	15	36	3.59		0.91	18.4	13	19	1	11	n.w.	
Fairport	Muscatine	567	7	14.9	-7.0	40	22	-15	7	36	3.03	+1.40	0.99	16.9	11	11	1	19	n.w.	
Iowa City	Johnson	733	68	12.0	-8.0	37	22	-18	7	38	2.57	+0.93	1.06	19.5	10	10	12	9	n.w.	
Le Claire	Scott	576	28																	
Maquoketa (near)	Jackson	692	23	9.6	-9.0	37	22	-23	15	40	2.07	+0.72	0.55	17.2	11	17	3	11	n.w.	
Muscatine	Muscatine	546	67																	
Olin	Jones	760	29	9.2	-9.0	36	9	-24	15	44	2.80	+1.37	0.88	24.0	11	15	6	10	n.w.	
Tip-on (near)	Cedar	807	29	11.2	-8.5	36	9	-24	15	36	2.75	+1.30	1.10	23.7	12	9	8	14	n.e.	
Williamsburg	Iowa	770	12	10.4	-8.6	38	22	-20	7	40	2.55	+1.15	0.93	18.2	8	15	5	11	n.w.	
Means and extremes				11.7	-8.1	41	22	-24	15	44	2.90	+1.36	1.10	20.7	12	13	4	14	n.w.	
<i>Southwest District</i>																				
Atlantic	Cass	1,164	37	11.6	-7.7	37	8	-12	7	37	2.30	+1.46	1.10	14.0	12	6	4	21	n.e.	T. H. Whitney Arthur L. Bishop Dr. H. C. Hawley C. A. Smith Carl E. Pollock  George Mogridge J. L. Hurley W. S. Matthews B. R. Bridge Geo. C. Rader  H. H. Askew U. S. Weather Bureau
Bedford	Taylor	1,200									2.47	+1.53	0.80	14.8	7	8	3	20	n.w.	
Clarinda	Page	1,009	38	14.0	-8.4	42	12	-10	15	42	0.96	+0.00	0.43	12.0	6	8	12	11	n.w.	
Corning	Adams	1,150	36								2.72	+1.80	0.70	24.2	8	11	5	15	n.e.	
Cumberland (near)	Cass	1,225	29								1.81	+1.04	0.79	14.0	5	9	7	15	n.w.	
Glenwood	Mills	1,100	30	14.4	-7.5	42	8	-10	25	40	0.98	+0.27	0.40	7.9	7	11	5	15	n.w.	
Lenox	Taylor	1,250	33	13.1	-8.5	38	8	-11	7	41	1.85	+1.18	0.60	15.8	8	12	7	12	n.w.	
Oakland	Pottawattamie	1,139	9	13.5	-6.4	40	8	-12	15	40	1.41	+0.61	0.60	11.0	11	11	3	17	n.w.	
Red Oak (near)	Montgomery	1,030	3								1.23	+0.42	0.64	12.0	3	4	16	11	n.w.	
Riverton (near)	Fremont	920	2								1.34	+0.54	0.73	11.0	9	10	0	21	n.	
Thurman	Fremont	960	31	15.8	-6.8	44	8	-8	25	41	0.87	+0.19	0.65	6.3	4	10	1	20	n.	
Omaha, Neb.		1,195	57	13.6	-8.3	42	10	-8	25	34	1.15	+0.45	0.51	9.3	11	9	9	13	n.w.	
Means and extremes				13.7	-7.6	44	8	-12	7	42	1.59	+0.79	1.10	12.7	8	9	6	16	n.w.	
<i>South Central District</i>																				
Afton	Union	1,212	34	12.6	-8.5	37	8	-14	7	38	2.22	+1.36	0.70	19.0	6	10	7	14	n.e.	S. R. Brown O. E. McBride Thomas Wood C. C. Burr J. C. Davis  Mrs. N. Spangler George Phillips Seth F. Shenton W. J. Casey J. B. Alter  F. S. Parks E. O. Gleason James A. Verploegh H. S. Ely
Albia	Monroe	949	30	13.6	-7.3	38	9	-13	7	35	2.15	+0.96	0.70	13.3	11	8	5	18	n.e.	
Centerville	Appanoose	1,013	23	14.2	-8.4	38	9	-13	7	35	2.36	+1.11	0.91	17.5	13	10	7	14	n.w.	
Chariton (near)	Lucas	1,042	33	12.3	-8.7	38	9	-16	7	37	1.20	+0.13	0.44	12.0	6	10	7	14	n.	
Corydon (near)	Wayne	1,050	35	13.6	-8.3	38	9	-14	7	35	2.43	+1.16	0.98	15.0	9	12	2	17	n.w.	
Creston	Union	1,291	23	11.8	-8.3	39	8	-13	7	41	1.65	+0.60	0.70		9	10	10	11	n.	
Earlham (near)	Madison	1,126	26	11.7	-7.5	37	8	-17	7	37	2.89	+1.71	0.79	27.5	11	12	3	16	n.w.	
Indianola	Warren	972	37	12.0	-7.7	37	9	-14	7	36	2.70	+1.55	1.20	27.5	7	7	10	14	n.w.	
Knoxville	Marion	929	33	12.3	-9.1	38	9	-14	7	40	2.95	+1.72	0.80	29.5	7	12	5	14	n.w.	
Lacona	Warren	824	29								3.79	+2.14	0.80	27.0	11	10	11	10	n.w.	
Lamoni	Decatur	1,123	21	13.0	-8.4	38	8	-13	7	41	2.30	+1.24	0.74	16.2	10	9	3	19	n.w.	
Mount Ayr	Ringgold	1,220	35	13.9	-8.3	37	9	-10	7	37	2.91	+1.89	0.85	14.7	9	14	4	13	n.	
Tingley	Ringgold	1,275	3	12.1	-9.0	37	8	-15	7	41	2.61	+1.71	0.83	18.0	7	11	10	10	n.w.	
Winterset	Madison	1,118	37	12.4	-8.3	37	8	-15	7	36	2.15	+1.23	0.80	19.5	8	10	7	14	n.w.	
Means and extremes				12.7	-8.3	39	8	-17	7	41	2.45	+1.33	1.20	19.7	9	10	7	14	n.w.	
<i>Southeast District</i>																				
Bonaparte (near)	Van Buren	563	37	14.6	-7.6	40	22	-14	7	38	2.07	+0.53	0.98	9.4	9	19	2	10	e.	B. R. Vale John T. Donnelly Miss Musa Todd R. M. McKenzie U. S. Weather Bureau  Dr. J. W. Rinabarger J. H. Jericho Roy R. Robinson C. L. Mikesh W. E. Utterback  C. L. Beswick D. D. Sherman H. G. Liddle
Burlington	Des Moines	544	32	17.0	-7.2	41	22	-10	7	35	4.10	+2.34	1.36	13.3	14	11	10	10	n.e.	
Columbus Junction	Louisa	595	27	14.4	-7.4	39	22	-15	7	37	2.61	+1.30	0.70	13.7	13	12	8	11	se.	
Fairfield	Jefferson	780	44	13.6	-8.0	39	22	-13	7	38	1.88	+0.36	0.60	12.2	9	14	5	12	n.	
Keokuk	Lee	614	57	17.6	-7.3	46	22	-8	7	35	3.14	+1.58	1.09	9.4	12	11	5	15	n.w.	
Keosauqua	Van Buren	644	36	15.6	-6.4	44	22	-13	7	35	1.97	+0.41	0.72	11.0	10	8	12	11	n.e.	
Mt. Pleasant	Henry	730	47	15.6	-6.9	41	22	-13	7	36	2.78	+1.24	1.11	13.0	11	11	5	15	n.w.	
Oskaloosa	Mahaska	835	52	12.8	-7.9	39	9	-17	7	37	2.42	+1.59	0.69	19.9	12	9	6	16	n.w.	
Ottumwa	Wapello	649	33	15.4	-7.2	40	9	-12	7	36	2.49	+0.99	0.98	12.9	12	13	5	13	n.w.	
Sigourney (near)	Keokuk	790	32	12.7	-7.8	37	22	-16	7	35	2.63	+1.37	1.11	15.3	10	11	8	12	n.w.	
Stockport (near)	Van Buren	747	26	14.2	-7.2	41	22	-14	7	41	2.77	+1.39	1.33	12.5	9	13	4	14	n.	
Washington	Washington	757	46	13.8	-7.2	38	22	-16	7	37	2.65	+1.17	0.97	15.5	7	10	7	14	n.e.	
Wever	Lee	552		16.8		42	22	-12	7	35	3.54		1.40	10.6	9					
Means and extremes				14.9	-7.2	46	22	-17	7	41	2.70	+1.24	1.40	13.0	11	12	6	13	n.w.	
State means and extremes				10.2	-8.3	47	10	-29	15	48	2.06	+0.99	1.40	17.5	9	11	6	14	n.w.	

Temperature normals are based on the 46-year period July 3, 1875 to July 2, 1921; shorter records corrected to harmonize. Precipitation normals are based on the 50-year period ended December 31, 1927 at first order stations; upon all records of 10 years or more ending December 31, 1920 for most of the co-operative observing stations; and upon interpolations from normal maps for recently established stations.

Reference letters a, b, c, etc., appearing in the table indicate the number of days missing; for example b represents two days, etc.

†Also other dates.

‡Received too late to be included in means and summaries.

T. Precipitation is less than 0.01 inch rain or melted snow.

ature zero or lower, was 18; minimum 32° or lower, 31; maximum 32°, or lower, 26; maximum zero, or lower, 1. The minimum was not above 32° at a single station during the entire month, and at three stations the temperature was above 32° on only 1 day.

PRECIPITATION

The average precipitation for the state, derived from the averages of nine districts of nearly equal area, and based on the records of 112 stations, was 2.06 inches or 0.99 inch more than the normal. Only three other Januarys since 1873 have had more precipitation. The excess was least in the western portion of the

state, and there were several stations that were deficient in precipitation; over the eastern and central portions the excess was an inch or more and quite uniform. The greatest amount reported from a single station was 4.10 inches at Burlington, and the least was 0.40 inch at Onawa. The greatest amount in 24 consecutive hours was 1.40 inches at Wever on the 22d. Days with 0.01 inch or more of precipitation, averaged 9, or 4 more than the normal, being greatest in the east-central district with 12, and least in the west-central and southwestern districts with 8. Only in 1916 has the average number of days with precipitation in January been greater.



Daily Precipitation for January, 1929—Continued

Table with columns for Stations, Drainage Basin, Day of Month (1-31), and Totals. Rows include Southwest District (Atlantic, Bedford, Clarinda, etc.), South Central District (Afton, Albion, Centerville, etc.), and Southeast District (Bonaparte, Burlington, Columbus Jct., etc.).

Except as otherwise indicated, observations are generally made late in the afternoon, near sunset, and precipitation recorded is for 24 hours ending at the time of observation.
|||Precipitation measured in the morning; amount then recorded is for the preceding 24 hours.
\*\*\*Regular Weather Bureau Station: precipitation is for 24-hour period midnight to midnight.
\*Incomplete.
\*Precipitation included in the next following measurement.
T. Precipitation is less than .01 inch or melted snow.

PRESSURE, RELATIVE HUMIDITY, WIND AND SUNSHINE

SNOWFALL

Table with columns for Stations, Barometric Pressure (Mean, Highest, Lowest), Relative Humidity (Mean, Lowest), Wind (Total movement, Average hourly velocity, Maximum Miles), and Sunshine (Departure from normal).

The average snowfall for the state was 17.5 inches, or 10.8 inches more than the normal. This is the greatest January snowfall of record since statewide snowfall records began in 1892, though the records that are available for some stations indicate that the state average was probably greater in 1886. Only twice since 1892 has there been a greater average in any month, and both times the occurrence was in March.

MISCELLANEOUS PHENOMENA

Aurora: 8th, 11th, 25th.
Fog: 2d, 9th, 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th.
Halos (lunar and solar): 1st, 2d, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 10th, 11th, 15th, 18th, 19th, 20th, 21st, 22d, 23d, 25th, 26th, 30th, 31st.
Haze: 19th.
Sleet: 4th, 9th, 10th, 16th, 17th, 18th, 21st, 22d, 23d, 24th.
Thunderstorms: 10th, 22d, 28th.

RIVERS

Rather low stages prevailed on the Mississippi River at the beginning of the month but a marked rise set in at the end of the first week with rather high stages during the rest of the month, and the average stage was considerably above normal. The river was open most of the first week but with much floating ice and it froze rough. The thickness of ice ranged from 14 to 20 inches at the end of the month. The lowest stages on the Missouri also occurred during the first week and were rather high during the rest of the month with slight fluctuations.

ERRATA

Report for December, 1928. Page 90; Dubuque total precipitation 1.10 inches, should be 1.09 inches; departure —0.34, should be —0.35. Page 92. Dubuque, precipitation on 4th, 0.02 inch, should be 0.01 inch; monthly total, 1.10 inch, should be 1.09 inch. Page 93. Keokuk mean sea level barometer 30.12 inches, should be 30.14 inches.

Daily Maximum and Minimum Temperature for the Month of January, 1929

Table with columns for Stations, days (1-31), and Mean. Rows are categorized by Northern Division, Central Division, and Southern Division, listing various Iowa cities with their daily maximum and minimum temperatures.

## HEAVY SNOWFALL OF JANUARY, 1929

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A new record has been set at Dubuque for all months by the heavy snowfall of January. The total fall of 34.3 inches is without precedent in the history of the station. The only previous monthly fall which approached this record was 32 inches in December, 1887. The heaviest single fall in 24 hours was 11.0 inches on the 4th-5th. This is the largest single snowfall in the last 17 years. The accumulated average depth at the close of the month amounted to 20.1 inches, and this appears to have exceeded all previous records for the last 36 years, excepting one similar record of 20.5 inches in January, 1910. The snows of the last month have brought the winter's fall to date to 39.7 inches, which is more than a normal entire winter's fall. Practically the entire month's precipitation was from snow, amounting to 3.13 inches, which is the largest for January in 42 years.

The snow of the month were of unusual significance in the character of ground cover which resulted with its devastating effects upon street and highway transportation as well as damage to roofs and other property. Perhaps no snows have ever developed greater persistency in accumulating and hardening upon pavements, rendering the operation of vehicles difficult and dangerous at all times after the first heavy fall, on the 4th-5th. The conditions were decidedly aggravated along street car lines where the rails became deep channels or ruts in the heavy masses of frozen snow which covered the streets from 6 to 12 inches thick generally and as much as 18 inches thick in places. These conditions steadily grew worse and the city finally resorted to use of snow plows, tractors, scarifiers, graders, picks and trucks, from the middle of the month on into February, in an effort to remove the snow and ice. The situation was somewhat improved when the month closed but still very bad generally.

More or less drifting occurred through the month which also interfered with street, highway and railroad transportation. The

first heavy snow, on the 5th, drifted some, causing general delays and blocking country roads for several days. Street car service was paralyzed for a time, some lines not being able to resume operation for a day or two. Light to moderate snows fell at frequent intervals through the rest of the month, accompanied by considerable drifting which would refill where snow plows had removed the snow. Some interurban buses were unable to run at all during the rest of the month, especially north and east, due to blockades. Trains were frequently off schedule from one to several hours, and a 36-mile branch of one line was entirely closed for practically three weeks. Crews operating snow plows north of the city encountered drifts as deep as 10 feet. Colesburg, a small village about 30 miles northwest of Dubuque, was completely isolated for nearly three weeks. Snow plows operated vigorously day and night for practically a month in an effort to open the roads throughout the territory around Dubuque, and to clear the streets in the city.

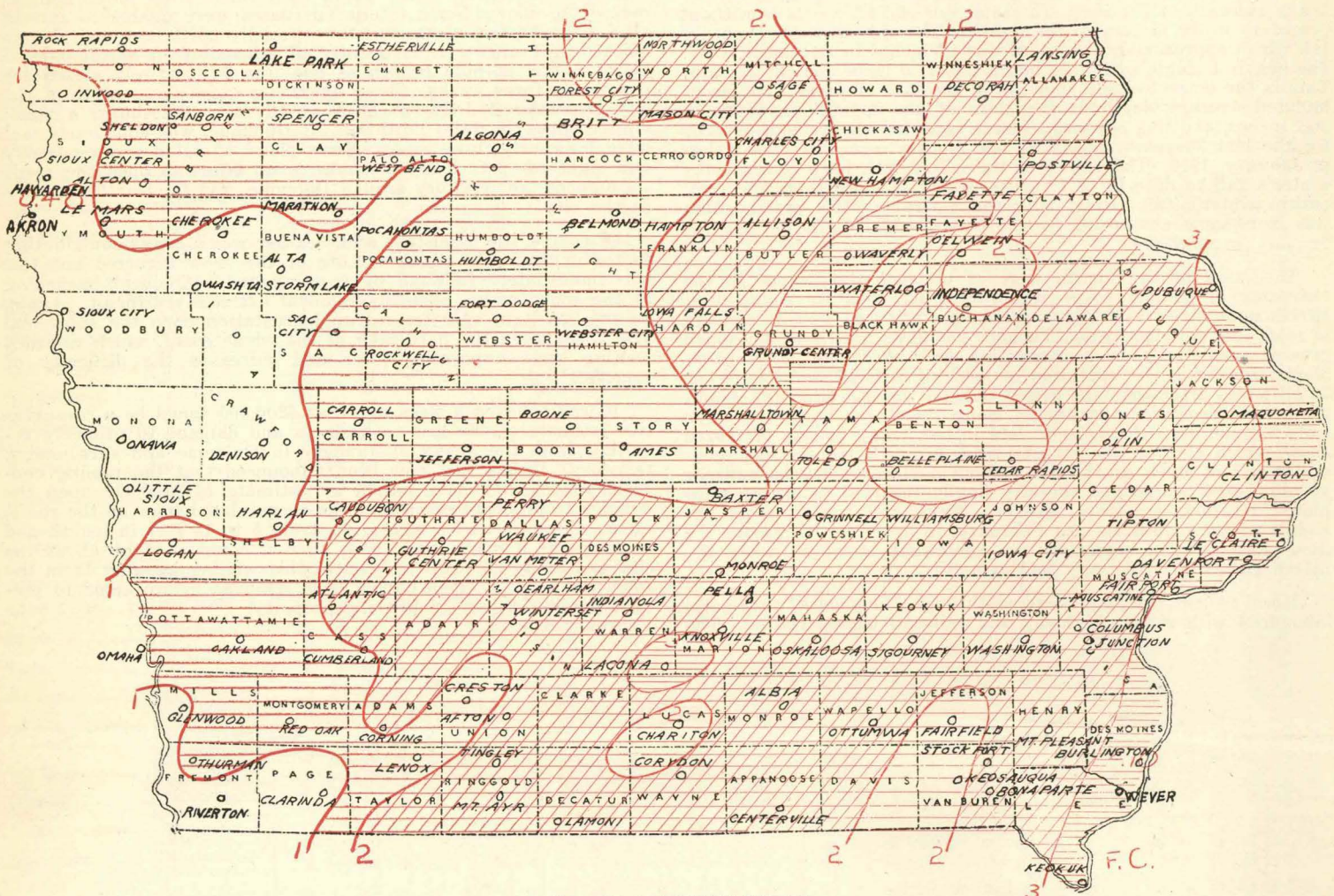
Of course, the persistent cold weather was a heavy contributing factor in that only slight melting of the snow occurred and this was immediately followed by freezing and consequent hardening of the snow, which made its removal extremely difficult. Again, on the 22d light rain formed an incrustation upon the snow and also encouraged the hardening of the whole cover, which retarded melting and evaporation later and increased the difficulty of removal.

It was believed a week ago that \$200,000 would be a conservative estimate of the loss to business and damage to property resulting from the snows of January in Dubuque and surrounding territory. It has just now been announced that the roofing concerns of the city have placed an estimate of \$100,000 upon the damage to property resulting from accumulated snow on the roofs, alone. Gigantic icicles measuring from 5 to 15 feet in length and as large as a man's body have been a common sight about the city and many can still be seen at this writing hanging from the eaves, the most of them having been removed by workmen to prevent possible injury to life and property.

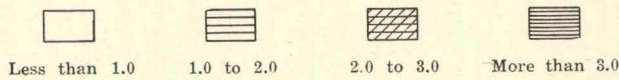
February 8, 1929.

CLIMATOLOGICAL DATA: IOWA SECTION

TOTAL PRECIPITATION, JANUARY, 1929



SCALE OF SHADES IN INCHES





# CLIMATOLOGICAL DATA.

## IOWA SECTION

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### GENERAL SUMMARY

Severe winter weather prevailed during the greater portion of February. The general characteristics were similar to those of January, though the changes were not so pronounced and the number of days with the temperature above normal were greater. The temperature extremes were greater than in January, but the cold was less severe due to the absence of strong winds during the coldest weather. Storms of a blizzard type were mild compared to those of January, but the lack of thawing in January, with the heavy snow in February, resulted in serious interruption to all modes of travel.

At the close of January the State was entirely covered with a blanket of snow, at places amounting to more than two feet, and with a rather heavy crust. During the greater part of the month the snowfall was light, but it was very dry, and with a light wind it moved so freely that all cuts through drifts were filled after every storm, and it required a constant effort to keep travel on the main highways and railways open, but at times it was necessary to suspend all traffic temporarily. No part of the State was free from drifts, and in many localities where conditions were favorable, there were drifts more than 15 feet deep. Efforts were made to keep only the main highways open, and practically all the less traveled roads were closed during the severe storm of January 4th-5th and continued so throughout February, except in a small strip in the southeastern portion of the State. Even on the main highways it was necessary to detour around some drifts that could not be kept open. Branch lines of railroads were forced to suspend operation many times during the month, and it was necessary to bring in supplies to small towns by sled. Rural mail delivery was almost impossible; some places had no mail for as much as two weeks; and all deliveries on rural routes were curtailed. The lack of adequate mail facilities was reflected in the enormous increase in the use of long distance telephone service. The heaviest snow of the month occurred in the period from the 24th-26th and was sufficient to completely block all traffic for a time. It was necessary in one case to use three huge locomotives to move five cars and at a very slow rate. In the cities it was impossible to keep the streets clear; the snow on many streets became a solid mass of ice; and on many streets and highways there were only ruts through the snow where the automobiles traveled, and it was impossible to leave the ruts except at branch roads or intersections. In most cities all traffic was diverted to the cleared streets. Heavy hauling with chains did enormous damage to paving, and with the cost of snow removal added, the total cost of the heavy snows will amount to several million dollars. The accumulated snow caused many roofs to collapse and many more were damaged to such an extent that extensive replacement and repairs will be necessary.

While this winter does not rank as the coldest by a wide margin, the bad effects were intensified by the abnormally heavy snow, and this winter will be long remembered as unusually severe. The constant snow cover required that stock be kept on heavy feed at all times,

### COMPARATIVE DATA FOR THE STATE—FEBRUARY

YEAR	Temperature				Precipitation				Number of Days				
	Mean	Departure	Highest	Lowest	Total	Departure	Greatest	Least	Snowfall	With pre-.01 in. or more	Clear	Partly cloudy	Cloudy
1873	19.2	-3.4	49	-25	1.17	-0.04	2.52	0.30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1874	21.2	-1.4	59	-20	1.28	+0.07	2.88	0.16	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1875	6.4	-16.2	48	-31	1.72	+0.51	6.75	0.82	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1876	25.5	+2.9	68	-16	1.11	-0.10	3.63	0.15	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1877	34.0	+11.4	63	-5	0.21	-1.00	0.65	0.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1878	34.4	+11.8	60	-8	0.59	-0.62	2.95	0.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1879	21.6	-1.0	57	-20	0.68	-0.53	1.90	0.10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1880	27.4	+4.8	68	-12	0.64	-0.57	2.15	0.02	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1881	17.0	-5.6	57	-24	3.10	+1.89	6.35	0.97	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1882	33.5	+10.9	72	-12	0.91	-0.30	1.85	0.10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1883	17.7	-4.9	62	-33	1.89	+0.68	6.13	0.06	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1884	18.3	-4.3	56	-23	1.32	+0.11	3.50	0.30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1885	12.5	-10.1	54	-32	0.82	-0.39	2.50	0.10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1886	21.2	-1.4	56	-34	0.59	-0.62	1.96	0.24	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1887	17.1	-5.5	60	-25	2.14	+0.93	5.64	0.12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1888	20.2	-2.4	61	-34	1.01	-0.20	3.10	0.15	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1889	17.8	-4.8	62	-28	0.47	-0.74	1.70	0.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1890	25.1	+2.5	68	-24	0.83	-0.38	2.18	0.25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1891	19.4	-3.2	70	-31	1.16	-0.05	2.41	0.55	.....	3	13	7	8
1892	28.1	+5.5	68	-20	1.20	-0.01	2.18	0.12	5.0	6	6	7	16
1893	16.0	-6.6	60	-28	1.39	+0.18	2.91	0.06	8.1	6	10	8	10
1894	19.7	-2.9	60	-19	0.89	-0.32	2.41	0.17	8.4	3	16	8	4
1895	16.4	-6.2	73	-33	0.49	-0.72	1.34	0.02	3.3	4	13	9	6
1896	27.4	+4.8	78	-13	0.71	-0.50	2.40	0.04	5.4	4	12	9	8
1897	24.7	+2.1	61	-24	0.89	-0.32	1.81	0.22	8.0	5	6	10	12
1898	24.2	+1.6	62	-18	1.20	-0.01	3.65	0.10	7.8	5	10	9	9
1899	12.2	-10.4	75	-40	0.89	-0.32	4.32	0.12	7.1	5	11	10	7
1900	14.8	-7.8	60	-27	1.30	+0.09	4.57	0.18	9.9	6	10	8	10
1901	17.5	-5.1	49	-21	1.01	-0.20	3.00	0.12	9.7	4	15	7	6
1902	17.6	-5.0	62	-21	1.73	-0.48	2.39	0.02	2.6	4	13	8	7
1903	19.8	-2.8	56	-21	1.18	-0.03	3.25	0.30	7.9	4	13	7	8
1904	14.8	-7.8	70	-26	0.41	-0.80	1.99	0.11	4.5	4	10	9	10
1905	12.8	-9.8	69	-41	1.57	+0.36	2.97	0.44	15.5	7	11	6	8
1906	23.6	+1.0	66	-32	1.29	+0.08	2.91	0.20	6.1	5	14	7	7
1907	25.0	+2.4	65	-31	0.71	-0.50	1.95	0.06	4.6	4	14	6	8
1908	24.3	+1.7	59	-16	1.69	+0.48	3.95	0.23	8.9	6	12	6	11
1909	26.2	+3.6	62	-26	1.54	+0.33	4.72	0.30	7.7	5	11	6	11
1910	17.8	-4.8	58	-21	0.46	-0.75	2.09	0.17	4.0	3	14	8	6
1911	27.3	+4.7	71	-13	2.76	+1.55	5.46	0.50	7.0	6	12	6	10
1912	18.1	-4.5	57	-30	1.21	-0.00	3.25	0.04	11.2	5	10	9	10
1913	20.2	-2.4	70	-24	0.82	-0.39	2.39	0.07	7.3	4	14	7	7
1914	16.8	-5.8	59	-29	0.87	-0.34	1.99	0.32	9.2	6	10	9	9
1915	29.1	+6.5	62	-8	2.93	+1.72	5.39	0.43	9.4	9	9	5	14
1916	19.0	-3.6	62	-32	0.55	-0.66	1.38	0.05	6.0	4	14	8	7
1917	15.2	-7.4	68	-37	0.36	-0.85	1.19	0.17	3.5	3	14	8	6
1918	23.0	+0.4	70	-36	0.95	-0.26	2.10	0.09	6.0	5	11	7	7
1919	24.9	+2.3	65	-16	2.42	+1.26	4.12	1.32	9.9	8	5	11	5
1920	24.0	+1.4	59	-22	0.56	-0.65	1.75	0.04	4.1	5	9	6	14
1921	31.0	+8.4	76	-5	0.77	-0.14	2.00	0.17	6.5	5	13	7	8
1922	23.7	+1.1	70	-20	1.59	+0.38	4.56	0.40	1.3	4	14	7	7
1923	20.1	-2.5	61	-23	0.40	-0.81	1.71	0.00	3.2	3	13	8	7
1924	25.8	+3.2	70	-15	1.27	+0.06	4.00	0.30	11.2	7	15	5	9
1925	28.4	+5.8	66	-16	0.82	-0.39	3.69	0.17	2.6	4	11	7	10
1926	31.2	+8.6	67	-2	0.76	-0.45	2.13	0.04	3.3	4	10	7	11
1927	30.6	+8.0	65	-17	1.15	-0.06	3.60	0.13	4.4	5	13	6	9
1928	28.6	+6.0	65	-14	1.95	+0.74	3.97	0.62	4.4	7	15	5	9
1929	14.0	-8.6	52	-35	1.31	+0.10	3.03	0.34	12.5	8	10	7	11

T. indicates an amount too small to measure, or less than .005 inch rainfall and less than .05 inch snowfall.

and it was very difficult to haul hay to the stock sheds; birds that were not fed suffered further loss; and rabbits severely injured fruit trees and berry canes. No outside work, except that which was absolutely necessary, was attempted.

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### TEMPERATURE

The mean temperature for the State, derived from the means of nine districts of nearly equal area and based on the records of 103 stations, was 14.0°, or 8.6° below normal. The departures were pronounced and uniform in all districts, with the greatest departure in the central district. The highest mean was 21.4° at Keokuk, and the lowest was 7.4° at Lake Park. The absolute range for the State was 87°, ranging from 52° at Keokuk on the 23d, to -35° at Decorah on the 20th. The average number of days with the minimum temperature 32°, or lower, was 28, though the minimum temperature remained above 32° at a few stations in the southern portion of the State on the 24th and 25th; the average number of days with the minimum temperature zero, or lower, was 12, ranging from 14 in the north-central and northeastern districts to 10 in all southern districts. The greatest number of days with the minimum zero, or lower, was 16 in three districts and the least was 7 at one station in the southeastern district. The average number of days with the maximum temperature 32°, or lower, was 22, ranging from 26 in the north-central district to 18 in the southeastern district. At 27 stations there were days on which the maximum temperature did not go above zero.



Climatological Data for February, 1929—Continued

STATIONS	COUNTIES	Elevation, feet	Length of record, years	Temperature, in Degrees Fahrenheit							Precipitation, in inches				Number of Days					OBSERVERS
				Mean	Departure from normal	Highest	Date	Lowest	Date	Greatest daily range	Total	Departure from normal	Greatest in 24 hours	Total snowfall (unmelted)	Precipitation, .01 in. or more	Clear	Partly cloudy	Cloudy	Prevailing direction of wind	
<i>East Central District</i>																				
Belle Plaine	Benton	866	38	14.5	-8.4	42	27	-20	20	37	1.42	-0.18	0.60	10.3	10	10	6	12	nw.	O. C. Burrows
Cedar Rapids	Linn	737	46	14.4	-8.1	39	24†	-23	20	39	1.32	-0.08	0.54	8.0	5	12	0	16	nw.	J. T. Wurster
Clinton	Clinton	595	55	16.4	-8.2	42	24	-23	20	44	0.78	-1.18	0.29	6.0	7	10	7	11	n.	Dr. A. P. Bryant
Davenport	Scott	580	57	18.1	-6.8	43	23	-11	20	34	0.81	-0.77	0.45	5.4	8	8	9	11	nw.	U. S. Weather Bureau
Davenport No. 2	Scott	690	3	18.8		44	23†	-16	20	44	0.92		0.25	6.5	6	16	4	8	sw.	Rex Shriver
Fairport	Muscatine	567	7	17.8	-7.4	46	24	-20	20	47	0.65	-1.10	0.19	3.5	5	10	2	16	nw.	Bureau of Fisheries
Iowa City	Johnson	733	68	15.4	-8.8	42	23	-22	20	40	1.04	-0.47	0.42	6.5	5	10	6	12	nw.	Prof. J. F. Reilly
Le Claire	Scott	576	28																nw.	Margaret T. Disney
Maquoketa (near)	Jackson	392	23	12.4	-9.4	40	24	-32	20	49	0.87	-0.48	0.30	7.3	6	11	4	13	sw.	John Strothoff
Muscatine	Muscatine	516	67																sw.	William Molis
Olin	Jones	760	29	13.4	-8.7	42	24	-32	20	47	0.94	-0.71	0.30	8.0	5	13	4	11	nw.	Mrs. L. Stingley
Tipton (near)	Iowa	807	29	14.0	-9.8	39	24	-28	20	44	1.07	-0.42	0.50	4.0	4	7	8	13	sw.	John Kroeple
Williamsburg	Iowa	770	12	13.8	-9.0	40	16†	-26	20	42	0.92	-0.38	0.38	5.6	5	16	7	5	nw.	Dr. F. C. Schadt
Means and extremes				15.4	-8.1	46	24	-32	20	49	0.98	-0.62	0.60	6.5	6	11	5	12	nw.	
<i>Southwest District</i>																				
Atlantic	Cass	1,164	37	15.7	-8.2	42	23	-15	9	33	2.30	+1.16	0.50	23.5	14	8	8	8	nw.	T. H. Whitney
Bedford	Taylor	1,200									1.58	+0.22	0.54	11.9	10	11	6	11	nw.	Arthur L. Bishop
Clarinda	Page	1,009	38	18.3	-9.5	45	16	-15	9†	40	0.68	-0.46	0.24	8.5	5	10	8	10	sw.	Dr. H. C. Hawley
Corning	Adams	1,150	36								1.00	-0.18	0.52	12.9	5	11	10	7	sw.	C. A. Smith
Cumberland (near)	Cass	1,225	29								2.77	+1.68	0.78	18.0	8	8	7	13	nw.	Carl E. Pollock
Glenwood	Mills	1,100	30	18.2	-8.3	46	23†	-16	9	40	1.46	+0.59	0.60	14.6	10	10	8	10	nw.	George Mogridge
Lenox	Taylor	1,250	33	16.8	-8.7	42	27	-16	9	39	1.09	+0.10	0.45	9.9	10	11	10	7	nw.	J. L. Hurley
Oakland	Pottawattamie	1,139	9	17.6	-7.0	44	23	-15	9	37	1.39	+0.34	0.56	17.3	6	12	6	10	nw.	W. S. Matthews
Red Oak (near)	Montgomery	1,039	3								2.26	+1.13	1.43	18.0	6	6	11	11	nw.	B. R. Bridge
Riverton (near)	Fremont	920	2								1.13	-0.05	0.48	11.8	11	10	3	15	n.	Geo. C. Rader
Thurman	Fremont	960	31	18.6	-9.3	47	23	-16	9	44	0.68	-0.70	0.33	8.3	5	13	2	13	s.	H. H. Askew
Omaha, Neb.		1,105	57	18.6	-6.9	49	23	-11	9	38	2.20	+1.31	1.08	21.9	10	10	5	13	nw.	U. S. Weather Bureau
Means and extremes				17.7	-8.1	49	23	-16	9	44	1.54	+0.42	1.43	14.9	9	10	7	11	nw.	
<i>South Central District</i>																				
Afton	Union	1,212	34	16.6	-9.0	45	27	-16	9	31	2.81	+1.64	0.70	18.0	9	9	10	9	sw.	S. R. Brown
Albia	Monroe	949	30	17.6	-7.8	43	27	-14	9	32	1.32	-0.04	0.53	4.0	10	10	4	14	ne.	O. E. McBride
Centerville	Appanoose	1,013	23	17.4	-9.7	43	24	-15	9†	35	0.71	-0.79	0.30	3.1	7	11	7	10	sw.	Thomas Wood
Chariton (near)	Lucas	1,042	33	16.2	-8.9	42	27	-16	9	35	0.34	-0.79	0.22	2.0	2	11	8	9	sw.	C. C. Burr
Corydon (near)	Wayne	1,050	35	16.4	-9.8	42	17	-17	9	36	11.0	-0.30	0.41	3.9	7	13	2	13	nw.	J. C. Davis
Creston	Union	1,291	23	15.4	-9.3	40	16†	-18	9	37	1.40	+0.06	0.39	15.2	9	12	12	4	n.	Mrs. N. Spangler
Earlham (near)	Madison	1,126	26	14.0	-9.3	40	16	-20	9	37	1.80	+0.39	0.48	22.5	12	13	3	12	se.	George Phillips
Indianola	Warren	972	37	15.9	-8.7	45	27	-17	9	33	1.45	+0.20	0.38	14.7	9	8	10	10	nw.	Seth F. Shenton
Knoxville	Marion	920	33	16.0	-9.7	43	27	-16	9	34	2.06	+0.81	0.78	12.5	10	12	3	13	nw.	W. J. Casey
Lacona	Warren	824	29								1.75	+0.07	0.40	15.5	12	11	16	7	nw.	J. B. Alter
Lamoni	Decatur	1,123	21	16.2	-11.2	41	23†	-19	9	34	1.38	+0.14	0.52	5.9	13	13	1	14	nw.	F. S. Parks
Mount Ayr	Ringgold	1,220	35	16.5	-9.9	42	23	-13	9	32	1.18	-0.12	0.52	7.3	7	16	3	9	sw.	E. O. Gleason
Tingley	Ringgold	1,275	3	15.4	-10.7	41	27	-16	9	30	1.60	+0.42	0.53	4.7	9	12	7	9	sw.	James A. Verploegh
Winterset	Madison	1,118	37	15.8	-9.0	41	23†	-16	9	30	2.50	+1.42	0.95	21.5	8	12	9	7	nw.	H. S. Ely
Means and extremes				16.1	-9.5	45	27	-20	9	37	1.53	+0.23	0.95	10.3	9	12	6	10	nw.	
<i>Southeast District</i>																				
Bonaparte (near)	Van Buren	563	37	17.5	-9.3	43	23	-15	20	35	0.67	-0.59	0.28	2.4	6	18	3	7	sw.	B. R. Vale
Burlington	Des Moines	544	32	20.4	-8.3	46	23	-7	9†	33	1.00	-0.81	0.45	5.0	10	14	7	7	sw.	John T. Donnelly
Columbus Junction	Louisa	595	27	17.5	-8.8	43	23	-19	20	40	0.82	-0.58	0.26	5.4	8	12	6	10	nw.	Miss Musa Todd
Fairfield	Jefferson	780	44	16.4	-9.1	43	23	-19	20	38	1.57	-0.02	0.42	6.7	9	12	4	12	n.	R. M. McKenzie
Keokuk	Lee	614	57	21.4	-6.9	52	23	-6	9	39	0.97	-0.58	0.61	5.8	11	7	7	14	e.	U. S. Weather Bureau
Keosauqua	Van Buren	639	36	18.0	-9.3	45	24	-19	10	39	0.55	-0.92	0.35	1.1	6	5	12	11	nw.	Dr. J. W. Rinabarger
Mt. Pleasant	Henry	730	47	19.0	-7.5	45	17†	-11	20	36	0.64	-0.80	0.28	4.5	6	12	7	9	nw.	J. H. Jericho
Oskalooza	Mahaska	835	52	16.4	-8.3	42	23†	-16	9†	36	1.43	+0.28	0.58	7.8	8	9	6	13	nw.	Roy R. Robinson
Ottumwa	Wapello	649	33	18.2	-8.5	45	23	-16	20	41	0.74	-0.71	0.30	1.9	6	10	12	6	nw.	C. L. Mikesh
Sigourney (near)	Keokuk	790	32	16.3	-8.4	40	16†	-21	20	39	1.19	-0.21	0.36	5.6	9	12	5	11	nw.	W. E. Utterback
Stockport (near)	Van Buren	747	26	17.3	-8.4	45	23	-18	10†	41	0.76	-0.63	0.35	4.5	5	14	2	12	nw.	C. L. Beswick
Washington	Washington	757	46	18.0	-7.5	45	23	-15	20	38	1.46	+0.17	0.73	6.0	5	11	6	11	nw.	D. D. Sherman
Wever	Lee	552		19.7		46	17†	-16	10	44	1.17		0.46	5.7	9				nw.	H. G. Liddle
Means and extremes				18.2	-8.2	52	23	-21	20	44	0.97	-0.46	0.73	4.8	7	11	7	10	nw.	
State means and extremes				14.0	-8.6	52	23	-35	20	50	1.31	+0.10	1.43	12.5	8	10	7	11	nw.	

Temperature normals are based on the 46-year period July 3, 1875 to July 2, 1921; shorter records corrected to harmonize. Precipitation normals are based on the 50-year period ended December 31, 1927 at first order stations; upon all records of 10 years or more ending December 31, 1920 for most of the co-operative observing stations; and upon interpolations from normal maps for recently established stations.

Reference letters a, b, c, etc., appearing in the table indicate the number of days missing; for example b represents two days, etc.

†Also other dates.  
 ††Received too late to be included in means and summaries.  
 T. Precipitation is less than 0.01 inch rain or melted snow.

PRECIPITATION

The average precipitation for the State, derived from the averages of 9 districts of nearly equal area and from the records of 113 stations, was 1.31 inches, or 0.10 inch more than the normal. There was an excess in all districts except the three eastern, the northeastern being exactly normal. Over most of the State the precipitation was all in the form of snow. The greatest amount at a single station was 3.03 inches at Iowa Falls and the least was 0.34 inch at Chariton. The greatest amount occurring in 24 consecutive hours was 1.43 inches at Red Oak on the 26th.

MISCELLANEOUS PHENOMENA

- Aurora*: 21st, 26th, 27th, 28th.
- Fog*: 11th, 13th, 20th, 21st, 23d, 24th, 25th, 27th, 28th.
- Halos* (lunar and solar): 2d, 3d, 5th, 7th, 10th, 12th, 15th, 16th, 17th, 18th, 20th, 21st, 23d, 24th, 28th.
- Haze*: 27th.
- Sleet*: 24th, 25th, 26th.
- Thunderstorms*: 7th.

Daily Precipitation for February, 1929

Stations	Drainage Basin	Day of Month																														Totals	
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30		31
<i>Northwest District</i>																																	
Akron	Big Sioux			.01	.03	.09	.12	T.		T.		.01		T.		.01	.01			T.				.06	.19		.05						
Alta	Raccoon			.14	.12	T.	.22	T.				.08		T.			.12	.03						.27	.47		.56						
Alton	Floyd			.10	.10	.05	.30			T.		.10	T.			.20	T.							.10	.20		.20						
Cherokee	Little Sioux			.10	.11	T.	.13	T.	T.		.02		.04	T.	T.		.06	.01			T.			.21	.14		.42						
Estherville	Des Moines					.05										.30							.10	.30									
Hawarden	Big Sioux			.05	.03	.13	.20	T.		T.		.16	T.	.01		.03	T.							.06	.11		.16						
Inwood (near)	Big Sioux			.08	.02	.02	.14					.03		.03		T.	.06							.02			.11						
Lake Park (near)	Little Sioux			.02	.03	.02	.09					T.				T.								.10	.54		.08						
Le Mars	Floyd			.02	.15	.03	.40					.07	.04			.10	.15							.25	.40		.40						
Marathon	Raccoon			.02	.08	T.	.08	.11	.03		T.	T.	T.	.09	T.	.02	.03	.11	.03			T.		T.	.12	.62	.03		.19				
Pocahontas	Des Moines			.04	.10	T.	.05	T.	.03		.02		.03	T.	.01		T.	.10	.03			T.			.35	.44		.05					
Rock Rapids	Big Sioux			.05	.09	.08	.20					.10		.03		.26								.02			.25						
Sanborn	Floyd			T.	.08	.08	.16	T.				.08		T.		.16								.08			.12						
Sheldon	Floyd			T.	.05	.04	.07	.17	T.	T.		.08	T.	.01		T.	.21	T.				T.			.08	.11		.28					
Sioux Center	Floyd			T.	.04	.04	.08	.18				.12		.04			.16							.04			.26						
Spencer	Little Sioux			.04			.21	.16					.08			.24								.16	.32		.08						
Storm Lake	Raccoon			.11	.11		.09			T.		.08	T.				.08	.03						.27	.37		.40						
Washta	Little Sioux			T.	.15		.20					T.		.04			.16							.16	.15		.19						
West Bend	Des Moines				.04		.04					.04		.04			.16							.16	.40		.04						
<i>North Central District</i>																																	
Algona	Des Moines						.18										.24								.76								
Allison	Cedar				.06	T.	.04	.04	T.		T.		T.	T.	T.		.15				T.	T.		.35	.80		T.						
Belmond	Iowa			T.	.05	.04	.06	.12	.13		T.		T.	.01	.03		T.	.15						.22	.85								
Britt	Iowa							.12	.13		T.		T.		.10		.36							.26	.59								
Charles City***	Cedar			T.	T.	T.	T.	.06	.02	.01	.01	.01		.02		T.	.28				T.			.55	.65		.02						
Forest City	Cedar			T.	.10	.05	.15	.15		.05		.07	T.		.10		T.	.25						.15	.55		T.						
Hampton	Cedar			.04	T.	.11						.07	T.				.18	T.						.26	1.05		.28						
Humboldt	Des Moines			T.	.08	T.	.08	.04	T.		.01		T.	T.		.16	T.							.40	.75		T.						
Mason City	Cedar			T.	.02	T.	.04	.05	.02	.01	.01	.02	T.	.03		T.	.42					T.			.42	.96		T.					
Northwood	Cedar			T.	T.	T.	.05	.10	.05		T.		T.	T.	.10		T.	.20						T.	.20	.40		T.					
Osage	Cedar				.04	.08	.12							.08	.04			.32							.20	.80							
<i>Northeast District</i>																																	
Decorah	Mississippi				T.				.07		T.		T.	T.	T.		.41					T.		.28	.58								
Dubuque***	Mississippi			T.	T.		T.	.02	.04		T.	T.	T.	.01	T.	.01	.03	.03	.02				T.		.68	.16		T.					
Fayette	Mississippi											.07		.10		T.	.44							.25	.12								
Independence	Wapsipinicon							.01	.06				T.											.40	.40								
Lansing	Mississippi																																
New Hampton	Wapsipinicon										T.						.32								.40	.40							
Oelwein	Wapsipinicon								.08							T.	.32					T.			.32	.24							
Postville (near)	Mississippi									T.	.09	T.		.05		.25							.05		.40	.10		.05					
Waterloo	Cedar				.01	T.				T.	.09	T.		.02		.01	.07	T.						.28	.72								
Waverly	Cedar						T.	.06			.04			.02		.16	.12	.04					.12	.06	.47	.47							
<i>West Central District</i>																																	
Audubon (near)	Nishnabotna			.10	.20	.10	.15	.15	.10		.01		.10				.05						.02		T.	.30	.70		.25				
Carroll	Raccoon			.05			.15	.15				.05				.10									.30	.55		.29					
Denison	Missouri				.05		.12									.15						T.			.18	.24		.14					
Guthrie Center	Raccoon																																
Harlan	Nishnabotna			.07	.05	.08	T.	.10	.10	.05		T.	T.		T.		T.	T.				T.		.03	.25	.45		.10					
Jefferson	Raccoon			T.	.10	.10	T.	.10	.15		.10		.10	.05			T.	.20				T.			.40	.60		.20					
Little Sioux	Little Sioux			.26	.21		.30			.01	.01	.01	.01			.01	.15							.01	.52	.15		.05					
Logan	Missouri			.12	.06		.25	.03				T.					T.	.30				T.			.30	.32		T.					
Onawa	Missouri			T.	.04	.08		.24				T.				T.	T.	T.						.48	.48		.08						
Rockwell City	Raccoon																.08	.08						.48	.64		.32						
Sac City	Raccoon			.04	.16	T.	.16	.04			T.		.12			.01	.08								.40	.40		.48					
Sioux City***	Missouri			T.	T.	.03	.02	.10	.14	T.		.01	T.		T.		.01	.08							.08	.32	.12		.08				
<i>Central District</i>																																	
Ames	Skunk			T.	T.	.01	.09	T.	.13				.03	T.	T.			.09				T.		.53	.88		.21						
Baxter	Skunk			.04	.04		.04	.08		T.		.04		T.				.04	.08					.42	.81		.02						
Boone (near)	Des Moines			.03	T.	T.	.02	.08		.01		.01		.01			T.	.07						.33	.80		.12						
Des Moines***	Des Moines			T.	.05	.01	.02	.05	.13		.01		.06	T.	.03		T.	.03	.08	.02					.50	.62	.25	.20					
Fort Dodge	Des Moines				.14	.03	.07	T.					.10				.07	.03						.38	.57		.08						
Grinnell	Iowa			T.		T.		T.	.08			.08				.04								T.	.07								
Grundy Center	Cedar				.10	.10	T.	.10			.03		T.		T.		.08	T.						.50	.30		T.						
Iowa Falls	Iowa				.15	.10		.10		.03					.10		.15								.85	1.20		.30					
Marshalltown	Iowa			T.	.02	.01	T.	.08	.05	T.		.03		.02	T.		T.	.04	.02	.01					.49	.77		.03					
Monroe	Des Moines			T.	T.	.04	T.	.15	T.	.15	T.	T.		T.		T.		T.	.09			T.			T.	.62	.69		T.				
Perry	Raccoon			.05	T.	T.	.10	.15	.05	.04	T.	.05	.03	.01																			

Daily Precipitation for February, 1929—Continued

Stations	Drainage Basin	Day of Month																														Totals						
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30		31					
<i>Southwest District</i>																																						
Atlantic	Nishnabotna	.20	.05	.05	.05	.10	T.	.10			.05	.05							.10	.05		T.			.22	.48	.50		.30						2.30			
Bedford	Nishnabotna	.05	T.	T.	.05	.04	.10	.08			T.	T.	T.								.08	T.				.17	.54	.35		.12						1.58		
Clarinda	Nodaway	T.		T.				.08			T.										.08						.24	.16								0.68		
Corning	Nodaway		.06								T.											T.			T.	.18	.52			.16						1.00		
Cumberland (near)	Nodaway	.22		T.	T.	.20	.15				T.		T.								T.	.20	T.		.46	.62	.78		.14							2.77		
Glenwood	Missouri	.05				.05	.10	.10					.05							.01	.10	T.			.10	.30	.60		T.							1.46		
Lenox	Missouri	.05			T.	.05	.05	.05			.03									T.	.05				.13	.45	.20		.03							1.09		
Oakland	Nishnabotna	.08		T.		.12														.04			.03		.56	.56	T.									1.39		
Red Oak (near)	Nishnabotna	.04	.08			.04	.04	.04			T.		T.									T.			.63	1.43										2.26		
Riverton (near)	Nishnabotna	.07	.01	.04	T.	.05	.06	.03			T.		T.									T.			.01	.48	.28					.05				1.13		
Thurman	Missouri	.05				T.	T.	.02			T.		T.							T.	.06	T.			T.	.22	.33		T.							0.68		
Omaha, Neb.***	Missouri	.15	T.		T.	.18	.06	.02			T.		T.						T.	.02	.03	T.	.02		.50	1.03	.20		.01							2.20		
<i>South Central District</i>																																						
Afton	Grand	.04			.03	T.	.40	.50			T.													.03		.26	.70	.65		.20							2.81	
Albia	Des Moines	.02			T.	.02	.01	.09			T.	T.	.01							T.	.06				.17	.53	.38		.03							1.32		
Centerville	Chariton			T.	.01	T.	.02	.04				T.	.04											.04		.30	.26		T.								0.71	
Chariton (near)	Chariton	T.	T.	T.	T.	T.	T.	T.		T.		T.													.12	.22		T.									0.34	
Corydon (near)	Chariton	T.		T.	.04		.15				.02		T.									.09			.29	.41					.10					1.10		
Creston	Missouri	.07			.05	.06	.01				T.			T.									.05		.34	.39	.38		.05							1.40		
Eariham (near)	Des Moines	.16	.08		.04	T.	.05	T.			T.		.04	T.	.04					T.	.16		T.		.08	.48	.48		.16								1.80	
Indianola	Des Moines		.38	.20	T.	T.	.05	T.			T.		.05	T.	.05						.05	.05	T.	T.	.20	T.	.27		.20							1.45		
Knoxville	Des Moines	.10	T.	T.	.05	.03	T.	.10			T.		.05	T.	.15						.15	.15			.05	.65	.78		.10							2.06		
Lacona	Des Moines		.19		.10		.10	.10				.05	.05								.05	.10			.30	.40	.10		.30							1.75		
Lamoni	Grand	.04	.01	.09	.01	.03	.02	.10			.01									T.	.05			.11	.52	.26		.13								1.38		
Mount Ayr	Grand				.12	T.		.10	.17		T.										.05				.52	.10			.12								1.18	
Tingley	Platte	.07	.03	T.	T.	T.	T.	.07			.03														.30	.53	.48		.06								1.60	
Winterset	Des Moines	T.	.20	T.	T.	T.	.10	.07			T.		.10	T.									.10	T.	.10	.95	.75		.20								2.50	
<i>Southeast District</i>																																						
Bonaparte (near)	Des Moines		T.	T.	T.	T.	T.	.17			T.		.03								.04				.03	.28	.12										0.67	
Burlington	Mississippi				.05	.03	.02	.16					.06	.04								.05			.02	.45	.12										1.00	
Columbus Jct.	Iowa					.01	.12						.11	.02	.01							.09			T.	.26	.20										0.82	
Fairfield	Skunk		.01			.10	.01	.20					.15									.20			.23	.25	.42		T.								1.57	
Keokuk**	Mississippi	T.		T.	.08	.01	T.	.05	.07		T.		.04	.01								.01	.05		.01	.61	T.		.03								0.97	
Keosauqua	Des Moines		T.	T.	.02			.02	.02			.04											T.		T.	.35	.10		T.									0.55
Mt. Pleasant	Skunk					T.	T.	.12				.07										.03	T.	.12	.01	.28	.13										0.64	
Oskaloosa	Des Moines		.03	T.	T.	T.	.02	.06			T.		.05	T.										.07	.58	.56		T.									1.43	
Ottumwa	Des Moines		.04	T.	T.	T.	.01					.03	T.											T.	.30	.25		T.										0.74
Sigourney (near)	Skunk		.04	T.	.02		.03	.24			T.	T.	.10												.04	.36	.26											1.19
Stockport (near)	Skunk		.05			T.		.15			T.		.18	T.											T.	T.	.35										0.76	
Washington	Skunk				T.	T.	T.	.15			T.		.18	T.		.01							.18		T.	.73	.36										1.46	
Wever	Mississippi			.05	.02	.02	T.	.16					.24	.04									.04		.46	.14											1.17	

Except as otherwise indicated, observations are generally made late in the afternoon, near sunset, and precipitation recorded is for 24 hours ending at the time of observation.

|||Precipitation measured in the morning; amount then recorded is for the preceding 24 hours.

\*\*\*Regular Weather Bureau Station; precipitation is for 24-hour period midnight to midnight.

\*\*Incomplete.

\*Precipitation included in the next following measurement.

T. Precipitation is less than .01 inch or melted snow.

PRESSURE, RELATIVE HUMIDITY, WIND AND SUNSHINE

Stations	Barometric Pressure, Inches (Sea Level)				Relative Humidity, %				Wind				Sunshine					
	Mean	Highest	Date	Lowest	Date	Mean		Lowest	Date	Total movement	Average hourly velocity			% possible Departure from normal				
						7 A. M.	12 Noon				7 P. M.	Miles	From		Date			
Chas. City	30.16	30.62	1	29.38	24	94	76	86	64	5	3,508	5.2	19	se.	20	43	-10	
Davenport	30.15	30.69	1	29.34	26	89	76	80	50	20	5,489	5.2	30	sw.	26	53	+6	
Des Moines	30.16	30.65	1	29.46	25	94	76	82	57	14	3,974	5.9	19	sw.	22	53	+4	
Dubuque	30.15	30.66	2	29.33	26	86	64	75	27	22	3,306	4.9	19	nw.	18	41	+9	
Keokuk	30.17	30.72	1	29.40	25	79	57	69	29	9	4,299	6.1	24	sw.	26	58	+6	
Sioux City	30.17	30.63	1	29.60	16	87	81	84	48	15	6,538	9.7	32	w.	16	46	-11	
Omaha, Nb	30.16	30.61	1	29.58	25	83	70	74	45	22	5,136	7.6	26	nw.	17	47	-11	
Means and extremes	30.16					88	71	79				6.8					50	-5
Normals and records		30.72	1	29.33	26			27	22				32	w.	16			
	30.10		21st		28th	83		74		22d					4th		55	
		§31.07	1918	*28.69	1902	†13	1880					§56	n.w.	1917				

§Sioux City \*Davenport †Des Moines ‡Local mean time ‡And other dates.

‡January 1, 1928, 3-cup anemometers replaced the 4-cup instruments used since the establishment of the Weather Bureau stations. The new instruments will more accurately indicate the true wind movement. The records of the 4-cup instruments were somewhat too high at moderate velocities and considerably too high at the higher velocities. Tables of true velocities corresponding to indicated velocities appear in the January, 1928 Climatological Data. For purposes of comparison the highest velocity of record in the lower line of the table has been converted into a 3-cup velocity.

SNOWFALL

The average snowfall for the State was 12.5 inches, or 5.5 inches more than normal. This month ranks as the 2d greatest snowfall in the period of Statewide snowfall records beginning in 1892. In 1905 the State average was 3.0 inches greater. The north-central district reported the greatest average with 18.7 inches and the southeastern the least with 4.8 inches. There was considerable melting in the southern and extreme eastern portions but over more than half of the State there was no melting and all the snow that fell during both January and February was still on the ground at the end of the month, though there was considerable settling. The greatest snowfall reported was 27.8 inches at Iowa Falls and the least was 1.1 inches at Keosauqua.

RIVERS

All rivers were frozen the entire month. Moderate stages prevailed and there was very little fluctuation, the extreme range on the larger streams averaged about one foot. On the interior streams low stages prevailed and there were falling stages most of the month.

Daily Maximum and Minimum Temperature for the Month of January, 1929

Table with columns for Stations, days 1-31, and Mean. Rows are categorized into Northern Division (Algona to Postville), Central Division (Ames to Guthrie Center), and Southern Division (Albia to Omaha, Neb.). Each station entry includes maximum and minimum temperatures for each day.

**THE WINTER OF 1928-1929**

The mean temperature for the three winter months was 17.6° which is 4.1° lower than the normal for the State, and 6.6° lower than the mean of 1927-1928. The average for the three winter months is the lowest since the winter of 1917-1918, which was 2.2° colder than this winter, and the low average was due largely in that winter to an abnormally cold December. Out of 56 winters for which Statewide average temperatures are available, 14 have been colder, the coldest being 1874-75, with a mean of 11.8°. The average temperature for January and February was the lowest since 1912, when the average was 11.2° compared to 12.1° in January and February, 1929. The highest temperature during the winter was 57° at Sioux City on the 27th of December, and the lowest was -35° at Decorah, on February 20th.

The average monthly precipitation for the State was 1.42 inches, and the average total was 4.26 inches, or 0.84 inch more than the

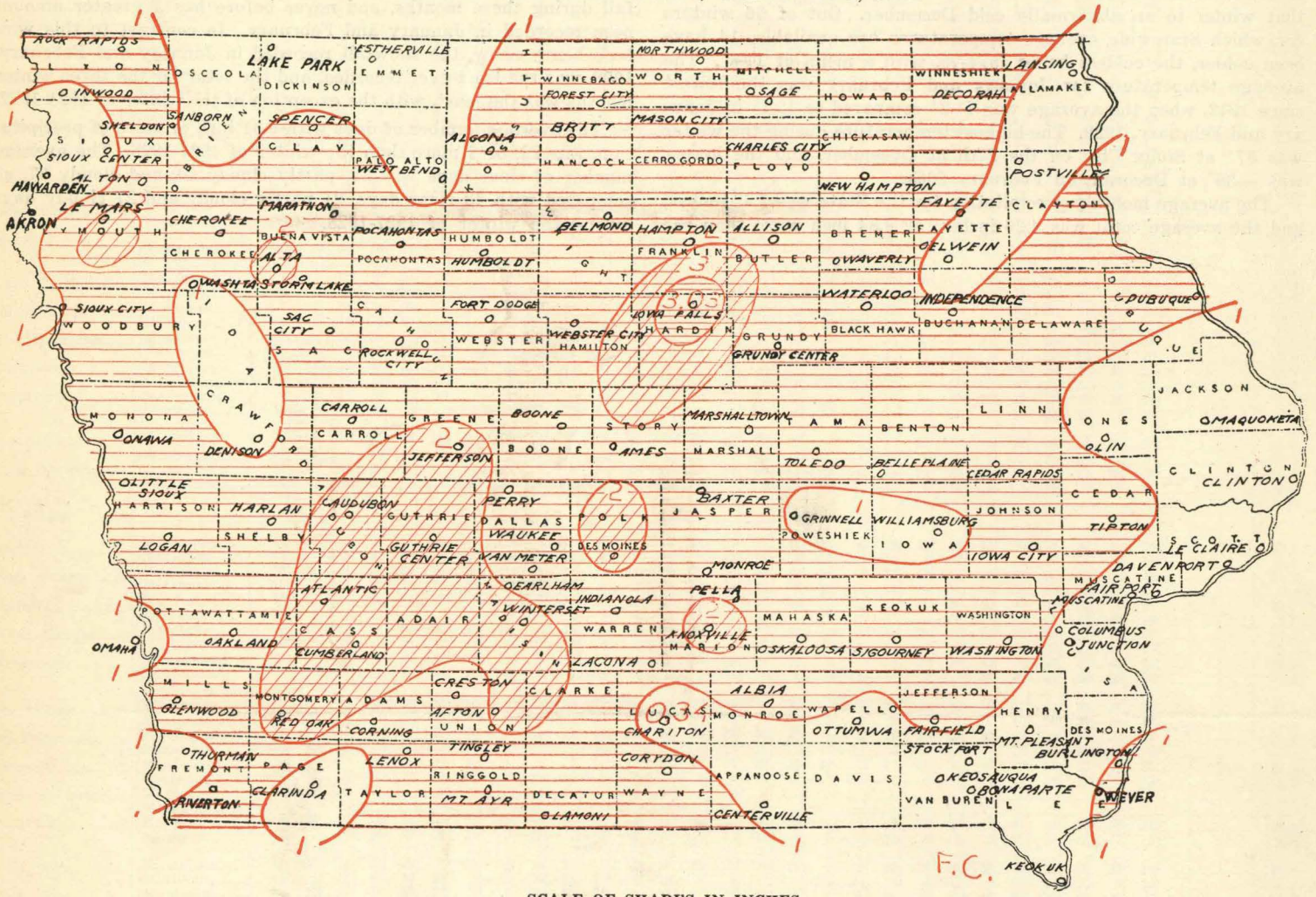
normal. January precipitation was nearly double the normal, February was slightly above, and December was about 25 per cent below normal.

The average snowfall for the winter was 32.3 inches, which is 11.6 inches more than the normal, and only once since Statewide records of snowfall began in 1892, has there been a greater snowfall during these months, and never before has a greater amount been recorded in January and February. In contrast to this winter's heavy snow, the snowfall recorded in January and February, 1928, was the least ever recorded, and the total for the three winter months was the least, with the exception of the winter of 1921-1922.

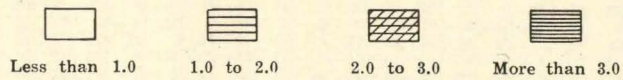
The average number of days with 0.01 inch or more of precipitation, was 22, or 7 more than the winter of 1927-1928. The average number of clear days was 33, partly cloudy 20, and cloudy 37, as compared with 43 clear days, 21 partly cloudy and 27 cloudy days during the winter of 1927-1928.

CLIMATOLOGICAL DATA: IOWA SECTION

TOTAL PRECIPITATION, FEBRUARY, 1929



SCALE OF SHADES IN INCHES



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GENERAL SUMMARY

The severe winter conditions that prevailed during January and February broke early in March. The first six days of the month averaged slightly above normal and in portions of the State there was considerable thawing. A decided change to cooler occurred from the 7th to the 9th and thereafter until the 31st the temperature was above normal almost continuously. The last day of the month was cold, stormy and disagreeable. The mean temperature was about 0.2° warmer than last March and the average precipitation was exactly the same.

The outstanding feature of the month was the widespread floods that embraced practically the entire State. These floods began in the southern portion of the State during the last of the first week and at the end of the month places in the southeastern portion were still confronted with floods. The abnormally heavy snowfall of January and February had melted very little, except in the southern districts, and was still on the ground over the greater portion of the State. Before the principal floods occurred there were many serious situations produced by the formation of ice gorges that caused local floods for short intervals at many points in the southern portion of the State. Over most of the central and northern portions there was very little thawing until about the middle of the second week, though the snow had settled considerably. However, with the advent of mild weather a rapid thaw set in and by the middle of the third week there was very little snow left, except where drifted and in timber lands. The ground was frozen and could absorb very little water and this situation made conditions ideal for the production of floods and soon an unprecedented condition developed in many portions of the State. Never before, at any time, had there been as high stages on the Nishnabotna and Cedar rivers. The worst situation developed on the interior rivers, and practically all streams within the State overflowed at some part of their courses. The first serious flood developed on the Nishnabotna river, and the situation was the worst in Fremont county. At the same time the Boyer river was also at flood stage, and the situation on both streams was aggravated by the formation of huge ice gorges that destroyed bridges, damaged highways, caused washouts and carried away farm property. The Raccoon river at Van Meter had been frozen continuously until the 11th, but with the rapid thawing a gorge formed that caused a rise to above flood stage overnight, and continued above flood stage for eight days, with a crest stage of 18.5 feet, just a few tenths less than the record stage. The Des Moines river did not reach flood stage at Des Moines, but it rose to slightly above 16 feet, and there was much apprehension as to the safety of the levees in the lower portions of the city, and a constant watch was kept. Above Des Moines flood stages were reached at a few points as the result of gorges, but the timely use of dynamite prevented serious damage. Below Des Moines the flood situation was serious and much damage was sustained. At Tracy the river was above flood stage from the 12th to 23d and the crest exceeded the flood stage by 3.2

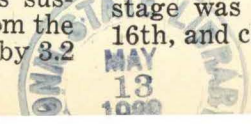
COMPARATIVE DATA FOR THE STATE—MARCH

Table with columns: YEAR, Temperature (Mean, Departure, Highest, Lowest), Precipitation (Total, Departure, Greatest, Least, Snowfall), Number of Days (With prec. .01 in. or more, Clear, Partly cloudy, Cloudy). Rows list years from 1873 to 1929.

T. indicates an amount too small to measure, or less than .005 inch rainfall and less than .05 inch snowfall.

feet; at Ottumwa the crest was 4.5 feet above flood stage, and from the 14th until the 24th the stage was continuously at flood. Along the entire course of the stream thousands of acres were flooded, crops and small buildings washed away, and many people rendered temporarily homeless. The Cedar river experienced probably the worst condition. Floods were reported throughout its course, but the situation was the worst at Cedar Rapids and Waterloo. The crest stages were reported to have been the highest ever experienced at these points. The principal industrial plants were forced to suspend, business houses were flooded, and many homes abandoned. At many places power plants and water works were forced to suspend, and great inconvenience was experienced due to the lack of light and water. High water was also experienced in the Iowa, Maquoketa, Wapsipicon and upper Iowa rivers, but by the manipulation of dams and use of dynamite at the proper times, the situation was kept well under control. The Mississippi did not reach flood stage above Muscatine, but the highest March stages of record were recorded. At Muscatine the flood stage was reached on the 19th, and at Keokuk on the 16th, and continued above flood stage throughout the rest

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Climatological Data for March, 1929

STATIONS	COUNTIES	Elevation, feet	Length of record, years	Temperature, in Degrees Fahrenheit						Precipitation, in inches				Number of Days				OBSERVERS			
				Mean	Departure from normal	Highest	Date	Lowest	Date	Greatest daily range	Total	Departure from normal	Greatest in 24 hours	Total snowfall (unmelted)	Precipitation .01 in. or more	Clear	Partly cloudy		Cloudy	Prevailing direction of wind	
<i>Northwest District</i>																					
Akron	Plymouth	1,153	2									0.81	-0.45	0.40	7.5	7	17	7	n.w.	Orlan C. Moore D. E. Hadden W. S. Stagle J. E. Wirth A. O. Peterson	
Alta	Buena Vista	1,513	37	36.8	+ 3.8	64	28	3	9	33	1.31	-0.24	0.82	8.0	6	13	10	8	s.		
Alton	Sioux	1,305	23	36.9	+ 4.9	65	29	7	9	33	1.75	+0.65	0.80	11.5	7	5	17	9	w.		
Cherokee	Cherokee	1,196	8	36.6	+ 4.7	63	27	1	9	34	0.82	-0.46	0.58	8.5	4	12	9	10	s.		
Estherville	Emmet	1,298	33	34.4	+ 2.8	63	28	0	9	34	1.20	-0.07	0.50	8.0	3	12	14	5	n.w.		
<i>Hawarden</i>																					
Hawarden	Sioux	1,181	2									0.57	-0.71	0.43	6.0	5	18	2	11	n.w.	Earl V. Slife A. C. Hanson P. M. Lawrence Henry Newell E. G. Smith
Inwood (near)	Lyon	1,474	24	36.6	+ 3.9	67	29	5	9	37	0.40	-0.80	0.27	3.0	3	13	9	9	sw.		
Lake Park (near)	Dickinson	1,489	15	33.8	+ 2.4	61	28	-4	9	30	1.33	+0.04	0.75	3.4	6	10	10	11	sw.		
Le Mars	Plymouth	1,224	32	38.6	+ 5.3	63	20	8	9	36	1.54	+0.29	0.85	12.5	5	18	4	9	s.		
Marathon	Buena Vista	1,390	2								1.38		1.25	12.5	4	11	7	13	n.w.		
<i>Pocahontas</i>																					
Pocahontas	Pocahontas	1,248	24	35.8	+ 3.5	62	27	1	9	33	1.26	-0.11	0.82	8.7	4	13	5	13	se.	F. E. Hronek Nellie F. Medberry P. M. Lawrence Ross E. Forward F. C. Aue	
Rock Rapids	Lyon	1,349	29	36.1	+ 4.6	64	29	2	9	36	0.81	-0.51	0.43	6.2	4	25	1	5	s.		
Sanborn	O'Brien	1,553	14	34.8	+ 3.2	62	28	-1	9	35	1.12	-0.28	0.64	8.5	4	11	12	8	ne.		
Sheldon	O'Brien	1,418	17	35.8	+ 4.2	64	29	4	9	36	1.14	-0.16	0.66	7.1	6	12	12	7	s.		
Sioux Center	Sioux	1,426	29	36.3	+ 4.8	62	17	5	9	32	0.58	-0.68	0.33	4.2	2	13	8	10	se.		
<i>Spencer</i>																					
Spencer	Clay	1,319	14	36.6	+ 4.2	64	28	2	9	36	1.09	-0.23	0.40	7.8	6	6	15	10	sw.	E. W. Little L. B. Florey H. L. Felter Jos. Dorweiler	
Storm Lake	Buena Vista	1,438	39	36.5	+ 3.9	61	27	4	9	31	1.59	+0.29	1.42	9.5	3	16	8	7	sw.		
Washta	Cherokee	1,157	30	37.8	+ 4.5	65	28	6	9	39	1.26	+0.25	0.90	8.0	6	17	6	8	s.		
West Bend	Palo Alto	1,197	35	35.6	+ 3.6	62	28	-3	9	31	1.08	-0.48	0.74	11.0	3	10	12	9	sw.		
<i>Means and extremes</i>																					
				36.2	+ 4.0	67	29	-4	9	39	1.11	-0.19	1.42	8.0	5	13	9	9	s.		
<i>North Central District</i>																					
<i>Algon</i>																					
Algon	Kossuth	1,224	55	36.3	+ 4.8	63	23	0	9	36	0.32	-1.10	0.13		3	17	2	12	se.	W. E. Laird E. W. Detra H. F. Luick E. P. Healy U. S. Weather Bureau	
Allison	Butler	1,060	14	34.4	+ 2.3	64	26	3	7	35	1.20	-0.43	0.75	8.0	5	12	7	12	sw.		
Belmond	Wright	1,181	18	35.2	+ 3.9	61	27	-4	9	34	0.74	-0.59	0.31	8.0	5	8	6	17	n.w.		
Britt	Hancock	1,236	41	35.8	+ 4.3	60	27	-1	9	31	0.91	-0.34	0.89	6.0	2	4	14	13	sw.		
Charles City	Floyd	1,015	37	34.2	+ 3.5	60	27	1	9	31	1.67	-0.10	1.27	5.9	6	8	11	12	se.		
<i>Forest City</i>																					
Forest City	Winnebago	1,226	34	34.3	+ 2.5	63	27	-3	9	36	0.43	-1.00	0.37	3.9	3	7	9	15	se.	Dr. M. B. Neil L. H. Davis H. C. Snitkey American Beet Sugar Co. Charles Dwelle	
Hampton	Franklin	1,145	3								0.68	-1.07	0.35	6.0	4						
Humboldt	Humboldt	1,095	40	36.6	+ 3.4	62	27	0	9	34	1.00	-0.44	0.70	4.5	2	10	6	15	n.w.		
Mason City	Cerro Gordo	1,148	31	34.3	+ 3.4	61	28	-5	9	33	1.02	-0.35	0.68	7.5	5	8	12	11	n.w.		
Northwood	Worth	1,222	32	33.6	+ 4.4	60	27	-2	9	30	1.88	+0.03	1.30	12.8	7	7	12	12	n.w.		
<i>Osage</i>																					
Osage	Mitchell	1,163	34	33.8	+ 3.9	60	27	-2	9	31	1.05	-0.54	0.60	8.0	5	10	9	12	n.w.	Dr. C. E. Juhl	
<i>Means and extremes</i>																					
				34.8	+ 3.6	64	26	-5	9	36	0.99	-0.54	1.30	7.1	4	9	9	13	n.w.		
<i>Northeast District</i>																					
<i>Decorah</i>																					
Decorah	Winnesheik	872	35	35.0	+ 3.7	61	18	0	9	36	1.63	-0.17	0.93	5.0	4	9	8	14	n.w.	M. D. Whitney U. S. Weather Bureau R. Z. Latimer Dr. Geo. Boody Mrs. Mary Spinner	
Dubuque	Dubuque	700	55	38.6	+ 4.6	64	18	7	7	30	2.41	+0.38	1.17	2.7	9	8	7	16	s.		
Fayette	Fayette	1,003	40	35.8	+ 4.5	66	18	2	7	35	2.58	+0.47	1.20	6.5	5	12	10	9	sw.		
Independence	Buchanan	956	64	36.4	+ 2.3	65	18	3	9	33	1.74	+0.02	0.61	2.8	5	16	1	14	ne.		
Lansing	Allamakee	632	21								1.47	-0.57	0.56	4.0	7				n.w.		
<i>New Hampton</i>																					
New Hampton	Chickasaw	1,169	31	34.2	+ 2.9	61	27	-1	9	33	1.54	-0.38	0.70	3.0	3	8	9	14	n.w.	D. W. Dawson John T. Ridler F. L. Williams R. B. Shippy D. H. Murphy	
Fayette	Fayette	1,036	5	36.2	+ 3.2	65	18	3	7	32	1.82	0.00	0.90	9.0	4	11	6	14	n.w.		
Postville (near)	Clayton	1,192	29	33.8	+ 3.2	62	18	0	7	31	1.56	-0.36	0.64	6.0	5	11	8	12	sw.		
Waterloo	Black Hawk	854	45	37.2	+ 2.8	66	18	0	9	38	1.92	+0.25	0.72	4.1	5	14	4	13	se.		
Waverly	Bremer	936	32	36.4	+ 3.5	65	18	0	9	36	1.85	+0.07	0.70	6.5	5	19	4	8	n.w.		
<i>Means and extremes</i>																					
				36.0	+ 3.5	66	18	-1	9	38	1.85	-0.03	1.20	5.0	5	12	6	13	n.w.		
<i>West Central District</i>																					
<i>Audubon (near)</i>																					
Audubon (near)	Audubon	1,297	33	38.6	+ 4.8	63	27	11	7	32	0.67	-0.78	0.51	2.0	2	13	12	6	sw.	George Kibby Mrs. Jos. J. Wolfe V. L. Byers	
Carroll	Carroll	1,265	38	38.0	+ 2.0	64	27	4	9	33	0.55	-1.14	0.55	0.5	1	23	1	7	n.w.		
Denison	Crawford	1,171	34	38.4	+ 3.4	64	27	7	9	33	0.41	-1.12	0.23	5.5	3	8	13	10	n.w.		
<i>Guthrie Center</i>																					
Guthrie Center	Guthrie	987	33																	Walter Bell	
Harlan	Shelby	1,192	29	38.4	+ 3.1	65	27	9	9	35	0.70	-0.63	0.50	1.5	2	15	8	8	n.w.		
<i>Jefferson</i>																					
Jefferson	Greene	1,052	29	38.4	+ 2.6	65	27	6	9	37	1.15	-0.31	0.80	1.0	3	13	7	11	sw.	W. I. Lyon H. W. Kerr Amy Ann Stern Mrs. H. E. Colby A. W. McIsaac	
Little Sioux	Harrison	1,040	23	40.6	+ 4.5	67	20	13	9	40	0.74	-0.58	0.25	3.5	6	8	17	6	sw.		
Logan	Harrison	1,120	61	40.4	+ 3.2	67	27	11	9	38	1.10	-0.56	0.55	6.0	4	10	16	5	n.w.		
Onawa	Monona	1,051	27	39.6	+ 4.3	68	29	12	9	37	1.20	-0.42	0.96	14.0	2	15	7	9	sw.		
Rockwell City	Calhoun	1,232	32	37.8	+ 4.0	65	22	0	9	33	0.82	-0.79	0.50	7.0	2	19	5	7	n.w.		
<i>Sac City</i>																					
Sac City	Sac	1,269	52	37.1	+ 4.0	63	28	3	9	31	0.30	-1.13	0.30	3.0	1	10	12	9	sw.	F. P. Kessler U. S. Weather Bureau	
Sioux City	Woodbury	1,135	39	39.6	+ 6.9	68	29	13	9	33	1.12	-0.03	0.65	7.1	8	8	15	8	n.w.		
<i>Means and extremes</i>																					
				38.8	+ 3.9	68	29	0	9	40	0.80	-0.68	0.96	4.6	3	13	10	8	n.w.		
<i>Central District</i>																					
<i>Ames</i>																					
Ames	Story	926	51	38.8	+ 3.8	66	22	5	9	35	1.02	-0.40	0.35	2.5	6	19	0	12	n.w.	Iowa State College F. A. Kanne C. F. Henning U. S. Weather Bureau Mrs. Emma Sampson	
Baxter	Jasper	998	28																		
Boone (near)	Boone	894	23	38.0	+ 2.0	64	22	5	9	39	1.12	-0.32	0.70	2.0	5	12	14	5	n.w.		
Des Moines	Polk	861	50	40.8	+ 4.9	73	24	10	9	38	1.11	-0.67	0.43	0.7	5	6	10	15	sw.		
Fort Dodge	Webster	1,114	28	37.0	+ 2.7	62	27	0	9	35	1.21	-0.39	0.55	5.8	8	10	11	10	sw.		
<i>Grinnell</i>																					
Grinnell	Poweshiek	1,031	34	39.2	+ 3.9	72	24	5	9	40	1.70	-0.13	0.50	1.5	6	16	7	8	se.	R. E. Bates M. G. Heiberger C. H. Gilbert C. C. Pigman J. A. Dibbel	
Grundy Center	Grundy	976	37	37.2	+ 2.5	67	18	0	9	34	2.38	+0.58	1.20	6.0	4	16	6	9	w.		
Iowa Falls	Hardin	1,127	35	35.3																	

Climatological Data for March, 1929—Continued

STATIONS	COUNTIES	Elevation, feet	Length of record, years	Temperature, in Degrees Fahrenheit						Precipitation, in inches				Number of Days				Prevailing direction of wind	OBSERVERS		
				Mean	Departure from normal	Highest	Date	Lowest	Date	Greatest daily range	Total	Departure from normal	Greatest in 24 hours	Total snowfall (unmelted)	Precipitation, .01 in. or more	Clear	Partly cloudy			Cloudy	
<b>East Central District</b>																					
Belle Plaine	Benton	866	38	39.2	+ 4.3	68	24	7	9	36	1.85	- 0.43	0.75	1.0	5	11	10	10	n.w.	O. C. Burrows J. T. Wurster Dr. A. P. Bryant U. S. Weather Bureau Rex Shriver	
Cedar Rapids	Linn	737	46	40.0	+ 5.3	69	25	9	7 <sup>†</sup>	36	1.34	- 0.96	0.63	1.0	8	12	1	18	sw.		
Clinton	Clinton	595	55	42.2	+ 6.4	68	22 <sup>†</sup>	10	7	32	2.13	- 0.69	0.53	0.5	13	12	5	14	s.		
Davenport	Scott	580	57	43.4	+ 7.3	74	24	12	7	36	2.60	+ 0.29	1.12	0.5	12	8	9	14	sw.		
Davenport No. 2	Scott	690	3	43.6		73	24	11	7	36	2.01		1.03	1.0	12	16	8	7	sw.		
Fairport	Muscatine	567	7	43.5	+ 6.5	73	25	11	7	34	2.26	- 0.20	0.70	0	13	11	2	18	s.	Bureau of Fisheries Prof. J. F. Reilly Margaret T. Disney John Strodthoff William Molis	
Iowa City	Johnson	733	68	41.8	+ 6.2	75	25	10	7	38	2.26	- 0.14	1.08	0.5	9	12	7	12	n.w.		
Le Claire	Scott	576	28								2.18	- 0.18	0.62	T.	10						
Maquoketa (near)	Jackson	692	23	39.7	+ 6.2	76	25	7	7	38	1.74	- 0.58	0.91	1.5	11	13	3	15	n.w.		
Muscatine	Muscatine	546	67								2.14	- 0.46	0.50	1.0	12						
Olin	Jones	760	29	39.4	+ 4.9	78	25	9	2 <sup>†</sup>	42	1.73	- 0.53	1.02	1.0	4	14	5	12	se.	Mrs. L. Stingley John Kroepfen Dr. F. C. Schadt	
Tipton (near)	Cedar	807	29	40.8	+ 5.3	75	25	9	7	38	2.58	- 0.01	1.25	0	8	10	10	11	w.		
Williamsburg	Iowa	770	12	40.6	+ 6.2	78	25	10	7 <sup>†</sup>	42	1.21	- 0.90	0.68	0	5	16	6	9	n.w.		
Means and extremes					41.3	+ 6.1	78	25	7	7 <sup>†</sup>	42	2.00	- 0.40	1.25	0.6	9	12	6	13	n.w.	
<b>Southwest District</b>																					
Atlantic	Cass	1,110	37	39.8	+ 3.8	67	27	9	9	35	0.87	- 0.72	0.63	1.5	6	7	12	12	sw.	T. H. Whitney Arthur L. Bishop Dr. H. C. Hawley C. A. Smith Carl E. Pollock	
Bedford	Taylor	1,200									0.67	- 1.15	0.47	2.0	3	13	7	11	sw.		
Clarinda	Page	1,009	38	41.7	+ 3.6	79	24	12	9	44	1.56	- 0.16	0.69	10.5	4	12	12	7	sw.		
Corning	Adams	1,150	36	42.0	+ 6.1	72	24	10	9	47	1.12	- 0.78	0.90	2.2	2	12	12	7	n.w.		
Cumberland (near)	Cass	1,225	29								0.50	- 1.04	0.45	0	2	13	11	7	sw.		
Glenwood	Mills	1,100	30	42.4	+ 4.5	68	20 <sup>†</sup>	14	9	40	0.89	- 0.45	0.40	3.5	4	13	10	7	n.w.	George Mogridge J. L. Hurley W. S. Matthews B. R. Bridge Geo. C. Rader	
Lenox	Taylor	1,250	33	40.8	+ 4.2	67	22 <sup>†</sup>	9	9	37	0.87	- 0.67	0.61	0.3	3	17	5	9	n.w.		
Oakland	Pottawattamie	1,139	9	40.6	+ 4.4	68	20 <sup>†</sup>	12	9	37	0.50	- 0.97	0.40	1.0	2	14	8	9	sw.		
Red Oak (near)	Montgomery	1,030	3								0.87	- 0.73	0.49	2.0	3	7	18	6	s.		
Riverton (near)	Fremont	920	2								0.97	- 0.63	0.42	3.0	3	14	3	14	n.		
Thurman	Fremont	960	31	42.9	+ 4.9	70	27	16	5 <sup>†</sup>	39	0.59	- 0.89	0.25	2.5	3	12	7	12	s.	H. H. Askew U. S. Weather Bureau	
Omaha, Neb.		1,105	57	42.4	+ 5.4	68	27	14	9	32	0.54	- 0.83	0.26	1.5	4	11	11	9	n.w.		
Means and extremes					41.6	+ 4.6	79	24	9	9	47	0.83	- 0.75	0.90	2.5	3	12	10	9	sw.	
<b>South Central District</b>																					
Afton	Union	1,212	34	41.0	+ 4.5	77	24	9	9	43	0.98	- 0.91	0.80	0	2	12	12	7	sw.	S. R. Brown O. E. McBride Thomas Wood C. C. Burr J. C. Davis	
Albia	Monroe	949	30	42.8	+ 6.6	81	24	11	9	46	1.44	- 0.52	1.20	T.	4	12	5	14	sw.		
Centerville	Appanoose	1,013	23	44.2	+ 6.3	82	24	12	9	45	1.73	- 0.20	1.44	T.	7	15	5	11	sw.		
Chariton (near)	Lucas	1,042	33	41.6	+ 5.6	79	24	10	9	44	0.95	- 0.79	0.95	T.	1	12	11	8	sw.		
Corydon (near)	Wayne	1,050	35	42.2	+ 5.6	80	24	11	9	44	1.80	- 0.21	1.71	T.	5	9	6	16	n.w.		
Creston	Union	1,291	23	39.8	+ 4.2	77	24	8	9	43	0.49	- 0.97	0.47	0	2	6	20	5	s.	Mrs. N. Spangler George Phillips Seth F. Shenton W. J. Casey J. B. Alter	
Earlham (near)	Madison	1,126	26	38.8	+ 3.8	70	24	7	9	39	0.81	- 0.90	0.56	0.5	3	16	6	9	sw.		
Indianola	Warren	972	37	41.0	+ 4.7	77	24	9	9	39	1.14	- 0.49	0.82	0	3	9	12	10	sw.		
Knoxville	Marion	920	33	42.3	+ 5.7	79	24	10	9	45	1.00	- 0.80	0.90	0	2	12	5	14	sw.		
Lacona	Warren	824	29								1.58	- 0.72	1.05	0	7	11	12	8	n.w.		
Lamoni	Decatur	1,123	21	41.4	+ 4.5	81	24	10	9	46	1.34	- 0.53	1.11	0	3	16	9	6	n.w.	F. S. Parks E. O. Gleason James A. Verploegh H. S. Ely	
Mount Ayr	Ringgold	1,220	35	41.6	+ 4.6	79	24	11	9	44	1.60	- 0.30	1.60	T.	1	19	8	4	sw.		
Tingley	Ringgold	1,275	3	41.0	+ 4.7	78	24	10	9	44	0.84	- 0.96	0.84	0	1	11	12	8	sw.		
Winterset	Madison	1,118	37	40.8	+ 4.6	73	24	9	9	41	0.70	- 1.05	0.50	0.5	6	19	6	6	sw.		
Means and extremes					41.4	+ 5.0	82	24	7	9	46	1.17	- 0.65	1.71	0.1	3	13	9	9		sw.
<b>Southeast District</b>																					
Bonaparte (near)	Van Buren	563	37	43.4	+ 6.0	80	24	13	9	42	2.21	- 0.04	1.24	T.	7	15	5	11	w.	B. R. Vale John T. Donnelly Miss Musa Todd R. M. McKenize U. S. Weather Bureau	
Burlington	Des Moines	544	32	44.8	+ 5.9	80	24	15	7 <sup>†</sup>	39	4.32	+ 1.81	2.42	0.5	7	15	7	9	sw.		
Columbus Junction	Louisa	595	27	43.2	+ 6.2	78	24	12	7	39	2.43	+ 0.39	1.56	0.8	10	12	11	8	n.w.		
Fairfield	Jefferson	780	44	43.0	+ 6.3	81	24	8	7	45	2.32	- 0.01	1.14	0.5	8	12	6	13	n.w.		
Keokuk	Lee	614	57	46.0	+ 7.1	81	24	16	9	38	4.78	+ 2.40	2.04	T.	9	7	7	17	s.		
Keosauqua	Van Buren	639	36	43.8	+ 5.9	83	24	14	9	45	2.11	- 0.16	1.40	0	3	10	12	9	e.	Dr. J. W. Rinabarger J. H. Jericho Roy R. Robinson C. L. Mikes W. E. Utterback	
Mt. Pleasant	Henry	730	47	44.4	+ 6.8	78	24	14	9	39	2.41	+ 0.21	1.30	0	7	9	14	8	sw.		
Oskalooza	Mahaska	835	52	42.2	+ 6.4	81	24	10	9	46	1.65	- 0.26	1.09	1.2	7	10	12	9	s.		
Ottumwa	Wapello	649	33	44.0	+ 5.2	82	24	11	7	43	2.49	+ 0.52	1.67	0.5	5	11	10	10	n.w.		
Sigourney (near)	Keokuk	790	32	42.4	+ 6.3	79	24	11	9	42	2.66	+ 0.65	1.70	0.6	8	13	8	10	n.w.		
Stockport (near)	Van Buren	747	26	42.9	+ 6.5	81	24	13	9	43	2.75	+ 0.58	1.17	T.	8	16	3	12	s.	C. L. Beswick D. D. Sherman H. G. Liddle	
Washington	Washington	757	46	43.6	+ 7.1	78	24	10	7	41	2.58	+ 0.39	2.07	0.5	7	10	11	10	sw.		
Wever	Lee	552		44.7		80	24	15	9	40	4.92		2.40	0.6	9	8	10	13	n.w.		
Means and extremes					43.7	+ 6.4	83	24	8	7	46	2.89	+ 0.70	2.42	0.4	7	11	9	11		n.w.
State means and extremes					39.1	+ 4.5	83	24	- 5	9	47	1.44	- 0.33	2.42	3.5	5	12	8	11		n.w.

Temperature normals are based on the 46-year period July 3, 1875 to July 2, 1921; shorter records corrected to harmonize. Precipitation normals are based on the 50-year period ended December 31, 1927 at first order stations; upon all records of 10 years or more ending December 31, 1920 for most of the co-operative observing stations; and upon interpolations from normal maps for recently established stations.

Reference letters a, b, c, etc., appearing in the table indicate the number of days missing; for example b represents two days, etc.

†Also other dates.

‡Received too late to be included in means and summaries.

T. Precipitation is less than 0.01 inch rain or melted snow.

TEMPERATURE

The mean temperature for the State, derived from the means of nine districts of nearly equal area and based on the records of 104 stations was 39.1° or 4.5° higher than the normal. The greatest excess occurred in the southeastern district, where the daily excess was 6.4°; in the east central district the excess was 6.1°; in the east central district the excess was 6.1°. In both these districts there was very little snow cover at the beginning of the month. The least departure was 3.2° in the central district. The greatest excess at any station was 7.3° at Davenport and the least departure was 1.2° at Iowa Falls and in this vicinity the snow remaining on

the ground at the end of February was exceptionally heavy. The highest mean was 46.0° at Keokuk and the lowest was 33.6° at Northwood. The extreme range for the State was 88°, from 83° at Keosauqua on the 24th, to -5° at Mason City on the 9th. The average number of days on which the maximum temperature did not go above 32° was 2.5, ranging from 4 days in the northwestern district to 1 day in the southwestern and southeastern districts; at 12 stations the temperature was above 32° every day in the month. The average number of days with the minimum temperature 32° or lower, was 19 ranging from 24 in the northwestern district to 13 in the southeastern district; zero occurred at 22 stations and at five of these places on two days.

Daily Precipitation for March, 1929

Stations	Drainage Basin	Day of Month																															To-tals
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	
<b>Northwest District</b>																																	
Akron.....	Big Sioux.....	.03			.16							.04									.05	.05		T.						.08	.40		
Alta.....	Raccoon.....		.03	T.							.03										.02	.05		T.	T.					.36	.82		
Alton.....	Floyd.....	.20	T.	.05								.32	.04								T.	.24		T.	T.					.10	.80		
Cherokee.....	Little Sioux.....	.04	T.	T.	.04							T.	T.		T.						T.	.16		T.	T.					T.	.58		
Estherville.....	Des Moines.....																					.40								.30	.50		
Hawarden.....	Big Sioux.....	T.			T.							.06									T.	.07				.01				.10	.33		
Inwood (near).....	Big Sioux.....											.10	T.													T.				.03	.27		
Lake Park (near).....	Little Sioux.....				.02							.10	.02																	.02	.75		
Le Mars.....	Floyd.....	.05			.33																		.16	T.						.15	.85		
Marathon.....	Raccoon.....		T.			T.						.02	T.								T.		.11							.78	.47		
Pocahontas.....	Des Moines.....	.30	T.																				.12		T.					.02	.82		
Rock Rapids.....	Big Sioux.....	.03										.09											.26	T.	T.					.43	.81		
Sanborn.....	Floyd.....																						.42	T.	T.					.04	.64		
Sheldon.....	Floyd.....	.01	T.		T.	T.						.07	T.								T.		.35	T.	.01					.04	.66		
Sioux Center.....	Floyd.....											.25																		.33	.58		
Spencer.....	Little Sioux.....	.25										.06	.02											.35		.01				.40	1.09		
Storm Lake.....	Raccoon.....	.13			T.																		.04							1.42	1.59		
Washta.....	Little Sioux.....	.10			.13							.04												.06		T.				.90	1.26		
West Bend.....	Des Moines.....	.16										T.									T.	.03	.18		T.					.74	1.08		
<b>North Central District</b>																																	
Algona.....	Des Moines.....	.20				T.						.05	.06		.09								.13							.10	0.32		
Allison.....	Cedar.....	.25		T.			T.					.05	.04										.14							.75	1.20		
Belmond.....	Iowa.....	.20										.05												.09						T.	.31	0.74	
Britt.....	Iowa.....	.04						T.																.02							.89	0.91	
Charles City***.....	Cedar.....	.03	.01				T.					.20			T.						T.		.12							T.	1.27	1.67	
Forest City.....	Cedar.....	.02	T.				T.					T.											.04								.37	0.43	
Hampton.....	Cedar.....											.02																		.35	.26		
Humboldt.....	Des Moines.....	.30	T.													T.					T.	.05		T.		T.				T.	.70	1.00	
Mason City.....	Cedar.....	T.				T.			T.			.08	.09		.01						T.	T.	.16			T.				.68	1.02		
Northwood.....	Cedar.....	.03			T.	.05						.10	.15	.05	T.								.20							1.30	1.88		
Osage.....	Cedar.....	.04										.10	.15											.16							.60	1.05	
<b>Northeast District</b>																																	
Decorah.....	Mississippi.....		T.				T.					.05	.40										.25							.93	1.63		
Dubuque***.....	Mississippi.....	.18	T.	T.			T.				.04	.12	.39	T.		.02		.11	T.			.03	.44	T.						1.17	2.41		
Fayette.....	Mississippi.....	.25					T.					.13	.37										1.20							.64	2.58		
Independence.....	Wapsipicon.....	.26										.31	.30										.61	T.			.01			.26	1.74		
Lansing   .....	Mississippi.....												.35	.07			.05		.02					T.	.56		.01			.41	1.47		
New Hampton.....	Wapsipicon.....											.70												.24							.60	1.54	
Oelwein.....	Wapsipicon.....	.40										.20											.90							.82	1.82		
Postville (near).....	Mississippi.....	.20										.15									T.						.12			.45	1.56		
Waterloo.....	Cedar.....	.21										.33	.06											.72	T.					.60	1.92		
Waverly.....	Cedar.....	.70										.16										.36		*			.03			.60	1.85		
<b>West Central District</b>																																	
Audubon (near).....	Nishnabotna.....	.16										T.																		.51	0.67		
Carroll.....	Raccoon.....																													.55	0.55		
Denison.....	Missouri.....	.03			.15																				T.	T.				.23	0.41		
Guthrie Center.....	Raccoon.....																																
Harlan.....	Nishnabotna.....				.20											T.									T.	T.				T.	.50	0.70	
Jefferson.....	Raccoon.....	.10										T.				T.														T.	.80	1.15	
Little Sioux.....	Little Sioux.....	.10			.25							.12															.01			.25	0.74		
Logan.....	Missouri.....	.10			.55							.05																		.40	1.10		
Onawa.....	Missouri.....				.96																									T.	.24	1.20	
Rockwell City.....	Raccoon.....	.32										T.																		.50	0.82		
Sac City.....	Raccoon.....		T.		T.							T.										.01	.01	.04	T.	T.				.30	0.30		
Sioux City***.....	Missouri.....	.02	T.	T.	.10		T.					.12	T.		T.										T.	T.			.35	.47	1.12		
<b>Central District</b>																																	
Ames.....	Skunk.....	.15										.11										.06	.32		.03						.35	1.02	
Baxter.....	Skunk.....																																
Boone (near).....	Des Moines.....	.10													.09				T.			.09	.14							.70	1.12		
Des Moines***.....	Des Moines.....	T.										.22			T.								.37		.01					.08	.43		
Fort Dodge.....	Des Moines.....	.40										.01			.02								.12	.04	.05		.02			.55	1.21		
Grinnell.....	Iowa.....	.12										.25											.12	.50		.28				.43	1.70		
Grundy Center.....	Cedar.....	.32										.50														T.				1.20	2.38		
Iowa Falls.....	Iowa.....	.20										.12	T.												.28					1.10	1.70		
Marshalltown.....	Iowa.....	.33										.06	.02		T.					T.	T.	.11				T.				.60	1.60		
Monroe.....	Des Moines.....	.03				T.						.18			T.						T.	T.			.09	T.			T.	.89	1.19		
Perry.....	Raccoon.....	.10										T.	T.		T.											T.	T.		T.	.44	0.63		
Toledo.....	Iowa.....	.25										.32	.08										.15							.60	2.25		
Van Meter   .....	Raccoon.....	.15																												.70	1.20		
Waukeo.....	Raccoon.....	T.																												.64	1.05		
Webster City.....	Des Moines.....	.19	T.				T.					T.										.06		.13						.59	0.88		
<b>East Central District</b>																																	
Belle Plaine.....	Iowa.....	.09										T.	.53							T.	T.	.18		.30	T.					.75	1.85		
Cedar Rapids.....	Cedar.....	.12										.05	.20	.26		.01				T.	.02			.05						.63	1.34		
Clinton.....	Mississippi.....	.05		.05								.14	.04	.47		.11	.06	.10							.45		.05			.48	2.13		
Davenport***.....	Mississippi.....	.04	T.	T.								.09	.14	.24		.29	T.					.02	.03	.50	.12								

Daily Precipitation for March, 1929—Continued

Table with columns for Stations, Drainage Basin, Day of Month (1-31), and Totals. Rows include Southwest District (Atlantic, Bedford, Clarinda, etc.), South Central District (Afton, Albia, Centerville, etc.), Southeast District (Bonaparte, Burlington, Columbus Jct., etc.), and various other stations like Glenwood, Lenox, Oakland, etc.

Except as otherwise indicated, observations are generally made late in the afternoon, near sunset, and precipitation recorded is for 24 hours ending at the time of observation.

|||Precipitation measured in the morning; amount then recorded is for the preceding 24 hours.

\*\*\*Regular Weather Bureau Station: precipitation is for 24-hour period midnight to midnight.

\*\*Incomplete.

\*Precipitation included in the next following measurement.

T. Precipitation is less than .01 inch or melted snow.

PRESSURE, RELATIVE HUMIDITY, WIND AND SUNSHINE

GENERAL SUMMARY

(Continued from page 17)

Table with columns for Stations, Barometric Pressure (Mean, Highest, Date, Lowest), Relative Humidity (Mean, 7 A.M., 12 Noon, 7 P.M., Lowest, Date), Wind (Total movement, Average hourly velocity, Miles, From, Date), and Sunshine (% possible, Departure from normal).

§Sioux City \*Des Moines †Local mean time ‡And other dates.

††January 1, 1928, 3-cup anemometers replaced the 4-cup instruments used since the establishment of the Weather Bureau stations. The new instruments will more accurately indicate the true wind movement.

of the month. Along the Mississippi River from Muscatine to Lee counties the levees remained intact, but it required constant effort, and there was some damage from seepage. The flood situation greatly interfered with train schedules, closed highway traffic at many places for extended periods, caused many industrial plants to suspend, and during the high water reduced the "head" at the Keokuk power plant to such an extent that less than 50 per cent of the normal power was produced.

On the 30th a storm set in that developed on the 31st into one of the most destructive ice and sleet storms. The northern portion of the State was generally affected, but the area of the greatest damage was in a stretch between Waterloo and Dubuque. Telephone poles were broken in great numbers, wires were weighted down with ice, and places were cut off from outside communication for several days; many places were without light or power.

The rapid thawing left the roads of the state in very bad condition. For a time the main highways were impassable, and as the snow and ice left the streets and paved roads great damage was disclosed. Where possible, preparation was made for seeding, but very little had been accomplished at the end of the month.

Daily Maximum and Minimum Temperature for the Month of March, 1929

Stations	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	Mean	
<i>Northern Division</i>																																	
Algona	Maximum	32	37	37	38	40	21	37	25	37	43	42	47	49	44	50	57	60	51	56	57	53	63	41	48	59	61	62	60	50	33	46.0	
	Minimum	16	17	21	25	20	20	3	12	0	13	30	38	39	30	34	27	31	36	35	20	37	33	32	36	32	30	35	32	37	29	25	26.6
Alta	Maximum	34	42	34	35	41	40	26	37	21	41	46	44	59	51	41	51	62	60	49	61	59	57	49	40	49	61	60	64	60	48	31	46.9
	Minimum	16	14	26	15	18	17	6	16	3	19	35	36	40	29	33	29	30	36	32	29	37	33	32	32	29	28	32	33	37	28	25	26.6
Alton	Maximum	30	42	35	33	40	40	26	37	24	47	51	49	55	48	43	49	59	56	47	59	54	53	45	37	45	58	60	61	65	56	30	46.3
	Minimum	19	17	28	21	20	21	10	23	7	20	37	32	42	28	34	30	28	33	33	28	35	34	32	30	27	30	28	35	30	27	27.5	
Belmond	Maximum	23	36	37	35	37	40	21	35	30	37	42	43	45	50	40	19	56	59	49	56	52	60	45	46	46	59	61	60	59	46	33	44.9
	Minimum	11	12	27	24	14	17	2	10	-4	10	31	38	37	31	30	28	29	38	34	30	35	33	31	32	32	26	33	29	35	29	24	25.4
Charles City	Maximum	28	36	36	34	33	40	20	36	19	35	39	42	45	48	40	46	54	59	44	52	50	53	43	47	45	58	60	58	57	44	31	43.0
	Minimum	12	12	28	19	8	11	3	11	1	8	31	39	35	31	30	28	28	38	31	30	31	30	34	33	34	30	27	36	30	35	31	24
Decorah	Maximum	32	36	36	38	35	40	22	36	26	34	42	45	49	49	42	43	54	61	50	57	45	51	48	50	45	57	59	60	59	50	39	44.8
	Minimum	15	10	29	28	7	15	1	15	0	0	32	40	40	33	28	28	26	34	33	21	32	31	28	34	33	23	35	29	44	32	24	25.2
Dubuque	Maximum	31	38	38	35	38	46	23	42	21	37	45	52	53	60	42	46	52	64	52	51	51	56	51	55	49	58	64	57	56	51	41	46.9
	Minimum	23	17	29	24	19	16	7	19	11	13	37	42	44	37	34	32	33	40	34	31	38	36	38	35	37	31	41	38	39	39	27	30.4
Forest City	Maximum	32	35	35	35	36	41	22	37	24	36	39	41	42	51	46	52	59	61	50	54	52	50	47	41	48	61	63	60	59	50	34	44.9
	Minimum	12	10	25	22	13	17	6	15	-3	8	24	35	35	29	31	25	29	29	31	27	34	32	28	32	30	25	29	30	32	25	24	23.7
Independence	Maximum	29	38	38	34	36	43	25	37	25	35	38	41	38	55	53	44	55	65	65	54	54	51	60	51	54	59	62	60	58	52	44	47.1
	Minimum	17	24	29	21	11	22	4	16	3	7	25	25	27	33	21	30	29	32	34	30	21	35	34	31	33	37	35	37	34	31	29	25.7
Inwood	Maximum	28	41	36	34	45	38	27	34	22	47	52	48	55	51	44	51	61	56	49	61	53	51	41	36	47	61	63	64	67	51	31	46.6
	Minimum	16	14	26	24	20	19	7	20	5	19	34	40	41	29	33	27	26	31	30	26	32	32	31	30	25	27	33	27	35	26	26	26.5
Lake Park	Maximum	28	36	36	33	37	38	20	34	19	38	42	40	49	46	39	42	57	57	46	56	50	43	42	34	45	58	59	61	58	54	32	42.9
	Minimum	15	9	25	16	15	17	0	15	-4	15	30	37	38	28	32	28	30	32	32	28	32	31	29	31	28	33	31	35	26	26	21.8	
Mason City	Maximum	27	37	37	34	35	39	22	34	20	37	39	42	42	50	49	47	55	57	46	52	52	51	47	44	45	57	60	61	52	46	34	43.5
	Minimum	10	12	27	26	12	16	2	17	-5	12	30	37	37	32	26	26	28	38	33	29	32	33	31	32	32	32	32	32	28	29	23	25.1
New Hampton	Maximum	30	35	36	35	32	47	28	35	20	34	38	42	44	48	40	44	52	50	48	52	51	51	48	48	47	58	61	57	56	50	35	43.6
	Minimum	16	8	27	26	6	15	0	16	-1	5	30	36	38	33	31	27	28	35	29	27	34	33	33	33	33	33	33	35	31	30	33	30
Northwood	Maximum	31	35	35	36	34	40	20	35	18	36	38	43	45	40	46	52	56	45	50	49	50	40	40	40	45	55	60	57	57	45	35	42.1
	Minimum	13	8	28	26	13	15	1	10	-2	6	24	33	35	33	31	27	31	36	33	30	33	32	32	32	34	32	30	34	31	33	28	25.1
Pocahontas	Maximum	31	38	34	34	38	40	24	31	32	38	42	41	51	51	43	52	60	60	49	58	55	57	48	41	48	60	62	60	49	32	45.8	
	Minimum	15	9	28	16	19	20	5	19	1	17	28	32	38	23	33	29	31	36	32	31	36	33	33	34	32	27	32	29	33	28	25	25.9
Postville	Maximum	30	35	35	36	35	40	22	37	20	32	39	42	47	53	37	42	52	62	46	49	47	44	44	45	43	50	60	56	48	36	42.7	
	Minimum	17	11	28	17	9	14	0	12	1	3	31	37	37	31	30	28	27	37	30	25	36	32	31	32	32	25	35	29	34	36	21	24.8
Rock Rapids	Maximum	30	40	38	38	40	40	25	34	24	45	50	48	55	50	43	50	59	55	49	60	56	49	45	35	45	59	60	62	64	58	33	46.4
	Minimum	17	12	25	25	18	18	5	20	2	17	35	38	40	29	33	28	26	31	31	26	31	32	32	30	30	26	31	26	34	26	26	25.8
<i>Central Division</i>																																	
Ames	Maximum	29	40	38	33	38	41	26	38	34	39	43	45	54	54	52	50	59	61	57	61	58	66	62	61	54	61	62	60	55	50	38	49.0
	Minimum	11	10	28	26	17	24	9	21	5	17	32	39	41	32	33	31	34	39	35	28	38	37	35	33	34	26	38	34	36	33	30	28.6
Belle Plaine	Maximum	31	40	38	35	39	46	25	42	29	39	44	49	59	63	45	49	60	58	54	59	55	67	59	68	51	62	56	61	54	51	42	49.4
	Minimum	25	15	30	26	14	22	8	20	7	16	34	39	45	34	32	31	29	37	33	31	40	37	35	33	35	26	36	31	37	34	31	29.1
Carroll	Maximum	32	40	37	35	39	44	25	38	30	41	47	49	56	52	46	52	60	60	52	60	57	58	54	47	46	61	64	61	58	50	47	48.3
	Minimum	18	16	27	18	17	23	8	20	4	20	36	38	41	30	32	29	30	38	32	29	36	36	31	31	32	28	35	31	35	30	26	27.6
Cedar Rapids	Maximum	30	38	38	36	39	45	26	44	28	38	43	50	62	63	49	48	58	66	55	66	52	68	58	61	69	61	65	60	56	52	47	50.7
	Minimum	24	11	30	26	14	20	9	18	9	15	32	42	47	32	39	31	28	35	38	30	39	39	36	36	36	25	35	34	32	36	33	29.4
Davenport	Maximum	34	41	42	38	42	56	28	47	26	42	51	59	63	65	47	47	54	63	54	57	62	70	59	74	64	60	66	58	55	55	46	52.5

## PRECIPITATION

The average precipitation for the State, derived from the averages of nine districts of nearly equal area, and based on the records of 117 stations, was 1.44 inches, or 0.33 inch less than the normal. The southeastern district had the greatest average 2.89 inches and this was the only district that reported an excess; the west-central district had the least average, 0.80 inch; all stations in the west-central, southwestern and south-central districts were deficient. The greatest amount reported from a single station was 4.92 inches at Wever and the least was 0.30 inch at Sac City. The greatest amount falling in 24 consecutive hours was 2.42 inches at Burlington on the 31st. The average number of rainy days was greatest in the southeastern district with 7, and least in the west-central, southwestern and south-central districts, with 3. At Carroll, Chariton, Mt. Ayr, Sac City and Tingley measurable precipitation occurred on but a single day while at Clinton and Fairport the number was 13.

## SNOWFALL

The average snowfall for the State was 3.5 inches, or 1.9 inches less than the normal. The greatest amount at a single station was 12.8 inches at Northwood. Thirteen stations reported no snowfall and nine only a trace. Most of the snowfall occurred during the storm of the 30th-31st, but locally heavy amounts occurred on the 1st, 4th and 12th. The greatest snowfall occurring during a single storm was 12.0 inches at Onawa on the 5th and Northwood on the 31st. The snow was mostly moist and did not drift badly. After thawing weather set in the snow disappeared rapidly but there were some drifts in timber that continued throughout the month.

## MISCELLANEOUS PHENOMENA

*Aurora*: 15th, 16th, 17th, 28th.

*Fog*: 2d, 3d, 5th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th, 22d, 23d, 24th, 26th, 28th.

*Hail*: 19th, 21st, 22d, 25th, 31st.

*Halos* (lunar and solar): 7th, 14th, 18th, 19th, 20th, 27th.

*Haze*: 10th, 27th, 28th, 30th.

*Rainbow*: 2d.

*Sleet*: 11th, 22d, 30th, 31st.

*Thunderstorms*: 11th, 12th, 13th, 18th, 21st, 22d, 23d, 24th, 25th, 30th, 31st.

*Birds* (migration of): Boone, blackbirds 13th. Earlham, robins 11th, blackbirds and bluebirds 12th. Marathon, robins 13th. Postville, robins 12th, meadow larks 13th, blackbirds 14th. Oskaloosa, robins and bluebirds 8th, meadow larks, 9th, blackbirds 20th.

## RIVERS

High stages prevailed on all rivers at times during the month and the average stages were considerably above normal. There was much fluctuation on the Missouri River but the extremes were not as pronounced as on the other streams. Ice conditions produced the most pronounced changes. On the Mississippi River nearly stationary stages prevailed during most of the 1st week and except for slight fluctuations there was a gradual rise till the end of the month, when the highest stages occurred. Flood conditions developed along the southeast border; at Keokuk the river was above flood stage during the last two weeks. The ice at Dubuque began breaking on the 14th but there was no general movement till the 15th and floating ice was present until the 19th. The average stage at Dubuque was 11.3 feet. This being the highest average stage ever experienced in March for a period of 60 years. The highest previous March stage was 9.0 feet in 1927. Navigation at Dubuque opened on the 20th. Flood stages were reached on nearly all interior streams at many points on their courses. The breaking of the ice in connection with the rapid melting of snow produced many gorges which carried away many railroad and highway bridges. Some of the streams were the highest ever known.

## ERRATA

Report for January, 1929. Page 2 and 3. Omit dagger from date of lowest temperature at New Hampton and date of highest temperature at Fairport. Page 2. Greatest 24-hour precipitation at Northwood should be 0.60 inch. Sanborn, date of highest temperature should be 8th. Storm Lake, mean temperature should be 8.2° and the departure should be -8.6°. Page 3, Winterset; date of highest temperature should be 40° on 9th.

## MARCH WINDSTORMS AND TORNADOES

On March 24, about 10:00 P. M., a well defined tornado, with rotary winds and pendent, funnel-shaped cloud, moved from south to north, a distance of about three miles, in the north-central portion of Linn Township, Cedar County, where it damaged the buildings on five farms. The damage was estimated at \$2,800.

On the same date, and at the same hour, a shifting windstorm, probably not of tornadic character, swept over Linn and Franklin townships, in Linn County, where it damaged farm buildings to the amount of about \$2,000. During the night of the same date a windstorm in Oxford Township, Jones County, caused damage amounting to about \$500.

On March 31, at 3:15 P. M., large hail fell at Keokuk, Iowa, causing about \$2,000 damage, mostly to greenhouses.

## ICE STORM OF MARCH 31-APRIL 1, 1929

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With the approach of an increasing storm from the southwest which passed northeastward one hundred and fifty miles south of the station, the barometer at Dubuque started falling about 10 P. M. of March 30th and continued to fall steadily until 11 P. M. of the 31st, Easter Sunday. The temperature all day Sunday remained within a few degrees of freezing. The wind continued steadily from the northeast with velocity ranging from 13 to 18 miles an hour, the fastest single mile being at the rate of 20 miles an hour.

Moist snow and rain began falling about 1 A. M. Sunday and continued, with small accretions of sleet at times, until 6:20 A. M. From 6:50 A. M. until near midnight rain fell almost incessantly, mixed with light amounts of sleet at intervals. Following this, there was a light fall of snow until 7:15 A. M. Monday.

Between 9 and 10 A. M. Sunday the rain began to freeze upon the ground, wires, limbs and the northeast side of all exposed upright objects. By evening the ice layer had reached a thickness of one-fourth to one-half inch upon wires, making an over-all diameter of one-half to one inch, in some instances more. In addition, there were millions of icicles suspended from the wires, about 2 inches long and 2 to 3 inches apart. The coating continued through Sunday night and until Monday noon, when it started falling from the wires and trees and by 6 P. M. had practically all disappeared.

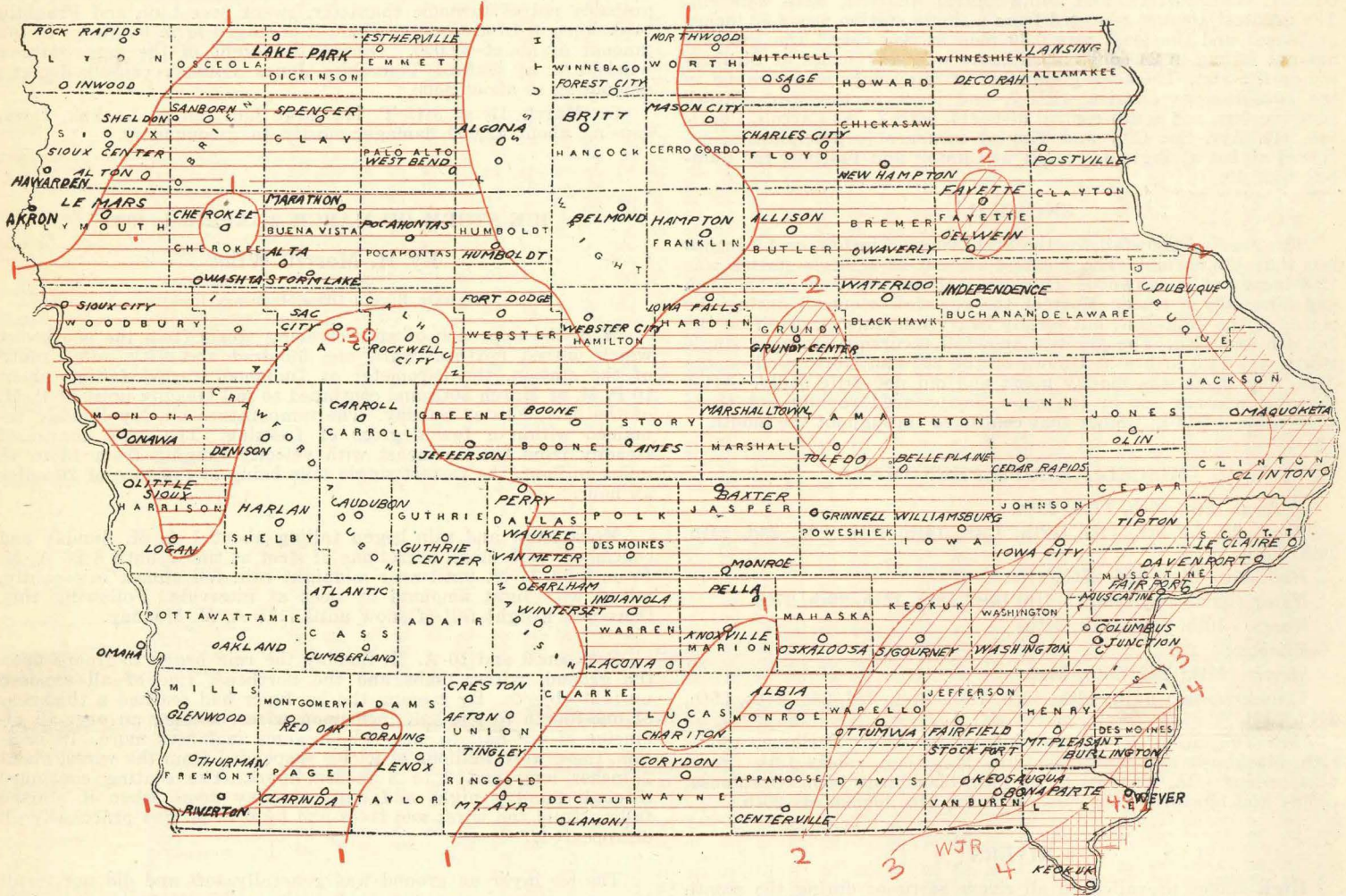
The ice layer on ground was generally soft and did not result in any serious inconvenience, but the glaze on trees and wires caused widespread and severe damage to wire systems. Large branches of trees and in many instances large trees fell across the wires crushing them to the ground. Even where this did not occur the heavy weight of the ice, whipped by the wind, was sufficient to break down hundreds of poles, and destroyed communication in all directions.

The first trouble with wires began about 11 A. M. Sunday and developed rapidly thereafter. The city was completely isolated, so far as wire communication is concerned, from Sunday evening until about 10 A. M. Monday, when the first connection was made with Minneapolis by telegraph. All telephone toll lines were out for several days and the supply of electricity was cut off from several neighboring towns from one to two days. Local papers were without leased wire facilities for three or four days. Train dispatching equipment was crippled, causing delays in train service.

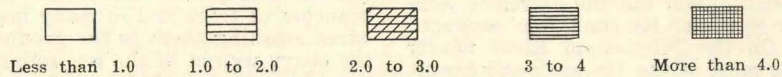
Telephone services suffered most heavily of any. In Dubuque County alone 500 telephones were put out of commission and 300 poles went down. In the three contiguous counties of Dubuque, Jo Daviess (Illinois) and Grant (Wisconsin), approximately 1,000 telephone, telegraph and electric supply poles were lost. It is considered one of the most devastating ice storms of record in this locality. While the damage to trees probably did not exceed a few thousand dollars in the territory mentioned, the total loss sustained by all properties including telephone, telegraph, and electric supply lines, has been estimated at \$100,000. In addition, there was considerable loss to business due to the interruption in communication.

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TOTAL PRECIPITATION, MARCH, 1929



SCALE OF SHADES IN INCHES





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### GENERAL SUMMARY

The average temperature for April was more than two degrees above normal, due to an abnormally warm period 2d-8th, and the excess was quite uniform in all districts. During the rest of the month the temperature averaged below normal, with numerous fluctuations though no marked departures, and the general conditions were disagreeable. The chief feature relative to temperature conditions was the abnormally warm weather on the 4th. On this day July weather prevailed over almost the entire State, and a number of places reported the highest temperatures ever experienced at this time of the month. The high temperature at the beginning of the month advanced vegetation rapidly, and at some places in the southern portion of the State fruit buds opened prematurely but as no severe freezing weather occurred subsequently it is likely that no material damage resulted from frost. During the cool portion of the month most fruit buds remained dormant and at the end of the month apples were in bloom at only a few localities in the southern portion of the State. All tree fruit carried an enormous quantity of bloom. Cool, rainy weather prevailed during the blooming season of cherries, peaches and plums, and pollination was very likely imperfect. Due to unfavorable conditions, it is probable that there will be no unusual amount of fruit set. Bees suffered severely from winter killing and their absence even on warm days was marked. Vegetation, except grasses, made very little progress after the termination of the warm period.

There was a decided excess in precipitation, which amounted to nearly 60 per cent. The period October, 1928, to April, 1929, inclusive, was wetter than any similar period heretofore experienced in the history of the state, dating back 55 years. The total for the period was 17.81 inches, which exceeded the previous high total in 1918-1919 by 0.99 inch. The saturated condition of the soil permitted a large run-off and all streams were much higher than normal. Flood conditions were experienced on the Mississippi river from Muscatine southward most of the month, and along the southern border of the state the entire month. Small streams in the eastern portion of the state submerged a large amount of bottom land, and in sections it will be impossible to plant the usual crops. Industrial plants along the Mississippi river were seriously handicapped by seepage, which required much pumping to avoid shutting down and prevent damage. The wet weather seriously interfered with farming operations in general. Much of the time it was impossible to work in the fields, and a large acreage that was intended

### COMPARATIVE DATA FOR THE STATE—APRIL

YEAR	Temperature				Precipitation				Number of Days				
	Mean	Departure	Highest	Lowest	Total	Departure	Greatest	Least	Snowfall	With pre. .01 in. or more	Clear	Partly cloudy	Cloudy
1873.....	43.2	- 5.7	83	24	3.13	+ 0.17	5.65	1.24					
1874.....	41.9	- 7.0	76	16	1.90	- 1.06	3.15	0.65					
1875.....	43.0	- 5.9	77	10	2.20	- 0.76	4.00	0.89					
1876.....	48.1	- 0.7	78	21	3.06	+ 0.10	6.80	0.85					
1877.....	47.5	- 1.4	91	14	3.33	+ 0.37	8.61	1.10					
1878.....	52.4	+ 3.5	82	26	3.14	+ 0.18	5.87	1.32					
1879.....	50.3	+ 1.4	88	12	1.13	- 1.83	3.70	0.00					
1880.....	47.9	+ 1.0	92	15	2.08	- 0.88	5.65	0.35					
1881.....	42.5	- 6.4	84	10	2.26	- 0.70	5.40	0.45					
1882.....	48.8	- 0.1	91	20	3.73	+ 0.77	8.08	1.60					
1883.....	49.9	+ 1.0	90	24	2.25	- 0.71	5.00	0.58					
1884.....	46.8	- 2.1	86	18	2.54	- 0.42	5.40	0.83					
1885.....	47.5	- 1.4	80	16	2.94	- 0.02	7.82	0.73					
1886.....	50.3	+ 1.4	88	4	2.70	- 0.26	6.90	0.70					
1887.....	51.1	+ 2.2	94	9	1.38	- 1.58	2.65	0.10					
1888.....	48.8	- 0.1	90	20	2.65	- 0.31	7.80	0.40					
1889.....	50.3	+ 1.4	86	10	2.35	- 0.61	6.03	0.25					
1890.....	51.2	+ 2.3	88	2	1.73	- 0.23	5.15	0.25					
1891.....	50.6	+ 1.7	93	13	2.15	- 0.81	5.06	0.59					
1892.....	45.4	- 3.5	88	14	4.75	+ 1.79	8.38	2.43	5.7	8	14	7	9
1893.....	45.5	- 3.4	96	15	4.21	+ 1.25	8.51	1.24	6.0	10	8	9	13
1894.....	51.7	+ 2.8	93	12	3.07	+ 0.11	6.91	0.55	0.2	9	11	11	8
1895.....	54.2	+ 5.3	98	8	2.62	- 0.34	5.88	0.28	2.1	5	14	8	8
1896.....	54.5	+ 5.6	94	10	5.02	+ 2.06	9.67	2.35	4.5	11	11	10	9
1897.....	47.9	- 1.0	89	19	5.35	+ 2.39	9.86	2.22	T.	11	9	9	12
1898.....	48.1	- 0.8	91	14	2.56	- 0.40	4.82	0.27	T.	8	13	9	8
1899.....	48.9	- 0.0	89	1	2.40	- 0.56	5.76	0.56	2.0	7	12	11	7
1900.....	52.2	+ 3.3	89	19	2.67	- 0.29	6.62	0.43	0.9	6	12	9	9
1901.....	49.9	+ 1.0	92	15	1.79	- 1.17	3.47	0.66	2.0	5	14	8	8
1902.....	48.2	- 0.7	96	9	1.71	- 1.25	4.15	0.40	T.	5	14	11	5
1903.....	49.8	+ 0.9	86	17	2.98	+ 0.02	6.00	0.74	0.8	9	11	9	10
1904.....	44.1	- 4.8	86	13	3.63	+ 0.67	8.97	1.52	1.4	7	15	6	9
1905.....	47.5	- 1.4	90	10	3.03	+ 0.07	5.49	0.63	1.2	8	12	8	10
1906.....	52.5	+ 3.6	94	22	2.42	- 0.54	5.55	0.53	0.6	8	14	9	7
1907.....	41.5	- 7.4	80	10	1.32	- 1.61	3.22	0.24	2.7	6	12	8	10
1908.....	50.5	+ 1.6	91	8	2.24	- 0.72	4.59	0.67	0.3	8	14	8	8
1909.....	43.8	- 5.1	86	14	4.58	+ 1.62	9.43	0.83	3.1	12	9	9	12
1910.....	52.5	+ 3.6	99	15	1.48	- 1.48	4.86	0.10	3.0	7	14	7	9
1911.....	46.7	- 2.2	86	3	3.09	+ 0.13	6.04	1.33	3.6	9	11	8	11
1912.....	49.9	+ 1.0	84	20	2.66	- 0.30	5.66	0.78	1.1	8	13	8	9
1913.....	50.2	+ 1.3	88	16	3.28	+ 0.32	7.43	1.12	2.7	9	15	5	10
1914.....	48.6	- 0.3	88	11	2.52	- 0.44	5.03	0.37	0.3	8	10	8	12
1915.....	57.2	+ 8.3	95	18	1.41	- 1.55	4.02	0.05	T.	7	15	10	5
1916.....	47.1	- 1.8	90	11	2.62	- 0.34	5.92	1.13	1.1	10	10	9	11
1917.....	45.5	- 3.4	88	17	4.55	+ 1.59	7.84	2.05	3.8	11	9	7	14
1918.....	44.8	- 4.1	79	12	2.32	- 0.64	4.20	1.01	3.5	9	12	8	10
1919.....	48.4	- 0.5	81	20	4.78	+ 1.82	9.00	1.94	0.7	14	8	8	14
1920.....	42.4	- 6.5	78	22	4.59	+ 1.63	7.13	1.93	2.0	12	8	9	13
1921.....	52.4	+ 3.5	88	14	3.34	+ 0.38	6.69	0.99	3.6	10	13	7	10
1922.....	49.9	+ 1.0	87	21	3.06	+ 0.10	6.70	1.04	1.0	9	11	9	10
1923.....	48.4	- 0.5	85	11	2.09	- 0.87	4.26	0.47	0.8	8	15	7	8
1924.....	50.5	+ 1.6	90	- 8	1.38	- 1.58	4.53	0.38	1.4	7	16	8	6
1925.....	56.5	+ 7.6	95	21	2.20	- 0.76	5.34	0.71	T.	8	14	9	7
1926.....	46.1	- 2.8	95	9	0.91	- 2.05	2.29	0.06	1.5	4	16	7	7
1927.....	49.2	+ 0.3	91	15	4.84	+ 1.88	9.06	2.09	2.6	14	9	7	14
1928.....	44.3	- 4.6	88	6	2.24	- 0.72	4.37	0.22	4.9	8	12	9	9
1929.....	51.2	+ 2.3	93	9	4.62	+ 1.66	7.97	1.81	1.1	11	12	8	10

T. indicates an amount too small to measure, or less than .005 inch rainfall and less than .05 inch snowfall.

for oats could not be seeded, and seeding in many instances was much delayed. The preparation of corn land was much delayed. Some corn had been planted on high ground at the end of the month, but almost without exception low lands were unfit to work the greater portion of the month. Even with favorable weather during the rest of the planting season, it is likely that it will be necessary to plant considerable early maturing corn and a larger amount of soybeans and catch crops than usual. Where conditions permitted, farm work was pushed as much as possible.

Travel on dirt roads was impossible most of the month, and on many of the main graveled highways travel was possible only by resorting to extensive plank-ing.

Hail occurred on a large number of days but there were only a few localities where the damage was of consequence, consisting mainly of broken glass in greenhouse. Tornadoes occurred on four days, causing considerable damage to farm buildings in scattered localities.

Climatological Data for April, 1929

STATIONS	COUNTIES	Elevation, feet	Length of record, years	Temperature, in Degrees Fahrenheit					Precipitation, in inches				Number of Days				OBSERVERS				
				Mean	Departure from normal	Highest	Date		Total	Departure from normal	Greatest in 24 hours	Total snowfall (unmelted)	Precipitation, .01 in. or more	Clear	Partly cloudy	Cloudy		Prevailing direction of wind			
							Lowest	Greatest daily range													
<b>Northwest District</b>																					
Akron	Plymouth	1,153	2							3.25	+ 0.62	1.36	T.	7	14	11	5	ne.	Orlan C. Moore		
Alta	Buena Vista	1,513	37	49.8	+ 2.7	88	4	16	1	40	3.52	+ 0.43	1.28	1.0	10	13	9	8	nw.	D. E. Hadden	
Alton	Sioux	1,305	23	49.1	+ 2.1	82	4	12	1	42	1.87	- 0.62	0.65	1.0	6	8	12	10	nw.	W. S. Stagle	
Cherokee	Cherokee	1,196	8	49.6	+ 3.2	86	4	14	1	41	2.14	- 0.85	0.84	0.5	8	16	8	6	s.	J. E. Wirth	
Estherville	Emmet	1,298	33	48.8	+ 3.9	86	4	20	1†	41	3.35	+ 0.72	1.05	15.0	8	10	15	5	nw.	A. O. Peterson	
Hawarden	Sioux	1,181	2							4.08	+ 1.31	1.38	2.5	8	11	7	12	nw.	Earl V. Slife		
Inwood (near)	Lyon	1,474	24	48.4	+ 1.7	87	4	9	1	44	2.37	- 0.16	0.82	5.8	9	16	6	8	nw.	A. C. Hanson	
Lake Park (near)	Dickinson	1,489	15	47.0	+ 1.4	85	4	17	2	42	2.66	+ 0.28	0.92	3.0	8	8	12	10	sw.	P. M. Lawrence	
Le Mars	Plymouth	1,224	32	50.1	+ 2.3	86	4	16	1	46	2.44	- 0.38	1.35	0	7	19	2	9	s.	Henry Newell	
Marathon	Buena Vista	1,390	2							4.61		1.84	0.6	9	11	10	9	nw.	E. G. Smith		
Pocahontas	Pocahontas	1,248	24	48.6	+ 1.5	87	4	18	1	38	4.89	+ 2.17	1.50	3.5	9	10	12	8	se.	F. E. Hronek	
Rock Rapids	Lyon	1,349	29	47.8	+ 1.5	84	4	10	1	45	4.70	+ 1.90	1.76	10.0	9	17	8	5	n.	Nellie F. Medberry	
Sharnon	O'Brien	1,553	14	47.6	+ 1.1	86	4	12	1	43	2.81	- 0.16	0.68	12.0	6	12	9	9	sw.	J. W. Dow	
Sheldon	O'Brien	1,418	17	48.5	+ 1.5	86	4	10	1	42	2.70	- 0.25	1.22	3.7	9	14	10	6	se.	Ross E. Forward	
Sioux Center	Sioux	1,426	29	48.0	+ 1.5	89	4	13	1	41	1.81	- 1.01	0.68	4.7	8	10	12	8	s.	F. C. Aue	
Spencer	Clay	1,319	14	49.7	+ 2.7	89	4	13	1	44	3.20	+ 0.30	1.00	6.0	9	11	8	11	sw.	E. W. Little	
Storm Lake	Buena Vista	1,438	39	50.0	+ 2.6	86	4	17	1	35	3.02	+ 0.09	1.20	T.	7	16	8	6	e.	L. B. Florey	
Washta	Cherokee	1,157	30	49.9	+ 2.4	88	4	17	1	50	2.24	- 0.38	0.72	1.0	7	15	10	5	s.	H. L. Felter	
West Bend	Palo Alto	1,197	35	49.0	+ 1.6	85	4	15	1	37	4.21	+ 1.37	1.55	4.0	8	13	10	7	s.	Jos. Dorweiler	
Means and extremes					48.9	+ 2.1	89	4	9	1	46	3.16	+ 0.39	1.84	3.9	8	13	9	8	s.	
<b>North Central District</b>																					
Algona	Kossuth	1,224	55	50.2	+ 2.6	83	4	18	1	40	4.15	+ 1.53	1.20	T.	6	16	6	8	ne.	W. E. Laird	
Allison††	Butler	1,060	14	48.7	+ 1.4	84	4	19	2	35	3.18	+ 0.60	0.65	3.0	10	15	5	10	n.	E. W. Detra	
Belmond	Wright	1,181	18	49.0	+ 2.3	83	4	19	1	42	5.10	+ 1.84	1.44	1.0	12	6	10	14	nw.	H. F. Luick	
Britt	Hancock	1,236	41	48.6	+ 2.4	82	4	20	1†	35	4.59	+ 2.02	2.05	2.0	11	9	6	15	sw.	E. P. Healy	
Charles City	Floyd	1,015	37	48.8	+ 2.4	82	4	19	2	36	4.89	+ 2.37	1.53	3.8	11	11	11	8	se.	U. S. Weather Bureau	
Forest City	Winnebago	1,226	34	47.5	+ 1.2	83	4	17	2	41	5.03	+ 2.55	1.96	3.8	13	9	7	14	se.	Dr. M. B. Neil	
Hampton	Franklin	1,145	3							5.29	+ 2.10	2.70		7						L. H. Davis	
Humboldt	Humboldt	1,095	40	49.8	+ 1.7	86	4	19	1	42	4.43	+ 1.75	1.28	1.5	12	13	5	12	s.	H. C. Snitkey	
Mason City	Cerro Gordo	1,148	31	47.9	+ 1.4	81	4	17	2	38	5.38	+ 2.83	1.61	3.8	12	7	19	4	se.	American Beet Sugar Co.	
Northwood	Worth	1,222	32	47.4	+ 2.3	81	4	20	1†	35	5.61	+ 2.87	1.55	9.0	8	9	13	8	nw.	Charles Dwelle	
Osage	Mitchell	1,163	34	47.8	+ 1.9	81	4	18	2	37	3.38	+ 0.92	1.18	4.0	9	6	12	12	s.	Dr. C. E. Juhl	
Means and extremes					48.6	+ 2.0	86	4	17	2	42	4.78	+ 2.08	2.70	2.9	10	10	10	10	se.	
<b>Northeast District</b>																					
Decorah	Winneshiek	872	35	48.8	+ 1.5	82	4†	22	1	36	4.38	+ 1.83	1.44	1.0	13	10	9	11	se.	M. D. Whitney	
Dubuque	Dubuque	709	55	51.0	+ 2.4	83	4	24	1	33	3.47	+ 0.62	0.80	0.2	13	7	8	15	s.	U. S. Weather Bureau	
Fayette	Fayette	1,003	40	50.0	+ 3.1	84	4	20	1	39	5.36	+ 2.26	1.49	2.0	10	14	8	8	sw.	R. Z. Latimer	
Independence	Buchanan	956	64	51.0	+ 2.3	89	4	21	1	41	3.79	+ 1.28	0.86	1.0	13	13	0	17	ne.	Dr. Geo. Boody	
Lansing	Allamakee	632	21							4.08	+ 1.52	1.43	5.0	12						Mrs. Mary Spinner	
New Hampton	Chickasaw	1,169	31	48.3	+ 1.3	81	4	18	2	37	3.95	+ 1.35	0.98	T.	8	9	10	11	ne.	D. W. Dawson	
Oelwein	Fayette	1,036	5	49.6	+ 2.0	82	4	20	1	32	5.99	+ 3.21	1.25	3.0	11	11	6	13	ne.	John T. Ridler	
Postville (near)	Clayton	1,192	29	47.2	+ 0.9	80	4	19	1	32	2.87	- 0.14	1.08	1.0	11	10	12	8	ne.	F. L. Williams	
Waterloo	Black Hawk	854	45	50.8	+ 2.0	81	3†	21	1	36	3.53	+ 1.00	1.22	1.0	10	13	8	9	se.	R. B. Slippy	
Waverly	Bremer	936	32	50.0	+ 2.4	84	4	20	2	38	2.97	- 0.03	0.70	1.0	11	19	6	5	se.	D. H. Murphy	
Means and extremes					49.6	+ 2.0	89	4	18	2	41	4.04	+ 1.29	1.49	1.5	11	12	7	11	ne.	
<b>West Central District</b>																					
Audubon (near)	Audubon	1,297	33	50.9	+ 3.3	88	4	24	1	39	4.55	+ 1.43	1.14	0	10	14	7	9	ne.	George Kibby	
Carroll	Carroll	1,265	38	50.4	+ 1.9	87	4	20	1	40	3.42	+ 0.47	0.95	0.5	13	19	2	9	nw.	Mrs. Jos. J. Wolfe	
Denison	Crawford	1,171	34	50.4	+ 1.2	88	4	22	1	41	2.27	- 0.56	0.52	1.0	12	10	9	11	se.	V. L. Byers	
Guthrie Center	Guthrie	987	33	51.2	+ 1.8	89	4	21	1	43	4.56	+ 1.43	1.27	0	9	14	8	8	e.	Floyd H. Bainter	
Harlan	Shelby	1,192	29	51.0	+ 2.0	90	4	21	1	44	4.17	+ 1.29	0.83	0	12	12	6	12	se.	Walter Bell	
Jefferson	Greene	1,052	29	51.2	+ 2.7	88	4	22	1	43	3.02	+ 0.17	1.34	T.	9	9	8	13	sw.	W. I. Lyon	
Little Sioux	Harrison	1,040	23	52.4	+ 1.9	93	4	20	1	45	2.80	+ 0.13	0.83	0.8	13	8	11	11	sw.	H. W. Kerr	
Logan	Harrison	1,120	61	51.2	+ 0.4	92	4	22	1	46	5.48	+ 2.69	1.56	0.5	13	6	18	6	se.	Amy Ann Stern	
Onawa	Monona	1,051	27	51.9	+ 1.8	90	4	18	1	45	1.87	- 0.80	0.65	1.0	7	14	4	12	nw.	Mrs. H. E. Colby	
Rockwell City	Calhoun	1,232	32																	A. W. McIsaac	
Sac City	Sac	1,269	52	49.0	+ 1.2	87	4	20	1	44	2.63	- 0.31	1.11	0	6	9	14	7	s.	F. P. Kessler	
Sioux City	Woodbury	1,135	39	51.5	+ 3.7	90	4	20	1	37	2.99	+ 0.29	1.43	1.5	9	6	12	12	sw.	U. S. Weather Bureau	
Means and extremes					51.0	+ 2.0	93	4	18	1	46	3.43	+ 0.55	1.56	0.5	10	11	9	10	se.	
<b>Central District</b>																					
Ames	Story	926	51	52.2	+ 3.4	89	4	24	1	39	3.79	+ 0.81	0.92	1.0	11	21	0	9	se.	Iowa State College	
Baxter††	Jasper	998	28							3.62	+ 0.56	0.86	0.5	11	1	21	8	ne.	F. A. Kanne		
Boone (near)	Boone	894	23	51.4	+ 2.4	89	4	23	1	44	3.26	+ 0.38	0.98	1.0	11	10	7	13	s.	C. F. Henning	
Des Moines	Polk	861	50	53.0	+ 2.9	89	4	26	1	37	4.38	+ 1.47	1.06	0.4	11	6	11	13	sw.	U. S. Weather Bureau	
Fort Dodge	Webster	1,114	28	50.0	+ 2.4	86	4	23	2	41	3.49	+ 0.75	1.16	2.0	15	12	9	9	se.	Mrs. Emma Sampson	
Grinnell	Poweshiek	1,031	34	51.1	+ 1.7	87	4	22	1	39	5.45	+ 1.74	0.98	T.	11	17	5	8	sw.	R. E. Bates	
Grundy Center	Grundy	976	37	50.5	+ 1.4	86	4	20	1	37	4.91	+ 1.68	1.20	1.0	12	11	10	9	nw.	M. G. Heiberger	
Iowa Falls	Hardin	1,127	35	50.0	+ 2.2	85	4	21	1	39	5.82	+ 2.70	1.87	1.0	9	13	5	12	e.	C. H. Gilbert	
Marshalltown	Marshall	947	36	51.8	+ 2.2	86	4	22	1	37	4.27	+ 1.43	1.24	1.0	13	8	11	11	s.	C. C. Pigman	
Monroe	Jasper	922	16	53.0	+ 2.9	87	4	23	1	34	4.82	+ 1.57	1.28	T.	14	14	4	12	s.	J. A. Dibbel	
Perry	Dallas	975	27	51.5	+ 2.4	89	4	24	1	43	3.24	+ 0.25	0.65	0	11	8	13	9	se.	Eugene N. Hastie	
Toledo	Tama	847	34	51.4	+ 1.8	87	4	22	1	39	4.43	+ 1.37	0.85	T.	13	13	9	8	ne.	H. P. Giger	
Van Meter	Dallas	872	9							4.99		0.90	T.	11						Calvin K. Smith	
Waukee	Dallas	1,032	25	52.2	+ 2.8	89	4	24	1	41	5.67	+ 1.87	1.31	0	14	17	6	7	e.	O. D. Ellsworth	
Webster City	Hamilton	1,042	23	49.6	+ 1.1	86	4	19	2	46	2.81	+ 0.02	0.90	1.5	10	16	6	8	se.	Frank A. Bonebright	
Means and extremes					51.4	+ 2.3	89	4	19	2	46	4.38	+ 1.28	1.87	0.6	12	13	7	10	se.	

Climatological Data for April, 1929—Continued

Table with columns: STATIONS, COUNTIES, Elevation, Length of record, Temperature (Mean, Departure from normal, Highest, Date, Lowest, Date, Greatest daily range), Precipitation (Total, Departure from normal, Greatest in 24 hours, Total snowfall, Precipitation .01 in. or more), Number of Days (Clear, Partly cloudy, Cloudy), Prevailing direction of wind, OBSERVERS.

Temperature normals are based on the 46-year period July 3, 1875 to July 2, 1921; shorter records corrected to harmonize. Precipitation normals are based on the 50-year period ended December 31, 1927 at first order stations; upon all records of 10 years or more ending December 31, 1920 for most of the co-operative observing stations; and upon interpolations from normal maps for recently established stations.

TEMPERATURE

The mean temperature for the state, derived from the means of nine districts of nearly equal area, and based on the records of 104 stations, was 51.2°, or 2.3° higher than the normal. The greatest excess occurred in the east-central and southwestern districts and the least in the north-central, northeastern and west-central districts.

being 93° at Little Sioux on the 4th and the lowest was 9° at Inwood on the 1st. With but a single exception the highest and lowest temperatures occurred during the 1st week. The average number of days with the minimum 32° or lower was 6, ranging from 8 in the northwestern and north-central districts to 3 in the southeastern district.

Daily Precipitation for April, 1929

Stations	Drainage Basin	Day of Month																															Totals
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	
<i>Northwest District</i>																																	
Akron	Big Sioux	.03					T.			1.36	.10					.01				.03					.60	1.12							3.25
Alta	Raccoon	.10				T.				.32	.44	T.				.15				.14					.65	1.28	.02	.10	.32			3.52	
Alton	Floyd					.06		T.		.54	.03					.06					T.				T.	.65	.53					1.87	
Cherokee	Little Sioux	.02				T.				.55	.09					.10					.01	T.			T.	.84	.51		.02			2.14	
Estherville	Des Moines	.20				.10				.25	1.05					.20	.30								T.	.95	.30	T.		T.		3.35	
Hawarden	Big Sioux	.12				.35		.23		1.38	.05					.01				T.	T.			T.	.86	1.08						4.08	
Inwood (near)	Big Sioux	.04				T.	.07	.06		.26	.44					.15					.02				.82	.51						2.37	
Lake Park (near)	Little Sioux					.04				.47	.30					.36									.92	.20		.01		.27		2.66	
Le Mars	Floyd	.15				.04				.10	.11										.05			T.	.64	1.35						2.44	
Marathon	Raccoon					T.	.02			.54	.41	.02				T.					T.			.72	1.81	.03	.02	1.04		T.		4.64	
Pocahontas	Des Moines	.05				.50	.07			.98	.22					.12									1.50	.95		.50				4.89	
Rock Rapids	Big Sioux	.07								1.76	.13					.35					.03				1.30	.93					.06	4.70	
Sanborn	Floyd	.64				.10				.32						.53									.68	.57						2.84	
Sheldon	Floyd	.06				.08				1.22	.05					.10									T.	.78	.31		.08			2.70	
Sioux Center	Floyd	.15				.05				.32	.15			.10												.68	.32		.04			1.81	
Spencer	Little Sioux	.56				.01				.50	.08					.15									1.00	.75		.10				3.20	
Storm Lake	Raccoon					.02				.77											.03				1.20	.62		.33				3.02	
Washta	Little Sioux	.08				T.				.72	.12														T.	.52	.62		.10			2.24	
West Bend	Des Moines					.34	.02			1.10						.08		T.			.06				1.55	.77		.32				4.24	
<i>North Central District</i>																																	
Algona	Des Moines					.20				.50	.60													1.20	.75	.90						4.15	
Allison	Cedar	.17				.05	.37			.30	.47					.05	.32				T.				.50	.65		.30				3.18	
Belmond	Iowa	T.		.08		.07	.02	.35		.70	.41					.08					.06				1.35	1.44		.45	.09			5.10	
Britt	Iowa					.16	.05			.50	.40					.06	.05				.02				2.05	1.04		.21	.05			4.59	
Charles City***	Cedar	.14				.10	1.04			.43	.36					.37	.24				.02				T.	1.17	.59		.43		T.	4.89	
Forest City	Cedar	.66				.02	.74	.05		.02	.91	.18				.04	.05								.70	1.96	.13		.17			5.03	
Hampton	Cedar					.11	.43			1.49						.08					.05					2.70		.45			T.	5.29	
Humboldt	Des Moines	1.28				T.	.07	.12		.65	.07					.07	T.							.72	.43	.19	.08	.63	.12			4.43	
Mason City	Cedar	.36	.06			T.	.09	.19		.58	.66					.07	.02								T.	1.64	1.47				T.	5.38	
Northwood	Cedar	.20				T.	.60	.10		1.20	.80														1.55	1.13		.03				5.61	
Osage	Cedar	.24	.08			.04		.44		T.	.35					.08										.62	1.18		.35			3.38	
<i>Northeast District</i>																																	
Decorah	Mississippi	.30	.01			.01	1.44				.24	.10				.06	.07								.07	1.35	.12		.58	.03		4.38	
Dubuque***	Mississippi	.16				.12	.68			.10	.27					.07					.42	.08			.01	.46	.48		.46	T.	.16	3.47	
Fayette	Mississippi	.20				.05	.48				.95					.31					.30				T.	.36	1.49		.23		.99	5.36	
Independence	Wapsipinicon	.16				.18	.86			.06	.65					.07	.31				.31	.07				.41	.57		.07	.07	3.79		
Lansing	Mississippi	.52	.02		.06		.80				.25	.10													.08	1.43	.21	.33	.08			4.08	
New Hampton	Wapsipinicon						.95			.10	.55					.15									.52	.98		.62				3.95	
Oelwein	Wapsipinicon	.24				.45	.80			.90						.30					.40	.30			.60	.90		.30			.89	5.99	
Postville (near)	Mississippi					.03	.05	.22		.15	.39					.05									.47	1.08		.31		T.	.02	2.87	
Waterloo	Cedar	.10				T.	T.	1.22		.65						T.	.15				T.	.19			.30	.54	.15	.18				3.53	
Waverly	Cedar	.30	.02			T.	.08	.05		.44	.54	.05				.30					.01					.41	.70		.12			2.97	
<i>West Central District</i>																																	
Audubon (near)	Nishnabotna					.16	.16			.06	1.14			.02							1.05	.65				.93	.10		.28			4.55	
Carroll	Raccoon	.05				.05	.03	.16		.37	.95														.47	.60	.12	.08	.28			3.42	
Denison	Missouri	.05				.10	.06	.08		.10	.52					.04									.10	.37	.17					2.27	
Guthrie Center	Raccoon					.35				1.27	.08					.63	.80								.11	.70	.26		.36			4.56	
Harlan	Nishnabotna					.34	.05	.02		.05	.70	.14				T.	.82	.83							.20	.50	.19		.33			4.17	
Jefferson	Raccoon	T.				.05	.29	.06		T.	1.34	.05				T.						.39	T.		T.	.54	.16		.14			3.02	
Little Sioux	Little Sioux	.09				.10	.07			.02	.49	.02				.02						T.	.83	.08		.18	.33	.40		.17			2.80
Logan	Missouri	.02				.02	.19			.58	.01					.01									.18	.42	1.56		.28	.02			5.48
Onawa	Missouri	.08				T.				.61	T.														.12	.20	.65		.11			1.87	
Rockwell City	Raccoon																																
Sac City	Raccoon					.05	.05			T.	.55															.55	1.11		.32			2.63	
Sioux City***	Missouri					.04				.19	1.05	T.				T.									.27	1.30	.10	.01		T.	T.	2.99	
<i>Central District</i>																																	
Ames	Skunk	.10				.48	.36			.92	.32					.02					.38	.03				.67	.14		.37			3.79	
Baxter	Skunk	.05				.11	.54			.12	.39										.86	.21			.05	.40	.56		.35			3.62	
Boone (near)	Des Moines	.09				T.	.35			.20	.98					T.	T.				.34	.12	.02		.51	.12	.20		.33			3.26	
Des Moines***	Des Moines																																

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Stations	Drainage Basin	Day of Month																															Totals
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	
<i>Southwest District</i>																																	
Atlantic.....	Nishnabotna.....	.05			.01	.23			T.	.26	1.48	T.			.34	T.			.24	.19	.53	T.		.51	.29	.09	.02	.54	T.			4.81	
Bedford.....	102.....	.03			T.			1.30	.19	.90	T.			.72	.27				1.02	.38	.46		.15	.32	.49	.15	.05				6.43		
Clarinda	Nodaway.....				.08	.88			.08	.68	.46			.15	.56				1.15	.42	.62	.04		.86	.47	.16	.04	.40			7.05		
Corning.....	Nodaway.....				.02	1.72			.13	1.14	.03			.56	.02				.66	.13	.19		.22	.42	.28	.28					5.52		
Cumberland (near)	Nodaway.....	T.			T.	.35	.17		.06	1.07	T.			.36	.11	T.			.61	.69			.23	.47	.28	.44					4.87		
Glenwood.....	Missouri.....	T.			.18	.04			.02	.90				.98					.50	.50	.14		.32	.08	.16	.30	.02				4.14		
Lenox.....	Missouri.....				T.	.76			.15	1.21	T.			.38				1.32	.17	.66		.20	.32	.23	1.28	.31					6.87		
Oakland.....	Nishnabotna.....				.33	.10				.73	.02			.40	.01				.50	.88			.30	.27	.26	.28					4.11		
Red Oak (near)	Nishnabotna.....				1.43				.04	2.14				.49					T.	.27	.28	.28		.26	.28	.24	.10				5.81		
Riverton (near)	Nishnabotna.....				.13				T.	1.16				2.27				.05	.48	.45			.30	.75	.14	.03					5.76		
Thurman.....	Missouri.....				.02	.40			.01	.88				1.30	.08	.02			.35	.05	.80		.30	.42	.47	.08					5.18		
Omaha, Neb.***	Missouri.....	T.			.51	.02			.27	.45	T.			.28	.02	.02		.25	.29	.83	T.		.33	.13	.17	.41					3.98		
<i>South Central District</i>																																	
Afton.....	Grand.....	.04			.02	.92		.11	.60	.07			.13	.03				.89	.32	.29		.24	.43	.15	.75						4.99		
Albia	Des Moines.....	T.			T.	T.			.32	11.05				T.				.01	.24	1.50	.50	.05	.61	.61	.10	.78	.02				4.90		
Centerville.....	Chariton.....	.01			T.				.32	22.05			.17		T.	.02		1.75	.93	.96		.06	.95	.63	.63	.63	.11					6.81	
Chariton (near)	Chariton.....	T.							.30	23.44				T.	T.				.84	.22	.44		.18	.69	T.	.74	.11				4.08		
Corydon (near)	Chariton.....	.06							.47	26.25				T.	.04			1.75	.49	.80		.13	.85	.06	.60	.04					5.80		
Creston	Missouri.....	T.			.26	.87		.14	.96	.04			.30				.74	.30			T.	.38	.21	.10	.50						4.80		
Earlham (near)	Des Moines.....	.50			.06	.15	.41	.04	.38	.10			.13	T.	T.		1.39	.71	.01			.24	.78	.11	.13	.49					5.14		
Indianola.....	Des Moines.....	.03			.15	.48		.05	.49	.03				T.			1.90	.75				.26	.80	.13	.49						5.56		
Knoxville.....	Des Moines.....	T.						.09	.08	.55							T.	.83	.55	.17		.22	.89	.08	.32						3.78		
Lacona.....	Des Moines.....	.05						.05	.28	.32							.02	.88	.64			.62	1.00	.22	.52						4.60		
Lamoni	Grand.....							.35	.34	.22			.16	.10			T.	.38	.66	.70	.09		.91	.29							4.40		
Melrose.....	Des Moines.....							.45	.22	.11							1.52	.49	.72			.15	1.00	.21						1.00	.12	5.99	
Mount Ayr.....	Grand.....							.25	.63	.05			.12					.68	.26	.96		.10	.51	.21	.27						4.04		
Tingley.....	Platte.....	.03			.19	.10		.11	.51	.05			.13	.04	T.			.78	.10	.76		.15	.35	.08	.40	.49	.04				4.34		
Winterset.....	Des Moines.....	T.			.35	T.	.55		.02	.64	.04			.18				1.63	.70			.22	.82	.21	.33						5.69		
<i>Southeast District</i>																																	
Bonaparte (near)	Des Moines.....	T.			T.	T.	.65	T.	T.	.06	.07			T.	T.	.03		T.	2.13	.54	.18		T.	.90	.40					1.12		T.	6.08
Burlington	Mississippi.....	T.			T.			.35	.01	T.	.26	T.						1.15	2.51	.12	.05		.05	2.04	T.	.83					.01		7.38
Columbus Jct.....	Iowa.....	.15					.24	T.	.01	.11	.35						.02	.04	2.63	1.01	.06		.07	1.21	.66					.74		T.	7.30
Fairfield.....	Skunk.....				.11	T.	.05	.11	.26								.08	.08	2.76	.85			1.50	.18	.13	.74	.01	.20				7.06	
Keokuk***	Mississippi.....				T.	.22	.01	.01	.04	.01				.29	.15			1.14	.43	.18			T.	1.72	.01	.27	.10	.02				4.60	
Keokuk No. 2.....	Mississippi.....	.17				.17	.10	.07	.07	.03				.28		.14		.98	.54	.74			1.84	.14	.40	.40	.01				.01		5.68
Keosauqua.....	Des Moines.....				.40	.02		T.	.11	.01	T.				.01		3.01	.56	.30			T.	2.00	.02	.80						T.	7.13	
Mt. Pleasant.....	Skunk.....	.01			.38				.22	.11					T.	T.	.17	2.55	.88	.11		.08	1.38	.62	.80					.01		7.35	
Oskaloosa.....	Des Moines.....	.11			T.	T.	T.	.11	.08	.06				T.		.06	.02	1.16	.68	.13		.20	1.31	.13	.32	.07						4.44	
Ottumwa.....	Des Moines.....	.01			T.			.17	.08	.05				T.	.07	.02	1.58	.80	.30			.39	1.16	.42	.94	.18						6.17	
Sigourney (near)	Skunk.....	.04						.20	.06	.09						.06		1.25	.57	.13		.24	.92	.33	T.	.36	.02					4.27	
Stockport (near)	Skunk.....	.02			.02	.61	T.	.04	.09	.17				.03		.07	.08	2.66	.47	.25		.06	1.73	.32	.07	1.01	.03					7.76	
Washington.....	Skunk.....	.09				.05	T.	.04	.38							.02	.03	1.45	1.54	.15		T.	1.02	.65	.67						T.	6.09	
Wever.....	Mississippi.....	.03			T.	.39	.04	.11	.06					.02		.02		2.19	.61	.50		T.	1.50	.76	.74						T.	6.95	

Except as otherwise indicated, observations are generally made late in the afternoon, near sunset, and precipitation recorded is for 24 hours ending at the time of observation.  
 |||Precipitation measured in the morning; amount then recorded is for the preceding 24 hours.  
 \*\*\*Regular Weather Bureau Station; precipitation is for 24-hour period midnight to midnight.  
 \*\*Incomplete.  
 \*Precipitation included in the next following measurement.  
 T. Precipitation is less than .01 inch or melted snow.

PRESSURE, RELATIVE HUMIDITY, WIND AND SUNSHINE

Stations	Barometric Pressure, Inches (Sea Level)				Relative Humidity, %				Wind					Sunshine Departure from normal			
	Mean	Highest	Date	Lowest	Mean				Total movement	Average hourly velocity	Maximum						
					7 A. M.	12 Noon†	7 P. M.	Lowest			Miles	From	Date				
	Chas. City	29.89	30.30	22	29.35	25	79	59	65	27	22	4.845	6.7	27	s.w.	5	57
Davenport	29.88	30.29	22	29.26	25	79	62	61	37	22	8.933	12.4	41	w.	27	66	+9
Des Moines	29.86	30.31	22	29.28	25	79	56	58	27	22	5.872	8.2	32	s.w.	5	53	+6
Dubuque.....	29.88	30.29	22	29.29	25	72	54	60	26	22	4.718	6.6	24	n.	25	51	-3
Keokuk.....	29.90	30.31	2	29.27	25	73	54	58	24	2	6.110	8.5	31	n.w.	1	50	-7
Sioux City	29.87	30.27	22	29.17	5	81	56	50	14	5	8.413	11.7	49	s.w.	5	59	+3
Omaha, Nb	29.86	30.28	22	29.34	24	76	50	52	19	16	5.698	7.9	34	n.	25	55	+4
Means and extremes	29.88				77	56	58					8.9				56	-1
Normals and records...	29.98	30.31	2†	29.17	5						14	5		49	s.w.	5	

§Dubuque \*Davenport †Sioux City ‡Local mean time †And other dates.

PRECIPITATION

The average precipitation for the state, derived from the averages of nine districts of nearly equal area and based on the records of 117 stations was 4.62 inches, or 1.66 inches greater than the normal. The southeastern district reported the greatest average, 6.30 inches, and the northwestern the least, 3.16 inches. There was an excess in all districts though deficiencies occurred at a number of stations in four districts, the only area of consequence being in the northwestern district. The greatest amount reported from any station was 7.97 inches at Muscatine and the least was 1.81 inches at Sioux Center. The greatest amount falling in 24 consecutive hours was 3.01 inches at Keosauqua on the 19th. The average number of days with 0.01 inch or more of precipitation was 11, ranging from 8 in the northwestern district to 13 in the three southern districts. For individual stations the range was from 6 days at Algona, Alton and Sac City to 18 at Stockport. The rainfall for the month was notably heavy, there being but five times heretofore when a greater amount occurred in April.

SNOWFALL

The average snowfall for the state was 1.1 inches, or 0.8 inch less than the normal. The greatest amount reported from any station was 15.0 inches at Estherville; more than half of the total number of stations reported no snowfall, or only a trace. The snowfall was moist and a great deal melted as it fell. The heaviest snow was confined to the extreme northern portion of the state.

††January 1, 1928, 3-cup anemometers replaced the 4-cup instruments used since the establishment of the Weather Bureau stations. The new instruments will more accurately indicate the true wind movement. The records of the 4-cup instruments were somewhat too high at moderate velocities and considerably too high at the higher velocities. Tables of true velocities corresponding to indicated velocities appear in the January, 1928 Climatological Data. For purposes of comparison the highest velocity of record in the lower line of the table has been converted into a 3-cup velocity.

Daily Maximum and Minimum Temperature for the Month of April, 1929

Table with columns for Stations, days 1-31, and Mean. Rows are grouped by division: Northern Division (Albion to Pocahontas), Central Division (Ames to Sioux City), and Southern Division (Albia to Omaha, Neb.). Each station entry includes Maximum and Minimum temperatures for each day and a final Mean column.

IOWA STORMS, APRIL, 1929

Date	County	Township	Nature of Storm	Time	Storm Moved From	Width of Path Miles	Length of Path Miles	Area of Sq. Miles	Size of Hailstones Inches	Damage	Persons Killed	Persons Injured
5	Hancock	Ellington	Tornado	6:30 p. m.	SW to NE	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$10,000	.....	4
5	Lyon	Elgin	Tornado	3:00 p. m.	SW to NE	.....	.....	.....	.....	21,000	.....	.....
6	Jones	Hale and Oxford	Wind and Hail	7:00 p. m.	SW to NE	.....	.....	.....	1/4 to 1	3,000	1	.....
6	Benton	Taylor	Hail	4:00 p. m.	SW to NE	.....	.....	.....	1/2 to 1	800	.....	.....
6	Union	Jones	Tornado	7:00 p. m.	SW to NE	.....	.....	.....	2 1/2	4,000	.....	.....
6	Dubuque	Dubuque	Hail	4:30 p. m.	W to E	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,000	.....	.....
6	Warren	Squaw and Liberty	Tornado	7:30 p. m.	SW to NE	100 ft.	4	.....	2	3,400	.....	8
6	Jasper and Marshall	Poweshiek, Independence, Malaka, Mariposa and Jefferson	Tornado	7:30 p. m.	SW to NE	.....	25	.....	.....	25,000	.....	1
27	Louisa	Concord, Grand View	Tornado	7:00 p. m.	SW to NE	1/8	.....	.....	.....	2,100	.....	.....
30	Keokuk	Warren, Sigourney, Van Buren, Plank, English River and Liberty	Wind	6:00 a. m.	SW to NE	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,000	.....	.....
30	Mahaska	S. E. part of County	Wind	6:00 a. m.	S to N	.....	.....	.....	.....	10,000	.....	1
30	Winneshiek	Orleans and Bluffton	Tornado	5:00 p. m.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4,000	.....	.....
30	Linn	College and Putnam	Wind	7:30 a. m.	SW to NE	.....	.....	.....	.....	3,000	.....	.....

RIVERS

High stages prevailed on all streams but flood stages were not experienced except on the Mississippi from Muscatine to Keokuk and on the Des Moines from Ottumwa to the Mississippi. At Muscatine the river was at flood stage 21 days during the month and at Keokuk during the entire month, making a period of more than six weeks that the river was continuously above flood stage since flood stage was passed about the middle of March. At the end of the month nearly all streams were falling and on several streams the lowest stages for the month were recorded on the last day.

MISCELLANEOUS PHENOMENA

Fog: 4th, 14th, 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 20th.  
 Hail: 5th, 6th, 7th, 10th, 16th, 17th, 20th, 23d, 24th, 25th, 27th, 28th, 30th.

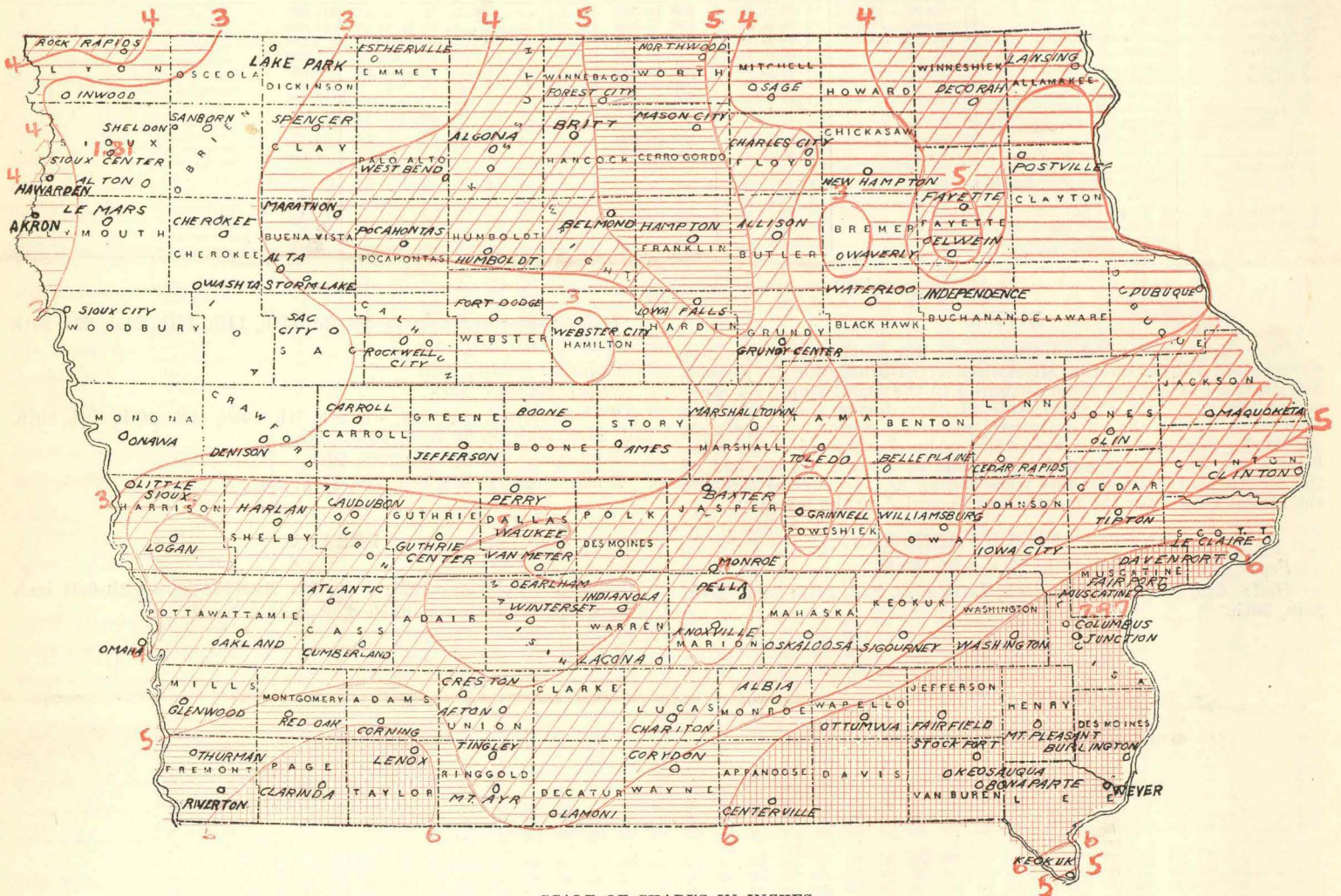
Halos (lunar and solar): 1st, 3d, 13th, 14th, 18th, 21st, 22d, 27th  
 Haze: 4th, 5th, 15th.  
 Rainbow: 24th, 29th.  
 Sleet: 1st, 9th, 10th.  
 Thunderstorms: 1st, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 10th, 11th, 16th, 19th, 20th, 23d, 24th, 25th, 27th, 28th, 29th, 30th.  
 Tornadoes: 5th, 6th, 27th, 30th.  
 Winds (high): 5th, 6th, 7th, 24th, 30th.

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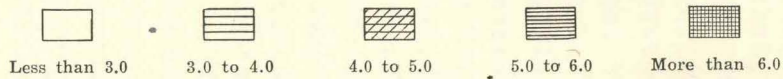
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TOTAL PRECIPITATION, APRIL, 1929



SCALE OF SHADES IN INCHES





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## COMPARATIVE DATA FOR THE STATE—MAY

### GENERAL SUMMARY

The chief characteristic of the weather during May, 1929, was the persistent cool weather that prevailed until the middle of the fourth week. The first and third weeks were the coldest; the second week was below normal, though there were several days that averaged slightly above normal. The temperature for the first three weeks averaged about six degrees below normal but the last week was warm and brought the average daily deficiency for the State to 2.4°. There was a decided change to cooler on the 15th-16th, the drop in temperature amounting to 40°, or more, during a 12-hour period at a number of stations. Frost occurred frequently during the first two weeks over most of the State, and as late as the 21st over most of the northern portion, but owing to the backward stage of vegetation there was not a great deal of damage. The principal damage occurred to strawberries, grape buds and tender plants that were set out and not sufficiently hardened. As the frosts continued the vegetation developed frost resisting properties and some of the most severe freezes did practically no damage. The first strawberry blooms were practically all killed but there was a large amount of bloom later and a large quantity of fruit set. Tree fruit fell off badly and many plum and cherry trees that carried great quantities of bloom were found to be entirely fruitless.

The average precipitation was slightly more than half of the normal for the month, and only a few stations reported a slight excess. The first general precipitation period occurred on the 10th-11th and rather heavy falls occurred at a large number of stations and some local damage resulted. During the rest of the month showers occurred at frequent intervals but no general rains of consequence occurred until the 28th-29th. A large number of places reported damaging rains but the greatest damage occurred over an area from Woodbury to Lyon counties, which consisted of bridges being washed away, washouts on railways and highways, bottomlands overflowed, and some farm animals drowned. Traffic on motor busses was temporarily suspended and railway traffic was held up as much as 24 hours. There was some damage from wind, hail and tornadoes.

Farm operations were much behind at the beginning of the month but favorable conditions as to moisture permitted work to be pushed, and at the close of the month conditions compared favorably with the average season. However, a large amount of overflowed land was still too wet at the end of the month to work and cannot be planted to the usual crops. The weather was too cool for the growth of corn and some fields showed yellow; winter wheat, meadows and pastures were generally in good condition and made good growth. Sunshine was normal, and with a good wind movement conditions were favorable for the cultivation of all crops, and weeds were well under control.

YEAR	Temperature				Precipitation				Number of Days				
	Mean	Departure	Highest	Lowest	Total	Departure	Greatest	Least	Snowfall	With pre-.01 in. or more	Clear	Partly cloudy	Cloudy
1873.....	56.5	- 3.6	86	38	5.99	+ 1.41	9.10	3.42					
1874.....	61.1	+ 4.0	94	41	1.88	- 2.70	4.49	0.50					
1875.....	60.5	+ 0.4	91	26	2.91	- 1.64	6.70	1.63					
1876.....	61.1	+ 1.0	90	32	2.84	- 1.74	7.38	1.09					
1877.....	60.3	+ 0.2	92	29	4.30	- 0.28	11.00	1.60					
1878.....	55.7	+ 4.4	88	32	5.01	+ 0.43	11.95	2.14					
1879.....	62.9	+ 2.8	93	26	4.38	- 0.20	8.70	1.40					
1880.....	66.3	+ 6.2	96	37	4.06	- 0.52	8.45	1.47					
1881.....	66.7	+ 6.6	95	35	3.73	- 0.85	9.30	0.40					
1882.....	54.3	+ 5.8	83	24	5.42	+ 0.84	12.55	1.50					
1883.....	54.6	+ 5.5	90	31	6.25	+ 1.67	11.68	1.30					
1884.....	59.6	+ 0.5	88	33	3.15	- 1.43	6.36	1.00					
1885.....	57.4	+ 2.7	86	27	3.44	- 1.14	9.33	1.05					
1886.....	62.5	+ 2.4	96	30	3.38	- 1.20	7.63	1.30					
1887.....	64.6	+ 4.5	96	34	1.55	- 3.03	5.84	0					
1888.....	53.8	+ 6.3	88	22	6.58	+ 2.00	10.85	2.00					
1889.....	59.2	+ 0.9	92	22	4.06	- 0.52	8.54	1.40					
1890.....	56.5	+ 3.6	96	26	3.64	- 0.94	6.44	1.60					
1891.....	58.3	+ 1.8	91	21	3.18	- 1.40	7.10	1.46					
1892.....	54.0	+ 6.1	88	29	8.77	+ 4.19	12.64	4.87					
1893.....	56.6	+ 3.5	96	26	3.45	- 1.13	5.82	1.65					
1894.....	61.1	+ 1.0	96	22	1.87	- 2.71	4.77	0.33					
1895.....	61.7	+ 1.6	104	24	3.19	- 1.39	5.79	0.81					
1896.....	65.5	+ 5.4	100	34	6.69	+ 2.11	11.79	3.40					
1897.....	58.5	+ 1.6	96	20	1.92	- 2.66	3.59	0.21					
1898.....	59.6	+ 0.5	92	26	4.67	+ 0.09	7.82	2.22					
1899.....	60.2	+ 0.1	90	27	6.23	+ 1.65	11.47	3.09					
1900.....	63.2	+ 3.1	98	22	3.31	- 1.27	6.98	0.96					
1901.....	60.7	+ 0.6	95	28	2.35	- 2.23	4.57	0.72					
1902.....	63.8	+ 3.7	97	25	5.39	+ 0.81	18.04	0.87					
1903.....	61.6	+ 1.5	91	24	8.55	+ 3.97	15.45	2.88					
1904.....	59.6	+ 0.5	93	27	3.78	- 0.80	8.15	1.50					
1905.....	58.3	+ 1.8	88	28	5.95	+ 1.37	10.83	2.57					
1906.....	60.8	+ 0.7	95	24	3.54	- 1.04	10.72	0.89					
1907.....	53.5	+ 6.6	96	14	3.48	- 1.10	7.68	0.71					
1908.....	59.4	+ 0.7	93	13	8.34	+ 3.76	14.33	1.33					
1909.....	57.9	+ 2.2	97	18	4.34	- 0.24	7.85	1.86					
1910.....	55.4	+ 4.7	89	18	3.41	- 1.17	6.91	1.29					
1911.....	61.9	+ 4.8	98	23	3.76	- 0.82	8.73	0.42					
1912.....	62.7	+ 2.6	97	29	3.33	- 1.25	6.41	0.72					
1913.....	59.4	+ 0.7	102	30	6.24	+ 1.66	10.25	3.14					
1914.....	62.2	+ 2.1	98	25	3.31	- 1.27	6.90	0.30					
1915.....	56.1	+ 4.0	99	25	7.34	+ 2.76	13.21	3.82					
1916.....	59.9	+ 0.2	94	27	4.93	+ 0.35	10.44	2.14					
1917.....	55.1	+ 5.0	95	18	3.87	- 0.71	7.33	1.69					
1918.....	64.9	+ 4.8	98	25	6.87	+ 2.29	11.98	2.72					
1919.....	58.2	+ 1.9	93	30	3.11	- 1.47	7.14	0.73					
1920.....	59.4	+ 0.7	89	29	3.26	- 1.32	5.73	0.62					
1921.....	63.3	+ 3.2	99	25	4.23	- 0.35	9.41	1.32					
1922.....	63.4	+ 3.3	91	34	3.53	- 1.05	8.36	0.47					
1923.....	59.6	+ 0.5	90	20	2.84	- 1.74	6.55	1.07					
1924.....	54.1	+ 6.0	94	26	1.71	- 2.87	3.28	0.78					
1925.....	57.8	+ 2.3	102	20	1.16	- 3.42	2.62	0.30					
1926.....	64.5	+ 4.4	97	25	2.76	- 1.82	6.83	0.52					
1927.....	58.4	+ 1.7	91	30	4.69	+ 0.11	9.07	0.86					
1928.....	62.6	+ 2.5	93	26	2.47	- 2.11	6.19	0.61					
1929.....	57.7	+ 2.4	91	24	2.47	- 2.11	5.79	0.82					

T. indicates an amount too small to measure, or less than .005 inch rainfall and less than .05 inch snowfall.

### TEMPERATURE

The mean temperature for the State, derived from the means of nine districts of nearly equal area, and based on the records of 103 stations, was 57.7°, or 2.4° lower than the normal. There was a deficiency at all stations with considerable range for individual stations. The deficiency was least in the northwestern district and greatest in the northeastern district. The highest monthly mean was 61.1° at Burlington and the lowest was 52.3° at Postville. The absolute range for the State was 67°, ranging from 91° at Davenport No. 2 on the 28th and 29th and at Mt. Pleasant on the 31st, to 24° at Inwood on the 2d and 16th, Sanborn on the 5th and Webster City on the 7th. Temperatures of 90°, or higher occurred in but three districts and at but nine stations. The average number of stations with the minimum temperature 32°, or lower was 4, ranging from 7 in the north-central and northeastern districts to 1 in the southeastern district; the greatest number at any station was 9 at two stations and at nine stations the temperature did not reach 32°.

Climatological Data for May, 1929

STATIONS	COUNTIES	Elevation, feet	Length of record, years	Temperature, in Degrees Fahrenheit						Precipitation, in inches				Number of Days					OBSERVERS	
				Mean	Departure from normal	Highest	Date	Lowest	Date	Greatest daily range	Total	Departure from normal	Greatest in 24 hours	Total snowfall (unmelted)	Precipitation, .01 in. or more	Clear	Partly cloudy	Cloudy		Prevailing direction of wind
<i>Northwest District</i>																				
Akron	Plymouth	1,153	2							2.75	-1.00	2.02	0	7	18	9	4	s.	Orlan C. Moore	
Alta	Buena Vista	1,513	37	57.0	-1.6	87	30	27	5	37	1.75	-3.16	1.10	0	5	11	15	5	s.	D. E. Hadden
Alton	Sioux	1,305	23	57.1	-1.5	85	30	25	5	39	1.37	-3.45	0.62	0	5	6	21	4	se.	W. S. Slagle
Cherokee	Cherokee	1,196	8	56.6	-1.4	85	28†	26	2	37	1.30	-3.37	0.60	0	7	17	12	2	s.	J. E. Wirth
Estherville	Emmet	1,298	33	56.2	-0.8	88	28	29	3†	37	2.58	-1.89	0.90	0	7	20	10	1	nw.	A. O. Peterson
Hawarden	Sioux	1,181	2							4.67	+0.92	4.03	0	7	9	14	8	nw.	Earl V. Slife	
Inwood (near)	Lyon	1,474	24	56.1	-1.6	84	30	24	2†	40	3.42	-0.78	1.66	0	6	16	8	7	se.	A. C. Hanson
Lake Park (near)	Dickinson	1,480	15	54.6	-2.9	81	27†	26	16	39	2.72	-1.31	1.18	0	9	16	6	9	se.	P. M. Lawrence
Le Mars	Plymouth	1,224	32	57.4	-1.6	85	30†	27	2†	37	1.15	-3.38	1.02	0	4	19	8	4	s.	Henry Newell
Marathon	Buena Vista	1,390	2							1.00		0.68	0	4	19	5	7	nw.	E. G. Smith	
Pocahontas	Pocahontas	1,248	24	57.2	-1.6	85	30	27	5	35	1.62	-2.81	0.95	0	9	12	14	5	se.	F. E. Hronek
Rock Rapids	Lyon	1,349	29	55.9	-2.1	84	25	26	2†	39	4.48	+0.93	3.32	T.	8	23	4	4	n.	Nellie F. Medberry
Sanborn	O'Brien	1,553	14	55.1	-3.0	84	30	24	5	40	3.49	-1.30	1.92	0	8	9	15	7	se.	J. W. Dow
Sheldon	O'Brien	1,418	17	56.2	-2.0	84	25	26	4†	37	2.48	-2.27	1.74	0	7	15	10	6	s.	Ross E. Forward
Sioux Center	Sioux	1,426	29	56.0	-2.2	84	30	27	2†	39	2.62	-2.09	2.02	0	3	12	15	4	se.	F. C. Aue
Spencers	Clay	1,319	14	56.9	-1.6	85	28†	27	7†	40	2.05	-2.15	0.60	0	7	10	14	7	se.	E. W. Little
Storm Lake††	Buena Vista	1,438	39	57.3	-1.8	86	30	29	2†	36	2.03	-2.46	0.93	0	5	12	13	6	se.	L. B. Florey
Washta	Cherokee	1,157	30	56.8	-1.5	86	28	26	7	42	1.26	-3.36	0.40	0	6	14	13	4	s.	H. L. Felter
West Bend	Palo Alto	1,197	35	56.5	-2.8	85	31	27	5	40	1.28	-0.21	1.95	0	7	14	13	4	se.	Jos. Dorweiler
<b>Means and extremes</b>				56.4	-1.9	88	28	24	2†	42	2.48	-1.90	4.03	T.	6	14	12	5	se.	
<i>North Central District</i>																				
Algona	Kossuth	1,224	55	57.9	-1.3	86	31	28	3	38	4.05	-0.23	1.35	0	7	25	0	6	se.	W. E. Laird
Allison††	Butler	1,060	14																	E. W. Detra
Belmond	Wright	1,181	18	55.6	-3.0	86	28	26	3†	39	3.56	-1.65	0.98	T.	9	11	7	13	nw.	H. F. Luick
Britt	Hancock	1,236	41	55.9	-2.1	86	31	27	3	36	3.72	-1.18	1.55	0	7	17	4	10	sw.	E. P. Healy
Charles City	Floyd	1,015	37	54.8	-3.0	87	28	30	3	33	3.24	-1.09	1.71	0	11	13	9	9	se.	U. S. Weather Bureau
Forest City	Winnebago	1,226	34	54.8	-3.3	85	28	25	3	35	5.04	+0.40	2.24	0	9	12	12	7	se.	Dr. M. B. Neil
Hampton	Franklin	1,145	3																	L. H. Davis
Humboldt	Humboldt	1,095	40	57.0	-3.0	88	23	28	7	41	2.91	-1.39	1.62	0	7	16	10	5	nw.	H. C. Snitkey
Mason City	Cerro Gordo	1,148	31	54.0	-4.0	84	28	26	7	35	3.53	-1.16	0.98	0	9	9	17	5	nw.	American Beet Sugar Co.
Northwood	Worth	1,222	32	54.8	-2.5	86	28	28	3	36	3.89	-1.20	0.99	0	7	15	10	6	sw.	Charles Dwelle
Osage	Mitchell	1,163	34	54.6	-3.2	82	28†	29	3†	33	3.77	-0.91	1.45	0	8	13	10	8	nw.	Dr. C. E. Juhl
<b>Means and extremes</b>				55.5	-2.9	88	23	25	3	41	3.73	-0.96	2.24	T.	8	14	9	8	nw.	
<i>Northeast District</i>																				
Decorah	Winneshiek	872	35	54.6	-3.8	87	28	26	7	41	3.38	-1.28	1.18	0	10	15	9	7	nw.	M. D. Whitney
Dubuque	Dubuque	706	55	56.8	-3.5	87	29	33	3	40	1.39	-2.83	0.65	T.	8	8	8	15	nw.	U. S. Weather Bureau
Fayette	Fayette	1,003	40	56.2	-1.8	88	31	27	4†	40	1.24	-3.62	0.84	0	5	16	9	6	sw.	R. Z. Latimer
Buchanan	Buchanan	956	64	57.3	-2.3	88	28	31	3†	32	2.93	-1.34	1.41	0	7	14	7	10	sw.	Dr. Geo. Boody
Lansing	Allamakee	632	21								2.49	-2.51	0.57	0	12					Mrs. Mary Spinner
New Hampton	Chickasaw	1,169	31	54.3	-4.0	83	28	27	4	34	3.64	-1.19	1.20	0	9	9	12	10	nw.	D. W. Dawson
Oelwein	Fayette	1,036	5	55.6	-3.1	86	28†	29	4†	34	2.60	-1.82	1.30	0	7	6	15	10	s.	John T. Ridler
Postville (near)	Clayton	1,192	29	52.3	-5.1	84	28†	27	3	36	2.10	-2.96	0.69	0	9	15	12	4	sw.	F. L. Williams
Waterloo	Black Hawk	854	45	57.4	-2.8	90	31	28	4†	38	2.13	-1.96	1.05	0	9	18	6	7	nw.	R. B. Slippy
Waverly	Bremer	936	32																	D. H. Murphy
<b>Means and extremes</b>				55.6	-3.3	90	31	26	7	41	2.47	-2.11	1.41	T.	8	13	10	8	nw.	
<i>West Central District</i>																				
Audubon (near)	Audubon	1,297	33	57.9	-1.4	85	28	29	2	40	1.76	-2.62	0.66	0	9	6	24	1	se.	George Kibby
Carroll	Carroll	1,265	38	57.2	-2.7	86	28	28	2†	34	3.34	-1.22	2.80	0	5	18	10	3	se.	Mrs. Jos. J. Wolfe
Denison	Crawford	1,171	34	57.6	-2.5	89	28†	28	2†	34	2.27	-1.01	1.22	0	7	5	19	7	sw.	V. L. Byers
Guthrie Center	Guthrie	987	33	58.1	-1.4	85	28	28	5	38	2.03	-2.67	0.93	0	4	10	17	4	n.	Floyd H. Bainter
Harlan	Shelby	1,192	29	57.3	-2.8	85	29	29	2	31	2.84	-1.72	1.72	0	9	7	12	12	se.	Walter Bell
Jefferson	Greene	1,052	29	57.4	-2.4	85	28	28	5	34	2.84	-1.71	1.62	0	6	10	12	9	sw.	W. I. Lyon
Little Sioux	Harrison	1,040	23	59.4	-1.7	87	28†	29	2	35	2.19	-2.25	0.85	0	10	8	19	4	s.	H. W. Kerr
Logan	Harrison	1,120	61	58.6	-2.7	86	30	29	2	33	2.61	-1.63	1.22	0	9	4	26	1	sw.	Amy Ann Stern
Onawa	Monona	1,051	27	58.4	-2.5	88	28	28	2†	37	1.97	-2.86	0.70	0	6	12	11	8	se.	Mrs. H. E. Colby
Rockwell City	Calhoun	1,232	32																	A. W. McIsaac
Sac City	Sac	1,269	52	56.8	-1.9	88	30	30	2†	37	1.45	-2.71	0.60	0	5	11	12	8	s.	F. P. Kessler
Sioux City	Woodbury	1,135	39	58.6	-1.8	88	30	29	2	34	1.73	-2.32	0.93	0	7	7	16	8	s.	U. S. Weather Bureau
<b>Means and extremes</b>				57.9	-2.1	89	28†	28	2†	40	2.28	-2.19	2.80	0	7	9	16	6	s.	
<i>Central District</i>																				
Ames	Story	926	51	58.3	-2.5	86	28	31	7	37	2.31	-2.20	1.03	0	8	17	8	6	se.	Iowa State College
Baxter††	Jasper	998	28	58.2	-2.3	87	30	30	4†	37	2.57	-2.79	0.98	0	7	11	19	1	se.	F. A. Kanne
Boone (near)	Boone	894	23	57.7	-2.2	86	28†	27	5	41	2.32	-2.71	1.09	0	8	7	17	7	nw.	C. F. Henning
Des Moines	Polk	861	50	59.2	-2.1	87	28	33	5	31	2.18	-2.38	1.14	0	11	4	11	16	n.	U. S. Weather Bureau
Fort Dodge	Webster	1,114	28	57.0	-2.2	87	28	29	5†	38	2.51	-2.07	1.48	0	9	14	7	10	se.	Mrs. Emma Sampson
Grinnell	Poweshiek	1,031	34	57.8	-3.0	87	28	26	5	36	2.61	-2.36	0.90	0	7	14	13	4	se.	R. E. Bates
Grundy Center	Grundy	976	37	56.8	-3.8	88	30	28	3	37	2.17	-2.77	1.15	0	6	16	9	6	nw.	M. G. Heiberger
Iowa Falls	Hardin	1,127	35	56.5	-2.3	87	28	28	7	38	4.77	+0.16	2.50	0	12	11	14	6	sw.	C. H. Gilbert
Marshalltown	Marshall	947	36	58.4	-2.5	88	28†	32	4†	37	2.11	-2.38	0.83	0	8	11	12	8	se.	C. C. Pigman
Monroe	Jasper	922	16	58.9	-1.2	86	28	30	5	34	1.61	-3.34	0.51	0	9	10	5	16	sw.	J. A. Dibel
Perry	Dallas	975	27	58.2	-2.6	87	28	28	5	38	1.36	-3.48	0.62	0	4	7	15	9	se.	Eugene N. Hastie
Toledo	Tama	847	34	57.6	-3.3	88	28	28	4†	39	1.55	-3.14	0.75	0	8	9	13	9	sw.	H. P. Giger
Van Meter	Dallas	872	9								1.78		1.00	0	6					Calvin K. Smith
Waukeo	Dallas	1,032	25	58.2	-2.5	86	30	28	5	31	1.48	-3.19	0.97	0	9	23	8	0	se.	O. D. Ellsworth
Webster City	Hamilton	1,042	23	56.6	-3.1	88	28	24	7	45	4.02	-0.25	2.39	0	7	15	13	3	se.	Frank A. Bonebright
<b>Means and extremes</b>				57.8	-2.6	88	28†	24	7	45	2.36	-2.39	2.50	0	8	12	12	7	se.	

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STATIONS	COUNTIES	Elevation, feet	Length of record, years	Temperature, in Degrees Fahrenheit							Precipitation, in inches				Number of Days				OBSERVERS		
				Mean	Departure from normal	Highest	Date	Lowest	Date	Greatest daily range	Total	Departure from normal	Greatest in 24 hours	Total snowfall (unmelted)	Precipitation, .01 in. or more	Clear	Partly cloudy	Cloudy		Prevailing direction of wind	
<i>East Central District</i>																					
Belle Plaine	Benton	866	38	58.0	-2.4	90	28	27	5	39	1.33	-3.48	0.51	0	7	9	13	9	nw.	O. C. Burrows J. T. Wurster Dr. A. P. Bryant U. S. Weather Bureau Rex Shriver	
Cedar Rapids	Linn	737	46	57.8	-2.9	88	28†	29	4†	40	1.32	-3.38	0.64	0	9	11	2	18	se.		
Clinton	Clinton	595	55	58.8	-2.3	90	29	30	4	40	2.53	-2.07	1.00	T.	9	14	3	14	s.		
Davenport	Scott	580	57	59.6	-1.7	89	28	34	3	42	1.23	-2.71	0.51	0	8	7	11	13	nw.		
Davenport No. 2	Scott	690	3	59.9		91		28†	31	3†	1.67		0.52	0	11	15	11	5	sw.		
Fairport	Muscatine	567	7	58.7	-3.2	88	28	31	4	33	1.50	-2.68	0.55	0	13	11	4	16	se.		Bureau of Fisheries Prof. J. F. Reilly Margaret T. Disney John Strothoff William Moiss
Iowa City	Johnson	733	68	58.8	-1.5	89	28	30	5	37	1.94	-2.59	0.63	0	13	7	13	11	s.		
Le Claire	Scott	576	28								2.13	-2.28	0.87	0	10				se.		
Maquoketa (near)	Jackson	692	23	56.2	-2.8	88	28†	28	4†	40	1.36	-3.20	0.63	0	7	16	4	11	nw.		
Muscatine	Muscatine	546	67								1.30	-3.12	0.48	0	8				se.		
Olin	Jones	760	29	58.0	-2.3	88	28	28	4	42	2.77	-1.92	1.10	0	6	11	15	5	sw.		
Tipton (near)	Cedar	807	29	58.0	-2.8	90	28†	29	4	38	1.93	-2.96	0.63	0	6	7	14	10	s.	Mrs. L. Stingley John Kroepfen Dr. F. C. Schadt	
Williamsburg	Iowa	770	12	58.0	-1.8	90	28	28	5	40	1.50	-3.10	0.48	0	5	16	10	5	se.		
Means and extremes				58.3	-2.3	91	28†	27	5	42	1.73	-2.79	1.10	T.	9	11	10	10	s.		
<i>Southwest District</i>																					
Atlantic	Cass	1,110	37	57.8	-2.9	85	28	29	2	33	1.96	-2.27	0.70	0	10	5	23	3	ne.	Roy L. Fancolly Arthur L. Bishop Dr. H. C. Hawley J. A. Wilson Carl E. Pollock	
Bedford	Taylor	1,200									3.18	-1.41	1.54	0	9	3	17	11	se.		
Clarinda	Page	1,009	38	59.2	-3.7	88	28	31	2	33	3.99	-0.96	1.05	0	12	11	18	2	s.		
Corning	Adams	1,150	36	58.5	-2.0	86	28	31	2†	37	3.84	-1.20	2.30	0	7	14	6	11	s.		
Cumberland (near)	Cass	1,225	29								1.90	-2.28	1.03	0	9	5	20	6	s.		
Glenwood	Mills	1,100	30	59.8	-1.5	86	28†	30	2	32	2.31	-2.30	0.80	0	8	8	17	6	se.		George Mogridge J. L. Hurley W. S. Matthews B. R. Bridge Geo. C. Rader
Lenox	Taylor	1,250	33	59.4	-2.5	88	28†	28	2	43	2.64	-2.04	1.28	0	8	15	10	6	se.		
Oakland	Pottawattamie	1,139	9	58.7	-2.5	85	28	30	2	33	3.04	-1.27	1.15	0	9	12	7	12	se.		
Red Oak (near)	Montgomery	1,030	3								3.66	-1.09	2.50	0	7	8	18	5	e.		
Riverton (near)	Fremont	920	2								5.79	+0.99	2.33	0	10	5	6	20	s.		
Thurman	Fremont	960	31	60.2	-2.5	87	28	31	2	29	3.73	-1.22	1.86	0	7	10	8	13	s.		
Omaha, Neb.		1,105	57	60.8	-1.6	86	28	33	2	26	2.02	-1.75	0.55	0	11	6	14	11	se.		
Means and extremes				59.3	-2.4	88	28†	28	2	43	3.17	-1.40	2.50	0	9	8	14	9	se.		
<i>South Central District</i>																					
Afton	Union	1,212	34	59.1	-2.3	87	28	32	2†	32	2.40	-2.37	1.07	0	11	5	19	7	sw.	S. R. Brown O. E. McBride Thomas Wood C. C. Burr J. C. Davis	
Albia	Monroe	949	30	59.4	-1.9	89	28	32	5	33	1.62	-3.37	0.32	0	10	4	8	19	ne.		
Centerville	Appanoose	1,013	23	59.8	-1.6	87	28	32	5	33	1.89	-2.70	0.88	0	13	10	10	11	se.		
Chariton (near)	Lucas	1,042	33	58.6	-1.5	86	28	32	3†	34	0.82	-3.70	0.23	0	4	3	23	5	sw.		
Corydon (near)	Wayne	1,050	35	59.2	-1.1	86	28	33	3†	31	1.32	-3.35	0.40	0	9	5	11	15	se.		
Creston	Union	1,291	23	58.2	-2.5	85	28	31	2	32	2.47	-2.07	1.28	0	12	6	20	5	s.		
Earlham (near)	Madison	1,126	26	57.1	-3.1	83	29	28	5	34	2.65	-1.79	1.56	0	6	12	8	11	se.		
Indianola	Warren	972	37	58.8	-2.7	86	28	30	5	31	2.19	-2.26	0.80	0	11	6	16	9	se.		
Knoxville	Marion	920	33	58.3	-3.2	84	29	30	5	33	1.38	-2.87	0.38	0	7	9	13	9	se.		
Laona	Warren	824	29								1.68	-3.15	0.52	0	10	9	13	9	se.		
Lamoni	Decatur	1,123	21	58.5	-2.7	85	28	32	2†	32	1.34	-3.61	0.33	0	9	9	15	7	se.	F. S. Parks J. M. Carr E. O. Gleason James A. Verploegh H. S. Ely	
Melrose	Monroe	871									2.16		0.52	0	8	14	4	13	nw.		
Mount Ayr	Ringgold	1,220	35	58.4	-2.9	85	28	32	2†	29	1.61	-3.86	0.76	0	9	19	3	9	s.		
Tingley	Ringgold	1,275	3	58.6	-1.8	85	28	32	2	29	1.86	-3.11	0.76	0	10	4	19	8	ne.		
Winterset	Madison	1,118	37	58.7	-2.9	86	30	30	3	32	2.92	-1.60	1.54	0	11	12	14	5	sw.		
Means and extremes				58.7	-2.4	89	28	28	5	34	1.89	-2.80	1.56	0	9	8	13	10	se.		
<i>Southeast District</i>																					
Bonaparte (near)	Van Buren	563	37	58.6	-2.7	85	28	33	3†	34	2.06	-2.57	0.84	0	10	10	12	9	se.		B. R. Vale John T. Donnelly Miss Musa Todd R. M. McKenzie U. S. Weather Bureau
Burlington	Des Moines	544	32	61.1	-1.8	90	28	35	5	39	2.81	-1.72	1.41	0	12	9	13	9	sw.		
Columbus Junction	Louisa	595	27	58.7	-3.5	86	28†	32	5	36	1.37	-2.94	0.38	0	10	14	15	2	se.		
Fairfield	Jefferson	780	44	59.2	-1.9	90	28	31	5	38	1.59	-3.85	0.25	0	11	10	9	12	w.		
Keokuk	Lee	614	57	60.4	-3.4	87	28	37	16	42	2.97	-0.96	0.84	0	15	3	12	16	s.		
Keokuk No. 2	Lee	651		60.4		89	28†	34	5	33	3.93		1.15	0	15				se.		
Keosauqua	Van Buren	639	36	59.0	-2.3	88	28	31	5	41	1.88	-3.00	0.66	0	8	4	23	4	nw.		
Mt. Pleasant	Henry	730	47	60.2	-2.3	91	31	34	5	33	1.42	-3.20	0.66	0	9	7	20	4	se.		
Oskaloosa	Mahaska	835	52	58.8	-2.4	89	28	30	5	35	1.14	-3.11	0.39	0	8	5	13	13	ne.		
Ottumwa	Wapello	649	33	60.4	-2.6	89	28	32	6	33	2.00	-2.65	0.63	0	10	14	12	5	se.		
Sigourney (near)	Keokuk	790	32	59.6	-1.2	88	28	32	5	38	2.05	-2.22	0.67	0	7	10	10	11	se.	W. E. Utterback C. L. Beswick D. D. Sherman H. G. Liddle	
Stockport (near)	Van Buren	747	26	58.4	-2.1	89	28	31	5	37	1.77	-2.89	0.38	0	15	12	12	7	s.		
Washington	Washington	757	46	59.6	-1.9	88	28	30	5	36	1.65	-2.51	0.60	0	8	11	8	12	sw.		
Wever	Lee	552		60.3		90	28†	30	5	34	2.49		0.93	0	14	8	17	6	s.		
Means and extremes				59.6	-2.2	91	31	30	5	42	2.08	-2.45	1.41	0	11	9	14	8	se.		
State means and extremes				57.7	-2.4	91	28†	24	2†	45	2.47	-2.11	4.03	T.	8	11	12	8	se.		

Temperature normals are based on the 46-year period July 3, 1875 to July 2, 1921; shorter records corrected to harmonize. Precipitation normals are based on the 50-year period ended December 31, 1927 at first order stations; upon all records of 10 years or more ending December 31, 1920 for most of the co-operative observing stations; and upon interpolations from normal maps for recently established stations.  
Reference letters a, b, c, etc., appearing in the table indicate the number of days missing; for example b represents two days, etc.  
†Also other dates.  
‡Received too late to be included in means and summaries.  
T. Precipitation is less than 0.01 inch rain or melted snow.

Daily Precipitation for May, 1929

Stations	Drainage Basin	Day of Month																															Totals	
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31		
<i>Northwest District</i>																																		
Akron.....	Big Sioux.....					.20				.02	.38	.02									.04								2.02	.07			2.75	
Alta   .....	Raccoon.....					.08					T	1.10	.05								.30								.22				1.75	
Alton.....	Floyd.....					.02					T	.30									.20							T	T	.62	.23			1.37
Cherokee.....	Little Sioux.....			T				.09									T				.03	.22					T	T	.10	.02			1.30	
Estherville   .....	Des Moines.....											.60	.24												.15		T	.10	.03	.80	.05			2.58
Hawarden.....	Big Sioux.....					.09						.01	.42	.01							.11								3.88	.15			4.67	
Inwood (near)   .....	Big Sioux.....											.06	.38								.21								1.66	1.10	.01		3.42	
Lake Park (near).....	Little Sioux.....												.35	.03							.33	.01			.17			.02	1.18	.57			2.72	
Le Mars.....	Floyd.....																		T		.05	.15					T	T	1.02	.05			1.15	
Marathon.....	Raccoon.....											.02	.68				T				.02						T		.28		T		1.00	
Pocahontas.....	Des Moines.....											.30	.65							.05								.11	.03	.31				1.62
Rock Rapids.....	Big Sioux.....				.04							.54	.65								.40	.05						.04	3.32	.04			4.48	
Sanborn.....	Floyd.....											.43	.05								.08	.47			.09			.03	.42	1.92			3.49	
Sheldon.....	Floyd.....			T								.23	.04						T		.31	.15					T	.01	1.32	.42		T	2.48	
Sioux Center.....	Floyd.....											.42									.18								2.02				2.62	
Spencer.....	Little Sioux.....			.12								.35	.25								T	.40						.13	.50	.30			2.05	
Storm Lake.....	Raccoon.....								.05			.75	.93								.22								.08				2.03	
Washta.....	Little Sioux.....			T								.28	.40								.11								.20	.16			1.26	
West Bend.....	Des Moines.....								.11			1.24	.71								T	.37				.03		.58	T	.60	.45			3.98
<i>North Central District</i>																																		
Algona.....	Des Moines.....											.55	1.35															.65	.30	.55	.10		4.05	
Allison.....	Cedar.....																				.42	.05		.06				.83	.10	.28			3.56	
Belmond.....	Iowa.....											.45	.98								T	.87						.07	.04	.23	.53		3.72	
Britt.....	Iowa.....											.43	1.55								.30	.03	.10	T	.03		T	.33	.09	.07	.57		3.24	
Charles City***.....	Cedar.....								.01			.45	1.26															.07	.57				3.24	
Forest City   .....	Cedar.....											2.24		T		.05		.07			T	.41			1.01			.63	.03	.12	.42		5.04	
Hampton.....	Cedar.....											1.62	T			.21			.08			.58						.37	.15	.60			3.61	
Humboldt.....	Des Moines.....											.19	1.22								.07		T					.69	T	.30	.32		2.91	
Mason City.....	Cedar.....											.54	.98								.20	.04						.35	.56	.31	.33		T	3.53
Northwood.....	Cedar.....											.40	.99								.25							.74	.27	T	.54		3.89	
Osage.....	Cedar.....											.72	.73				.20	.35			T					.46		.11	.36		.84			3.77
<i>Northeast District</i>																																		
Decorah   .....	Mississippi.....			.03								1.18									.40	.03	.02					.32		.17	.12	1.01		3.38
Dubuque***.....	Mississippi.....							T		T		.22	.27							.02	.15	T	T	.01			T	.65	.01	T	.06		1.39	
Fayette.....	Mississippi.....											.39	.45								.17	T						.08		.15			1.24	
Independence.....	Wapsipinicon.....			.54								.22	1.41								.14	T					T	.36	.07	.19	.07	.33		2.93
Lansing   .....	Mississippi.....			.25									.57								.02	.43	.16	.03	.05			.36	.02	.03	.55	.02		2.49
New Hampton.....	Wapsipinicon.....											.54	1.20					.37	.06			.16						.32	.55	.15	.29			3.64
Oelwein.....	Wapsipinicon.....											.40	.90					.10	.20			.20						.20	.10	.70			2.60	
Postville (near).....	Mississippi.....											.33	.36					.68	.03			.26				.18	.19	.02	.05	T			2.10	
Waterloo   .....	Cedar.....												1.05			.15		.18	.02		.15						.10		.17	T	.03		2.13	
Waverly.....	Cedar.....																																	
<i>West Central District</i>																																		
Audubon (near).....	Nishnabotna.....					.06							.66		.15	.17										.03				.12	.25	.30	.02	1.76
Carroll   .....	Raccoon.....						T	T				.20																		.18	.12			3.34
Denison.....	Missouri.....						.13					.64	1.22							.05		.24			.07				.12	.04			2.27	
Guthrie Center.....	Raccoon.....											.75						.05				.20	T					.30		.93			2.03	
Harlan.....	Nishnabotna.....					T	.14					.88	.84				.22	.20	T			.20					T		.10	.21		.05	2.84	
Jefferson.....	Raccoon.....											.82	.80			.08	.10	T										.35	T	.69			2.84	
Little Sioux.....	Little Sioux.....				.01	.01	.18					.65	.85									.12						.01		.09	.24	.03		2.19
Logan.....	Missouri.....						.16					.40	1.22					T				.36				.06	T		.31	.03		.03	2.61	
Onawa.....	Missouri.....						.27					.50	.70															T	.10	.30			1.97	
Rockwell City.....	Raccoon.....																																	
Sac City.....	Raccoon.....											.53	.60															.10		.10				1.45
Sioux City***.....	Missouri.....				.01	.10							.54	.06						T									.93	.01		T	1.73	
<i>Central District</i>																																		
Ames.....	Skunk.....											.30	1.03																.32	.07	.14		2.31	
Baxter.....	Skunk.....											.10	.73																.98	.05	.20		2.57	
Boone (near)   .....	Des Moines.....								T			.10	.66		.03		.24		T									.02	.23	.04	.68		2.32	
Des Moines***.....	Des Moines.....							T		T		.12	1.02			.13	.02	T											.37	.15	T	.05	.02	2.18
Fort Dodge   .....	Des Moines.....											.14	.48			.04		.09	.02										.24	.01	.16	.35		2.51
Grinnell.....	Iowa.....											.90	.39																.40	.13	.30		2.61	
Grundy Center.....	Cedar.....											.30	1.15					.39			T							.12	.20		T		2.17	
Iowa Falls   .....	Iowa.....											2.45			.05		.68	.07			.03							.03	.10	.58	.05	.09	.40	4.77
Marshalltown   .....	Iowa.....							T		T		.83				.18		.30	.01			.03							.35	.02	.23		2.11	
Monroe.....	Des Moines.....											.13	.51					.20					.08	T				.33	.04	.21	.04	.07	T	1.61
Perry.....	Raccoon.....		T	T									.62		.04	.18	T																	1.36
Toledo.....	Iowa.....											.30	.45					.20	.45										.15	.10	.15		1.55	
Van Meter   .....	Raccoon.....												1.00					.05												.20	.10		1.78	
Waukee.....	Raccoon.....	</																																

Daily Precipitation for May, 1929—Continued

Stations	Drainage Basin	Day of Month																														Totals
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	
<i>Southwest District</i>																																
Atlantic	Nishnabotna					.10	.01				.70	.08		.17					.05	T.			.09	T.	.05		.53	.18				
Bedford	102				T.	.23					.11	1.43		.21	T.				T.						.20	.08	.05	.50		.37		
Clarinda	Nodaway					.17	.09				1.05	.63		.59					.06					.04	.68		.08	.07		.47		
Corning	Nodaway					.17					.11	2.30		.35					.03					.18					.70			
Cumberland	Nodaway					.08					T.	1.03		T.	.17	T.				.06			T.		.10	T.	.08	T.	.07		.03	
<i>Glenwood</i>																																
Lenox	Missouri					.20					.80		.36	.15					.28						.08		.10		.34		2.31	
Oakland	Nishnabotna					.19					T.	1.28		.25	.10				T.					.17		.10		T.	.28		.30	2.64
Red Oak	Nishnabotna					.19					.31	.11		.31	.11				.37					.06		T.	.60	.55	.06	.34		
Riverton	Nishnabotna					.24					T.	2.50		.28					.10					.24				.10	.20		3.66	
Thurman	Nishnabotna					.21					T.	2.33		.42	.13				.49				T.	.09	.09		.05	.64	1.31	5.79		
<i>South Central District</i>																																
Afton	Grand					T.	.14				.02	1.07		.18	.19									.18	.02	.20	.10	.08	.22	2.40		
Albia	Des Moines		.06				T.	T.			.32		.12	.31					T.	T.				.07	.25	.22	.02	.04	.21	1.62		
Centerville	Chariton						T.	.04			.63	.25		.30	.08				.01		.01	T.		.02	.18	.02	.18	.02	.12	.21	1.89	
Chariton	Chariton										T.	.22			.23									T.	.15		.22	T.	T.	T.	.08	
Corydon	Chariton							.08			.01	.23		*	.40									.23	.31	.21	.09		.06	1.32		
<i>South Central District</i>																																
Creston	Missouri						.15				.05	1.28		.10	.35	.01	T.							.15		.11	.03	T.	.05	.18	.01	2.47
Earlham	Des Moines										T.	1.56		T.	.13	T.								.60	.24	.24	T.	.11	T.	.01	2.65	
Indianola	Des Moines						T.				.08	.72		.06	.24					.05	.02			.22	.36	.16		.20	.08	2.19		
Knoxville	Des Moines						T.				.10	.38		T.	.27					.08			T.	.30	T.	.18	.07		T.	1.38		
Lacona	Des Moines					.01					.05	.50		.06	.34									.12	.52	.05		.01	.02	1.68		
Lamoni	Grand					.15	.02				.20	.16		.32										T.	.02	.12	.33		T.	.02	1.34	
Melrose	Des Moines					.05					.26	.16	.25	.15	.15	.06								.26	.52	.14	.52		.09	.22	2.16	
Mount Ayr	Grand			.18						.03	.76	.15	.15	.06	.07	.04							.06	.07	.04	.17		.17	1.61			
Tingley	Platte					T.	.12				.14	.76	.19	.10	T.									.12	T.	.14	.07	.12	.10	1.86		
Winterset	Des Moines									.06	1.54	.05	.10						T.				.03	.20	.05	.70	.02	.05	.12	2.92		
<i>Southeast District</i>																																
Bonaparte	Des Moines						T.				.84	.03	T.	.31	.15		.07		T.					.24		.23	.02	T.	T.	.06	.11	2.06
Burlington	Mississippi		.01			.01	.03				.61			1.41	.09	.04		.14							.24		T.	.03	T.	.13	.07	2.81
Columbus Jct.	Iowa										.32		T.	.38	T.		.05							.16	.13	.03	.01	.13	.14	.02	1.37	
Fairfield	Skunk					.05					.25			.18	.15		.06				.01			.20	.18	.03	.01	.09	.22	.20	1.59	
Keokuk***	Mississippi		.05	T.		.14					.31	T.	.79	.05	.21		.05	.45		.05				.05		.02	.04	.21	.54	.01	2.97	
Keokuk No. 2	Mississippi		.10			.16					.32	.01	.01	.98	.17		.42		.03					.08		.02	.10	.35	1.15	.03	3.93	
Keosauqua	Des Moines						T.				.36	.03	.18	.24	.08		.15		T.				.04	.36	T.	T.		.50	T.	.18		
Mt. Pleasant	Skunk										.38			.66	.01		.01		.02					.14	.02	.14	.02	T.	.04	1.42		
Oskaloosa	Des Moines						T.				.23		.06	.33	T.				.05		T.		.31	.06	.07	.03	T.			1.14		
Ottumwa	Des Moines					.04					T.	.68		.31	.06		T.			.03				.21		.22		T.	.29	.03	1.14	
Sigourney	Skunk										T.	.67		.06	.29		.14		T.					.23	.07	.40	T.	T.	.33	2.05		
Stockport	Skunk					.09					.38		.07	.21	.02		.14	.03		.06				.21	.01	.21	.02	.21	.02	.06	1.77	
Washington	Skunk										.60		T.	.03	T.		.02							.38	.18	.22	T.		.15	.07	1.65	
Wever	Mississippi		.03	.01		.06					.44	.02	.01	.93	T.		T.	.48		.01				.20	.10	.07	.08	.05		.05	2.49	

Except as otherwise indicated, observations are generally made late in the afternoon, near sunset, and precipitation recorded is for 24 hours ending at the time of observation.

|||Precipitation measured in the morning; amount then recorded is for the preceding 24 hours.

\*\*\*Regular Weather Bureau Station; precipitation is for 24-hour period midnight to midnight.

\*\*Incomplete.

\*Precipitation included in the next following measurement.

T. Precipitation is less than .01 inch or melted snow.

PRESSURE, RELATIVE HUMIDITY, WIND AND SUNSHINE

Stations	Barometric Pressure, Inches (Sea Level)				Relative Humidity, %				Wind				Sunshine				
	Mean	Highest	Date	Lowest	Mean			Date	Total movement	Average hourly velocity		Maximum		% possible	Departure from normal		
					7 A. M.	12 Noon	7 P. M.			Miles	From	Date					
Chas. City	30.05	30.49	9	29.55	1	74	51	53	19	9	4,562	6.1	20	n.	1	61	-1
Davenport	30.05	30.47	9	29.49	1	77	62	62	27	22	6,892	9.3	33	nw.	15	68	+6
Des Moines	30.03	30.50	9	29.53	1	78	50	51	27	4	5,055	6.8	20	sw.	22	58	+4
Dubuque	30.05	30.49	9	29.51	1	72	48	51	21	21	4,308	5.8	23	ne.	2	66	+8
Keokuk	30.06	30.47	9	29.55	1	73	56	59	29	5†	4,643	6.2	25	sw.	11	50	-16
Sioux City	30.03	30.49	9	29.60	26	76	49	47	27	6	8,030	10.8	37	nw.	15	71	+13
Omaha, Nb	30.02	30.44	9	29.63	26	73	50	52	21	2	5,306	7.1	30	n.	1†	59	-3
Means and extremes	30.04	30.50	9	29.49	1	75	52	53	19	9		7.4				62	0
Normals																	
and records.	29.95		4th	\$29.02	1875	117	77	59	3d							1st	62
		*30.58	1910	\$29.02	1875						\$10	1889				†67	nw. 1894

\*Dubuque †Omaha ||Also Sioux City 9th, 1927 ‡Sioux City †Local mean time †And other dates.

††January 1, 1928, 3-cup anemometers replaced the 4-cup instruments used since the establishment of the Weather Bureau stations. The new instruments will more accurately indicate the true wind movement. The records of the 4-cup instruments were somewhat too high at moderate velocities and considerably too high at the higher velocities. Tables of true velocities corresponding to indicated velocities appear in the January, 1928 Climatological Data. For purposes of comparison the highest velocity of record in the lower line of the table has been converted into a 3-cup velocity.

PRECIPITATION

The average precipitation for the State, derived from the averages of nine divisions of nearly equal area and based on the records of 117 stations, was 2.47 inches or 2.11 inches less than the normal. The average was exactly the same as last May. The deficiency was general throughout the State and only five stations reported an excess, all being less than one inch. Very little precipitation occurred during the first week, but during the rest of the month showers occurred at frequent intervals though, as a rule, they were light. The heaviest rains over most of the State occurred on the 10th-11th, and over the northwestern portion on the 28th-29th. The greatest amount reported from a single station was 5.79 inches at Riverton, and the least was 0.82 inches at Chariton. The greatest amount occurring in 24 consecutive hours was 4.03 inches at Hawarden on the 28th-29th.

RIVERS

There was a continuous fall on the Mississippi River throughout the entire month. The mean for the month was slightly above normal, but stages were below normal at the end of the month; a general falling tendency prevailed on the principal interior streams but there were some fluctuations after the middle of the month. On the Missouri-River falling stages prevailed during the greater portion of the month, though there were numerous slight fluctuations throughout the month. A rise occurred during the last week with the highest stages for the month on the last day.

Daily Maximum and Minimum Temperature for the Month of May, 1929

Table with columns for Stations, days 1-31, and Mean. Rows are categorized by Northern Division, Central Division, and Southern Division, listing various Iowa cities and their daily temperature ranges.

IOWA STORMS, MAY, 1929

Date	County	Township	Nature of Storm	Time	Storm Moved From	Width of Path Miles	Length of Path Miles	Area of Sq. Miles	Size of Hailstones Inches	Damage	Persons Killed	Persons Injured
28	Lyon	Midland	Tornado	5:00 p. m.	SW to NE					\$2,700		
28	Plymouth	America	Wind	5:00 p. m.						1,000		
28	Osceola	W. Holman, E. Holman, Wilson	Wind							2,000		
28	Clay	Lone Tree, Waterford, Meadow, Lake	Wind	5:00 p. m.	S to N		5			1,300		
28	Palo Alto	Lost Island	Wind	p. m.						200		

MISCELLANEOUS PHENOMENA

*Fog:* 14th, 21st.  
*Frost:* 1st, 2d, 3d, 4th, 5th, 7th, 9th, 12th, 15th, 16th, 19th, 21st.  
*Hail:* 11th, 15th, 19th, 23d, 28th, 29th.  
*Halos (lunar and solar):* 4th, 8th, 9th, 12th, 13th, 16th, 17th, 18th, 21st, 30th, 31st.  
*Haze:* 23d.  
*Rainbow:* 12th, 28th, 29th.  
*Sleet:* 20th.  
*Thunderstorms:* 4th, 10th, 11th, 13th, 14th, 15th, 17th, 19th, 20th, 23d, 25th, 26th, 28th, 29th.  
*Tornado:* 28th.

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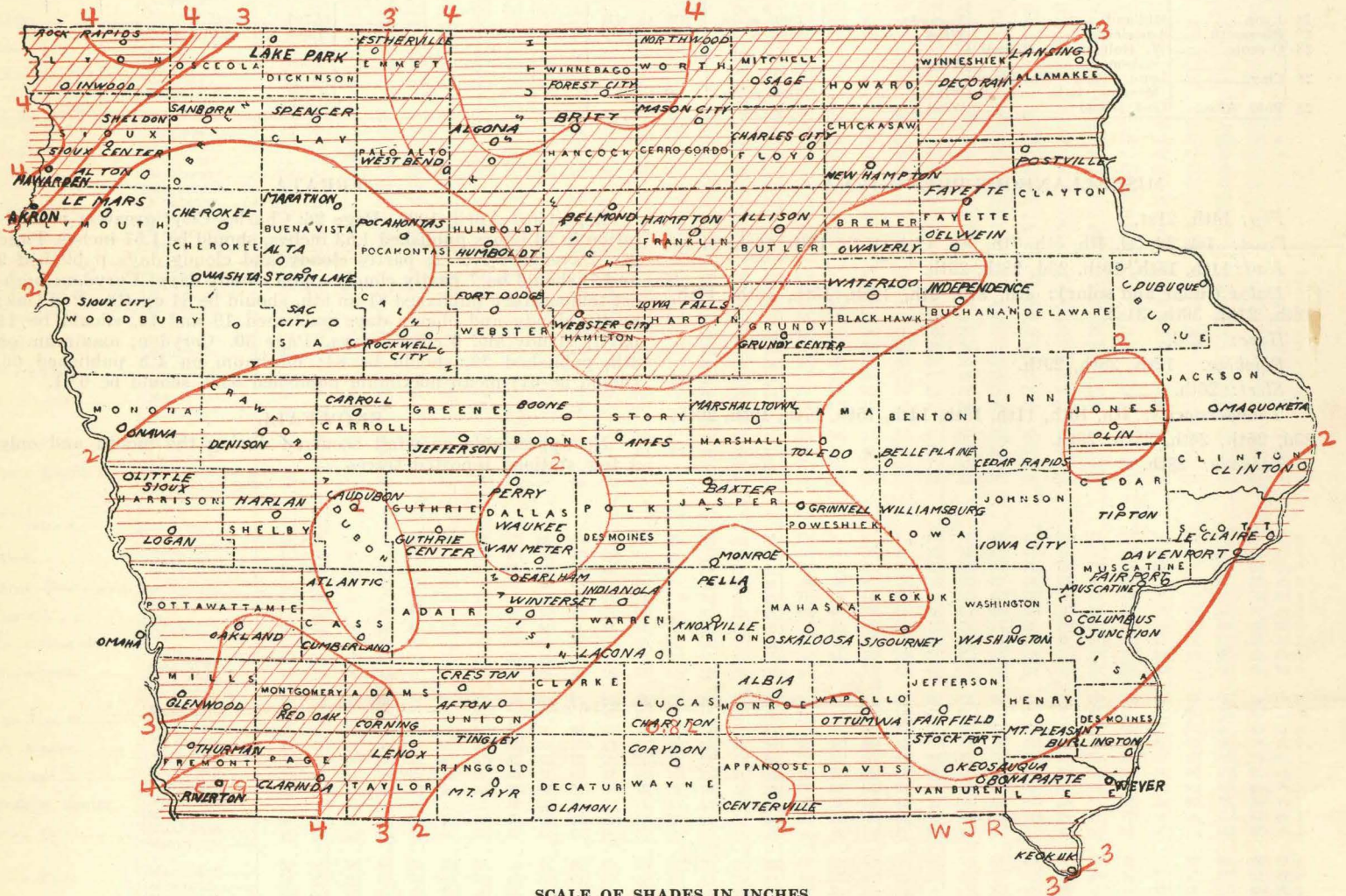
Report for April, 1929. Page 26. Charles City; greatest precipitation in 24 hours published 1.53 inches, should be 1.57 inches. Page 27. Davenport No. 2; partly cloudy and cloudy days published 9 and 7, should be 7 partly cloudy and 9 cloudy days. Corydon; highest temperature published 81 on 6th, should be 84 on 4th. Red Oak; partly cloudy and cloudy days published 10 and 10, should be 11 partly cloudy and 9 cloudy days. Page 30. Corydon; maximum on 4th, published 79, should be 84; minimum on 4th published 60, should be 61; mean maximum published 63.0, should be 63.1.

SNOWFALL

No appreciable snowfall occurred during the month and only a few stations reported traces.

CLIMATOLOGICAL DATA IOWA SECTION

TOTAL PRECIPITATION, MAY, 1929



SCALE OF SHADES IN INCHES





# CLIMATOLOGICAL DATA.

## IOWA SECTION

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### GENERAL SUMMARY

June, 1929, averaged below normal, it being the fourth month of the current year that has been deficient in temperature, though the deficiency was less than any other month. Most of the deficiency was due to a rather protracted cool period extending from the 1st to the 8th. Cool weather also prevailed on the 12th and 13th and during most of the fourth week; the principal warm period extended from the 15th to 19th, though the warmest day occurred generally on the 10th, 29th or 30th. There was no unseasonably warm weather during the entire month and on the warmest days the humidity was generally low and for the entire month it was considerably below normal.

The average precipitation was slightly in excess of two-thirds of the normal, and in a large portion of the State the amounts were less than one half of the normal. There was an excess along the border in the western, southern and eastern portions of the State. The principal excess occurred in Woodbury County and a small surrounding area; the other areas extended in a narrow strip from Page County eastward and along the Mississippi River northward to Dubuque County, except portions of Louisa and Muscatine counties. The rainfall was very unevenly distributed and there was a wide range in the amounts and time of occurrence, the number of days with appreciable rainfall ranging from four to eighteen. A large per cent of the rainfall occurred in the form of heavy downpours and drouthy conditions developed in a large portion of the central and north-central districts. As a rule, the downpours were accompanied by other damaging conditions consisting of wind, hail, lightning and floods over limited areas, and one tornado was reported. Storms of a damaging nature occurred on eleven days in some parts of the State, and on the 11th, 16th, 27th and 30th the damage was severe. The storm of the 11th affected most of the northern half of the State and a small area in the southeastern district. The damage resulted from hail, wind and floods in small streams. The extreme northwestern portion of the State was the hardest hit by this storm and the crop damage in Sioux and Lyon counties amounted to about \$1,000,000. The next storm of consequence occurred on the 16th and the area of greatest damage occurred from Monona to Sioux counties. In addition to severe hail and wind, this storm was accompanied by excessive downpours and severe damage from floods over much of the area. Many business houses had flooded basements and also dwellings were inundated, and after the water receded there was left a heavy deposit of mud. The hail in this storm was unusually severe. The stones were large and broke many windows, beat roofs to pieces, stripped houses of spouting, and ruined automobile tops. The damage in Monona and Woodbury counties amounted to more than \$750,000. On the 27th, wind and hail caused damage in a strip running from Carroll to Story Counties, and a large area in the northeastern portion of the State, the greatest damage being in Clayton

### COMPARATIVE DATA FOR THE STATE—JUNE

YEAR	Temperature				Precipitation					Number of Days			
	Mean	Departure	Highest	Lowest	Total	Departure	Greatest	Least	Snowfall	Number of Days			
										With pre. .01 in. or more	Clear	Partly cloudy	Cloudy
1873.....	74.5	+ 5.2	96	56	4.68	+ 0.18	8.40	1.20					
1874.....	71.4	+ 2.1	98	47	5.83	+ 1.33	8.55	2.60					
1875.....	67.5	+ 1.8	92	45	7.81	+ 3.31	10.80	1.63					
1876.....	67.6	+ 1.7	92	41	4.09	+ 0.41	10.34	0.25					
1877.....	66.9	+ 2.4	92	40	6.80	+ 2.30	13.12	3.21					
1878.....	66.7	+ 2.6	94	44	6.34	+ 1.84	11.60	2.78					
1879.....	69.4	+ 0.1	92	40	5.12	+ 0.62	10.60	1.47					
1880.....	71.0	+ 1.7	96	42	4.40	+ 0.10	11.12	1.03					
1881.....	70.4	+ 1.1	100	40	7.37	+ 2.87	17.37	2.75					
1882.....	68.1	+ 1.2	98	33	7.48	+ 2.98	15.41	2.93					
1883.....	67.6	+ 1.7	96	38	6.69	+ 2.19	14.20	1.90					
1884.....	70.2	+ 0.9	95	36	3.65	+ 0.85	8.80	0.70					
1885.....	67.9	+ 1.4	89	42	5.08	+ 0.58	11.04	1.31					
1886.....	69.3	+ 0.0	98	34	1.73	+ 2.77	3.42	0.10					
1887.....	72.1	+ 2.8	102	40	2.93	+ 1.57	7.92	0.96					
1888.....	69.4	+ 0.1	102	34	2.93	+ 1.57	6.01	0.96					
1889.....	66.7	+ 2.6	98	33	4.75	+ 0.25	9.87	1.69					
1890.....	72.2	+ 2.9	106	39	6.67	+ 2.17	16.53	1.57		11	12	10	8
1891.....	69.1	+ 0.2	99	37	5.39	+ 0.89	19.88	1.68		11	8	10	12
1892.....	69.2	+ 0.1	102	42	5.19	+ 0.69	14.16	0.67		10	12	11	7
1893.....	71.2	+ 1.9	100	40	3.91	+ 0.59	7.56	1.36		8	15	11	4
1894.....	73.2	+ 3.9	104	34	2.67	+ 1.83	6.20	0.57		7	16	10	4
1895.....	69.7	+ 0.4	102	34	4.32	+ 0.18	9.26	0.98		10	11	11	8
1896.....	69.1	+ 0.2	100	40	3.11	+ 1.39	7.89	0.81		9	12	13	5
1897.....	69.1	+ 0.2	103	29	3.81	+ 0.69	9.38	1.03		10	10	12	8
1898.....	71.4	+ 2.1	99	42	4.72	+ 0.22	12.48	1.90		9	13	10	7
1899.....	70.7	+ 1.4	100	42	5.04	+ 0.54	11.99	1.10		10	12	13	5
1900.....	69.7	+ 0.4	102	38	3.98	+ 0.52	12.35	0.67		5	17	10	3
1901.....	72.3	+ 3.0	106	30	3.71	+ 0.79	7.84	1.05		9	15	11	4
1902.....	65.2	+ 4.1	97	32	7.16	+ 2.66	16.04	1.46		14	8	11	11
1903.....	64.6	+ 4.7	96	30	2.86	+ 1.64	6.04	0.75		10	13	10	7
1904.....	67.1	+ 2.2	94	35	3.45	+ 1.05	8.35	0.44		7	13	10	7
1905.....	69.9	+ 0.6	100	36	5.53	+ 1.03	14.89	1.80		10	12	11	7
1906.....	67.9	+ 1.4	99	37	3.92	+ 0.58	8.27	1.48		8	15	10	5
1907.....	66.5	+ 2.8	98	36	5.35	+ 0.85	9.33	2.07		11	14	9	7
1908.....	67.1	+ 2.2	94	35	5.66	+ 1.16	11.88	1.77		13	12	10	8
1909.....	69.1	+ 0.2	96	40	6.41	+ 1.91	13.30	2.80		13	12	10	8
1910.....	69.5	+ 0.2	105	33	1.99	+ 2.51	5.51	0.05		7	18	7	5
1911.....	75.7	+ 6.4	108	36	1.82	+ 2.68	9.28	0.06		5	20	8	2
1912.....	66.2	+ 3.1	101	34	2.74	+ 1.76	5.71	0.78		7	15	9	6
1913.....	71.5	+ 2.2	102	33	3.31	+ 1.19	8.95	0.74		7	19	8	3
1914.....	72.2	+ 2.9	101	40	5.57	+ 1.07	13.24	1.17		13	12	14	4
1915.....	65.1	+ 4.2	91	31	4.16	+ 0.34	9.99	1.72		11	12	12	6
1916.....	64.5	+ 4.8	96	38	3.71	+ 0.79	7.96	1.41		10	13	11	6
1917.....	66.0	+ 3.3	100	32	6.65	+ 2.15	13.82	3.04		12	13	10	7
1918.....	70.8	+ 1.5	104	38	5.29	+ 0.79	10.19	1.15		11	16	10	4
1919.....	71.9	+ 2.6	98	41	6.13	+ 1.63	12.25	1.82		13	12	12	6
1920.....	70.7	+ 1.4	99	40	3.56	+ 0.94	8.48	1.25		9	16	10	4
1921.....	74.7	+ 5.4	100	40	3.76	+ 0.74	8.85	0.56		9	16	10	4
1922.....	72.2	+ 2.9	101	38	1.82	+ 2.68	7.19	0.28		6	19	8	3
1923.....	70.9	+ 1.6	100	40	4.93	+ 0.43	7.69	2.43		12	14	10	6
1924.....	66.8	+ 2.5	96	35	8.10	+ 3.60	14.92	4.00		14	11	14	5
1925.....	70.4	+ 1.1	98	38	6.64	+ 2.14	13.30	2.99		12	15	9	6
1926.....	66.2	+ 3.1	105	32	4.52	+ 0.02	12.09	1.05		8	16	9	5
1927.....	66.4	+ 2.9	101	35	2.42	+ 2.08	7.05	0.55		9	16	7	7
1928.....	64.5	+ 4.8	88	31	5.38	+ 0.88	10.31	2.31		12	10	10	10
1929.....	67.6	+ 1.7	99	38	3.08	+ 1.42	8.47	0.82		9	14	9	7

T. indicates an amount too small to measure, or less than .005 inch rainfall and less than .05 inch snowfall.

and Dubuque Counties. On the last day of the month storms were active in the west-central and east-central portions of the State. In the west the greatest damage came from hail, and in the east strong gusts of wind blew down poles and trees and damaged small buildings.

The condition of the principal crops was satisfactory even in the portions of the State where the rainfall was light, as there seemed to be an abundance of subsoil moisture. Corn was very uneven in size, ranging at the close of the month from too tall to cultivate to two inches. It was most backward in some south-central and southwest counties, where continued wet soil delayed planting, but the average condition was good and cultivation had progressed satisfactorily; pastures were good and rank in some portions of the State; hay promised well though there was some damage from rain; in portions of the State the strawberry crop was cut short by dry weather; potato and truck crops were promising.

Climatological Data for June, 1929

STATIONS	COUNTIES	Elevation, feet	Length of record, years	Temperature, in Degrees Fahrenheit							Precipitation, in inches				Number of Days			OBSERVERS				
				Mean	Departure from normal	Highest	Date	Lowest	Date	Greatest daily range	Total	Departure from normal	Greatest in 24 hours	Total snowfall (unmelted)	Precipitation .01 in. or more	Clear	Partly cloudy		Cloudy	Prevailing direction of wind		
<i>Northwest District</i>																						
Akron.....	Plymouth	1,153	2										3.50	-0.79	1.13	0	12	17	8	5	se.	Orlan C. Moore D. E. Hadden W. S. Slagle J. E. Wirth A. O. Peterson
Alta.....	Buena Vista	1,513	37	66.8	-1.0	94	29	42	3†	38	3.13	-2.03	1.06	6	10	17	6	7	7	s.		
Alton.....	Sioux	1,305	23	66.6	-1.8	91	29	40	13	38	3.85	-0.11	1.61	0	12	5	16	9	e.			
Cherokee.....	Cherokee	1,196	8	65.2	-2.3	91	29	40	3	37	3.65	-0.79	0.76	0	11	12	11	7	s.			
Etherville.....	Emmet	1,298	33	66.4	-0.5	94	17	42	13	40	1.18	-2.86	0.55	0	7	19	10	1	n.w.			
Hawarden.....	Sioux	1,181	2										3.42	-1.01	1.06	0	11	7	5	18	se.	
Inwood (near).....	Lyon	1,474	24	65.8	-1.9	95	29	43	13	39	3.03	-2.28	1.80	0	11	19	8	3	s.			
Lake Park (near).....	Dickinson	1,489	15	64.2	-3.1	88	17	41	13	34	1.89	-2.01	0.76	0	8	13	6	11	n.w.			
Le Mars.....	Plymouth	1,224	32	67.4	-1.2	94	29	42	13	37	3.51	-0.87	1.89	0	14	17	4	9	s.	Henry Newell E. G. Smith		
Marathon.....	Buena Vista	1,390	2										3.38		0.97	0	8	11	10		9	sw.
Pocahontas.....	Pocahontas	1,248	24	66.5	-1.8	91	10†	38	3	41	2.63	-2.01	1.14	0	10	20	3	7	se.	F. E. Hronek Nellie F. Medberry J. W. Dow Ross E. Forward F. C. Aue		
Rock Rapids.....	Lyon	1,349	29	65.2	-2.7	92	29	40	13	40	2.42	-2.20	0.57	0	11	19	7	4	n.			
Sanborn.....	O'Brien	1,553	14	61.3	-3.4	88	29	38	3	35	1.29	-0.44	1.40	0	14	6	12	12	sw.			
Sheldon.....	O'Brien	1,418	17	65.4	-2.1	92	29	40	13	39	4.01	-0.39	1.46	0	13	16	7	7	n.w.			
Sioux Center.....	Sioux	1,461	29	65.6	-1.9	90	29†	42	3†	34	2.90	-1.16	1.10	0	5	12	14	4	se.			
Spencer§.....	Clay	1,319	14	67.2	-1.3	93	29	40	13	38	2.19	-2.01	0.53	0	12	7	15	8	sw.			
Storm Lake††.....	Buena Vista	1,438	39	67.0	-1.5	91	29	41	3	39	2.96	-2.04	1.04	0	12	12	9	9	se.			
Washta.....	Cherokee	1,157	30	65.0	-3.1	91	29	38	13	38	6.34	+1.76	2.05	0	14	16	8	6	s.	E. W. Little L. B. Florey H. L. Felter Jos. Dorweiler		
West Bend.....	Palo Alto	1,197	35	66.4	-2.0	89	10†	42	3†	31	1.99	-2.30	0.87	0	10	17	7	6	n.w.			
Means and extremes.....				65.9	-2.0	95	29	38	3†	41	3.19	-1.29	2.05	0	11	14	9	7	s.			
<i>North Central District</i>																						
Algona.....	Kossuth	1,224	55	68.3	-0.3	92	10	41	3	34	2.62	-1.89	0.84	0	6	23	3	4	se.	W. E. Laird E. W. Detra H. F. Luick E. P. Healy U. S. Weather Bureau		
Allison‡.....	Butler	1,060	14																			
Belmond.....	Wright	1,181	18	65.7	-2.8	91	9†	39	3	45	1.85	-2.91	0.72	0	8	13	5	12	n.w.			
Britt.....	Hancock	1,236	41	65.5	-1.9	94	10	42	3	36	1.53	-3.00	0.56	0	6	15	4	11	sw.			
Charles City.....	Floyd	1,015	37	65.6	-0.9	89	10	41	3	36	1.19	-3.14	0.46	0	8	11	12	7	se.			
Forest City.....	Winneshiek	1,226	34	65.3	-2.5	91	10	41	3	37	1.81	-2.74	0.83	0	7	7	11	12	se.			
Hampton.....	Franklin	1,145	3																			
Humboldt.....	Humboldt	1,095	40	66.6	-2.7	91	17	42	8	39	2.41	-1.97	1.02	0	5	10	14	6	s.	Dr. M. B. Neil L. H. Davis H. C. Snitkey American Beet Sugar Co. Charles Dwelle		
Mason City.....	Cerro Gordo	1,148	31	61.8	-2.8	89	10	39	3	38	1.45	-3.69	0.58	0	9	8	14	8	sw.			
Northwood.....	Worth	1,222	32																			
Osage.....	Mitchell	1,163	31	65.4	-1.8	90	10	39	3	38	1.23	-3.52	0.40	0	9	7	14	9	sw.	Dr. C. E. Juhl		
Means and extremes.....				65.9	-1.9	94	10	39	3	45	1.82	-2.80	1.02	0	7	12	10	8	sw.			
<i>Northeast District</i>																						
Decorah.....	Winneshiek	872	35	61.8	-3.2	89	10	39	3†	38	1.61	-2.88	0.40	0	9	14	12	4	n.w.	M. D. Whitney U. S. Weather Bureau R. Z. Latimer Dr. Geo. Boody Mrs. Mary Spinner		
Dubuque.....	Dubuque	709	55	66.4	-3.0	87	30	43	3	27	4.69	+0.38	2.23	0	8	8	11	11	s.			
Fayette.....	Fayette	1,003	40	66.6	-0.7	90	10†	38	3	40	1.78	-3.06	0.57	0	7	16	8	6	n.w.			
Independence.....	Buchanan	956	64	66.9	-1.4	89	17	39	3	36	2.38	-2.24	1.04	0	7	17	3	10	se.			
Lansing.....	Allamakee	632	21																			
New Hampton.....	Chickasaw	1,169	31																			
Oswego.....	Fayette	1,036	5	66.4	-1.4	90	17	39	3	36	2.02	-2.44	0.50	0	7	6	23	5	n.w.	D. W. Dawson John T. Ridler F. L. Williams R. B. Slippy D. H. Murphy		
Postville (near).....	Clayton	1,192	29	62.8	-2.9	84	10†	38	3	31	2.35	-2.31	0.77	0	7	14	13	3	sw.			
Waterloo.....	Black Hawk	854	45	67.4	-2.0	92	10	40	3	39	1.00	-3.12	0.53	0	5	15	8	7	se.			
Waverly.....	Bremer	936	32	67.2	-1.0	90	10†	41	3	38	1.85	-2.42	0.63	0	9	26	3	1	n.			
Means and extremes.....				66.1	-1.9	92	10	38	3	40	2.22	-2.27	2.23	0	8	13	11	6	n.w.			
<i>West Central District</i>																						
Audubon (near).....	Audubon	1,297	33	67.4	-0.9	94	30	41	3	33	3.99	-0.03	1.06	0	11	16	9	5	s.	George Kibby Mrs. Jos. J. Wolfe V. L. Byers Floyd H. Bainter Walter Bell		
Carrroll.....	Carrroll	1,265	38	66.8	-1.6	90	30	41	3	33	3.62	-1.16	0.80	0	10	21	4	5	n.w.			
Denison.....	Crawford	1,171	34	67.8	-1.3	95	30	43	3†	33	3.55	-0.54	1.08	0	12	14	10	6	n.w.			
Guthrie Center.....	Guthrie	987	33	68.6	-0.4	99	30	41	4	37	2.96	-1.50	1.20	0	6	16	10	4	e.			
Harlan.....	Shelby	1,192	29	67.4	-1.7	94	30	43	3	36	3.18	-1.45	1.26	0	12	9	14	7	s.			
Jefferson.....	Greene	1,052	29	67.2	-2.0	89	17†	42	3†	33	2.07	-2.13	0.78	0	7	11	7	12	sw.	W. I. Lyon H. W. Kerr Amy Ann Stern Mrs. H. E. Colby A. W. McIsaac		
Little Sioux.....	Harrison	1,040	23	69.0	-1.1	97	30	44	3†	34	3.96	-0.30	0.84	0	15	11	13	6	s.			
Logan.....	Harrison	1,120	61	68.3	-1.5	96	30	43	3	35	3.12	-2.06	0.72	0	11	6	22	2	sw.			
Onawa.....	Monona	1,051	27	67.8	-2.2	95	30	41	13	37	5.63	+0.95	1.28	0	12	14	3	15	se.			
Rockwell City.....	Calhoun	1,232	32																			
Sac City.....	Sac	1,269	52																			
Sioux City.....	Woodbury	1,135	39	67.6	-1.9	96	29	46	3	33	8.47	+4.48	2.20	0	18	7	12	11	s.	F. P. Kessler U. S. Weather Bureau		
Means and extremes.....				67.8	-1.5	99	30	41	3†	37	4.06	-0.42	2.20	0	11	13	10	7	s.			
<i>Central District</i>																						
Ames.....	Story	926	51	68.4	-1.5	91	17†	42	3	37	2.66	-1.71	1.01	0	6	21	3	6	s.	Iowa State College F. A. Kanne C. F. Henning U. S. Weather Bureau Mrs. Emma Sampson		
Baxter‡.....	Jasper	998	28	68.0	-1.6	91	17	39	3	35	2.10	-2.49	1.05	0	8	12	16	2	ne.			
Boone (near).....	Boone	894	23	66.7	-2.3	92	30	39	4	39	1.56	-2.97	0.63	0	9	10	15	5	s.			
Des Moines.....	Polk	861	50	69.0	-1.6	94	30	43	3	33	2.42	-2.34	0.88	0	10	9	12	9	s.			
Fort Dodge.....	Webster	1,114	28	66.8	-2.2	90	10	43	3†	36	2.15	-2.27	0.81	0	6	14	7	9	sw.			
Grinnell.....	Poweshiek	1,031	34	67.3	-2.3	91	19†	39	3	40	1.89	-2.66	0.74	0	5	16	10	4	sw.			
Grundy Center.....	Grundy	976	37	67.4	-2.3	90	17	41	3	38	1.69	-3.39	0.90	0	6	16	8	6	w.	R. E. Bates M. G. Heiberger C. H. Gilbert C. C. Pigman J. A. Dibel		
Iowa Falls.....	Hardin	1,127	35	66.7	-1.2	91	10†	42	3	39	1.81	-3.65	0.74	0	4	11	11	8	s.			
Marshalltown.....	Marshall	947	36	68.4	-1.9	92	17	42	3	36	1.49	-3.08	0.78	0	8	10	11	9	sw.			
Monroe.....	Jasper	922	16	68.4	-1.4	92	30	40	3	36	1.59	-2.91	0.78	0	5	18	2	10	s.			
Perry.....	Dallas	975	27	67.6	-2.9	92	30	40	3	39												

Climatological Data for June, 1929—Continued

Table with columns for STATIONS, COUNTIES, Elevation, Length of record, Temperature (Mean, Departure from normal, Highest, Date, Lowest, Date, Greatest daily range), Precipitation (Total, Departure from normal, Greatest in 24 hours, Total snowfall), Number of Days (Precipitation .01 in. or more, Clear, Partly cloudy, Cloudy), Prevailing direction of wind, and OBSERVERS. Rows are categorized by district: East Central, Southwest, South Central, and Southeast.

Temperature normals are based on the 46-year period July 3, 1875 to July 2, 1921; shorter records corrected to harmonize. Precipitation normals are based on the 50-year period ended December 31, 1927 at first order stations; upon all records of 10 years or more ending December 31, 1920 for most of the co-operative observing stations; and upon interpolations from normal maps for recently established stations.

Reference letters a, b, c, etc., appearing in the table indicate the number of days missing; for example b represents two days, etc.
†Also other dates.
‡Received too late to be included in means and summaries.
T. Precipitation is less than 0.01 inch rain or melted snow.

TEMPERATURE

The mean temperature for the State, derived from the means of nine districts of nearly equal area, and based on the records of 101 stations, was 67.6°, or 1.7° lower than the normal. All stations reported a deficiency and the range of the deficiency in the several districts was less than usual. The highest monthly mean was 70.7° at Thurman, and the lowest was 62.8° at Postville. The absolute

range for the State was 61°, from 99° at Guthrie Center on the 30th, to 38° at Fairfield, Fayette, Olin, Pocahontas, Postville, Sanborn and Williamsburg on the 3d, and Washta on the 13th. The average number of days with the temperature 90° or higher, was 2. The number ranging from 7 at three stations to none at 15. The southwestern district had the greatest number, 5, and the north-central and northeastern 1.



Daily Precipitation for June, 1929—Continued

Table with columns: Stations, Drainage Basin, Day of Month (1-31), Totals. Rows include districts like Southwest, South Central, and Southeast.

Except as otherwise indicated, observations are generally made late in the afternoon, near sunset, and precipitation recorded is for 24 hours ending at the time of observation.

|||Precipitation measured in the morning; amount then recorded is for the preceding 24 hours.

\*\*\*Regular Weather Bureau Station: precipitation is for 24-hour period midnight to midnight.

\*\*Incomplete.

\*Precipitation included in the next following measurement.

T. Precipitation is less than .01 inch or melted snow.

PRESSURE, RELATIVE HUMIDITY, WIND AND SUNSHINE

Table with columns: Stations, Barometric Pressure, Relative Humidity, Wind (Total movement, Average hourly velocity, Maximum), Sunshine. Rows include Chas. City, Davenport, Des Moines, etc.

\*Dubuque §Omaha †Sioux City ‡Local Mean Time †And other dates.

January 1, 1923, 3-cup anemometers replaced the 4-cup instruments used since the establishment of the Weather Bureau stations. The new instruments will more accurately indicate the true wind movement.

PRECIPITATION

The average precipitation for the State, derived from the means of nine districts of nearly equal area, and based on the records of 116 stations, was 3.08 inches, or 1.42 inches less than the normal.

MISCELLANEOUS PHENOMENA

- Fog: 5th, 13th, 23d, 29th.
Hail: 11th, 12th, 13th, 16th, 17th, 22d, 26th, 27th, 28th, 30th.
Halos (lunar and solar): 3d, 6th, 16th, 21st, 26th.
Rainbow: 4th, 27th.
Thunderstorms: All dates except 3d, 5th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 20th, 25th, 28th.
Tornado: 11th.

Daily Maximum and Minimum Temperature for the Month of June, 1929

Table with columns for Stations, days 1-31, and Mean. Rows are categorized by Northern Division, Central Division, and Southern Division, listing various Iowa cities with their daily temperature ranges and monthly averages.

IOWA STORMS, JUNE, 1929

Date	County	Township	Nature of Storm	Time	Storm Moved From	Width of Path Miles	Length of Path Miles	Area of Sq. Miles	Size of Hailstones Inches	Damage	Persons Killed	Persons Injured
4	Plymouth	Hancock	Hail and Flood	9:00 p. m.					1/2	\$ 5,000		
11	Allamakee	Makee, Union, Prairie, Jefferson	Wind	10:00 a. m.	SW to NE					33,000	1	4
11	Black Hawk	Washington, Waterloo	Wind	10:00 a. m.	NW to SE					13,000		1
11	Benton	Harrison	Wind	9:30 a. m.	NW to SE					2,000		
11	Bremser	Jackson	Wind	9:30 a. m.	NW to SE					1,000		
11	Butler	West Point, Jefferson	Wind	9:00 a. m.	NW to SE					3,000		
11	Clay	Waterford, Lonetree, Clay	Hail and Wind	10:00 p. m.	W to E					14,000		
11	Cedar	Inland	Wind	11:00 a. m.	NW to SE					5,000		
11	Clay	Riverton, Sioux, Gillett Grove	Wind	10:00 p. m.	SW to NE					2,500		
11	Clayton	Farmersburg, Giard	Wind	10:00 a. m.	NW to SE					5,000		
11	Calhoun	Twin Lakes	Wind	8:30 a. m.						3,000		1
11	Crawford	Goodrich	Hail	10:30 p. m.	N to SW				1/2 to 3	Slight		
11	Davis	Marion	Hail	1:00 a. m.	E to W				3	Slight		
11	Des Moines	Union	Wind	9:00 p. m.	N to S			36		5,300		
11	Dickinson	Westport	Wind	5:00 a. m.	NW to SE	3	8	24		300		
11	Humboldt	Weaver	Wind	8:30 a. m.	NW to SE					50		
11	Linn	Cedar	Wind	11:00 a. m.	NW to SE	1/4	5	1		Fruit trees		
11	Lyon	Centennial, Lyon, Richland, Garfield	Hail and Wind	9:00 p. m.	NW to SE				Up to 3	100,000		
11	Marshall	Le Grand	Wind	10:00 a. m.	NW to SE					2,000		
11	O'Brien	Floyd, Summit, Lincoln	Hail and Wind	10:00 p. m.	W to E				1	75,000		1
11	Sioux	Settlers, Sioux, Rock, Lincoln, Welcome, Sheridan, Grant, Lynn, Garfield	Hail and Wind	9:00 p. m.	NW to SE				1/4 to 1	740,000		
11	Tama	Carlton, Toledo, Howard, Perry	Hail and Wind	4:00 p. m.	W to E				1/4 to 3	25,000		
11	Winnebago	Forest	Wind	8:00 a. m.	NW to SE					2,000		
11	Worth	Hartland, Grove	Wind	8:00 a. m.	NW to SE					1,500		
11	Wright	Pleasant	Wind	8:00 a. m.	NW to SE					1,000		
11	Winneshiek	Lincoln, Madison, Decorah, Glenwood	Wind	9:00 a. m.	NW to SE					21,000		1
11	Winneshiek	Washington	Tornado	10:00 a. m.	NW to SE		3			5,000		1
11	Woodbury	Floyd, Moville, Grant, Sioux City, Wolf Creek, Concord, Miller	Hail and Wind	9:00 p. m.	NW to SE				1/4 to 1	75,000		
12	Wapello	Adams	Hail	1:00 a. m.					2 to 3	Small		
16	Emmet	Estherville	Wind	4:00 a. m.	S to N			36		5,000		
16	Woodbury	Woodbury, Floyd, Moville, Arlington, Banner, Wolf Creek, Little Sioux, Sloan, Willow, Grant, Rock, Miller	Wind, Hail, Flood	4:00 p. m.					1/2 to 1 1/2	Flood 310,000 Other \$50,000		
16	Monona	Fairview, Kennebeck, Franklin, Ashton, West Fork, Lake	Wind, Hail, Flood	3:00 p. m.					1/2 to 2	Flood \$225,000 Other \$125,000		
16	Sioux	Garfield	Hail and Wind	9:00 p. m.	S to N		2		Small	\$ 5,100		
17	Plymouth	Garfield	Hail and Wind	9:00 p. m.				36		Crops 15%		
19	Fremont	Madison	Wind	10:00 p. m.	NW to SE					\$ 1,000		
22	Fremont	Washington	Hail and Wind	2:00 a. m.					1/2 to 3/4	800		
23	Scott	Pleasant Valley	Wind	1:00 p. m.	NW to SE					65		
26	Monona	Lake	Flood	2:00 p. m.						Crops 10%		
27	Boone	Yell, Des Moines, Jackson	Hail and Wind	3:00 p. m.	SW to NE				1/2 to 1 1/2	10,000		1
27	Carroll	Maple River, Grant, Richland, Glidden	Hail and Wind	3:30 p. m.	NW to SE				1/2 to 1	4,000		
27	Chickasaw	Bradford	Hail	4:00 p. m.	W to E			24	1/2	5,000		
27	Clayton	Grand Meadow, Monona, Wagner, Farmersburg, Clayton	Hail and Wind	4:00 p. m.	NW to SE				1 to 2	50,000		
27	Delaware	South Fork	Hail	5:30 p. m.	W to E	1	4	4	3/4 to 1 1/2	5,000		
27	Dubuque	Dubuque	Hail and Wind	5:00 p. m.	NW to SE					15,000		
27	Dubuque	Cascade	Hail	6:00 p. m.		1	6	6	1	10,000		
27	Fayette	Harlan, Fremont	Hail and Wind	5:00 p. m.	W to E	1	3	3	1	2,000		
27	Floyd	Riverton	Hail and Wind	5:00 p. m.	NW to SE				Small Hail	5,000		
27	Greene	Scranton, Willow, Greenbriar	Hail and Wind	3:00 p. m.	NW to SE				3/4 to 1 1/2	5,000		
27	Howard	Howard Center	Hail and Wind	4:00 p. m.	NW to SE		4		Small	No estimate		
27	Jackson	Richland	Hail	5:00 p. m.	N to S	1	6	6	1/4 to 1	1,300		
27	Mitchell	Union	Hail and Wind	4:00 p. m.	NW to SE			20	1	No estimate		
27	Story	Franklin, Milford, Washington	Hail and Wind	3:30 p. m.	NW to SE				1/4 to 1	2,000		
27	Winneshiek	Glenwood	Hail	4:00 p. m.	N to S	1	6	6	Small	Some crop damage		
28	Fayette	Smithfield	Hail and Wind							11,000		
30	Butler	Ripley	Hail	12:00 m.	N to S	1 1/2	3	5	Marbles	4,000		
30	Cedar	North part of county	Wind	1:00 p. m.	W to E					50,000 Buildings		1
30	Clinton	Several over county	Wind	2:30 p. m.						5,000 Crops		
30	Jones	Greenfield, Rome, Hale, Oxford	Wind	2:00 p. m.	NW to SE					50,000		
30	Jones	Greenfield, Rome, Hale, Oxford	Wind	4:00 p. m.								
30	Linn	Cedar, Bertram	Wind	1:00 p. m.	NW to SE			72		15,000		
30	Sac	Eden	Wind	1:00 p. m.	NW to SE					20,000		
30	Scott	Cleona	Hail and Wind	6:30 p. m.	NE to SW		6		1	Crops 10%		
30	Scott	Pleasant Valley, Le Claire	Hail and Wind	2:00 p. m.	NW to SE				1/8	1,700		
30	Woodbury	West Fork, Grant, Little Sioux, Oto	Wind	2:00 p. m.						Trees and poles		
30	Monona	Maple, Cooper	Hail	p. m.						Considerable to crops		
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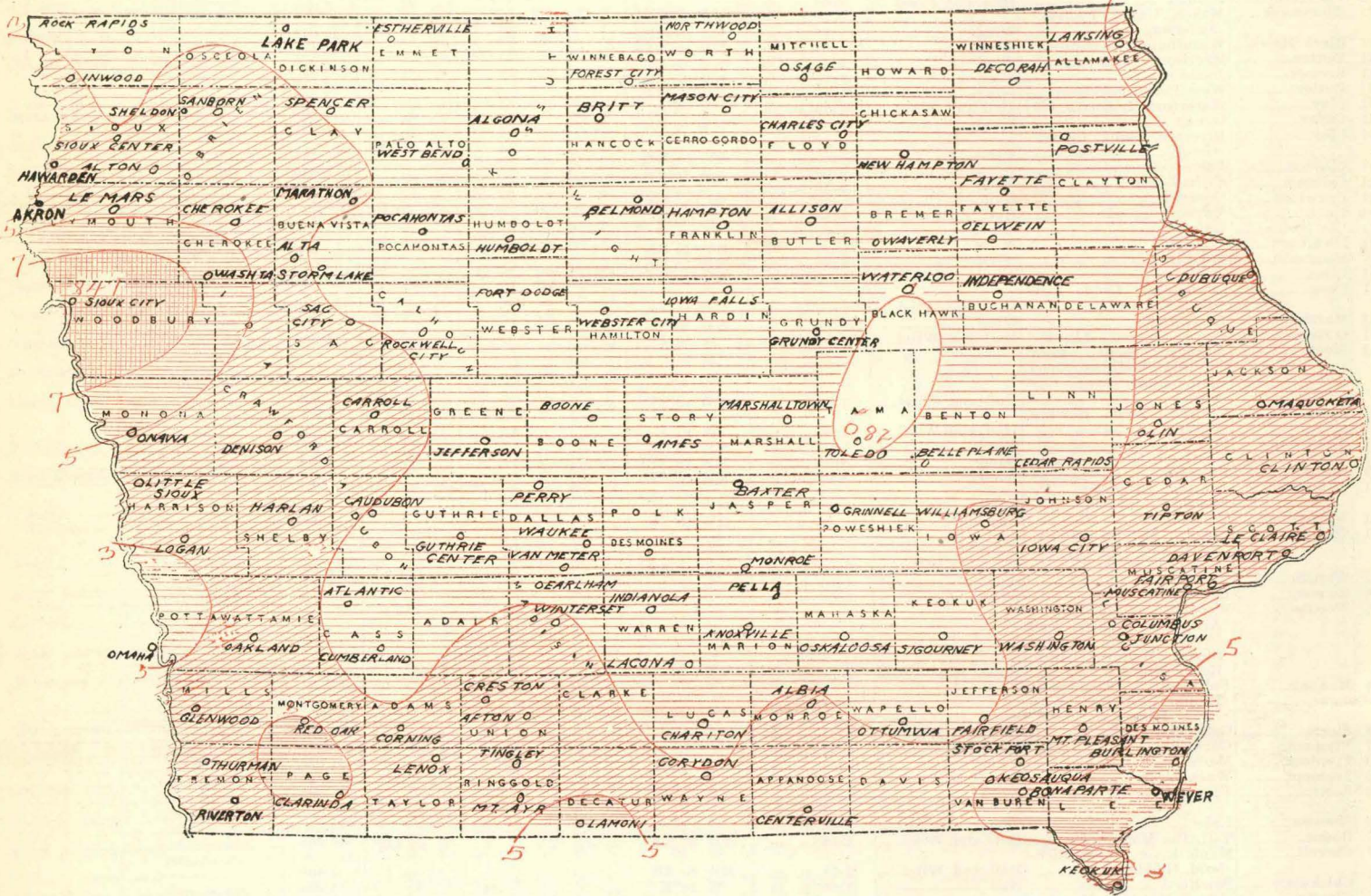
RIVERS

Except for a slight rise near the middle of the month there was a gradual fall on the Mississippi River throughout the month, with the average stage considerably below normal. There was considerable fluctuation on the Missouri River though no marked changes.

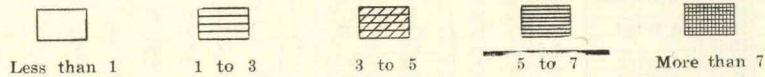
The stage averaged below normal at Sioux City and above at Omaha. A general falling tendency prevailed on the principal streams in the interior of the State but there were a few slight rises with the average stage below normal. Heavy rains in northwestern Iowa on the 16th caused floods in Woodbury County and small adjacent areas.

# CLIMATOLOGICAL DATA: IOWA SECTION

TOTAL PRECIPITATION, JANUARY, 1929



SCALE OF SHADES IN INCHES





# CLIMATOLOGICAL DATA.

## IOWA SECTION

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### GENERAL SUMMARY

The temperature during July averaged 0.4° above normal. The first three weeks were cool, with a large number of fluctuations, but the rest of the month, excepting the 29th and 30th, in the western and central portions, was continuously above normal. The week 22d to 28th was the warmest of the year. The month was more pleasant than the average July, due to the fact that during the warmest weather the humidity was low, and very few nights could be classed as hot. Heat prostrations were few. There were no great extremes in temperature; the highest observed temperature was well below the average for July, and except at two stations no unusually low minima occurred.

The average precipitation for the State also averaged slightly more than the normal, but the amounts showed great variation. The first half of the month was decidedly wet, and during this period more than 75% of the total occurred. A number of stations in the south-central, southeastern, east-central and northwestern districts, reported no appreciable rainfall after the 15th. The storm damage was less than usual for July, but a large portion of the State was affected. The main damage was caused by wind squalls and hail. Strong winds accompanied nearly all the heavy rains, and local damage was reported from a large number of places; hail damage was mostly in small patches and no exceptionally heavy losses occurred. Much of the rainfall occurred as heavy down-pours, which caused small streams to overflow and considerable grain in the shock was either washed away or ruined by being wet. The worst floods occurred in the extreme southwestern portion of the state following the heavy rains of the 5th, and the greatest damage occurred in Page County, which included damage to corn and shocked or stacked grain, the washing out of 17 bridges, and submerged railway tracks; and many automobiles attempting to reach points of safety were stalled. On some of the branch line railways traffic was suspended for more than three days. The almost continuous rainfall during the first half of the month interfered very much with farm operations, damaged a large amount of hay and grain in the fields, and many corn fields in the eastern and southern portions became weedy. The latter part of the month was more favorable. The warm weather caused corn to make rapid growth where moisture was sufficient, and hay was harvested under good conditions; however, the dry weather was beginning to affect many truck crops in the dry areas, some pastures were becoming brown and bare, and in some localities corn leaves rolled in the after-noon, and some firing was reported.

One tornado was reported during the month. It occurred in Cedar County, in the eastern portion of Dayton Township, and touched a part of three sections. Owing to the short distance traveled and the absence of buildings, very little damage resulted. Lightning caused the death of two people, one in Des Moines and the other in Delaware County. There was considerable loss to stock from lightning and from being drowned.

### COMPARATIVE DATA FOR THE STATE—JULY

YEAR	Temperature				Precipitation				Number of Days				
	Mean	Departure	Highest	Lowest	Total	Departure	Greatest	Least	Snowfall	With pre-.01 in. or more	Clear	Partly cloudy	Cloudy
1873	71.0	+ 0.3	96	54	2.78	- 1.05	7.73	0.85					
1874	77.8	+ 4.1	101	56	3.04	- 0.79	6.15	0.55					
1875	72.8	- 0.9	97	56	6.05	+ 2.22	9.70	1.60					
1876	74.2	+ 0.5	95	54	6.15	- 2.32	11.92	1.84					
1877	74.0	+ 0.3	97	54	2.55	+ 1.48	7.53	0.38					
1878	76.5	+ 2.8	104	52	5.13	+ 1.30	13.20	0.90					
1879	76.0	+ 2.3	102	55	2.20	- 1.63	8.66	0.00					
1880	73.8	- 0.1	98	48	4.16	+ 0.33	10.40	1.30					
1881	75.9	+ 2.2	100	50	5.33	+ 1.50	16.31	0.28					
1882	69.1	- 4.6	94	46	3.66	- 0.17	7.30	0.85					
1883	72.9	- 0.8	100	46	5.14	+ 1.31	13.99	1.26					
1884	71.0	- 2.7	96	50	5.41	+ 1.58	11.51	0.70					
1885	74.6	+ 0.9	102	48	4.73	+ 0.90	11.45	0.68					
1886	76.2	+ 2.5	103	48	0.50	- 3.33	2.20	0.00					
1887	77.0	+ 3.3	105	45	2.85	- 0.98	8.43	0.87					
1888	75.9	+ 2.2	103	38	4.31	+ 0.48	8.45	1.17					
1889	72.6	- 1.1	102	40	4.00	+ 0.17	8.25	1.15					
1890	75.2	+ 1.5	110	45	2.04	- 1.79	6.16	0.06					
1891	68.5	- 5.2	99	41	1.22	+ 0.39	8.20	1.67		8	13	13	5
1892	73.0	- 0.7	104	38	5.29	+ 1.46	12.86	1.71		9	16	10	5
1893	75.0	- 1.3	102	47	3.33	- 0.50	8.84	1.49		7	19	10	2
1894	76.4	+ 2.7	109	39	0.63	- 3.20	3.50	T.		3	22	8	1
1895	72.1	- 1.6	104	35	3.40	+ 0.43	10.10	0.45		7	15	12	4
1896	73.6	- 0.1	104	42	6.90	+ 3.07	12.67	1.61		9	14	11	6
1897	75.6	+ 1.9	106	42	3.26	- 0.57	7.60	1.01		6	18	10	3
1898	73.4	- 0.3	102	42	2.98	- 0.85	12.88	0.55		7	19	9	3
1899	73.1	- 0.6	101	38	3.07	- 0.76	8.66	1.42		7	16	10	5
1900	73.4	- 0.3	102	37	6.15	+ 2.32	18.45	0.80		9	16	10	5
1901	82.4	+ 8.7	113	46	2.34	+ 1.49	5.97	0.27		5	21	9	1
1902	73.1	- 0.6	99	41	8.67	+ 4.84	13.57	4.82		13	14	10	7
1903	72.9	- 0.8	100	40	4.83	+ 1.00	12.72	0.94		9	17	9	5
1904	70.6	- 3.1	100	38	4.41	+ 0.58	11.97	1.28		10	16	9	6
1905	70.6	- 3.1	102	49	2.91	- 0.92	7.08	0.69		9	14	10	7
1906	70.9	- 2.8	102	42	3.04	- 0.79	7.05	0.26		8	18	10	3
1907	73.0	- 0.0	102	41	7.27	+ 3.44	13.66	3.97		13	16	11	4
1908	73.0	- 0.7	100	42	3.66	- 0.17	9.21	0.70		8	16	10	5
1909	72.3	- 1.4	102	46	4.77	+ 0.94	12.20	1.20		10	15	8	8
1910	74.5	+ 0.8	108	43	1.86	- 1.97	5.69	0.12		7	19	8	4
1911	75.5	+ 1.8	111	38	2.27	- 1.56	6.62	0.08		7	18	10	3
1912	74.6	+ 0.9	103	38	3.71	- 0.12	7.56	1.17		10	17	10	4
1913	76.1	+ 2.4	108	45	1.82	- 2.01	6.23	T.		5	21	8	2
1914	76.6	+ 2.9	109	43	2.27	- 1.56	6.50	0.44		5	20	8	3
1915	69.5	- 4.2	92	40	8.32	+ 4.49	15.83	3.68		14	10	12	9
1916	79.7	+ 6.0	105	48	1.78	- 2.05	6.87	0.10		5	23	7	1
1917	74.3	+ 0.6	106	38	2.27	- 1.56	6.06	0.23		7	21	8	2
1918	73.1	- 0.6	105	46	3.17	- 0.66	8.05	0.26		8	19	8	4
1919	77.4	+ 3.7	104	41	2.86	- 0.97	7.82	0.39		6	22	8	1
1920	72.3	- 1.4	102	45	4.22	+ 0.39	7.49	1.11		9	19	9	3
1921	77.9	+ 4.2	104	41	2.53	- 1.30	7.45	0.42		7	19	9	3
1922	71.5	- 2.2	98	40	6.31	+ 2.48	11.72	3.13		11	14	12	5
1923	76.5	+ 2.8	102	47	1.75	- 2.08	5.54	0.29		5	19	9	3
1924	70.2	- 3.5	99	41	3.67	- 0.16	8.90	0.57		9	16	11	4
1925	74.1	+ 0.4	105	40	2.66	- 1.17	7.93	0.80		8	19	10	2
1926	74.8	+ 1.1	109	38	3.72	- 0.11	9.08	0.82		10	15	10	6
1927	72.9	- 0.8	102	45	1.96	- 1.87	4.80	0.09		7	18	10	3
1928	73.9	+ 0.2	98	43	4.43	+ 0.60	9.32	0.65		8	18	10	3
1929	74.1	+ 0.4	98	43	4.31	+ 0.48	10.30	1.47		9	16	10	5

T. indicates an amount too small to measure, or less than .005 inch rainfall and less than .05 inch snowfall.

Three meteors, out of the ordinary class, were noted. The brilliant one about 9:46 p. m. of July 25, attracted much attention, and reports of it were received from more than 100 persons in all sections of Iowa. Observers as near to the meteor as extreme eastern Iowa and in the country, free from other sounds, heard no sound in connection with the meteor. It was visible only a few seconds. It resembled a sky rocket and made sufficient light to cast shadows in the eastern half of Iowa and to enable one to read large newspaper print at the Mississippi River. Many observers reported that it was of "blinding brilliancy." A preliminary report by Prof. C. C. Wylie of the State University at Iowa City appears elsewhere in this issue.

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### TEMPERATURE

The mean temperature for the State, derived from the means of nine districts of nearly equal area, and based on the records of 106 stations, was 74.1°, or 0.4° higher than the normal. There was an excess in all divisions except the central which was 0.6° below normal and the southeastern which was exactly normal. The greatest excess was in the northwestern district with an excess of 1.2°. There were one or more stations in every district that showed a



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STATIONS	COUNTIES	Elevation, feet	Length of record, years	Temperature, in Degrees Fahrenheit						Precipitation, in inches				Number of Days				OBSERVERS	
				Mean	Departure from normal	Highest	Date	Lowest	Date	Greatest daily range	Total	Departure from normal	Greatest in 24 hours	Total snowfall (unmelted)	Precipitation, .01 in. or more	Clear	Partly cloudy		Cloudy
<i>Northwest District</i>																			
Akron.....	Plymouth.....	1,153	2																Orlan C. Moore D. E. Hadden W. S. Slagle J. E. Wirth A. O. Peterson
Alta.....	Buena Vista.....	1,513	37	74.5	+ 2.1	97	22	51	9	31	2.95	- 1.30	1.34	0	8	18	11	2	
Alton.....	Sioux.....	1,305	23	74.6	+ 1.1	97	27	52	2	36	1.69	- 1.85	1.26	0	5	12	17	2	
Cherokee.....	Cherokee.....	1,196	8	72.8	+ 1.7	94	27	50	7	35	2.82	- 1.00	0.88	0	8	19	10	2	
Esterhille.....	Emmet.....	1,298	33	75.3	+ 3.4	97	13	50	2	38	2.45	- 1.71	0.55	0	8	22	5	4	
Hawarden.....	Sioux.....	1,181	2								4.59	+ 0.96	3.35	0	5	12	12	7	
Inwood (near).....	Lyon.....	1,474	24	73.9	+ 1.3	97	27	49	9	36	4.02	+ 0.65	1.79	0	9	22	5	4	
Lake Park (near).....	Dickinson.....	1,489	15	71.8	- 0.2	94	25	52	2	33	3.86	+ 1.06	1.42	0	5	15	6	10	
Le Mars.....	Plymouth.....	1,224	32	74.4	+ 1.1	95	25	50	9	35	1.88	- 2.20	0.93	0	7	21	5	5	
Marathon.....	Buena Vista.....	1,390	2								2.16		1.15	0	7	21	5	5	
Pocahontas.....	Pocahontas.....	1,248	24	73.6	+ 0.9	94	22	52	2	32	3.34	- 0.11	1.41	0	7	26	0	5	
Rock Rapids.....	Lyon.....	1,349	29	73.3	+ 0.7	95	22	48	2	38	3.11	- 0.26	0.82	0	7	25	4	2	
Sanborn.....	O'Brien.....	1,553	14	73.1	+ 0.3	94	22	50	7	35	3.04	- 0.46	1.54	0	4	12	15	4	
Sheldon.....	O'Brien.....	1,418	17	73.2	+ 0.2	94	22	50	2	36	3.15	- 0.95	1.88	0	6	17	10	4	
Sioux Center.....	Sioux.....	1,461	29	74.2	+ 1.2	97	27	50	9	36	3.10	+ 0.73	1.95	0	2	17	11	3	
Spencer.....	Clay.....	1,319	14	75.4	+ 2.0	97	26	52	6	39	2.30	- 1.20	1.03	0	6	12	15	4	
Storm Lake.....	Buena Vista.....	1,438	39	74.8	+ 1.3	93	22	53	2	30	4.19	+ 0.12	2.75	0	5	23	5	3	
Washta.....	Cherokee.....	1,157	30	73.0	+ 0.7	94	27	51	29	36	2.65	- 1.58	0.76	0	8	20	6	5	
West Bend.....	Palo Alto.....	1,197	35	74.0	+ 0.8	94	22	50	2	36	2.67	- 0.80	1.55	0	7	21	7	3	
Means and extremes.....				73.9	+ 1.2	97	13	48	2	39	2.95	- 0.77	3.35	0	6	19	8	4	
<i>North Central District</i>																			
Algona.....	Kossuth.....	1,224	55	72.8	- 0.2	90	22	50	20	33	2.49	- 0.57	0.79	0	5	24	5	2	
Allison.....	Butler.....	1,060	14								3.62	0	1.12	0	10	15	8	8	
Belmond.....	Wright.....	1,181	18	73.2	- 0.4	94	25	48	2	38	3.01	- 0.94	1.81	0	7	24	2	5	
Britt.....	Hancock.....	1,236	41	73.2	+ 2.0	95	25	50	2	37	3.01	- 0.94	1.81	0	7	24	2	5	
Charles City.....	Floyd.....	1,015	37	72.9	+ 0.6	92	25	50	2	31	3.54	- 0.23	1.77	0	12	16	8	7	
Forest City.....	Winnebago.....	1,226	34	71.9	- 0.3	95	26	48	19	33	4.18	+ 0.61	1.68	0	9	15	12	4	
Frampton.....	Franklin.....	1,145	3								2.87	- 0.78	1.45	0	7				
Humboldt.....	Humboldt.....	1,095	40	74.0	- 0.1	96	26	50	2	34	3.65	- 0.09	1.35	0	6	17	9	5	
Mason City.....	Cerro Gordo.....	1,148	31	72.2	- 0.2	95	25	46	19	38	1.69	- 1.83	0.64	0	9	13	15	3	
Northwood.....	Worth.....	1,222	32	72.2	+ 1.0	93	25	49	19	31	2.41	- 1.42	1.10	0	9	19	8	4	
Osage.....	Mitchell.....	1,163	34	72.8	+ 0.9	93	24	49	19	34	2.33	- 0.94	0.86	0	8	11	12	8	
Means and extremes.....				72.8	+ 0.3	96	26	46	19	38	2.98	- 0.62	1.81	0	8	17	9	5	
<i>Northeast District</i>																			
Decorah.....	Winnesiek.....	872	35	72.8	+ 0.6	95	26	46	2	38	3.19	- 0.86	1.06	0	11	22	5	4	
Dubuque.....	Dubuque.....	700	55	74.0	- 0.1	94	25	52	20	30	1.47	- 2.47	0.65	0	11	10	10	11	
Fayette.....	Fayette.....	1,003	40	74.2	+ 2.3	95	24	47	20	43	1.77	- 2.06	0.90	0	8	22	7	2	
Independence.....	Buchanan.....	956	64	73.2	+ 0.2	94	13	49	20	30	3.88	- 0.26	1.15	0	8	22	7	2	
Lansing.....	Allamakee.....	632	21								2.33	- 1.70	0.86	0	10				
New Hampton.....	Chickasaw.....	1,169	31	72.5	+ 0.3	94	25	49	20	40	1.93	- 1.84	0.77	0	5	13	13	5	
Oelwein.....	Fayette.....	1,036	5	73.4	+ 1.2	92	25	53	20	34	4.95	+ 1.03	3.10	0	6	21	7	3	
Postville (near).....	Clayton.....	1,192	29	70.6	+ 0.6	90	26	47	20	31	1.82	- 2.57	1.37	0	4	22	6	3	
Waterloo.....	Black Hawk.....	854	45	74.2	+ 0.5	95	25	51	2	37	3.40	- 0.58	1.05	0	9	18	9	4	
Waverly.....	Bremer.....	936	32	73.3	+ 0.8	94	25	51	10	36	4.35	+ 0.60	2.42	0	7	24	7	0	
Means and extremes.....				73.1	+ 0.7	95	24	46	2	43	2.91	- 1.07	3.10	0	8	19	8	4	
<i>West Central District</i>																			
Audubon (near).....	Audubon.....	1,297	33	74.0	+ 1.3	92	27	56	2	29	4.39	+ 0.72	1.28	0	11	16	11	4	
Carroll.....	Carroll.....	1,265	38	73.6	+ 0.4	94	25	54	7	34	3.77	+ 0.19	1.17	0	7	23	6	2	
Denison.....	Crawford.....	1,171	34	73.8	+ 0.4	94	31	52	9	33	3.73	- 0.02	1.66	0	9	16	11	4	
Guthrie Center.....	Guthrie.....	987	33	74.4	+ 0.8	97	25	50	10	36	4.31	+ 0.09	2.03	0	7	13	15	3	
Harlan.....	Shelby.....	1,192	29	73.2	+ 0.1	93	31	52	9	32	3.61	- 0.27	1.09	0	11	15	8	8	
Jefferson.....	Greene.....	1,052	29	73.4	+ 0.1	93	27	53	10	31	2.44	- 1.24	1.26	0	8	14	10	7	
Little Sioux.....	Harrison.....	1,040	23	75.2	+ 0.8	95	27	50	9	31	5.17	+ 0.97	2.97	0	11	14	14	3	
Logan.....	Harrison.....	1,120	61	74.0	- 0.2	94	27	52	9	34	6.03	+ 1.62	1.96	0	11	7	23	1	
Onawa.....	Monona.....	1,051	27	74.4	+ 0.1	95	27	52	9	31	4.08	- 0.07	1.50	0	9	18	7	6	
Rockwell City.....	Calhoun.....	1,232	32	73.6	+ 0.5	97	22	52	18	35	4.60	+ 0.81	1.40	0	9	23	3	5	
Sac City.....	Sac.....	1,269	52	73.4	+ 0.5	93	22	53	10	31	3.49	- 0.18	1.55	0	6	16	8	7	
Sioux City.....	Woodbury.....	1,135	39	75.8	+ 1.5	97	27	55	9	28	3.27	- 0.27	1.17	0	8	8	14	9	
Means and extremes.....				74.1	+ 0.6	97	22	50	9	36	4.07	+ 0.19	2.97	0	9	15	11	5	
<i>Central District</i>																			
Ames.....	Story.....	926	51	74.2	+ 0.2	93	25	53	20	36	6.62	+ 2.76	2.40	0	10	16	8	7	
Baxter.....	Jasper.....	998	28	73.4	- 0.8	94	25	50	20	37	5.56	+ 1.67	1.70	0	9	16	11	4	
Boone (near).....	Boone.....	894	23	73.0	- 0.5	94	31	49	10	36	4.64	+ 0.92	1.05	0	10	14	12	5	
Des Moines.....	Polk.....	861	50	75.3	- 0.1	95	31	56	20	32	3.72	+ 0.22	2.05	0	9	7	13	11	
Fort Dodge.....	Webster.....	1,114	28	73.8	- 0.2	95	25	50	2	34	4.14	+ 0.23	1.12	0	10	24	4	3	
Grinnell.....	Poweshiek.....	1,031	34	73.1	- 1.2	95	25	51	9	36	4.26	- 0.11	1.74	0	7	12	13	6	
Grundy Center.....	Grundy.....	976	37	73.2	- 0.9	94	25	49	20	32	5.62	+ 1.89	2.00	0	11	21	7	3	
Iowa Falls.....	Hardin.....	1,127	35	73.1	+ 0.8	95	27	52	2	36	3.99	+ 0.05	1.78	0	8	16	9	6	
Marshalltown.....	Marshall.....	947	36	74.4	- 0.9	94	25	52	20	30	5.02	+ 1.01	2.09	0	11	11	14	6	
Monroe.....	Jasper.....	922	16	74.9	- 0.1	93	25	54	20	30	4.89	+ 1.33	2.50	0	9	17	6	8	
Perry.....	Dallas.....	975	27	73.6	- 0.6	94	31	50	10	35	4.21	+ 0.17	1.64	0	8	13	14	4	
Toledo.....	Tama.....	847	34	72.7	- 1.5	93	25	50	20	34	6.08	+ 2.54	1.77	0	9	16	10	5	
Van Meter.....	Dallas.....	872	9								4.60		2.50	0	7				
Waukeo.....	Dallas.....	1,032	25	72.9	- 1.2	94	27	43	20	36	5.81	+ 1.27	3.10	0	10	17	8	6	
Webster City.....	Hamilton.....	1,042	23	73.0	- 1.0	94	22	48	2										

Daily Precipitation for July, 1929

Stations	Drainage Basin	Day of Month																															Totals		
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31			
<i>Northwest District</i>																																			
Akron.....	Big Sioux.....	.86			.01	.30		.04							.67	.04							.19											2.11	
Alta.....	Raccoon.....	1.34			.02	.20	.06	.05							.60	.18	T.								.50									2.95	
Alton.....	Floyd.....	.01			.05	.35		.02							1.26							T.												1.69	
Cherokee.....	Little Sioux.....	.63	.01		.04	.56		.24						.88									.08	.38										2.82	
Estherville.....	Des Moines.....	.45				.35								.05	.30	.45								.10	.55	.20									2.45
<i>Hawarden</i>																																			
Hawarden.....	Big Sioux.....	.16			.02	1.04									3.35								.02											4.59	
Inwood (near).....	Big Sioux.....	.28				.01	.28	.20	T.						1.40	.39						T.	.09	.50		.87								4.02	
Lake Park (near).....	Little Sioux.....					.97		.04							1.42								.35	1.08					T.					3.86	
Le Mars.....	Floyd.....	.22			.12	.46		.12							.93								.02	.01	T.									1.88	
Marathon.....	Raccoon.....				T.	.40	.28	.05	T.		.08		1.15	.08	T.								.12												2.16
<i>Pocahontas</i>																																			
Pocahontas.....	Des Moines.....	.81	.10		T.	.50		.01					T.	.36	T.							.15	1.41											3.34	
Rock Rapids.....	Big Sioux.....					.09	.81	.37						.82									.10	.22	.70									3.11	
Sanborn.....	Floyd.....				T.	.92		.05						1.54											.55										3.04
Sheldon.....	Floyd.....				.01	.80		T.						1.88									.02	.01	.43										3.15
Sioux Center.....	Floyd.....					1.15								1.95																					3.10
<i>Spencer</i>																																			
Spencer.....	Little Sioux.....					.70		.03						1.03								.01	.01	.52										2.30	
Storm Lake.....	Raccoon.....	2.75				.08	.47							.69	T.									.20											4.19
Washta.....	Little Sioux.....	.55	.05		T.	.76		.33						.60									.08	.10	.18										2.65
West Bend.....	Des Moines.....	.17				.35							.11	1.55	.08								T.	.39	.02										2.67
<i>North Central District</i>																																			
<i>Algona</i>																																			
Algona.....	Des Moines.....					.51						.55	.79										.14	.50										2.49	
<i>Allison</i>																																			
Allison.....	Cedar.....	.35			.21	.15	.05					.53	1.12	.65	.50							T.	T.	.05	.01									3.62	
<i>Belmond</i>																																			
Belmond.....	Iowa.....					.08						1.81	.15	.67	.20								.11		.02									3.04	
<i>Britt</i>																																			
Britt.....	Iowa.....				.19	T.	.33	.27				.11	1.68	.02	.13								.05	.01	.02	.65	.08							3.54	
<i>Charles City***</i>																																			
Charles City***.....	Cedar.....					.33	.27					.11	1.68	.02	.13								.05	.01	.02	.65	.08								3.54
<i>Forest City</i>																																			
Forest City.....	Cedar.....	.15			T.	.05	.02		T.			.46	1.68	T.	.29								T.	.19	.03	.01	1.30								4.18
<i>Hampton</i>																																			
Hampton.....	Cedar.....					.23	.10	T.				.10	.86	1.45	T.	.29								T.	.03	.10						T.			2.87
<i>Humboldt</i>																																			
Humboldt.....	Des Moines.....	.97			T.	.38						.52	.29	1.35	T.									T.	.14									3.65	
<i>Mason City</i>																																			
Mason City.....	Cedar.....				T.	.19	.04					.10	.37	.04	T.								.05	.03	T.	.20								1.69	
<i>Northwood</i>																																			
Northwood.....	Cedar.....				.12	.19	.45					1.10	.37	.02									T.	.05	.03	T.	.26	.28							2.41
<i>Osage</i>																																			
Osage.....	Cedar.....				.45	.50	.86					.08	.02	T.	T.								.03		.16	.23									2.33
<i>Northeast District</i>																																			
<i>Decorah</i>																																			
Decorah.....	Mississippi.....			.04		.06	.40	.02	.44				1.06	.15									.01		.05	.75		.21						3.19	
<i>Dubuque***</i>																																			
Dubuque***.....	Mississippi.....	.05			.05	T.	.65	.17				.04	.29	.01	.05								T.		.06	.01	.06						.07		1.47
<i>Fayette</i>																																			
Fayette.....	Mississippi.....	.06			.03	T.	.13					T.	.86	.02											.02	.61		T.						1.77	
<i>Independence</i>																																			
Independence.....	Wapsipicon.....	.95				.85	.11					1.15	.21	.07	.06											.48								3.88	
<i>Lansing</i>																																			
Lansing.....	Mississippi.....	.06			.02	.06	.28						.55	.01												.86	.46	.01						2.33	
<i>New Hampton</i>																																			
New Hampton.....	Wapsipicon.....				.20		.22					.20	.77													.51								1.93	
<i>Oelwein</i>																																			
Oelwein.....	Wapsipicon.....	.20			T.	.40		.35				T.	3.10	.10	.80			T.							.35									4.95	
<i>Postville (near)</i>																																			
Postville (near).....	Mississippi.....											.02	1.37																			T.		1.82	
<i>Waterloo</i>																																			
Waterloo.....	Cedar.....	1.05			.10	.02	.18					1.00	.04	.49	T.											.50			.02					3.40	
<i>Waverly</i>																																			
Waverly.....	Cedar.....	.28			.02	.15						T.	2.42	.12	.91									T.	.45									4.35	
<i>West Central District</i>																																			
<i>Audubon (near)</i>																																			
Audubon (near).....	Nishnabotna.....	.61	.06		T.	.04	.28	.19				.04	1.28	1.14	.01											.61				T.	.10			4.39	
<i>Carrol</i>																																			
Carrol.....	Raccoon.....	.62			.27	.03						1.00	.43	1.17											.25									3.77	
<i>Denison</i>																																			
Denison.....	Missouri.....	.64	.14			.25						.11	1.66	.72											.12	.04					.05			3.73	
<i>Guthrie Center</i>																																			
Guthrie Center.....	Raccoon.....	.67	.18		.33	.31							1.82	.03	.61																			4.31	
<i>Harlan</i>																																			
Harlan.....	Nishnabotna.....	1.07	.03		T.	.12	.19		T.		.05	.02	.24	.65				T.							.75	.34					.15			3.61	
<i>Jefferson</i>																																			
Jefferson.....	Raccoon.....	.52	.19		T.	.02	.10						.58	.68	.08								T.	T.	.27	T.					T.			2.44	
<i>Little Sioux</i>																																			
Little Sioux.....	Little Sioux.....	.38			.04	.09	.18		T.		.03	.24	2.97										.04		.61	.01	.06				.58			5.17	
<i>Logan</i>																																			
Logan.....	Missouri.....	.58	.03		T.	.11	.47				.32	.29	1.45	1.96				T.					.04	.36		.42								6.03	
<i>Onawa</i>																																			
Onawa.....	Missouri.....	.40			T.	.03	.60	.07				T.	.90	.60									.12	.06	.66						.70			4.08	
<i>Rockwell City</i>																																			
Rockwell City.....	Raccoon.....	1.00	.20	.20	.05	T.						1.05	.10	1.40									.20	.40										4.60	
<i>Sac City</i>																																			
Sac City.....	Raccoon.....	1.00	.11	.08	T.	.67		T.					1.55											.08										3.49	
<i>Sioux City***</i>																																			
Sioux City***.....	Missouri.....		.06		T.	.55	.17	T.			T.	.01	.78	T.									1.11	.08	.51				T.					3.27	
<i>Central District</i>																																			
<i>Ames</i>																																			
Ames.....	Skunk.....	1.32	.04	.07	.17	.68							.45	1.30	.17				.02							2.40								6.62	
<i>Baxter</i>																																			
Baxter.....	Skunk.....	1.66	.05		.08	.57		.03					.58	.59	1.70											.30								5.56	
<i>Boone (near)</i>																																			
Boone (near).....	Des Moines.....	1.05			.20	.05	.11	.78					.71	.04	.89												.49								4.64
<i>Des Moines***</i>																																			
Des Moines***.....	Des Moines.....	.25	.12		.01	.12	.91	T.			.03	T.	.17	2.05									T.		.05										3.72
<i>Fort Dodge</i>																																			
Fort Dodge.....	Des Moines.....	.93			.22	.16						.41	1.12	.42	.53	.02		</																	

Daily Precipitation for July, 1929—Continued

Table with columns for Stations, Drainage Basin, Day of Month (1-31), and Totals. Rows are categorized by district: Southwest, South Central, and Southeast.

Except as otherwise indicated, observations are generally made late in the afternoon, near sunset, and precipitation recorded is for 24 hours ending at the time of observation.
|||Precipitation measured in the morning; amount then recorded is for the preceding 24 hours.
\*\*\*Regular Weather Bureau Station: precipitation is for 24-hour period midnight to midnight.
\*Incomplete.
\*Precipitation included in the next following measurement.
T. Precipitation is less than .01 inch rain or melted snow.

PRESSURE, RELATIVE HUMIDITY, WIND AND SUNSHINE

Table with columns for Stations, Barometric Pressure (Inches (Sea Level)), Relative Humidity (%), Wind (Miles, From, Date), and Sunshine (% possible Departure from normal). Rows include various stations like Chas. City, Davenport, Des Moines, etc.

\*Davenport †Sioux City ‡Des Moines §Omaha ¶Local mean time †And other dates

number of stations most of the monthly total occurred during a single shower period and local floods occurred at several places. The average number of rainy days was nine, being greatest in the southeastern district with an average of eleven days, and least in the northwestern district with an average of six. For individual stations the range was from fifteen to two. The greatest amount from a single station was 12.30 at Riverton, and the least was 1.47 inches at Dubuque. The greatest amount occurring in 24 consecutive hours was 4.25 inches at Clarinda on the 6th.

MISCELLANEOUS PHENOMENA

Fog: 1st, 7th, 15th, 16th, 17th, 18th, 31st.
Hail: 3d, 4th, 5th, 6th, 8th, 11th, 13th, 14th, 23d, 31st.
Halos (lunar and solar): 3d, 7th, 10th, 12th, 19th, 20th, 23d, 30th
Haze: 10th, 16th.
Meteors: 9th, 25th, 27th.
Rainbow: 6th, 8th, 10th.
Thunderstorms: All dates except 2d, 5th, 9th, 10th, 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 26th, 27th, 29th.
Tornado: 6th.

RIVERS

The average stage of all the principal rivers was below normal. The principal rises on the Mississippi River occurred during the latter part of the 1st and 2nd weeks; thereafter the tendency was to lower stages though there were slight fluctuations with the lowest stages near the end of the month. On the Missouri River there was a general falling tendency through the month except for a slight rise during the 2d week. The highest stages occurred on the 1st and the lowest on the last of the month. Low stages prevailed on most of the larger streams in the interior of the state with falling stages most of the time and no important fluctuations. The only floods of consequence occurred in the smaller rivers in the southwestern portion of the state.

Daily Maximum and Minimum Temperature for the Month of July, 1929

Table with columns for Stations, 31 days, and Mean. Rows are grouped by Northern Division, Central Division, and Southern Division, listing various Iowa cities and their daily temperature ranges.

IOWA STORMS, JULY, 1929

Date	County	Township	Nature of Storm	Time	Storm Moved From	Width of Path Miles	Length of Path Miles	Area of Sq. Miles	Size of Hailstones Inches	Damage	Persons Killed	Persons Injured
1	Clinton	Bloomfield	Wind	3:00 p. m.						\$4,000		
2	Clinton	Spring Rock	Wind and Flood	4:30 p. m.	W to E					5,700		
3	Carroll	Glidden	Wind and Flood	6:30 p. m.	E to W					\$50,000 Flood, \$50,000 Wind		
3	Monona	Lincoln	Hail	4:00 a. m.	NW to SE				1/2	Crops 25%		
4	Hamilton	Marion	Wind	4:00 a. m.	SW to NE					\$300		
5	Washington	Dutch Creek	Hail and Wind	5:30 p. m.	NW to SE				3/4	Small Crop Damage		
5	Page	SE portion of County	Wind, Rain, Flood	p. m.						No estimate		
5	Louisa	Elm Grove, Morning Sun	Wind	6:00 p. m.	NW to SE					\$2,000		
5	Keokuk	Lafayette, Van Buren	Wind	5:00 p. m.	NW to SE				1/2	Small Crop Damage		
5	Henry	New London	Hail and Wind	6:00 p. m.	N to S				3/4	\$2,500		
6	Delaware	Dayton	Electric	p. m.	NW to SE					None	1	
6	Cedar	Richland	Tornado	2:00 p. m.	S to N		Short			\$550		
6	Benton	St. Clair	Hail	6:30 p. m.	SW to NE					Crops 25%		
8	Scott	Rockingham	Wind, Hail, Flood	2:00 p. m.	NW to NE				1/4	\$1,000 Flood, \$3,000 Other		
9	Polk	City of Des Moines	Electric	3:00 p. m.	SW to SE					None	1	
13	Winneshiek	Decorah	Wind	4:00 a. m.	NW to SE					Heavy Crop Damage		
13	Hamilton	Marion	Wind, Hail, Flood	3:00 a. m.	SW to NE			36	1/2	\$600 Flood, \$2,500 Other		
13	Clayton	Marion, Sperry	Wind	5:00 a. m.	NW to SE					Some Crop Damage		
14	Wayne	Walnut	Wind	8:00 p. m.	SW to NE					\$25,000		
14	Wapello	Entire County	Wind, Hail, Flood	8:30 a. m.	W to E				Small	Crops 10% by Flood		
14	Taylor	Dallas, Mason, Polk	Wind	7:00 p. m.	N to S					\$20,000		
14	Tama	Columbia	Wind	10:00 a. m.	SW to NE	6	6	36		\$6,000		
14	Page	Amity, Harlan, Valley	Wind	9:00 p. m.	NE to SW					\$5,000		
14	Montgomery	Frankfort, East	Wind and Flood	7:00 p. m.	NE to SW					\$2,000 Flood, \$13,500 Other		
14	Marion	Red Rock	Wind	8:30 a. m.	NW to SE					\$2,000		
14	Louisa	Oakland	Wind	1:00 p. m.	W to E					Crops 15%		
14	Fremont	Prairie	Wind and Flood	8:00 p. m.	NE to SW					\$12,000 Flood, \$18,000 Other		
14	Dallas	Lincoln	Wind	7:00 a. m.	N to S					Some Crop Damage		
14	Adams	Douglas, Washington	Wind and Hail	6:00 p. m.	NE to SW				1/4	\$1,200		
23	Osceola	Viola	Wind and Hail	2:30 p. m.	N to S				Small	Crops 10%		
23	Sac	Wheeler, Levey	Hail and Wind	p. m.		2 to 3				Some to Crops		
23	Webster	Roland	Wind	6:00 p. m.	W to E					Oats 25%		
24	Monroe	Bluff Creek	Wind	5:30 a. m.	NE to SW					\$1,000		
24	Black Hawk	Bennington, Lester	Wind	11:00 p. m.	NE to SW					\$2,000		
31	Buchanan	Madison	Wind and Hail	1:00 p. m.	NW to SE	2			1	Light		
31	Dubuque	New Wine	Wind and Hail	p. m.						Small Bldg. & Crop Damage		

THE METEOR OF JULY 25, 1929

C. C. Wylie, University of Iowa

This meteor, which fell at 9:46 P. M. central standard time, has been reported from O'Neill, Nebraska, west, and Cottonwood, Minnesota, northwest, to Detroit, Michigan, east, and Marissa, Illinois, south. (See map for locations of Cottonwood and Marissa.) The reports from west and northwest were collected in Sioux City by the Weather Bureau, and are evidently observations of this meteor. Information has been received from the states of Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Missouri, Minnesota, Nebraska, Wisconsin, and South Dakota. This by no means represents the area over which it was visible. Rather it represents the area over which Mr. Reed and the Department of Astronomy at the University of Iowa can collect information in a short time. If we assume that the meteor was seen as far in other directions as it has been reported to the west and northwest, and it should have been with proper weather conditions, it was seen also in Alabama, Arkansas, Canada, Georgia, Kansas, Kentucky, Maryland, Mississippi, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Virginia, and West Virginia. It lighted up nearly a million square miles of territory, a remarkable record.

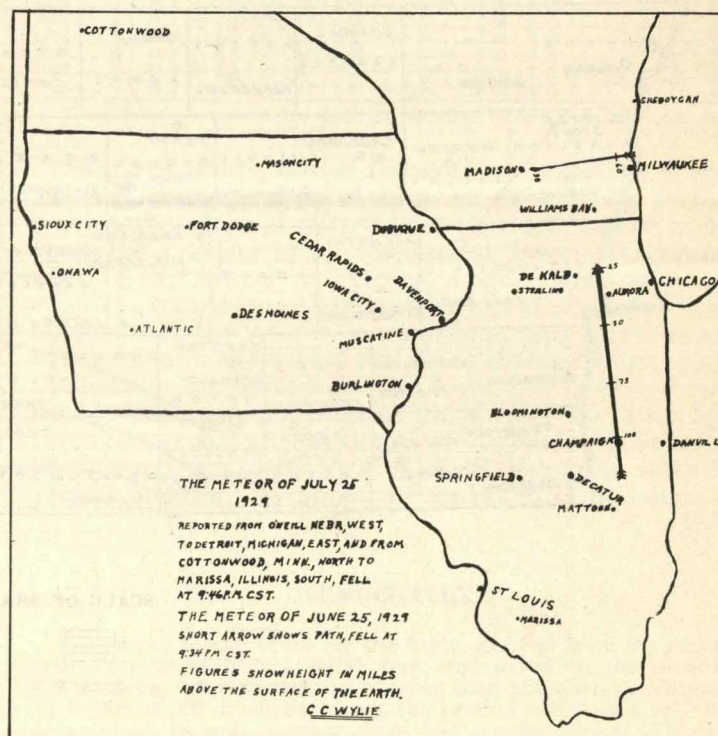
Because of its great brilliancy, it gave the majority of observers the impression of being quite close. At the Yerkes Observatory, Williams Bay, Wisconsin, astronomers of long experience started to dodge when they saw the brilliant meteor coming directly toward them, although it seems to have disappeared at a distance from them of about fifty miles. Near Milwaukee, coast guard men on the edge of Lake Michigan thought they saw a "flaming airplane diving into the lake." Even in Nebraska a group was sitting in an unlighted room when "the whole house was lighted up with such an intense bright red light, and all exclaimed at once, 'What was that?' Our first thought was that it was the light from a car thrown just right"; and from that same state, careful reports include such items as that the observer's impression was that the meteor must have fallen within half or three-quarters of a mile of where he was standing. Many letters from Iowa and eastern Illinois contain such expressions as "it fell directly east of us, seemed to be just across the road."

Whether any meteorites reached the surface of the earth we cannot say as yet. The bright meteor itself came low enough, about twenty-four miles, that it appears possible for meteorites to have fallen from there to the surface of the earth. Meteorites fall through our lower atmosphere as dark bodies, not as balls of fire, and as this fall occurred at night they could not have been seen. In our opinion, nothing larger than ten or fifteen pound stones reached the surface of the earth, and as several square miles of

territory must be searched, their recovery will be problematical. However, Professor C. P. Olivier of the University of Pennsylvania, President of the American Meteor Society, writes us, "I have hopes that pieces may be recovered."

The letters show that a few other bright meteors were seen that evening, which is not unusual in late July. For example, Mr. Fred E. Allender, of Davenport, sends a sketch of the path of one observed at 11:25 P. M., which was probably brighter than Venus, but we have gotten no other reports of that particular object. The evidence at hand indicates that only one meteor of great brilliancy was seen that evening.

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## CLIMATOLOGICAL DATA: IOWA SECTION

The large arrow on the accompanying map shows the path in our atmosphere, the figures beside the arrow being the height in miles above the surface of the earth. The path was computed from two sets of observations; first, those of the astronomers at the Yerkes Observatory as communicated by letter; and second, from the altitude and azimuth of points of appearance and disappearance for certain places in eastern Iowa. These were determined by having an experienced person interview the observer at the exact place from which the meteor was seen, and read the angles from a transit pointed in the direction indicated.

The short arrow in southern Wisconsin shows the path of a meteor a little brighter than Venus as viewed from Iowa. This path was computed from observations made only in the state of Iowa. It fell at 9:34 P. M. on the evening of June 25.

The meteor of July 25 is the third bright meteor in a little more than two years on which Mr. Reed has cooperated with the Department of Astronomy at the University of Iowa, and we appreciate very much the information he has furnished us. Perhaps some who have been helping in this work will be interested in improving the accuracy of the positions they furnish. The best method is, of course, unless it was observed by one familiar with the constellations, to enlist the aid of an engineer, take him with you to the place the meteor was observed, and let him read with a transit the altitudes and azimuths for the points at which the meteor was first seen and last seen. Another method, used by experienced persons when no transit is available, is illustrated by measures fur-

nished by Miss Ruth Berry of Toulon, Illinois. Standing where she saw the meteor, she pointed a yard stick toward the place of disappearance, and a friend measured the east end of the yard stick as 8 inches above and 22½ inches north of the west end. She then pointed toward the place where she had first seen it, and found the east end measured 18 inches above and 22½ inches south of the west end. From these simple measures, which can obviously be made very easily, an astronomer can quickly compute the altitude and azimuth.

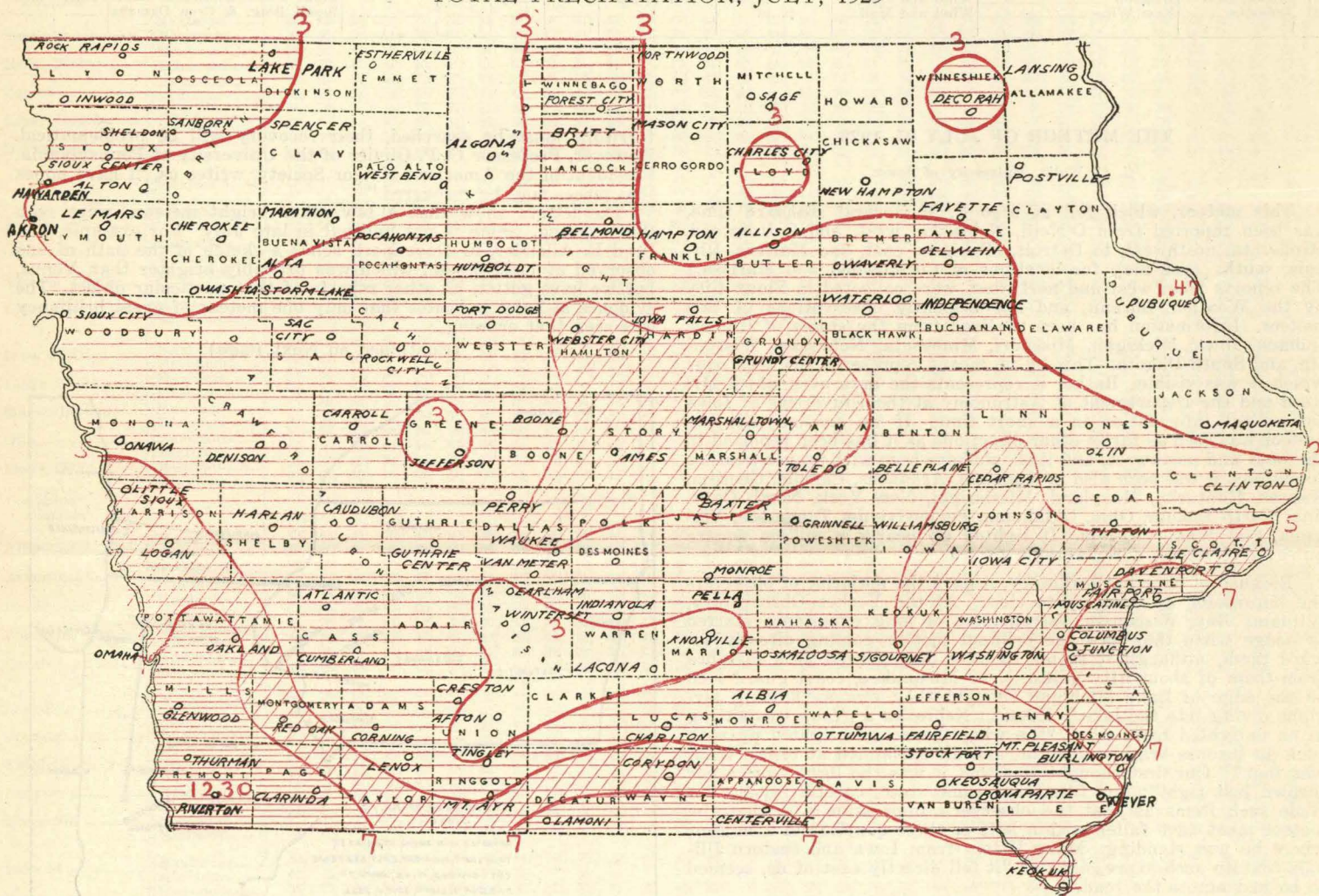
### SOUND OF METEORS

In connection with the meteor of July 25, several persons reported sounds, but the lack of agreement and other circumstances indicates that the sounds reported came from other sources than the meteor.

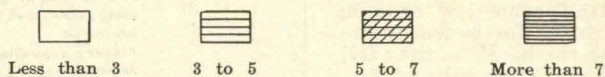
Sound travels only about a mile in 5 seconds, so if a meteor were 50 miles from an observer, he would not hear any sound, if there be sound, till more than four minutes after the disappearance of the meteor. It is doubtful if any sound produced by a meteor could be heard 100 miles, but if it could it would take nearly 10 minutes for the sound to reach the observer. So observers should listen carefully for sounds for at least 10 minutes. Sounds made by the recent meteor at the instant of its disappearance, at a height of 24 miles, would not have been heard by persons directly below till approximately two minutes afterward. Isolated country locations are best for observations of sound.

C. D. R.

### TOTAL PRECIPITATION, JULY, 1929



SCALE OF SHADES IN INCHES



# CLIMATOLOGICAL DATA.

## IOWA SECTION

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### GENERAL SUMMARY

The average temperature for August 1929, was but 0.2° above the normal, but there was a marked contrast between the eastern and western portions. The eastern portion, except a small area in the northeastern district, was considerably below normal, while over the western half there was an excess. The weather during the month was noticeably changeable. The first half of the month was the colder, and the coldest weather generally occurred during the latter part of the first week and at the end of the second week and the beginning of the third week. A rather warm period prevailed from the 21st to the 26th, with the temperature 90° or higher on several days. The warmest periods were somewhat tempered by low humidity, and there was less suffering by both man and beast than is usually experienced in August

The most outstanding feature in connection with the month's weather was the torrential rain storm that occurred during the night of the 1st-2nd. The heavy rain covered an area reaching from the north-central district, southeastward over the east-central district, the area of heaviest rainfall being in a rather narrow strip from Hardin County to Cedar County. The greatest fall, 8.27 inches, occurred in Tama County, at Toledo, from 11:00 P. M. of the 1st to 6:00 A. M. of the 2nd. Most of this amount fell within a period of about two hours, and it is probable that this was the heaviest rainfall ever experienced in the State for such a short time. This unusual downpour caused a rapid rise in the Iowa River and its tributaries; some localities reported the highest stream stages ever known. As a result of the unexpected rise, there were large property losses and many dwellings, both in towns and rural localities, were flooded. The property losses consisted of highway and railway bridges washed away, stretches of track washed out, highways damaged, and much shocked grain carried away and farm animals drowned. Miles of railway were under water and many trains had to be detoured or suspended temporarily.

The rainfall averaged 1.00 inch below the normal, but as much of the rain fell in short periods, the effective rainfall for the State was much less than the departure indicates. The area of heaviest rainfall had very little rain after the 2d, and this area as well as the greater portion of the State, was injured somewhat by drouth at some time during the month. Crops suffered considerably in much of the State, particularly in the southwestern and west-central districts; corn fired badly in many fields, the output of commercial canneries was greatly reduced, and gardens in many places were ruined by the dry weather. Very little plowing was done on account of the dry weather, and where attempted the soil was so cloddy that it could not be harrowed. The weather was favorable for the completion of threshing and curing hay, but pastures were generally brown, and in many localities, bare.

F. L. D.

### COMPARATIVE DATA FOR THE STATE—AUGUST

YEAR	Temperature				Precipitation					Number of Days			
	Mean	Departure	Highest	Lowest	Total	Departure	Greatest	Least	Snowfall	With pre. .01 in. or more	Clear	Partly cloudy	Cloudy
1873.....	75.7	+ 4.0	102	54	4.17	+ 0.73	8.40	0.00					
1874.....	74.3	+ 2.6	99	55	3.12	+ 0.32	9.16	0.85					
1875.....	68.9	- 2.8	92	41	4.01	+ 0.60	7.60	1.07					
1876.....	73.2	+ 1.5	96	46	5.15	+ 1.71	10.04	1.50					
1877.....	71.9	+ 0.2	100	53	4.36	+ 0.92	12.65	0.10					
1878.....	74.4	+ 2.7	100	50	3.22	+ 0.22	9.15	0.43					
1879.....	72.0	+ 0.3	100	42	2.70	+ 0.74	7.50	0.45					
1880.....	72.5	+ 0.8	104	41	4.77	+ 1.33	9.88	0.77					
1881.....	76.5	+ 4.8	104	48	2.71	+ 0.73	6.85	0.32					
1882.....	71.5	+ 0.2	96	43	1.61	+ 1.83	6.90	0.07					
1883.....	69.2	- 2.5	98	42	2.58	+ 0.86	8.95	0.22					
1884.....	68.5	- 3.2	93	44	4.09	+ 0.65	8.34	1.98					
1885.....	66.9	- 4.8	98	40	5.90	+ 2.46	12.68	2.79					
1886.....	74.2	+ 2.5	103	34	2.02	+ 1.42	7.13	0.30					
1887.....	70.8	- 0.9	103	34	2.75	+ 0.69	8.85	0.51					
1888.....	70.4	- 1.3	110	40	4.37	+ 0.93	8.40	0.95					
1889.....	71.3	- 0.4	104	37	1.87	+ 1.57	9.95	1.12					
1890.....	68.1	- 3.6	102	34	3.25	+ 0.19	6.44	1.03					
1891.....	69.1	- 2.6	106	34	4.24	+ 0.80	13.02	1.23		8	13	12	6
1892.....	71.4	+ 0.3	102	40	2.24	+ 1.20	4.69	0.65		5	18	9	4
1893.....	69.4	- 2.3	101	30	2.32	+ 1.12	6.22	0.40		5	19	9	3
1894.....	74.6	+ 2.9	108	38	1.58	+ 1.86	4.53	T.		4	21	8	2
1895.....	71.9	+ 0.2	103	37	4.43	+ 0.99	10.63	0.67		7	17	9	5
1896.....	71.7	+ 0.0	104	34	3.52	+ 0.98	12.25	0.86		8	15	11	5
1897.....	68.9	- 2.8	104	35	1.86	+ 1.58	4.98	0.47		6	15	11	5
1898.....	71.2	+ 0.5	103	40	3.44	+ 0.00	10.55	0.58		6	17	9	5
1899.....	74.4	+ 2.7	100	41	3.68	+ 0.24	10.45	1.12		7	17	10	4
1900.....	77.4	+ 5.7	103	44	4.65	+ 1.21	10.43	1.26		6	18	10	3
1901.....	73.8	+ 2.1	105	40	1.29	+ 2.15	4.46	T.		5	20	9	2
1902.....	69.1	- 2.6	98	37	6.58	+ 3.14	15.47	1.57		11	11	11	9
1903.....	69.1	- 2.6	101	41	6.64	+ 3.20	17.74	2.55		11	12	10	9
1904.....	69.1	- 2.6	97	35	3.43	+ 0.01	6.75	0.66		7	17	8	6
1905.....	74.3	+ 2.6	104	44	4.05	+ 0.61	8.47	1.04		9	16	9	6
1906.....	74.1	+ 2.4	101	33	3.95	+ 0.51	10.51	0.92		9	17	9	5
1907.....	71.1	- 0.6	99	37	4.33	+ 0.89	9.67	1.05		9	17	9	5
1908.....	70.0	- 1.7	101	38	4.77	+ 1.33	10.55	1.35		9	17	9	5
1909.....	76.1	+ 4.4	103	33	1.81	+ 1.63	8.21	T.		5	21	8	2
1910.....	71.9	+ 0.2	104	36	3.88	+ 0.44	11.22	0.37		8	15	10	6
1911.....	71.7	+ 0.0	107	34	3.32	+ 0.12	9.47	0.44		9	16	10	6
1912.....	71.0	- 0.7	101	40	3.78	+ 0.34	7.90	0.89		10	15	10	6
1913.....	76.6	+ 4.9	108	40	2.68	+ 0.76	7.13	0.08		6	17	10	4
1914.....	73.7	+ 2.0	103	40	2.19	+ 1.25	4.90	0.42		7	17	10	4
1915.....	65.9	- 5.8	91	30	2.81	+ 0.63	9.14	0.27		8	16	8	7
1916.....	74.0	+ 2.3	106	35	2.58	+ 0.86	6.23	0.49		7	18	9	4
1917.....	69.4	- 2.3	102	31	2.29	+ 1.15	6.31	0.70		7	19	8	4
1918.....	76.0	+ 4.3	113	38	3.61	+ 0.17	8.38	0.54		8	16	10	5
1919.....	71.5	- 0.2	103	38	2.59	+ 0.85	5.72	0.97		7	19	9	3
1920.....	69.3	- 2.4	98	39	3.35	+ 0.09	8.52	0.44		7	18	8	5
1921.....	72.1	+ 0.4	102	37	5.04	+ 1.60	9.04	2.20		8	16	11	4
1922.....	73.8	+ 2.1	102	42	3.06	+ 0.38	9.80	0.33		8	19	8	4
1923.....	70.6	- 1.1	102	38	5.42	+ 1.98	13.14	1.46		12	15	9	7
1924.....	71.7	+ 0.0	100	40	5.35	+ 1.91	12.38	1.90		19	16	10	5
1925.....	72.4	+ 0.7	99	39	3.47	+ 0.03	8.36	0.31		8	18	9	4
1926.....	73.5	+ 1.8	103	47	3.80	+ 0.36	7.33	1.64		10	16	10	5
1927.....	67.9	- 3.8	99	35	2.36	+ 1.08	5.68	0.67		8	15	10	6
1928.....	72.7	+ 1.0	100	37	6.42	+ 2.98	12.80	2.16		9	19	8	4
1929.....	71.9	+ 0.2	102	37	2.44	+ 1.00	9.27	0.78		6	18	9	4

T. indicates an amount too small to measure, or less than .005 inch rainfall and less than .05 inch snowfall.

### TEMPERATURE

The mean temperature for the State, derived from the means of nine districts of nearly equal area, and based on the records of 104 stations was 71.9°, or 0.2° higher than the normal. The western half of the State was generally above normal, and the eastern half, with the exception of two limited areas, was below normal. The contrast in temperature was marked; a small area in the north-western district showed an excess of more than four degrees, while there was a deficiency of more than three degrees in the south-eastern district. This situation resulted in producing lower mean temperatures at several stations in the southeastern district, generally the warmest portion of the State, than several in the north-western district, which normally is considerably cooler. The highest monthly mean was 75.3° at Lenox and Thurman and the lowest was 67.0° at Postville. The absolute range for the State was 65°, from 102°, at Keokuk, No. 2 on the 22d to 37° at Decorah on the 15th. The average number of days with the maximum temperature 90°, or higher, was 6. The greatest average was in the south-western district with 12 days and least in the north-central district with 2. The greatest number at a single station was 15 at Lenox while at Forest City and Mason City the temperature did not reach





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STATIONS	COUNTIES	Elevation, feet	Length of record, years	Temperature, in Degrees Fahrenheit					Precipitation, in inches				Number of Days				Prevailing direction of wind	OBSERVERS		
				Mean	Departure from normal	Highest	Date	Lowest	Date	Greatest daily range	Total	Departure from normal	Greatest in 24 hours	Total snowfall (unmelted)	Precipitation, .01 in. or more	Clear			Partly cloudy	Cloudy
<i>Northwest District</i>																				
Akron.....	Plymouth.....	1,153	2							3.79	+ 0.87	0.99	0	11	21	9	1	se.	Orlan C. Moore	
Alta.....	Buena Vista.....	1,513	37	73.0	+ 2.7	98	24	47	14	36	- 1.46	0.52	0	8	20	11	0	s.	D. E. Hadden	
Alton.....	Sioux.....	1,305	23	72.5	+ 1.6	96	24	42	15	38	+ 0.37	1.55	0	12	8	21	2	se.	W. S. Slagle	
Cherokee.....	Cherokee.....	1,196	8	71.8	+ 1.8	97	24	42	15	40	- 0.71	.79	0	10	23	7	1	s.	J. E. Wirth	
Estherville.....	Emmet.....	1,298	33	73.0	+ 4.2	99	24	45	15	45	- 1.86	.45	0	7	21	10	0	s.	A. O. Peterson	
Hawarden.....	Sioux.....	1,181	2							1.70	- 1.08	.54	0	10	20	6	5	se.	Earl V. Slife	
Inwood (near).....	Lyon.....	1,474	24	72.6	+ 2.1	97	24	43	14	37	- 0.13	1.52	0	6	26	4	1	se.	A. C. Hanson	
Lake Park (near).....	Dickinson.....	1,489	15	71.0	+ 1.5	95	24	46	15	37	- 0.93	1.00	0	6	16	9	6	se.	P. M. Lawrence	
Le Mars.....	Plymouth.....	1,224	32	72.7	+ 1.7	100	24	42	15	40	- 0.67	.69	0	10	25	5	1	se.	Henry Newell	
Marathon.....	Buena Vista.....	1,390	2							2.89		.88	0	6	22	7	2	s.	E. G. Smith	
Pocahontas.....	Pocahontas.....	1,248	24	71.5	+ 0.9	92	24	48	14	37	- 0.52	1.02	0	8	22	9	0	se.	F. E. Hronek	
Rock Rapids.....	Lyon.....	1,349	29	71.0	+ 1.3	97	24	40	15	41	+ 0.80	1.19	0	7	27	3	1	s.	Nellie F. Medberry	
Sharnon.....	O'Brien.....	1,553	14	71.1	+ 0.6	96	24	43	14	38	- 0.01	.99	0	9	13	11	7	se.	J. W. Dow	
Sheldon.....	O'Brien.....	1,418	17	72.5	+ 2.0	96	24	44	15	38	+ 0.84	1.23	0	11	21	8	2	s.	Ross E. Forward	
Sioux Center.....	Sioux.....	1,461	29	72.6	+ 2.1	96	24	43	14	36	- 1.34	.51	0	5	15	15	1	se.	F. C. Aue	
Spencer.....	Clay.....	1,319	14	73.6	+ 3.0	99	24	40	15	44	- 1.37	.58	0	6	17	11	3	se.	E. W. Little	
Storm Lake.....	Buena Vista.....	1,438	39	72.7	+ 1.3	95	24	48	14	35	- 0.19	.84	0	7	19	12	0	ne.	L. B. Florey	
Washta.....	Cherokee.....	1,157	30	71.4	+ 0.8	98	24	40	15	41	+ 0.13	.90	0	9	20	9	2	s.	H. L. Felter	
West Bend.....	Palo Alto.....	1,197	35	71.9	+ 1.3	93	24	45	15	39	- 1.99	.70	0	5	25	6	0	s.	Jos. Dorweiler	
Means and extremes				72.2	+ 1.8	100	24	40	15	45	2.58	- 0.50	1.55	0	8	20	9	2	se.	
<i>North Central District</i>																				
Algona.....	Kossuth.....	1,224	55	70.9	+ 0.6	93	24	46	12	41	- 1.07	1.10	0	6	29	1	1	se.	W. E. Laird	
Allison.....	Butler.....	1,060	14																E. W. Detra	
Belmond.....	Wright.....	1,181	18	70.7	+ 0.9	92	22	41	15	38	+ 0.44	2.53	0	5	18	6	7	sw.	H. F. Luick	
Britt.....	Hancock.....	1,236	41	70.0	+ 0.1	91	24	44	15	34	- 0.77	2.40	0	4	24	4	3	sw.	E. P. Healy	
Charles City.....	Floyd.....	1,015	37	69.4	+ 0.3	90	22	44	15	31	- 2.24	1.20	0	4	18	11	2	se.	U. S. Weather Bureau	
Forest City.....	Winnebago.....	1,226	34	69.4	- 0.8	89	24	44	15	31	- 0.67	1.76	0	6	11	17	3	se.	Dr. M. B. Neil	
Hampton.....	Franklin.....	1,145	3							3.37	- 0.08	2.86	0	3					L. H. Davis	
Humboldt.....	Humboldt.....	1,095	40	71.4	- 0.4	94	24	41	15	40	- 0.37	1.41	0	5	21	10	0	se.	H. C. Snitkey	
Hudson City.....	Cerro Gordo.....	1,148	31	69.2	- 0.4	89	12	40	15	37	- 1.23	1.27	0	3	16	13	2	se.	American Beet Sugar Co.	
Northwood.....	Worth.....	1,222	32	69.7	+ 1.2	91	24	42	19	37	- 0.42	2.35	0	6	12	18	1	sw.	Charles Dwelle	
Osage.....	Mitchell.....	1,163	34	70.2	+ 1.5	90	12	41	19	37	- 1.94	.90	0	3	10	16	5		Dr. C. E. Juhl	
Means and extremes				70.1	+ 0.3	94	24	40	15	41	2.65	- 0.82	2.86	0	4	18	10	3	se.	
<i>Northeast District</i>																				
Decorah.....	Winneshiek.....	872	35	68.7	+ 0.2	92	22	37	15	43	- 2.10	.73	0	6	21	8	2	sw.	M. D. Whitney	
Dubuque.....	Dubuque.....	700	55	70.4	- 1.3	92	22	48	15	28	- 1.41	1.51	0	3	12	11	8	s.	U. S. Weather Bureau	
Fayette.....	Fayette.....	1,003	40	73.6	+ 1.2	95	22	39	15	39	- 0.92	1.78	0	6	21	7	3	sw.	R. Z. Latimer	
Independence.....	Buchanan.....	956	64	69.8	- 1.5	90	22	45	15	30	+ 0.10	2.06	0	5	24	3	4	se.	Dr. Geo. Body	
Lansing.....	Allamakee.....	632	21							2.85	- 0.10	1.25	0	8					Mrs. Mary Spinner	
New Hampton.....	Chickasaw.....	1,169	31	70.4	+ 0.6	94	22	40	15	37	- 1.80	1.30	0	3	15	13	3	se.	D. W. Dawson	
Oelwein.....	Fayette.....	1,036	5	69.8	- 0.4	91	22	43	15	32	- 0.87	2.25	0	2	20	7	4	s.	John T. Ridler	
Postville (near).....	Clayton.....	1,192	29	67.0	- 0.8	90	22	43	19	30	- 1.78	.88	0	2	17	12	2	sw.	F. L. Williams	
Waterloo.....	Black Hawk.....	854	45	70.6	- 0.9	94	22	42	15	36	- 1.17	1.70	0	4	21	8	2	se.	R. B. Slippy	
Waverly.....	Bremer.....	936	32	70.2	- 0.4	92	22	43	15	35	+ 0.73	3.00	0	5	25	3	3	s.	D. H. Murphy	
Means and extremes				69.7	- 0.4	95	22	37	15	43	2.37	- 0.94	3.00	0	4	20	8	3	s.	
<i>West Central District</i>																				
Audubon (near).....	Audubon.....	1,297	33	73.0	+ 2.2	96	21	48	15	33	- 2.79	.40	0	5	22	9	0	sw.	George Kibby	
Carroll.....	Carroll.....	1,265	38	72.5	+ 1.4	97	21	46	15	36	- 1.80	.50	0	8	25	6	0	se.	Mrs. Jos. J. Wolfe	
Denison.....	Crawford.....	1,171	34	72.4	+ 0.9	95	21	46	15	33	- 0.79	1.90	0	6	15	12	4	s.	V. L. Byers	
Guthrie Center.....	Guthrie.....	987	33	73.0	+ 1.3	97	12	41	15	48	- 3.08	.78	0	1	13	15	3	s.	Floyd H. Bainter	
Harlan.....	Shelby.....	1,192	29	71.9	+ 0.9	94	21	43	15	36	- 2.38	- 1.28	.61	0	10			se.	Walter Bell	
Jefferson.....	Greene.....	1,052	29							1.18	- 2.00	.75	0	3					W. I. Lyon	
Little Sioux.....	Harrison.....	1,010	23	74.2	+ 1.6	95	21	44	15	36	- 1.37	.69	0	10	12	18	1	s.	H. W. Kerr	
Logan.....	Harrison.....	1,120	61	72.7	0.0	95	21	44	15	35	- 2.48	- 1.21	.78	0	9	3	26	2	se.	Amy Ann Stern
Onawa.....	Monona.....	1,051	27	72.4	+ 0.3	91	21	44	15	35	- 1.59	.86	0	7	22	6	3	se.	Mrs. H. E. Colby	
Rockwell City.....	Calhoun.....	1,232	32	71.8	+ 0.7	95	24	45	15	37	- 1.32	1.50	0	3	30	1	0	nw.	A. W. McIsaac	
Sac City.....	Sac.....	1,269	52	71.9	+ 0.3	96	24	45	15	36	- 1.40	.85	0	5					F. P. Kessler	
Sioux City.....	Woodbury.....	1,135	39	73.8	+ 1.8	94	21	48	15	33	- 1.58	.50	0	10	15	13	3	se.	U. S. Weather Bureau	
Means and extremes				72.7	+ 1.1	97	12	41	15	48	1.95	- 1.69	1.90	0	6	17	12	2	se.	
<i>Central District</i>																				
Ames.....	Story.....	926	51	71.6	- 0.2	91	12	44	15	35	- 0.61	1.11	0	6	16	13	2	s.	Iowa State College	
Baxter.....	Jasper.....	998	28	72.2	0.0	93	10	46	15	35	- 0.82	1.08	0	6	13	15	3	se.	F. A. Kanne	
Boone (near).....	Boone.....	894	23	71.5	+ 0.6	93	12	39	15	43	- 1.19	.83	0	8	19	9	3	s.	C. F. Henning	
Des Moines.....	Polk.....	861	50	73.4	+ 0.3	95	21	49	15	32	- 0.70	1.02	0	7	12	12	7	sw.	U. S. Weather Bureau	
Fort Dodge.....	Webster.....	1,114	28	71.0	+ 0.2	94	24	44	15	37	+ 0.32	2.56	0	8	23	7	1	se.	Mrs. Emma Sampson	
Grinnell.....	Poweshiek.....	1,031	34	71.2	- 1.4	95	22	44	15	36	- 1.47	1.00	0	4	18	9	4	sw.	R. E. Bates	
Grundy Center.....	Grundy.....	976	37	70.8	- 1.1	90	12	45	15	32	- 1.10	1.90	0	4	23	5	3	sw.	M. G. Heiberger	
Iowa Falls.....	Hardin.....	1,127	35	70.2	- 0.9	90	12	43	15	35	- 0.12	2.56	0	6	14	15	2	sw.	C. H. Gilbert	
Marshalltown.....	Marshall.....	947	36	72.3	- 0.5	92	21	47	15	36	+ 2.76	4.97	0	5	17	11	3	se.	C. C. Pigman	
Monroe.....	Jasper.....	922	16	73.0	- 0.4	94	21	48	14	32	- 2.30	.68	0	4	25	0	6	s.	J. A. Dibel	
Perry.....	Dallas.....	975	27	71.5	- 0.4	94	24	39	15	42	- 1.48	1.02	0	6	15	12	4	se.	Eugene N. Hastie	
Toledo.....	Tama.....	847	34	70.4	- 1.7	92	22	43	15</											

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STATIONS	COUNTIES	Elevation, feet	Length of record, years	Temperature, in Degrees Fahrenheit						Precipitation, in inches				Number of Days				OBSERVERS		
				Mean	Departure from normal	Highest	Date	Lowest	Date	Greatest daily range	Total	Departure from normal	Greatest in 24 hours	Total snowfall (unmelted)	Precipitation, .01 in. or more	Clear	Partly cloudy		Cloudy	Prevailing direction of wind
<i>East Central District</i>																				
Belle Plaine	Benton	866	38	71.0	- 0.5	93	10†	47	4	35	7.03	+ 3.80	6.46	0	7	18	9	4	se.	O. C. Burrows J. T. Wurster Dr. A. P. Bryant U. S. Weather Bureau Rex Shriver
Cedar Rapids	Linn	737	46	70.0	- 1.8	95	22	41	15	35	4.99	+ 1.49	3.75	0	5	10	8	13	se.	
Clinton	Clinton	595	55	71.5	- 1.2	98	22	45	15	36	2.49	- 1.14	2.19	0	4	20	2	9	sw.	
Davenport	Scott	580	57	72.4	- 0.7	98	22	51	15	28	2.69	- 0.80	2.57	0	4	9	16	6	sw.	
Davenport No. 2	Scott	690	3	71.8		98	22	45	15	37	3.14		2.89	0	6	20	6	5	sw.	
Fairport	Muscatine	567	7	72.4	- 0.6	97	22	47	15	31	3.09	- 0.86	1.61	0	7	14	6	11	s.	
Iowa City	Johnson	733	68	71.0	- 1.0	95	22	45	15	32	3.96	- 0.14	2.72	0	5	14	12	5	s.	Bureau of Fisheries Prof. J. F. Reilly Margaret T. Disney John Strodtfoff William Moles
Le Claire	Scott	576	28								3.45	+ 0.42	2.73	0	4					
Maquoketa (near)	Jackson	692	23	69.0	- 0.6	96	22	40	15	38	2.57	- 0.57	1.84	0	3	14	8	9	nw.	
Muscatine	Muscatine	546	67								2.33	- 1.81	0.90	0	6					
Olin	Jones	760	29	69.7	- 1.9	97	22	40	15	39	2.02	- 1.58	1.87	0	2	22	6	3	se.	Mrs. L. Stingley John Kroepfen Dr. F. C. Schadt
Tipton (near)	Cedar	806	29	69.9	- 2.3	95	22	43	15	34	4.61	+ 0.79	4.50	0	2	6	18	7	sw.	
Williamsburg	Iowa	770	12	70.0	- 0.1	94	22	40	15	38	2.77	- 0.73	2.29	0	5	21	8	2	sw.	
Means and extremes				70.8	- 1.0	98	22	40	15	39	3.47	- 0.12	6.46	0	5	15	9	7	s.	
<i>Southwest District</i>																				
Atlantic	Cass	1,110	37	73.0	+ 0.3	98	24	40	15	42	1.52	- 1.95	0.45	0	10	18	12	1	sw.	Roy L. Fancolly Arthur L. Bishop Dr. H. C. Hawley J. A. Wilson Carl E. Pollock
Bedford	Taylor	1,200									1.46	- 2.10	0.54	0	6	20	8	3	sw.	
Clarinda	Page	1,009	38	74.0	- 0.6	98	21	44	15	37	2.22	- 1.31	0.98	0	9	21	9	1	sw.	
Corning	Adams	1,150	36	74.0	- 1.8	98	21	41	15	39	1.44	- 2.31	0.68	0	7	16	11	4	sw.	
Cumberland (near)	Cass	1,225	39								1.40	- 2.05	0.57	0	8	18	11	2	sw.	
Glenwood	Mills	1,100	30	75.0	+ 1.0	96	21†	42	15	38	1.19	- 2.17	0.70	0	4	14	15	2	se.	George Mogrige J. L. Hurley W. S. Matthews B. R. Bridge Geo. C. Rader
Lenox	Taylor	1,250	33	75.3	+ 1.6	98	21	47	14	39	1.82	- 1.54	0.53	0	9	20	8	3	se.	
Oakland	Pottawattamie	1,139	9	73.2	+ 0.3	94	21†	44	15	37	2.07	- 1.40	0.85	0	7	16	10	5	se.	
Red Oak (near)	Montgomery	1,030	3								1.07	- 2.57	0.75	0	3	17	12	2	s.	
Riverton (near)	Fremont	920	2								0.88	- 2.80	0.36	0	6	19	2	10	s.	
Thurman	Fremont	960	31	75.3	+ 0.9	98	21†	44	15	37	1.32	- 2.75	0.51	0	8	21	7	3	se.	
Omaha, Neb.		1,105	57	75.8	+ 1.4	98	21	53	15	30	1.56	- 1.49	0.61	0	7	16	13	2	s.	
Means and extremes				74.4	+ 0.8	98	21†	40	15	42	1.50	- 2.04	0.98	0	7	18	10	3	se.	
<i>South Central District</i>																				
Afton	Union	1,212	34								0.91	- 2.42	0.44	0	7	11	8	12	nw.	S. R. Brown O. E. McBride Thomas Wood C. C. Burr J. C. Davis
Albia	Monroe	949	30	73.0	+ 0.4	98	22	48	15	33	2.26	- 1.22	0.86	0	7	19	5	7	sw.	
Centerville	Appanoose	1,013	23	74.0	+ 0.8	96	21†	49	14†	31	1.96	- 1.73	0.75	0	5	18	9	4	sw.	
Chariton (near)	Lucas	1,042	33	73.6	+ 1.7	99	22	48	15	34	1.77	- 1.47	0.82	0	7	12	11	5	se.	
Corydon (near)	Wayne	1,050	35	72.4	- 0.8	96	22	48	15	29	1.25	- 2.01	0.43	0	11	14	14	3	se.	
Creston	Union	1,291	23	73.2	+ 1.2	97	21	45	14	34	2.28	- 1.55	0.89	0	6	22	4	5	sw.	Mrs. N. Spangler George Phillips Seth F. Shenton W. J. Casey J. B. Alter
Earlham (near)	Madison	1,126	26	72.2	+ 0.8	96	21	40	15	40	2.57	- 1.27	0.83	0	6	19	7	5	sw.	
Indianola	Warren	972	37	73.6	- 0.5	97	21	45	15	37	1.28	- 2.63	0.53	0	5	14	12	5	ne.	
Knoxville	Marion	920	33	73.1	+ 0.7	96	22	48	15	32	2.03	- 1.42	0.75	0	9	16	11	4	sw.	
Lacona	Warren	824	29								1.23	- 2.55	0.50	0	8	18	6	7	ne.	
Lamoni	Decatur	1,123	21	72.8	+ 0.4	98	21	47	13†	39	1.75	- 1.00	1.00	0	3	17	11	3	sw.	
Melrose	Monroe	871									1.45	- 1.95	0.55	0	5	25	4	2	s.	F. S. Parks J. M. Carr E. O. Gleason James A. Verploegh H. S. Ely
Mount Ayr	Ringgold	1,220	35	73.8	+ 0.8	97	21	48	14†	34	1.41	- 2.07	0.36	0	8	20	7	4	se.	
Tingley	Ringgold	1,275	3	73.9	+ 1.7	100	21	48	14	25	2.21	- 1.28	0.52	0	7	23	6	2	se.	
Winterset	Madison	1,118	37	73.8	+ 0.6	98	21	48	15	34	1.74	- 1.78	1.00	0	7	18	8	5	sw.	
Means and extremes				73.3	+ 0.7	100	21	40	15	40	1.74	- 1.78	1.00	0	7	18	8	5	sw.	
<i>Southeast District</i>																				
Bonaparte (near)	Van Buren	563	37	71.0	- 1.8	96	22	46	15	31	2.57	- 0.92	0.96	0	7	21	4	6	w.	B. R. Vale John T. Donnelly Miss Musa Todd R. M. McKenzie U. S. Weather Bureau
Burlington	Des Moines	514	32	72.8	- 1.6	98	22	50	15	30	2.81	- 0.92	1.16	0	5	15	11	5	ne.	
Columbus Junction	Louisa	595	27	69.6	- 3.5	96	22	45	15	30	2.26	- 2.08	0.90	0	6	15	12	4	sw.	
Fairfield	Jefferson	780	44	71.0	- 1.8	95	22	41	15	31	5.52	+ 2.05	2.34	0	9	9	12	10	n.	
Keokuk	Lee	614	57	73.2	- 1.8	97	22	52	15	27	1.41	- 1.79	0.85	0	5	10	12	9	s.	
Keokuk No. 2	Lee	651		73.5		102	22	48	15	33	1.87		1.13	0	6					J. N. D. Dickinson Dr. J. W. Rinabarger J. H. Jericho Roy R. Robinson C. L. Mikesh
Keosauqua	Van Buren	639	36	71.8	- 1.4	95	21	49	14	35	1.16	- 2.11	0.98	0	5	11	13	7	nw.	
Mt. Pleasant	Henry	730	47	72.2	- 1.4	97	22†	49	15	34	2.50	- 0.77	0.75	0	8	12	13	6	sw.	
Oskaloosa	Haskaska	835	52	72.1	0.0	97	22	48	15	32	2.12	- 0.97	0.87	0	7	18	7	6	se.	
Ottumwa	Wapello	649	33	73.3	- 0.7	97	22	47	15	34	1.04	- 1.51	1.10	0	8	22	4	5	se.	
Sigourney (near)	Keokuk	790	32	71.9	- 0.8	98	22	46	15	32	2.61	- 0.46	1.27	0	6	18	9	4	se.	
Stockport (near)	Van Buren	747	26	71.1	- 1.1	98	22	45	15	33	3.58	+ 0.48	1.25	0	7	21	2	8	s.	W. E. Utterback C. L. Beswick D. D. Sherman H. G. Liddle
Washington	Washington	757	46	71.6	- 0.8	91	22†	45	15	32	1.86	- 1.79	0.78	0	6	16	9	6	e.	
Wever	Lee	552		71.9		100	22	44	15	36	1.68		0.57	0	7	13	10	8	s.	
Means and extremes				71.9	- 1.3	102	22	44	15	36	2.42	- 1.01	2.34	0	7	15	9	7	se.	
State means and extremes				71.9	+ 0.2	102	22	37	15	48	2.44	- 1.00	8.35	0	6	18	9	1	se.	

Temperature normals are based on the 46-year period July 3, 1875 to July 2, 1921; shorter records corrected to harmonize. Precipitation normals are based on the 50-year period ended December 31, 1927 at first order stations; upon all records of 10 years or more ending December 31, 1920 for most of the co-operative observing stations; and upon interpolations from normal maps for recently established stations.

Reference letters a, b, c, etc., appearing in the table indicate the number of days missing; for example b represents two days, etc.

†Also other dates.

‡Received too late to be included in means and summaries.

T. Precipitation is less than 0.01 inch rain or melted snow.

PRECIPITATION

The average precipitation for the State, derived from the averages of nine divisions of nearly equal area, and based on the records of 119 stations, was 2.44 inches, or 1.00 inch less than the normal. There was a deficiency in each division, though several areas showed excesses, and in the area extending from Marshall to Cedar Counties the excess was pronounced, due to the torrential rain on the 2d. The average number of rainy days was 6, ranging from 8 in the northwestern to 4 in the north-central and

northeastern districts. The greatest number of rainy days at a single station was 12, and the least was 1. Rains occurred at frequent intervals and the greater portion fell during the first two weeks. Locally heavy rains occurred on the 25th and 31st over much of the State, but during all the rain periods there were portions that received only light sprinkles. The greatest rainfall reported was 9.27 inches at Toledo, and the least was 0.78 inch at Guthrie Center. The greatest amount occurring within a 24-hour period was 8.35 inches at Toledo on the 2d.



Daily Precipitation for August, 1929—Continued

Stations	Drainage Basin	Day of Month																															Totals
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	
<i>Southwest District</i>																																	
Atlantic	Nishnabotna	T.	.11	T.		.40	.14	T.			.04	.08	.01									.03		.07	.16	T.					.45		
Bedford	102	T.	.07			.12	.06		.32				.10									T.		.35	.08					.54			
Clarinda	Nodaway	.21	.07			.12	.06			.26			.07									T.		.98	.02					.43			
Corning	Nodaway					.37			.05				.03									.02			.11					.68			
Cumberland (near)	Nodaway	.20	.05			.33						.04	.01									.03	T.		.17					.57			
Glenwood	Missouri	.11				.28							T.										T.		.10				.70				
Lenox	Missouri		T.			.28			.05			.12	.10									.45		.05	.18	.06			.53				
Oakland	Nishnabotna	.03	T.			.46						.20	.14										T.	.18	.21			.85					
Red Oak (near)	Nishnabotna		T.			.30																T.		.02		T.		.75					
Riverton (near)	Nishnabotna		T.			.10			.14				.02											.08	.18			.36					
Thurman	Missouri	.02	.01			.32			T.		.05	.01								T.			.33	.07	T.			.51					
Omaha, Neb.***	Missouri	.08	T.			.24						.02								T.			.02	.11		.61		T.	.48				
<i>South Central District</i>																																	
Afton	Grand																																
Albia	Des Moines		.06	.03	T.		.44			T.		.09												.23		.04		.02		T.	.91		
Centerville	Chariton	T.	T.			.15	.05		.04				T.									.77		.37	.86			.02	.26				
Chariton (near)	Chariton	T.	T.	T.		.55			T.		.12		T.									.32			.75			.22	1.96				
Corydon (near)	Chariton		.03			.19			.06													.11		.38	T.	.82		.18	1.77				
Creston	Missouri		.09	.01		.21	.07	T.		T.		.01	.01									.02		.01	.20	.23	T.	.39					
Earlham (near)	Des Moines		.55			.89					.08		T.									.10	T.	T.	.46			.20					
Indianola	Des Moines		.28			.83							T.									.74		.03	.50			.19					
Knoxville	Des Moines	T.	.32			.53	T.						.27									.27		.12				.04					
Lacona	Des Moines	.01	.02	.02		.75					.52											.40		.02		.18		.11					
Lamoni	Grand		.01	.01		.05	.11			.19														.50			.29	.07					
Melrose	Des Moines					1.00																	.50			.25		1.75					
Mount Ayr	Grand					.18			.34															.55	.03			.35					
Tingley	Platte		.03			.25			.26	.01		.01												.36	.20			.29					
Winterset	Des Moines	T.	.12			.52				.48		.01		T.								.41	.03		.50	T.	.15						
<i>Southeast District</i>																																	
Bonaparte (near)	Des Moines	T.	.04	.07		.37	.32		T.		.31		.96										T.	.50				T.					
Burlington	Mississippi		.12	.62		.61					1.16													.30				2.81					
Columbus Jct.	Iowa	.01	.87	.03		.57					.42													.36		T.		2.26					
Fairfield	Skunk		.22			.72			.01		2.34		1.59	.33								.10		.20		T.	.01						
Keokuk***	Mississippi		T.			.85	T.		T.	.28	T.	.03	T.											.24		T.	.01						
Keokuk No. 2	Mississippi					.12	1.13			.43			.05											.13			.01						
Keosauqua	Des Moines			T.	.03			.98			.02		.06											.07				1.16					
Mt. Pleasant	Skunk		.64	.08		.70	.02		.02		.75		.11											.18				2.50					
Oskalooza	Des Moines		.48			.87	T.			.43		.04										.17	T.	T.	.09		.04						
Ottumwa	Des Moines	T.	.05			.41	.05		T.		1.10		T.										.13		.08	.03	.09						
Sigourney (near)	Skunk		.52			1.27			T.		.05		.76											.03		.01		T.					
Stockport (near)	Skunk	T.	.06			.41	.08		T.		.79		1.25	.96													.03						
Washington	Skunk		.55			.78			T.		.16		.08	.14											.15			1.86					
Wever	Mississippi		.12	.05		.41	.14		T.		.57		T.												.32		.07	T.					

Except as otherwise indicated, observations are generally made late in the afternoon, near sunset, and precipitation recorded is for 24 hours ending at the time of observation.

|||Precipitation measured in the morning; amount then recorded is for the preceding 24 hours.

\*\*\*Regular Weather Bureau Station; precipitation is for 24-hour period midnight to midnight.

\*\*Incomplete.

\*Precipitation included in the next following measurement.

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ERRATA

Report for July 1929. Page 50. Charles City; mean temperature published 72.9°, should be 73.0°; departure published +0.6°, should be +0.7°. Page 53. Des Moines; sunshine per cent published 61, should be 60. Page 54. Charles City; maximum temperature on 14th, published 72°, should be 74°; mean maximum temperature published 83.7°, should be 83.8°.

MISCELLANEOUS PHENOMENA

- Aurora: 15th.
- Fog: 8th, 9th, 11th, 18th, 25th, 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th, 30th.
- Frost: (light). 15th.
- Hail: 1st, 2d, 10th, 12th, 13th, 22d.
- Halos (lunar and solar): 4th.
- Haze: 11th, 18th, 20th, 24th, 25th, 26th, 27th, 28th, 30th.
- Thunderstorms: 1st, 2d, 4th, 5th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th 13th, 16th, 17th, 20th, 21st, 22d, 23d, 25th, 29th, 30th, 31st.

RIVERS

Low stages prevailed on the principal rivers of the State and the average stage was considerably below normal. There was a slow steady fall on the Missouri River throughout the month, the total fall amounting to more than two feet: there was a general falling tendency on the Mississippi River with nearly stationary stages, except there was a material rise below the mouth of the Iowa River during the latter part of the 1st week, due to abnormally heavy rains in the Iowa River Drainage basin on the 2d. There were a few moderate rises on other interior streams, but no serious damage occurred except on the Iowa River and its tributaries.

PRESSURE, RELATIVE HUMIDITY, WIND AND SUNSHINE

Stations	Barometric Pressure, Inches (Sea Level)					Relative Humidity, %					Wind					Sunshine	
	Mean	Highest	Date	Lowest	Date	Mean				Total movement	Average hourly velocity	Maximum			% possible	Departure from normal	
						7 A. M.	12 Noon†	7 P. M.	Lowest			Miles	From	Date			
																	5th
Chas. City.	30.03	30.34	19	29.68	13	80	50	58	26	26	3,360	4.5	19	n.w.	10	78	+7
Davenport	30.03	30.29	19	29.67	13	79	52	59	33	3	4,428	6.0	28	w.	27	79	+9
Des Moines	30.01	30.30	19	29.66	13	82	52	57	30	18	3,851	5.2	18	s.w.	2	70	0
Dubuque	30.03	30.32	19	29.75	13	81	51	56	36	24	3,170	4.3	21	n.	13	64	0
Keokuk	30.04	30.27	19	29.71	13	78	54	60	32	4	3,602	4.8	24	s.	2	69	+4
Sioux City	29.99	30.28	27	29.68	8	78	51	52	33	11	6,504	8.7	38	n.	11	85	+15
Omaha, Nb	29.99	30.22	27	29.67	8	76	51	55	32	30	4,237	5.7	26	n.w.	13	73	+3
Means and extremes	30.02					79	52	57				5.6				74	+4
Normals		30.34	19	29.66	13				26	26				38	n.	11	
and records	29.97		24th		10th	82		61		5th					6th	70	
		30.43	1919	§29.40	1874				19	1918			57	sw.	1916		

‡Local meantime. †And other dates. ||Sioux City. §Omaha. ¶Des Moines.

‡January 1, 1928, 3-cup anemometers replaced the 4-cup instruments used since the establishment of the Weather Bureau stations. The new instruments will more accurately indicate the true wind movement. The records of the 4-cup instruments were somewhat too high at moderate velocities and considerably too high at the higher velocities. Tables of true velocities corresponding to indicated velocities appear in the January, 1928 Climatological Data. For purposes of comparison the highest velocity of record in the lower line of the table has been converted into a 3-cup velocity.

Daily Maximum and Minimum Temperature for the Month of August, 1929

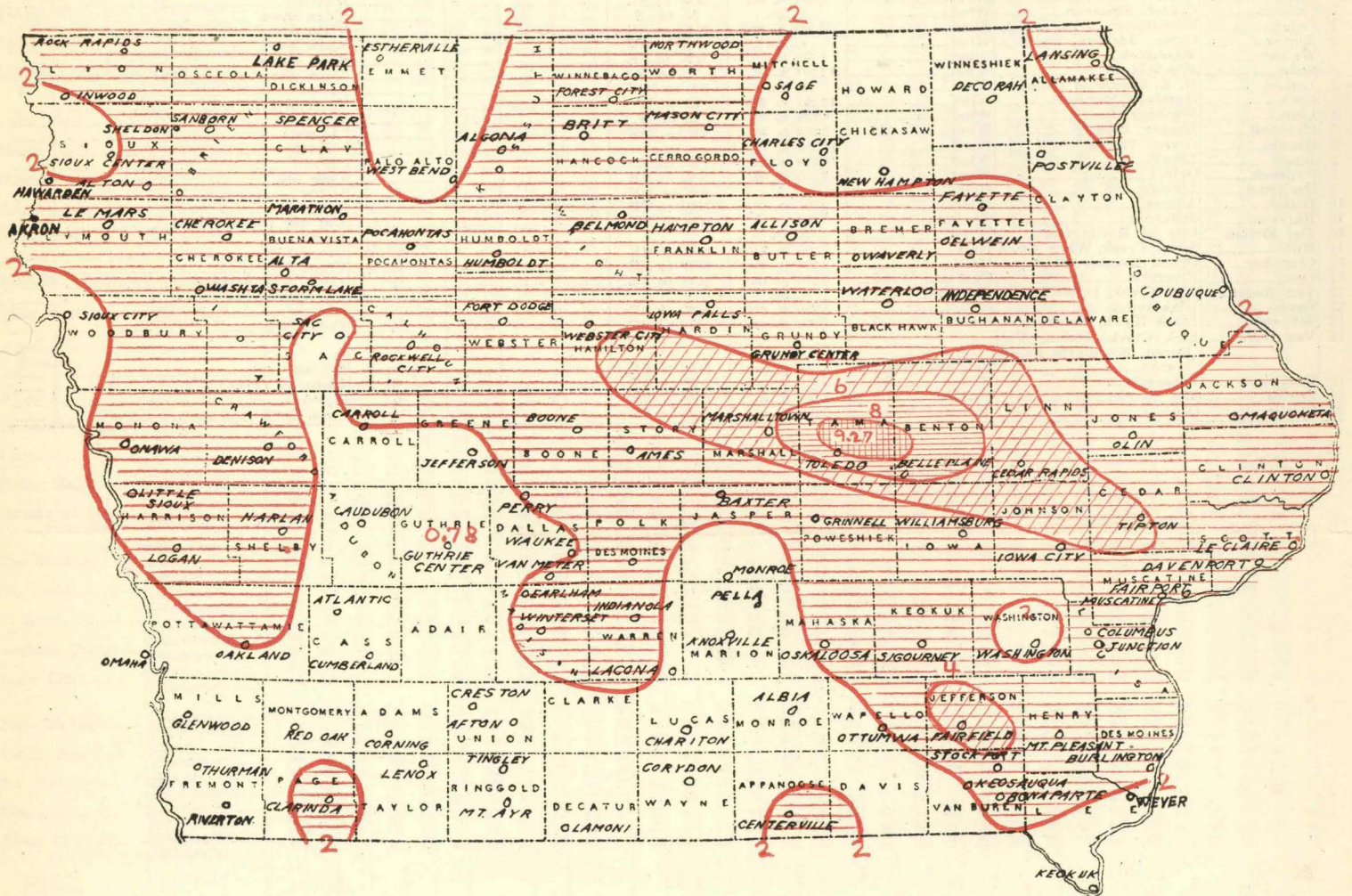
Table with columns for Stations, days 1-31, and Mean. Rows are categorized by Northern, Central, and Southern Divisions, listing various Iowa cities and their daily temperature ranges.

IOWA STORMS, AUGUST, 1929

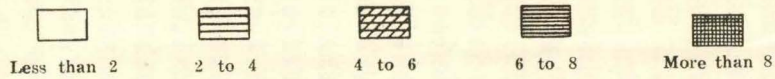
Date	County	Township	Nature of Storm	Time	Storm Moved From	Width of Path Miles	Length of Path Miles	Area of Sq. Miles	Size of Hailstones Inches	Damage	Persons Killed	Persons Injured
1	Tama	Columbia	Wind	11:00 p. m.	E to W					\$10,000		
1	Webster	Gowrie	Wind	11:00 p. m.	NE to SW					20,000		
1	Grundy	Felix	Wind and Flood	11:00 p. m.	SE to NW					Wind, \$20,000 ; Flood, \$5,000.		
1	Marshall	Iowa, Timber Creek	Wind	11:00 p. m.	NE to SW					Crops 10%		
2	Kossuth	Buffalo, Greenwood Portland, Ramsey	Tornado	1:30 a. m.	NW to SE	3	12			\$150,000		
2	Kossuth	Wesley	Wind	2:00 a. m.	NW to SE				1/4 to 3/4	Bldgs. \$500 ; Corn partly d'wn		
2	Tama, Benton, Iowa, Linn, Johnson		Flood							Heavy		
2	Tama	York	Wind	2:00 a. m.	NW to SE					\$2,000		
2	Calhoun	Center, Sherman	Wind	a. m.	N to S		8			Corn down		
2	Cedar	Farmington	Wind	3:00 a. m.	NW to SE					Corn down		
2	Benton	Cedar, Jackson, Taylor	Wind	a. m.	NW to SE					Corn down		
2	Wright	Woolstock	Wind	1:00 a. m.	NW to SE					Corn down		
2	Scott	Winfield	Wind	12:01 a. m.	W to E					Corn down		
2	Emmet	N. E. Corner of County	Wind	a. m.	SE to NW					\$1,000		1
2	Iowa	Hartford, Sumner	Wind	12:01 a. m.	E. to W					Crops 5%		
2	Linn	Washington	Wind	6:00 a. m.	E. to W					\$ 3,000		
2	Marshall	Bangor, Liberty	Wind	1:00 a. m.	SE to NW					15,000		
2	Hardin	Grant, Tipton	Flood	11:00 p. m.						2,000		
2	Jones	Lovell	Wind	6:00 a. m.	W to E					10,000		
2	Hancock	Orthel	Wind	2:00 a. m.	NW to SE					Corn 5%		
2	Hamilton	Lincoln	Hail		SW to NE				1	\$ 200		
10	Dallas	Adams	Wind	2:00 p. m.	NW to SE					1,000		
10	Harrison	Jefferson	Tornado	1:00 p. m.	SW to NE					Did not touch ground		
10	Des Moines	City of Burlington	Wind	p. m.						Light		
11	Mills	Silver Creek, White Cloud	Hail	2:00 p. m.	NW to SE				1/8 to 1/2	Crops 20%		
11	Cherokee	Grand Meadow, Willow	Hail	5:00 p. m.	NW to SE				1/4 to 1/2	Crops 20%		
11	Lyon	Riverside	Hail and Wind	5:30 p. m.	NW to SE				1/4	Light crop damage		
12	Van Buren	Lick Creek, Union	Hail and Wind	p. m.						Considerable to crops		
12	Tama	Highland	Hail	5:00 p. m.	NW to SE					\$3,000		
12	Jefferson	Black Hawk, Fairfield	Hail	1:00 p. m.	NW to SE				1/2	Crops 10%		
12	Van Buren	Lick Creek, Union, Van Buren, Bonaparte, Farmington	Hail and Wind	6:00 p. m.	NW to SE				1/2 to 3	\$75,000		
12	Keokuk	Lafayette	Hail	8:00 p. m.	SW to NE				1/2 to 1	Light to crops		
13	Louisa	Elm Grove	Hail	3:00 p. m.	SW to NE				3/4	\$1,000		
25	Clarke	Osceola	Hail and Wind	6:00 a. m.	NW to SE				1/2	Corn down		

CLIMATOLOGICAL DATA: IOWA SECTION

TOTAL PRECIPITATION, AUGUST, 1929



SCALE OF SHADES IN INCHES



# CLIMATOLOGICAL DATA.

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### GENERAL SUMMARY

There were no unusual features in connection with the weather during September, 1929. The temperature averaged somewhat below the normal but the deficiency was just one-half of what it was a year ago. Temperatures were rather uniform, with very few fluctuations. The month opened with a rather warm period of three days duration, and the maxima for the month occurred within this period. Following this brief period there was a decided change to cooler, and until the end of the third week temperatures were almost continuously below normal. This period was followed by a week of warm weather and the last two days were considerably below normal. Light frost occurred in favorable localities in northern districts on the 5th, and a larger number on the 10th and 11th, but there was little or no damage. Frost was general over most northern and central sections on the 14th and 16th, which caused slight damage in scattered areas. A general frost occurred on the 18th that affected the entire State except small areas in the extreme southern portion. Over practically all northern and most central districts, this frost was killing, and over the rest of the State the damage was in varying degrees. In that portion of the State where the freezing was most severe, corn was well matured generally and only some late fields were badly injured. There will be some chaffy corn in localities, but the amount will not be large. In portions of the State the growth of corn was not stopped, and at the end of the month there were fields along the Mississippi River and some bottom lands in the southern portion of the State that were still subject to damage from freezing. Truck crops were generally killed in all northern districts, and some damage resulted in the rest of the State, but as there was no subsequent freezing after the 18th, some crops made a recovery and a number of commercial canneries were still operating at the end of the month, and fresh vegetables continued plentiful.

Rainfall was generally ample and very evenly distributed except in a few small areas, the principal dry area being in the vicinity of Dubuque. In this district pastures were generally bare and the soil was too dry to plow. In the rest of the State conditions were generally favorable; plowing has progressed satisfactorily, and some wheat had been seeded and was up in places showing a good stand. A large number of places reported heavy daily amounts of rainfall, but in nearly all cases the rate of fall was slow and few heavy downpours occurred. Storms of a damaging character were almost entirely lacking, though thunderstorms occurred on a large number of days. The greatest damage occurred on the 8th in Wapello and Marion counties.

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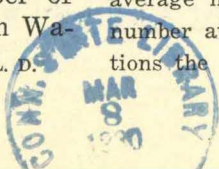
### COMPARATIVE DATA FOR THE STATE—SEPTEMBER

YEAR	Temperature				Precipitation					Number of Days			
	Mean	Departure	Highest	Lowest	Total	Departure	Greatest	Least	Snowfall	With pre-.01 in. or more	Clear	Partly cloudy	Cloudy
1873	59.1	-5.2	89	33	2.18	-1.49	5.40	0.81					
1874	62.8	-1.5	90	40	6.04	-2.37	9.50	4.50					
1875	60.6	-3.7	92	37	5.02	-1.35	9.38	1.33					
1876	60.4	-3.9	86	38	6.42	-2.75	12.60	3.42					
1877	65.4	+1.1	96	40	1.95	-1.72	5.20	0.65					
1878	62.9	-1.4	92	38	3.13	-0.54	10.85	0.70					
1879	59.3	-5.0	90	21	2.70	-0.97	9.45	0.57					
1880	61.1	-3.2	90	30	4.18	+0.51	11.64	0.10					
1881	61.5	+0.2	103	37	7.14	+3.47	13.35	2.64					
1882	63.4	-0.9	97	31	0.87	-2.80	3.71	0.00					
1883	58.5	-5.8	93	30	2.04	-1.63	6.26	0.06					
1884	66.5	+2.2	95	30	5.20	+1.53	11.00	2.20					
1885	61.7	-2.6	92	32	3.04	-0.63	5.59	0.65					
1886	63.0	-1.3	97	30	4.68	+1.01	7.93	0.39					
1887	62.1	-2.2	98	30	6.17	+2.50	12.87	1.40					
1888	59.9	-4.4	96	26	1.07	-2.60	3.44	0.10					
1889	60.7	-2.6	96	23	2.30	-0.87	7.19	0.70					
1890	59.5	-4.8	96	23	2.71	-0.96	4.85	0.30					
1891	67.3	+3.0	104	28	1.33	-2.34	3.60	0.13		4	20	7	3
1892	61.7	-0.4	99	29	1.53	-2.14	4.15	0.16		0	16	8	6
1893	64.7	+0.4	102	18	2.34	-1.33	5.49	0.74		0	20	6	4
1894	65.1	+0.8	100	26	3.57	-0.10	7.43	0.67		0	8	15	10
1895	66.8	+2.5	103	22	3.03	-0.64	7.43	0.85	T.	5	18	8	4
1896	58.5	-5.8	95	22	4.09	+0.42	9.96	1.82		10	11	9	10
1897	70.9	+6.6	106	26	2.04	-1.63	5.88	0.00		0	23	5	2
1898	65.3	+1.0	99	29	2.69	-0.98	8.45	0.41		0	7	16	9
1899	62.5	-1.8	104	15	0.93	-2.74	4.32	T.		0	4	16	9
1900	64.4	+0.1	99	26	4.98	+1.31	8.82	2.48	T.	9	15	8	7
1901	63.3	-1.0	102	26	4.77	+1.10	13.62	1.71		0	9	13	9
1902	59.1	-5.2	88	23	4.35	+0.68	10.41	1.65		0	9	15	6
1903	60.8	-3.5	94	28	3.81	+0.14	8.79	1.42		10	14	6	10
1904	64.0	-0.3	91	30	2.78	-0.89	8.33	0.99		0	7	13	8
1905	65.8	+1.5	96	36	3.81	+0.14	13.18	0.50		0	8	14	8
1906	67.2	+2.9	100	27	4.16	+0.49	11.10	0.64		0	8	16	8
1907	62.8	-1.5	98	25	2.75	-0.92	6.06	1.38		0	8	15	9
1908	67.9	+3.6	98	20	1.20	-2.45	3.46	0.25	T.	3	21	6	3
1909	62.4	-1.9	94	30	3.58	-0.09	7.34	1.39		0	9	14	8
1910	63.2	-1.1	99	30	3.59	-0.08	7.43	1.18		0	9	14	7
1911	65.8	+1.5	103	32	5.12	-1.45	13.73	1.19	T.	10	11	9	10
1912	62.1	-2.2	104	24	3.98	+0.31	10.12	0.28	T.	11	12	8	10
1913	64.5	+0.2	107	19	3.31	-0.36	7.44	0.45		0	9	15	8
1914	64.5	+0.2	99	30	7.88	+4.21	16.24	2.48		0	10	16	7
1915	63.7	-0.6	91	30	6.03	+2.36	12.45	2.88		0	11	11	8
1916	62.5	-1.8	98	21	3.89	+0.22	9.71	1.45	T.	7	17	8	5
1917	62.6	-1.7	97	28	2.90	-0.77	8.68	0.39		0	7	15	7
1918	58.6	-5.7	93	20	1.87	-1.80	4.62	0.48	T.	6	16	8	6
1919	67.5	+3.2	99	33	5.34	+1.87	11.82	1.49		0	8	16	8
1920	66.5	+2.2	98	24	3.30	-0.37	7.21	0.69		0	8	17	5
1921	67.3	+3.0	99	31	6.72	+3.05	11.95	1.72		0	11	14	8
1922	67.1	+2.8	103	31	2.03	-1.64	4.34	0.31		0	6	20	6
1923	64.2	-0.1	92	28	5.79	+2.12	12.14	1.88		0	11	14	8
1924	59.1	-5.2	91	25	3.13	-0.54	5.68	1.01		0	8	16	7
1925	69.0	+4.7	105	32	5.04	+1.37	9.13	1.54		0	9	14	10
1926	63.0	-1.3	92	18	9.76	+6.09	18.57	4.75	T.	14	8	7	15
1927	67.4	+3.1	101	29	4.56	+0.89	11.94	2.02	T.	10	15	8	7
1928	60.5	-3.8	93	24	3.08	-0.59	9.98	1.04		0	6	19	7
1929	62.4	-1.9	98	25	3.74	+0.07	7.36	1.55	T.	9	14	7	9

T. indicates an amount too small to measure, or less than .005 inch rainfall and less than .05 inch snowfall.

### TEMPERATURE

The mean temperature for the State, derived from the means of nine districts of nearly equal area, and based on the records of 105 stations, was 62.4°, or 1.9° below normal. The greatest deficiency occurred in the extreme northwest portion, but in general the greatest deficiency was in the western portion and it diminished gradually to the east; the deficiency at a number of stations near the Mississippi River was less than one half degree and one station reported a slight excess. The highest monthly mean was 66.3°, at Keokuk, No. 2, and the lowest 57.6°, at Rock Rapids. The absolute range for the State was 73°, from 98° at Decorah on the 2d, to 25° at Humboldt, Sanborn and Webster City on the 18th. Temperatures of 90°, or higher, occurred at all but four stations and the average number for the State was two; the greatest number was four at Wever. All stations in the three northern districts had one or more days of freezing weather except Dubuque. The average number for the State was less than one, the greatest number at any station was three; at about one-third of the stations the temperature did not reach freezing.





Climatological Data for September, 1929

STATIONS	COUNTIES	Elevation, feet	Length of record, years	Temperature, in Degrees Fahrenheit					Precipitation, in inches				Number of Days			Prevaling direction of wind	OBSERVERS			
				Mean	Departure from normal	Highest	Date	Lowest	Date	Greatest daily range	Total	Departure from normal	Greatest in 24 hours	Total snowfall (unmelted)	Precipitation, .01 in. or more			Clear	Partly cloudy	Cloudy
<i>Northwest District</i>																				
Akron	Plymouth	1,153	2															Orlan C. Moore		
Alta	Buena Vista	1,513	37	59.8	- 2.9	93	2	29	18	34	4.02	+ 0.74	2.05	0	10	12	9	D. E. Hadden		
Alton	Sioux	1,305	23	59.5	- 3.3	91	2	29	18	33	2.76	- 0.20	1.08	T.	11	8	12	10	W. S. Slagle	
Cherokee	Cherokee	1,196	8	60.2	- 2.0	93	2	26	18	41	4.54	+ 1.27	1.88	0	10	14	7	9	J. E. Wirth	
Estherville	Emmet	1,298	33	60.8	- 0.9	96	3	27	18	36	4.40	+ 1.07	.80	0	11	13	11	6	n.w.	A. O. Peterson
Hawarden	Sioux	1,181	2															Earl V. Slife		
Inwood (near)	Lyon	1,474	24	59.0	- 4.1	93	3	29	18	39	4.10	+ 1.31	1.86	0	11	14	6	10	se.	A. C. Hanson
Lake Park (near)	Dickinson	1,489	15	58.4	- 3.1	91	2	27	18	35	5.54	+ 1.93	2.75	0	9	7	9	14	sw.	P. M. Lawrence
Le Mars	Plymouth	1,224	32	60.1	- 3.6	93	2	28	18	35	2.91	- 0.32	1.28	0	9	15	5	10	n.	Henry Newell
Marathon	Buena Vista	1,390	2															12	n.w.	E. G. Smith
Pocahontas	Pocahontas	1,248	24	60.8	- 2.7	95	2	27	18	34	3.67	+ 0.08	1.08	0	9	15	3	12	s.	F. E. Hronek
Rock Rapids	Lyon	1,349	29	57.6	- 4.1	89	2	26	18	33	5.71	+ 3.12	1.80	0	11	17	4	9	n.	Nellie F. Medberry
Sanborn	O'Brien	1,553	14	58.0	- 4.8	90	2	25	18	34	5.18	+ 1.98	1.81	0	11	11	7	12	se.	J. W. Dow
Sheldon	O'Brien	1,418	17	59.6	- 3.8	90	2	28	18	36	4.66	+ 1.40	1.89	0	12	11	8	11	se.	Ross E. Forward
Sioux Center	Sioux	1,461	29	58.4	- 4.6	92	2	30	18	33	3.24	+ 0.29	1.30	0	6	15	6	9	n.w.	F. C. Aue
Spencer	Clay	1,319	14	59.9	- 3.6	95	2	26	18	36	3.80	+ 0.48	1.75	0	5	9	12	9	se.	E. W. Little
Storm Lake	Buena Vista	1,438	30	60.4	- 3.6	91	2	28	18	33	3.46	+ 0.21	1.42	0	9	13	9	8	s.	L. B. Florey
Washta	Cherokee	1,157	30	60.4	- 3.1	93	2	27	18	36	3.88	+ 0.49	1.92	0	9	16	3	11	s.	H. L. Felter
West Bend	Palo Alto	1,197	35	61.2	- 2.2	95	2	26	18	34	4.21	+ 1.07	1.25	0	8	15	7	8	n.w.	Jos. Dorweiler
Means and extremes				59.6	- 3.3	96	3	25	18	41	4.04	+ 0.88	2.75	T.	9	13	7	10	s.	
<i>North Central District</i>																				
Algona	Kossuth	1,224	55	60.6	- 2.7	95	2	27	18	30	5.09	+ 1.77	1.35	0	8	21	0	9	se.	W. E. Laird
Allison	Butler	1,060	14																se.	E. W. Detra
Belmond	Wright	1,181	18	61.4	- 2.2	94	2	26	18	35	3.12	- 1.08	1.12	0	9	9	6	15	se.	H. F. Luick
Britt	Hancock	1,236	41	60.9	- 1.5	95	2	27	18	33	3.79	+ 0.33	1.65	0	10	10	6	14	sw.	E. P. Healy
Charles City	Floyd	1,015	37	60.4	- 0.6	93	2	29	18	32	3.96	+ 0.28	1.74	0	10	14	8	8	se.	U. S. Weather Bureau
Forest City	Winnebago	1,226	34	60.4	- 2.3	94	2	27	18	35	3.67	+ 0.34	.87	0	10	7	11	12	se.	Dr. M. B. Neil
Hampton	Franklin	1,145	3																se.	L. H. Davis
Humboldt	Humboldt	1,095	40	61.8	- 2.4	96	2	25	18	34	3.12	- 0.15	.92	0	8	11	10	9	s.	H. C. Smitkey
Huson City	Cerro Gordo	1,148	31	60.1	- 1.6	94	2	26	18	36	4.09	+ 1.28	1.61	0	9	14	11	5	n.w.	American Beet Sugar Co.
Northwood	Worth	1,222	32	60.0	- 1.0	92	2	28	18	33	4.61	+ 1.08	1.40	0	8	12	8	10	n.w.	Charles Dwell
Osage	Mitchell	1,163	34	60.4	- 0.8	94	2	28	18	32	4.09	+ 0.58	1.56	0	7	13	7	10	s.	Dr. C. E. Juhl
Means and extremes				60.7	- 1.7	96	2	25	18	36	3.95	+ 0.38	2.25	0	9	12	8	10	se.	
<i>Northeast District</i>																				
Decorah	Winneshiek	872	35	61.2	- 0.4	98	2	27	18	39	3.55	- 0.56	1.23	0	10	17	7	6	n.w.	M. D. Whitney
Dubuque	Dubuque	700	55	62.6	- 1.4	91	2	35	18	33	1.55	- 2.46	.91	0	7	13	6	11	s.	U. S. Weather Bureau
Fayette	Fayette	1,003	40	62.0	- 0.3	95	2	28	18	37	4.74	+ 1.07	2.24	0	6	18	2	10	s.	R. Z. Latimer
Independence	Buchanan	956	64	62.2	- 1.7	92	3	31	18	31	5.72	+ 1.77	3.45	0	8	18	0	12	se.	Dr. Geo. Boody
Lansing	Allamakee	632	21																se.	Mrs. Mary Spinner
New Hampton	Chickasaw	1,169	31	61.7	- 0.7	94	2	28	18	37	4.70	+ 1.11	2.00	0	7	13	9	8	se.	D. W. Dawson
Oswego	Fayette	1,036	5	62.8	0.0	97	2	30	18	33	4.90	+ 1.11	1.80	0	7	12	8	10	s.	John T. Ridler
Postville (near)	Clayton	1,192	29	60.0	- 0.8	89	2	30	18	30	3.41	- 0.43	1.62	0	7	16	8	6	se.	F. L. Williams
Waterloo	Black Hawk	854	45	62.9	- 1.2	93	2	28	18	36	3.66	- 0.38	1.65	0	8	18	3	9	se.	R. B. Stippy
Waverly	Bremer	936	32	61.8	- 1.6	93	3	29	18	37	4.10	+ 0.60	1.49	0	10	21	3	6	s.	D. H. Murphy
Means and extremes				61.9	- 0.9	98	2	27	18	39	3.90	+ 0.08	3.45	0	8	16	5	9	s.	
<i>West Central District</i>																				
Audubon (near)	Audubon	1,297	33	62.2	- 1.5	93	2	33	18	32	2.91	- 0.85	1.05	0	7	12	12	6	s.	George Kibby
Carroll	Carroll	1,265	38	61.6	- 2.1	93	2	31	18	34	3.88	+ 0.41	1.65	0	9	13	10	7	n.w.	Mrs. Jos. J. Wolfe
Denison	Crawford	1,171	34	61.5	- 2.5	91	2	31	18	33	2.67	- 0.45	1.55	0	8	10	10	10	s.	V. L. Byers
Guthrie Center	Guthrie	987	33	62.2	- 2.4	94	2	29	18	37	3.26	- 0.51	.90	0	7	5	17	8	s.	Floyd H. Bainter
Harlan	Shelby	1,192	29	61.2	- 2.6	92	2	33	18	37	3.34	- 0.43	1.36	0	8	9	10	11	n.w.	Walter Bell
Jefferson	Greene	1,052	29	61.6	- 2.0	95	2	28	18	34	3.66	- 0.33	1.46	0	8	14	5	11	sw.	W. I. Lyon
Little Sioux	Harrison	1,040	23	62.3	- 3.0	94	2	34	18	37	2.99	- 0.18	.88	0	11	7	15	8	n.	H. W. Kerr
Logan	Harrison	1,120	61	61.8	- 3.9	92	2	33	18	34	4.72	+ 1.56	1.45	0	7	7	18	5	ne.	Amy Ann Stern
Onawa	Monona	1,051	27	61.2	- 3.4	92	2	35	18	33	3.31	- 0.20	1.10	0	9	10	7	13	n.w.	Mrs. H. E. Colby
Rockwell City	Calhoun	1,232	32	61.0	- 2.8	97	2	28	18	35	4.13	+ 0.08	1.35	0	8	16	4	10	n.w.	A. W. McIsaac
Sac City	Sac	1,269	52	60.8	- 2.9	95	2	30	18	30	2.34	- 1.02	.49	0	8	14	5	11	s.	F. P. Kessler
Sioux City	Woodbury	1,135	39	60.6	- 2.8	96	2	34	18	32	3.18	+ 0.15	1.37	0	10	6	12	12	se.	U. S. Weather Bureau
Means and extremes				61.5	- 2.7	97	2	28	18	37	3.37	- 0.14	1.65	0	8	10	10	10	s.	
<i>Central District</i>																				
Ames	Story	926	51	62.4	- 2.0	91	2	31	18	30	4.60	+ 0.93	1.71	0	6	14	10	6	s.	Iowa State College
Baxter	Jasper	998	28	63.4	- 1.2	90	3	30	18	34	5.23	+ 1.26	2.70	0	7	9	11	10	se.	F. A. Kanne
Boone (near)	Boone	894	23	62.2	- 1.6	94	2	27	18	37	5.15	+ 1.10	2.28	0	12	13	9	8	s.	C. F. Henning
Des Moines	Polk	861	50	63.8	- 1.8	92	2	37	18	30	4.67	+ 1.00	2.10	0	9	8	12	10	s.	U. S. Weather Bureau
Fort Dodge	Webster	1,114	28	61.6	- 2.4	96	2	27	18	36	4.27	- 0.11	1.07	0	12	15	7	8	n.w.	Mrs. Emma Sampson
Grinnell	Poweshiek	1,031	34	63.3	- 1.6	92	2	30	18	37				0		18	4	8	sw.	R. E. Bates
Grundy Center	Grundy	976	37	62.1	- 2.5	92	3	28	18	39	5.51	+ 1.74	1.75	0	9	16	6	8	sw.	M. G. Heiberger
Iowa Falls	Hardin	1,127	35	61.2	- 1.4	93	2	30	18	32	5.42	+ 1.62	2.68	0	11	12	9	9	s.	C. H. Gilbert
Marshalltown	Marshall	947	36	63.0	- 2.4	92	3	31	18	32	2.83	- 1.28	1.23	0	9	14	6	10	s.	C. C. Pigman
Monroe	Jasper	922	16	63.6	- 2.5	92	2	32	18	31	4.05	- 0.05	1.04	0</						

Climatological Data for September, 1929—Continued

STATIONS	COUNTIES	Elevation, feet	Length of record, years	Temperature, in Degrees Fahrenheit						Precipitation, in inches				Number of Days				OBSERVERS		
				Mean	Departure from normal	Highest	Date	Lowest	Date	Greatest daily range	Total	Departure from normal	Greatest in 24 hours	Total snowfall (unmelted)	Precipitation, .01 in. or more	Clear	Partly cloudy		Cloudy	Prevailing direction of wind
<b>East Central District</b>																				
Belle Plaine.....	Benton.....	866	38	63.3	- 1.1	94	2†	28	18	44	2.53	- 1.04	.71	0	10	17	4	9	nw.	O. C. Burrows J. T. Wurster Dr. A. P. Bryant U. S. Weather Bureau Rex Shriver
Cedar Rapids.....	Linn.....	737	46	63.6	- 1.0	94	2	32	18	42	2.20	- 1.40	.62	0	10	15	1	14	se.	
Clinton.....	Clinton.....	595	55	64.4	- 0.8	94	2	32	18	36	3.30	- 0.19	1.65	0	8	16	4	10	s.	
Davenport.....	Scott.....	580	57	64.6	- 1.0	92	2	35	18	30	3.13	- 0.45	.97	0	11	11	7	12	s.	
Davenport No. 2.....	Scott.....																			
Fairport.....	Muscatine.....	567	7	65.2	- 0.8	94	3†	34	18	32	3.59	- 0.01	1.11	0	9	13	6	11	s.	Bureau of Fisheries Prof. J. F. Reilly Margaret T. Disney John Strothoff William Molis
Iowa City.....	Johnson.....	733	68	64.0	- 0.8	93	2	31	18	38	2.36	- 1.52	.86	0	8	13	7	10	se.	
Le Claire.....	Scott.....	576	28								4.71	+ 1.30	1.27	0	11					
Maquoketa (near).....	Jackson.....	692	23	62.2	- 1.0	93	2	31	18	42	2.35	- 1.93	.89	0	8	15	6	9	se.	
Muscatine.....	Muscatine.....	546	67								3.91	+ 0.31	1.15	0	10					
Olin.....	Jones.....	760	29	63.4	- 0.3	94	2	30	18	46	1.92	- 1.75	.64	0	8	17	5	8	se.	Mrs. L. Stingley John Kroepfen Dr. F. C. Schadt
Tip-on (near).....	Cedar.....	806	29	63.4	- 1.4	91	2	29	18	39	2.54	- 1.39	.75	0	6	11	13	6	s.	
Williamsburg.....	Iowa.....	770	12	62.2	- 1.4	93	2	29	18	36	3.55	- 0.10	1.67	0	5	18	8	4	se.	
Means and extremes.....				63.6	- 1.0	94	2†	28	18	46	3.01	- 0.68	1.67	0	9	15	6	9	se.	
<b>Southwest District</b>																				
Atlantic.....	Cass.....	1,110	37	62.0	- 3.0	94	2	31	18	40	4.38	+ 0.97	1.18	0	10	12	10	8	sw.	Roy L. Fancolly Arthur L. Bishop Dr. H. C. Hawley J. A. Wilson Carl E. Pollock
Bedford.....	Taylor.....	1,200									3.80	- 0.26	1.30	0	7	17	3	10	se.	
Clarinda.....	Page.....	1,009	38	63.2	- 3.1	91	2	37	18	35	3.88	+ 0.41	1.44	0	14	13	4	13	se.	
Corning.....	Adams.....	1,150	36	62.9	- 2.0	91	2†	35	18	41	4.30	+ 0.38	1.41	0	8	13	4	13	se.	
Cumberland (near).....	Cass.....										4.35	+ 0.97	1.03	0	7	15	6	9	s.	
Glenwood.....	Mills.....	1,100	30	63.4	- 3.3	94	2	38	18	32	3.13	+ 0.45	1.09	0	8	8	15	7	se.	George Hogridge J. L. Hurley W. S. Matthews B. R. Bridge Geo. C. Rader
Lenox.....	Taylor.....	1,250	33	63.7	- 2.0	90	2†	33	18	39	3.53	- 0.68	1.25	0	12	13	7	10	se.	
Oakland.....	Pottawattamie.....	1,139	9	62.3	- 2.8	91	2†	32	18	32	4.47	+ 1.21	1.87	0	9	11	6	13	se.	
Red Oak (near).....	Montgomery.....	1,030	3								4.07	+ 0.53	2.46	0	6	13	12	5	s.	
Riverton (near).....	Fremont.....	920	2								2.63	- 1.17	1.20	0	9	15	5	10	s.	
Thurman.....	Fremont.....	960	31	64.2	- 3.4	93	2	39	10	37	2.70	- 1.56	.66	0	9	11	8	11	s.	H. H. Askew U. S. Weather Bureau
Omaha, Neb.....		1,105	57	63.6	- 3.2	95	2	41	18	29	2.05	- 1.16	.84	0	13	14	7	9	s.	
Means and extremes.....				63.2	- 2.8	95	2	31	18	41	3.61	+ 0.01	2.46	0	9	13	8	9	se.	
<b>South Central District</b>																				
Afton.....	Union.....	1,212	34	63.0	- 2.1	91	2	36	18	32	4.06	- 0.32	1.21	0	12	14	7	9	sw.	S. R. Brown O. E. McBride Thomas Wood C. C. Burr J. C. Davis
Albia.....	Monroe.....	949	30	64.3	- 1.1	94	2	33	18	32	5.50	+ 1.44	3.72	0	9	13	7	10	sw.	
Centerville.....	Appanoose.....	1,031	27	64.4	- 1.2	91	2	34	18	31	5.18	+ 1.08	3.51	0	8	13	8	9	se.	
Chariton (near).....	Adams.....	1,042	33	64.2	- 0.6	91	2	33	18	35	2.43	- 1.51	1.10	0	4	14	10	6	sw.	
Corydon (near).....	Wayne.....	1,050	35	63.3	- 2.4	90	2	35	18	29	2.93	- 1.16	1.25	0	8	14	4	12	se.	
Creston.....	Union.....	1,291	23	62.4	- 1.7	89	2†	35	18	36	4.00	- 0.00	1.60	0	12	12	9	9	se.	Mrs. N. Spangler George Phillips Seth F. Shenton W. J. Casey J. B. Alter
Earlham (near).....	Madison.....	1,126	26	61.3	- 3.3	91	2	30	18	36	3.49	- 0.20	2.17	0	5	22	1	7	sw.	
Indianola.....	Warren.....	972	37	64.2	- 1.4	91	2	32	18	34	2.76	- 0.97	1.10	0	8	19	5	6	n.	
Knoxville.....	Marion.....	920	33	64.8	- 1.0	93	2	34	18	31	2.82	- 1.52	1.35	0	6	9	11	10	se.	
Lacona.....	Warren.....	824	29								2.35	- 2.01	1.02	0	9	9	15	6		
Lamoni.....	Decatur.....	1,123	21	63.3	- 1.4	91	3	34	18	35	2.97	- 1.04	1.83	0	11	17	5	8	se.	F. S. Parks J. M. Carr E. O. Gleason James A. Verploegh H. S. Ely
Melrose.....	Monroe.....	871									4.48		3.41	0	5	17	8	5	sw.	
Mount Ayr.....	Ringgold.....	1,220	35	63.8	- 1.6	89	2†	35	18	34	3.00	- 0.95	1.75	0	5	18	5	7	s.	
Tingley.....	Ringgold.....	1,275	3	63.4	- 1.4	90	2†	35	18	35	3.93	- 0.21	1.98	0	9	17	6	7	se.	
Winterset.....	Madison.....	1,118	37	63.0	- 2.5	91	2	31	18	33	3.07	- 0.68	.85	0	8	16	6	8	se.	
Means and extremes.....				63.5	- 1.7	94	2	30	18	36	3.52	- 0.51	3.72	0	8	15	7	8	se.	
<b>Southeast District</b>																				
Bonaparte (near).....	Van Buren.....	563	37	64.2	- 1.7	92	2	33	18	31	3.60	- 0.53	1.28	0	6	18	6	6	se.	B. R. Vale John W. Donnelly Miss Musa Todd R. M. McKenzie U. S. Weather Bureau
Burlington.....	Des Moines.....	514	32	65.8	- 1.4	93	2†	37	18	30	3.34	- 0.58	.76	0	11	12	9	9	sw.	
Columbus Junction.....	Louisa.....	595	27	63.2	- 2.9	92	2	34	18	32	3.92	+ 0.26	1.34	0	11	15	9	6	se.	
Fairfield.....	Jefferson.....	780	44	64.2	- 1.4	95	2	32	18	38	3.19	- 0.44	1.34	0	5	12	10	8	sw.	
Keokuk.....	Lee.....	614	57	65.4	- 2.1	92	2	42	18	29	4.77	+ 0.93	1.81	0	10	12	10	8	s.	
Keokuk No. 2.....	Lee.....	651		66.3		95	2	41	14†	33	4.98		1.85	0	11					J. N. D. Dickinson Dr. J. W. Rinabarger Dr. H. Jericho Roy R. Robinson C. L. Mikesh
Keosauqua.....	Van Buren.....	639	36	63.6	- 2.2	94	2	33	18	35	3.56	- 0.64	1.52	0	7	9	13	8	nw.	
Mt. Pleasant.....	Henry.....	730	47	65.6	- 0.5	93	2	34	18	38	3.53	+ 0.30	1.40	0	7	10	11	9	se.	
Oskaloosa.....	Mahaska.....	835	52	64.0	- 0.9	94	2	33	18	34	3.30	- 0.10	1.33	0	10	12	7	11	se.	
Ottumwa.....	Wapello.....	649	33	64.9	- 1.4	93	2	34	18	38	3.49	- 0.36	1.49	0	8	19	3	8	se.	
Sigourney (near).....	Keokuk.....	790	32	64.2	- 0.9	95	2	33	18	41	3.49	- 0.20	1.41	0	8	13	9	8	s.	W. E. Utterback C. L. Beswick D. D. Sherman H. G. Liddle
Stockport (near).....	Van Buren.....	747	26	64.0	- 1.0	94	2	34	18	34	4.00	- 0.09	1.63	0	7	17	5	8	s.	
Washington.....	Washington.....	757	46	65.3	+ 0.1	95	2	32	18	39	3.63	+ 0.25	1.35	0	8	13	8	9	sw.	
Wever.....	Lee.....	552		64.9		95	2	34	18	36	3.44		1.10	0	9	14	6	10	e.	
Means and extremes.....				64.8	- 1.1	95	2	32	18	41	3.75	- 0.03	1.85	0	8	14	8	8	se.	
State means and extremes.....				62.4	- 1.9	98	2	25	18	46	3.74	+ 0.07	3.72	0	9	14	7	9	se.	

Temperature normals are based on the 46-year period July 3, 1875 to July 2, 1921; shorter records corrected to harmonize. Precipitation normals are based on the 50-year period ended December 31, 1927 at first order stations; upon all records of 10 years or more ending December 31, 1920 for most of the co-operative observing stations; and upon interpolations from normal maps for recently established stations.

Reference letters a, b, c, etc., appearing in the table indicate the number of days missing; for example b represents two days, etc.

†Also other dates.

‡Received too late to be included in means and summaries.

T. Precipitation is less than 0.01 inch rain or melted snow.

PRECIPITATION

The average precipitation for the State, derived from the averages of nine divisions of nearly equal area, and based on the records of 118 stations, was 3.74 inches, or 0.07 inch more than the normal. The precipitation was uniformly distributed over most of the State, there being but one rather small area in the north-eastern portion that had a pronounced deficiency and only a limited area that had a marked excess, embracing a portion of the central and north-central districts. By dividing the State in two divisions,

the northwestern division contained nearly all the area with an excess and the southeastern division contained nearly all the area that was deficient. The rainfall occurred at frequent intervals and the principal periods were general over nearly all portions of the State though there were great variations in the amounts. The greatest amount was 7.36 inches at Perry and the least was 1.55 inches at Dubuque. The greatest amount occurring in a 24-hour period was 3.72 inches at Albia on the 9th.



Daily Precipitation for September, 1929—Continued

Stations	Drainage Basin	Day of Month																															Totals	
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31		
<i>Southwest District</i>																																		
Atlantic	Nishnabotna	.01			1.18	.18	T.				1.13	T.	.25	T.						1.17	.03	T.					.29	.13	.01				4.33	
Bedford	102	.25			.15					1.04	.26		.36				.56			1.18	T.												3.80	
Clarinda	Nodaway	.16			.22	.10	.01			1.44			.29	.07			.35			.93	.13	.03						.07	.06	.02			3.88	
Corning	Nodaway				.27					1.25	.79		.30				.18			1.41	.02							.08					4.30	
Cumberland (near)	Nodaway				1.03					T.	1.00	.80		.20						.97	.02						T.	.33	T.				4.35	
Glenwood	Missouri			.48	.73					.39	.70		.33	.08						.40	.02												3.13	
Lenox	Missouri	.30			.26					.59	.20		.30				.10	.32		1.25	.02	.02					T.	.11	.06				3.53	
Oakland	Nishnabotna			.03	1.84					.42	.86		.29							.89	.02							.06	.06				4.47	
Red Oak (near)	Nishnabotna				.72					1.48	.98		.22						T.	.43							T.	.24	T.				4.07	
Riverton (near)	Nishnabotna				.12					.41	.76		.30	.44			.05				.37						T.	.04	.11	T.			2.63	
Thurman	Missouri			.02	.49					.35	.66		.30	.18	.15					.33	T.						T.	.22					2.70	
Omaha, Neb.***	Missouri			.26	.12	.01	.01			.30	.54		.58	T.						.09	.03	.01	.01				T.	T.	T.	.08	.01		2.05	
<i>South Central District</i>																																		
Afton	Grand	.37			.36	.03				.13	.80		.18					.05	.78		.11							.10	.02				4.06	
Albia	Des Moines	.08	T.		.08					T.	3.72		.05	.01					.11	1.05	.22						T.	T.	T.	.18			5.50	
Centerville	Chariton	.10			.02					T.	3.51		.16						.05	1.24	.02							T.	.08				5.18	
Chariton (near)	Chariton				T.					1.10	.31		T.						.22	.80	T.							T.	T.				2.43	
Corydon	Chariton				.04		.01				1.25		.15			.10				.93	T.							.01	.41				2.93	
Creston	Missouri	.46	T.		.12	.17	T.	T.			.71	T.	.24	.01	T.		.51	T.	1.60	.02	.01	T.						.14	.01				4.00	
Earlham (near)	Des Moines	.11			.41		T.			1.06	1.11					T.		T.	.80	T.	T.						T.	T.	T.				3.49	
Indianola	Des Moines			.60	.01					.02	.60		.06						.36	1.10							T.	T.	T.				2.76	
Knoxville	Des Moines				.10					T.	.67		.03						.42	1.35								.05					2.62	
Lacona	Des Moines	.09			.57						.49		.01						.01	1.02								.14	.01		.01		2.35	
Lamoni	Grand	.19			.01	.02		.02			.23		.24	.09	T.		.18			.90	.93	T.									.16		2.97	
Melrose	Des Moines			.24						3.41							.03			.60											.20		4.48	
Mount Ayr	Grand				.17					.15	.62		.31							1.75													3.00	
Tingley	Platte	.12			.15	.09				.15	.32		.27	T.					.80	1.98	.05							T.	T.				3.93	
Winterset	Des Moines	.21			.35					.28	.78		.15							.85								T.	.12	T.			3.07	
<i>Southeast District</i>																																		
Bonaparte (near)	Des Moines				T.	1.00	T.				.76		.24					.09		1.28								T.	.23				3.60	
Burlington	Mississippi				.76	.03	.01				.20			.22				.67	.06	.68	.18						T.	.03	.50				3.34	
Columbus Jet	Iowa			.02	.78	.02	.10	1.24					.03						.18	.82							T.	.02	.01	.70			3.92	
Fairfield	Skunk			T.	.38		T.	1.34					.08						T.	1.23									.16				3.19	
Keokuk**	Mississippi			1.02	.02			T.	.06	1.75			.26	.01				.24		T.	1.15	T.					T.	T.	.25	.01			4.77	
Keokuk No. 2	Mississippi			.03	1.03	.03				1.85			.26	.05				.06		1.16	.05								.23	.03			4.98	
Keosauqua	Des Moines				.50		.02			1.52			.22					.02		1.10									.18				3.56	
Mt. Pleasant	Skunk			.05	.77					1.40			.21					.17		.96							T.	.27					3.83	
Oskaloosa	Des Moines	T.		.07	.13			.02	.09	1.06			.06					.21		T.	1.33							.04	.29				3.30	
Ottumwa	Des Moines				.08	.10				1.49			.04					.14		1.48									.01	.15				3.49
Sigourney (near)	Skunk		T.		.05			T.	.36	1.05			.06					.20		T.	1.00								.02	.75				3.49
Stockport (near)	Skunk				.23	.22				1.63			.22	T.				.15		1.49									.06				4.00	
Washington	Skunk				.22	.20	T.			1.35			.04					.23		.78								.01	.80				3.63	
Wever	Mississippi			.20	.60	.01	.01			.48			.22	T.				.59		1.10	T.						T.		.23				3.44	

Except as otherwise indicated, observations are generally made late in the afternoon, near sunset, and precipitation recorded is for 24 hours ending at the time of observation.

|||Precipitation measured in the morning; amount then recorded is for the preceding 24 hours.  
 \*\*\*Regular Weather Bureau Station: precipitation is for 24-hour period midnight to midnight.  
 \*\*Incomplete.  
 \*Precipitation included in the next following measurement.  
 T. Precipitation is less than .01 inch rain or melted snow.

PRESSURE, RELATIVE HUMIDITY, WIND AND SUNSHINE

MISCELLANEOUS PHENOMENA

Stations	Barometric Pressure, Inches (Sea Level)				Relative Humidity, %				Wind					Sunshine			
	Mean	Highest	Date	Lowest	Mean				Total movement	Average hourly velocity	Maximum				% possible Departure from normal		
					7 A.M.	12 Noon†	7 P.M.	Lowest			Date	Miles	From			Date	
Chas. City	30.05	30.44	18	29.68	13	83	52	66	30	6	4,201	5.8	22	sw.	2	64	+3
Davenport	30.04	30.38	18	29.68	4	80	55	61	32	23	5,140	7.1	30	s.	14	68	+5
Des Moines	30.02	30.42	18	29.67	15	82	54	62	31	14†	4,322	6.0	25	sw.	15	59	+3
Dubuque	30.05	30.41	18	29.68	13	78	50	59	31	24	3,792	5.3	20	s.	15	56	+3
Keokuk	30.05	30.40	18	29.72	4	81	55	63	33	14	3,901	5.4	27	sw.	4	63	+1
Sioux City	30.02	30.43	18	29.58	15	84	60	64	28	5	7,765	10.8	39	s.	23	50	-13
Omaha, Nb	30.02	30.41	18	29.66	15	81	53	59	31	10†	4,969	6.9	26	n.w.	6	62	-3
Means and extremes	30.01					81	54	62				6.8				60	-2
Normals and records		30.41	18	29.58	15				28	5			39	s.	23		
			25th		29th	83	64		28th						7th	62	
		*30.67	1926	†20.20	1927				†18	1921			†58	w.	1872		

\*Sioux City †Des Moines §Omaha ||Davenport ‡Local mean time †And other dates.

||January 1, 1928, 3-cup anemometers replaced the 4-cup instruments used since the establishment of the Weather Bureau stations. The new instruments will more accurately indicate the true wind movement. The records of the 4-cup instruments were somewhat too high at moderate velocities and considerably too high at the higher velocities. Tables of true velocities corresponding to indicated velocities appear in the January, 1928 Climatological Data. For purposes of comparison the highest velocity of record in the lower line of the table has been converted into a 3-cup velocity.

Fog: 6th, 14th, 16th, 25th, 26th, 27th.  
 Frost: 5th, 10th, 11th, 14th, 16th, 18th, 30th.  
 Halos (lunar and solar): 7th, 11th.  
 Hail: 8th.  
 Thunderstorms: 3d, 4th, 5th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 11th, 12th, 15th, 16th, 18th, 19th, 20th, 25th, 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th, 30th.

RIVERS

Low stages prevailed on all rivers. There was considerable fluctuation with falling stages predominating, but the daily changes were slight except a rise of 1.4 feet occurred at Dubuque on the 10th. At all other stations on the principal rivers the extreme stages for the month were less than one foot. On the interior streams the daily changes were slight. The greatest rise reported was 1.2 feet at Van Meter on the 9th, from a stage of 1.8 feet on the 8th to 3.0 feet on the 10th, which were the extreme stages for the month. The extreme stages on most interior streams were less than one-half foot.

Daily Maximum and Minimum Temperature for the Month of September, 1929

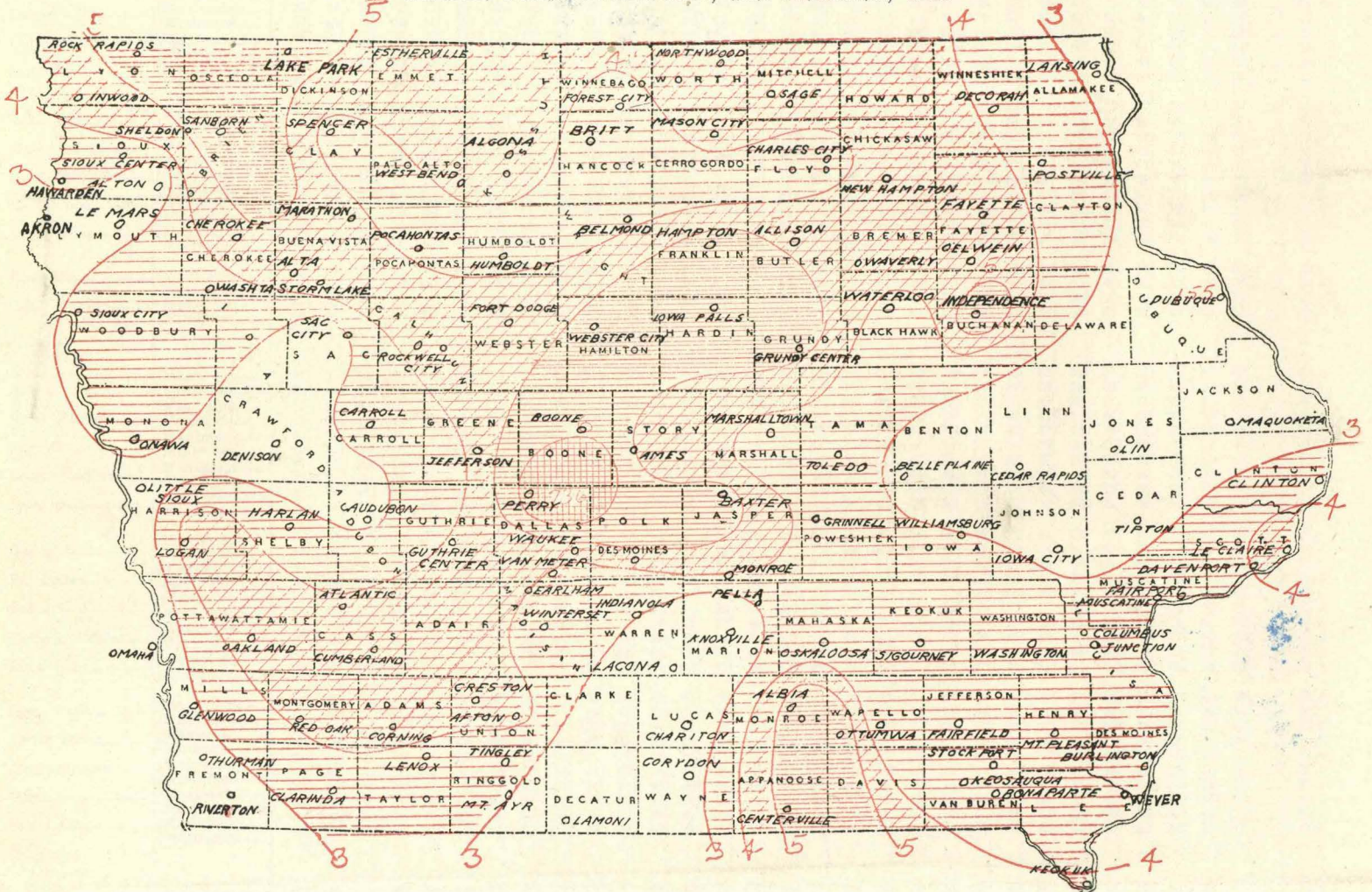
Table with 32 columns for days (1-31) and a Mean column. Rows are categorized by division: Northern, Central, and Southern. Each station entry includes maximum and minimum temperature values for each day.

IOWA STORMS, SEPTEMBER, 1929

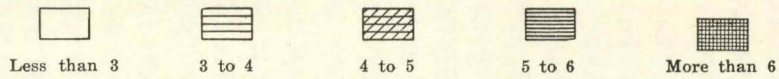
Date	County	Township	Nature of Storm	Time	Storm Moved From	Width of Path Miles	Length of Path Miles	Area of Sq. Miles	Size of Hailstones Inches	Damage	Persons Killed	Persons Injured
8	Monroe.....	Franklin, Troy.....	Wind and Hail.....	4:00 p. m.	SW to NE	.....	.....	.....	$\frac{3}{4}$	\$40,000 .....	.....	6
8	Wapello.....	Highland, Columbia.....	Wind and Hail.....	4:00 p. m.	W to E	.....	.....	.....	$\frac{1}{4}$	10,000 .....	.....	5
8	Delaware.....	Coffins Grove, Delaware.	Wind.....	8:00 p. m.	SW to NE	.....	.....	.....	.....	13,000 .....	.....	.....

CLIMATOLOGICAL DATA: IOWA SECTION

TOTAL PRECIPITATION, SEPTEMBER, 1929



SCALE OF SHADES IN INCHES



# CLIMATOLOGICAL DATA.

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### GENERAL SUMMARY

The mean temperature for the State averaged exactly normal but there was an excess over most western districts and a deficiency over most eastern districts, the areas being nearly equal. The chief feature of the temperature in general was the large number of fluctuations above and below normal, there being a change on an average of every three days. The longest warm period, which was general over the entire State, extended from the 14th to the 20th, and longest general cold period extended from the 21st to the 24th. This was the coldest period of the month and the only period in which there was general freezing weather. The general temperature conditions were reflected in the departures as the most pronounced daily excesses were in the western portion of the State, and the most pronounced deficiencies in the eastern portion. Frost occurred frequently, beginning on the 4th, but the areas affected amounted to less than one-half of the State, until the general freeze on the 23d. A large area in the northern portion of the State had killing frost in September but much vegetation that was slightly injured revived and in the extreme southeast portion of the State some crops were uninjured at the end of the month, making a growing season of unusual length. The temperature extremes were less than usual, the maximum for the month being considerably less than the average and the minimum considerably higher than the average.

Precipitation averaged more than 25% more than the normal but the distribution was uneven. A large number of stations in the southern portion had more than double the normal, while several in the north-central and north-eastern portions had less than one-half of the normal. There were two principal precipitation periods in which most of the monthly total occurred that embraced the entire State; the first occurred during the middle of the second week, and the other during the last four days of the month. There were several other periods that were general in sections, the principal one affecting the largest area, occurred on the 19th. An unusual feature in connection with the weather was the large number of cloudy days that were entirely cloudy and the large number of clear days that were cloudless.

Foggy days were unusually numerous and this fact was emphasized by the effect that it had on air transportation. The number of cloudy days was more than the average, and at times the ceiling was very low, making flying difficult, and with the foggy condition during the last four days caused almost a complete suspension.

From an agricultural standpoint the month was not entirely favorable. The frequent rains interfered with corn husking and would not permit drying so that it could be safely cribbed. Sugar beets were harvested, with no damage from freezing, and commercial canneries were able to complete operations with very little loss of material. Outside work was interrupted only by rainy weather, and building operations and road construction was pushed

### COMPARATIVE DATA FOR THE STATE—OCTOBER

YEAR	Temperature				Precipitation					Number of Days			
	Mean	Departure	Highest	Lowest	Total	Departure	Greatest	Least	Snowfall	With pre. .01 in. or more	Clear	Partly cloudy	Cloudy
1873.....	46.0	- 5.8	76	15	2.64	+ 0.21	4.80	1.25					
1874.....	51.2	- 0.6	84	25	1.52	- 0.91	2.70	0.65					
1875.....	47.8	- 4.0	77	22	1.36	- 1.07	2.71	0.28					
1876.....	47.0	- 4.8	78	18	1.16	- 1.27	3.31	0.18					
1877.....	49.6	- 2.2	93	28	4.45	+ 2.02	8.08	1.90					
1878.....	48.9	- 2.9	85	10	2.73	+ 0.30	5.52	0.40					
1879.....	58.3	+ 6.5	90	11	2.19	+ 0.24	6.28	0.28					
1880.....	47.6	- 4.2	83	13	1.90	+ 0.53	6.90	0.25					
1881.....	52.1	+ 0.3	86	26	6.42	+ 3.99	14.03	3.10					
1882.....	54.4	+ 2.6	86	23	3.97	+ 1.54	6.50	0.55					
1883.....	47.2	- 4.6	88	20	3.37	+ 0.94	6.95	0.40					
1884.....	51.2	+ 2.4	86	17	4.20	+ 1.77	9.00	2.00					
1885.....	46.7	- 5.1	80	20	2.62	+ 0.19	4.30	0.92					
1886.....	55.0	+ 3.2	88	18	2.51	+ 0.08	8.15	0.43					
1887.....	46.4	- 5.4	86	-3	1.46	- 0.97	3.41	0.05					
1888.....	47.7	- 4.1	84	22	1.16	- 1.27	2.81	0.10					
1889.....	47.5	- 4.3	94	12	0.58	- 1.85	2.88	0.00					
1890.....	49.2	- 2.6	84	15	3.44	+ 1.01	6.43	1.59					
1891.....	50.0	- 1.8	92	19	2.77	+ 0.34	6.53	0.85		6	18	7	6
1892.....	54.5	+ 2.7	96	14	1.55	- 0.88	2.58	0.00	0.0	4	21	6	4
1893.....	52.4	+ 0.6	94	10	1.28	- 1.15	4.56	0.02	0.0	4	16	9	6
1894.....	51.7	- 0.1	90	20	2.67	+ 0.24	5.25	0.03	0.2	8	14	8	9
1895.....	46.0	- 5.8	88	4	0.47	- 1.96	1.38	0.00	T.	2	19	8	4
1896.....	47.8	- 4.0	88	12	3.13	+ 0.70	5.05	1.51	T.	5	18	6	7
1897.....	56.8	+ 5.0	97	12	1.14	- 1.29	3.30	0.03	0.0	4	17	8	6
1898.....	47.5	- 4.3	88	17	3.56	+ 1.13	5.75	1.27	3.6	8	7	9	15
1899.....	56.7	+ 4.9	95	17	1.73	- 0.70	4.64	0.15	0.0	5	17	8	6
1900.....	59.3	+ 7.5	90	21	3.91	+ 1.48	8.00	1.20	0.0	7	16	7	8
1901.....	54.2	+ 2.4	88	20	1.98	- 0.45	4.23	0.45	T.	6	17	7	7
1902.....	53.5	- 1.7	83	20	2.54	+ 0.11	6.66	0.28	T.	5	16	8	7
1903.....	52.2	- 0.4	90	16	1.95	- 0.48	4.50	0.32	0.0	5	16	6	6
1904.....	53.1	+ 1.3	96	16	1.67	- 0.76	4.43	0.14	T.	6	15	8	8
1905.....	49.2	- 2.6	95	16	3.40	+ 0.97	5.36	1.20	1.6	8	16	6	9
1906.....	50.5	- 1.3	87	7	1.96	- 0.47	4.25	0.50	0.1	6	14	7	10
1907.....	50.4	- 1.4	85	10	1.50	- 0.93	3.71	0.30	0.0	5	20	5	6
1908.....	51.1	- 0.7	89	17	3.38	+ 0.95	8.83	0.58	2.6	8	16	6	9
1909.....	49.7	- 2.1	97	10	2.22	- 0.21	4.70	0.48	T.	6	16	6	9
1910.....	55.2	+ 3.4	93	10	0.77	- 1.66	1.73	T.	0.1	4	21	4	6
1911.....	48.7	- 3.1	87	14	3.34	+ 0.91	7.03	0.73	0.6	10	12	8	11
1912.....	52.2	+ 0.4	92	16	2.98	+ 0.55	5.77	1.03	T.	6	21	3	7
1913.....	49.2	- 2.6	89	-2	3.03	+ 0.60	7.29	0.35	1.2	9	15	8	8
1914.....	55.9	+ 4.1	88	14	3.23	+ 0.80	6.64	0.74	T.	9	16	6	9
1915.....	54.4	+ 2.6	86	19	1.31	- 1.12	3.25	T.	T.	5	19	6	6
1916.....	50.9	- 0.9	92	6	2.00	- 0.43	4.33	2.0	2.0	8	16	7	8
1917.....	42.9	- 8.9	85	0	1.41	- 1.02	4.00	1.15	2.2	6	10	11	10
1918.....	55.1	+ 3.3	93	21	3.64	+ 1.21	7.56	1.36	0.8	7	13	7	11
1919.....	50.7	- 1.1	89	8	3.02	+ 0.59	8.65	0.45	T.	10	11	8	12
1920.....	57.7	+ 5.9	90	11	2.13	- 0.30	4.64	0.48	T.	6	19	6	6
1921.....	54.6	+ 2.8	90	21	1.96	- 0.47	3.61	0.21	T.	6	17	8	6
1922.....	56.1	+ 4.3	96	14	1.81	- 0.62	3.93	0.06	T.	5	21	4	6
1923.....	48.5	- 3.3	81	10	1.22	- 1.21	3.67	0.29	1.7	6	18	6	7
1924.....	58.1	+ 6.3	89	21	0.87	- 1.56	2.58	0.03	0.0	4	22	5	4
1925.....	40.2	-11.6	78	-15	2.91	+ 0.48	2.70	0.97	4.9	10	8	8	15
1926.....	51.2	- 0.6	91	14	1.53	- 0.90	3.91	1.1	T.	7	13	9	9
1927.....	55.5	+ 3.7	91	24	3.25	+ 0.82	8.51	0.46	T.	7	19	5	7
1928.....	51.2	- 2.4	93	17	3.66	+ 1.23	7.38	1.48	0.1	8	15	5	11
1929.....	51.8	0.0	84	23	3.10	+ 0.67	6.55	1.10	0.7	9	15	5	11

T. indicates an amount too small to measure, or less than .005 inch rainfall and less than .05 inch snowfall.

as much as possible. The frequent rains kept dirt roads in poor condition most of the time, and detours where paving was in progress were generally in bad condition.

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### TEMPERATURE

The mean temperature for the State, derived from the means of nine districts of nearly equal area, and based on the records of 104 stations, was 51.8°, or just equal to the normal. There were four districts with an excess, four that were deficient and one district that was exactly normal. In general the excess occurred in the western portion of the State and the deficiency in the eastern portion. The highest monthly mean was 55.8° at Keokuk, No. 2 and the lowest was 48.2° at Decorah and Postville. The absolute range for the State was 61°, ranging from 84°, at Spencer on the 15th, to 23° at Boone, Harlan and Webster City on the 25th. Temperatures of 32°, or lower, occurred at all stations. The average number of days with freezing temperatures was 5, ranging from seven in the northwestern and north-central districts, to two in the south-central and southeastern districts. The greatest number at any station was 11 at Decorah and Mason City; the least number was 1 at 7 stations, 5 of which were Regular Weather Bureau stations.



Climatological Data for October, 1929

Table with columns: STATIONS, COUNTIES, Elevation, Length of record, Temperature (Mean, Departure from normal, Highest, Date, Lowest, Date, Greatest daily range), Precipitation (Total, Departure from normal, Greatest in 24 hours, Total snowfall), Number of Days (Precipitation, Clear, Partly cloudy, Cloudy), Prevailing direction of wind, OBSERVERS. Rows include Northwest District, North Central District, Northeast District, West Central District, and Central District.

Climatological Data for October, 1929—Continued

STATIONS	COUNTIES	Elevation, feet	Length of record, years	Temperature, in Degrees Fahrenheit						Precipitation, in inches				Number of Days				OBSERVERS		
				Mean	Departure from normal	Highest	Date	Lowest	Date	Greatest daily range	Total	Departure from normal	Greatest in 24 hours	Total snowfall (unmelted)	Precipitation, .01 in. or more	Clear	Partly cloudy		Cloudy	Prevailing direction of wind
<i>East Central District</i>																				
Belle Plaine	Benton	866	38	51.2	-0.7	82	15	26	25	41	2.73	+0.24	0.48	2.0	11	13	7	11	nw.	O. C. Burrows J. T. Wurster Dr. A. P. Bryant U. S. Weather Bureau Bureau of Fisheries
Cedar Rapids	Linn	737	46	51.0	-0.4	81	15	27	25	44	2.89	+0.44	0.80	0.5	9	14	2	15	nw.	
Clinton	Clinton	595	55	51.7	-1.3	81	15	29	25	38	3.33	+0.77	0.93	2.0	10	16	1	14	e.	
Davenport	Scott	580	57	53.2	-0.5	80	15	30	23	30	3.77	+1.38	1.31	1.1	12	13	6	12	e.	
Fairport	Muscatine	567	7	52.8	-1.0	78	15	29	23	34	3.51	+1.02	1.00	1.0	13	13	5	13	ne.	
Iowa City	Johnson	733	68	51.6	-0.8	80	15	29	23†	39	3.75	+1.01	1.18	1.0	12	17	4	10	se.	
Le Claire	Scott	576	28								3.31	+0.86	1.11	2.5	12					Prof. J. F. Reilly Margaret T. Disney John Strothoff William Molls Mrs. L. Stingley
Maquoketa (near)	Jackson	692	23	49.5	-0.7	80	15	26	5	44	3.60	+0.71	0.76	1.0	13	15	4	12	nw.	
Muscatine	Muscatine	546	67								3.33	+0.68	1.08	0.5	9					
Olin	Jones	760	29	49.4	-1.6	83	15	28	5†	42	3.01	+0.52	0.90	1.0	9	17	3	11	sw.	
Tipton (near)	Cedar	806	29	52.3	-0.1	77	16	28	23	40	3.57	+1.19	1.26	2.0	8	12	9	10	e.	John Kroeplen Dr. F. C. Schadt
Williamsburg	Iowa	770	12	50.2	-0.5	78	15	25	25	40	2.61	+0.16	0.97	0.3	9	19	3	9	nw.	
Means and extremes				51.3	-0.7	83	15	25	25	44	3.28	+0.74	1.31	1.2	11	15	4	12	nw.	
<i>Southwest District</i>																				
Atlantic	Cass	1,110	37	52.4	+0.2	79	14	28	25	43	5.39	+2.79	1.95	0	10	13	6	12	nw.	Roy L. Fancolly Arthur L. Bishop Dr. H. C. Hawley J. A. Wilson Carl E. Pollock
Bedford	Taylor	1,200									6.55	+3.74	1.72	T.	10	16	3	12	sw.	
Clarinda	Page	1,069	38	53.4	-0.6	81	14†	26	25	44	5.67	+3.03	1.22	0	10	14	11	6	sw.	
Corning	Adams	1,150	36	52.6	+0.2	77	2	25	25	44	6.51	+3.75	1.12	T.	9	16	4	11	sw.	
Cumberland (near)	Cass	1,225	29								5.32	+2.61	1.10	0	9	14	4	13	nw.	
Glenwood	Mills	1,100	30	53.8	+0.2	80	14†	30	23	42	4.31	+1.63	0.80	0	11	15	5	11	nw.	
Lenox	Taylor	1,250	33	53.6	+0.4	82	14	29	23†	40	5.78	+3.06	1.18	T.	9	16	4	11	nw.	
Oakland	Pottawattamie	1,139	9	53.0	+0.7	80	14	28	23†	42	3.31	+0.76	0.70	0	8	14	4	13	sw.	George Mogridge J. L. Hurley W. S. Matthews B. R. Bridge Geo. C. Rader
Red Oak (near)	Montgomery	1,030	3								5.72	+2.97	1.75	0	9	13	6	12	s.	
Riverton (near)	Fremont	920	2								5.97	+3.25	2.18	0	10	14	3	14	s.	
Thurman	Fremont	960	31	54.2	+0.9	82	18	26	25	45	5.88	+2.94	1.46	0	11	16	2	13	s.	H. H. Askew U. S. Weather Bureau
Omaha, Neb.		1,105	57	55.0	+0.7	80	14	30	23	32	2.69	+0.52	0.86	0	11	14	7	10	n.	
Means and extremes				53.5	+0.3	82	14†	25	25	48	5.26	+2.59	2.18	T.	10	15	5	11	sw.	
<i>South Central District</i>																				
Afton	Union	1,212	34	53.6	+0.3	82	14	29	23	33	4.78	+2.20	1.20	T.	9	16	3	12	nw.	S. R. Brown O. E. McBride Thomas Wood C. C. Burr J. C. Davis
Albia	Monroe	949	30	53.6	+0.1	79	15	29	23	37	3.96	+1.68	0.95	T.	12	16	3	12	sw.	
Centerville	Appanoose	1,013	23	53.8	-0.2	78	14†	31	23	36	5.93	+3.72	1.54	T.	12	18	1	12	sw.	
Chariton (near)	Lucas	1,042	33	54.6	+1.8	81	14	29	24	41	3.88	+1.56	0.83	T.	11	19	1	11	sw.	
Corydon (near)	Wayne	1,050	35	53.3	-0.5	77	17	31	23†	34	4.09	+1.50	1.37	T.	10	17	3	11	nw.	
Creston	Union	1,291	23	52.4	-0.1	80	14	24	25	42	4.26	+1.48	1.06	T.	11	12	6	13	s.	
Earlham (near)	Madison	1,126	26	53.0	+1.0	79	14	28	25	43	2.92	+0.48	0.66	T.	9	18	2	11	sw.	Mrs. N. Spangler George Phillips Seth F. Shenton W. J. Casey J. B. Alter
Indianola	Warren	972	37	54.2	+1.0	83	14†	30	25	41	2.84	+0.48	1.05	T.	7	15	6	10	se.	
Knoxville	Marion	920	33	53.8	+0.1	80	14†	30	23†	38	2.54	+0.23	0.58	T.	9	16	4	11	sw.	
Lacona	Warren	824	29								2.91	+0.20	1.00	0	13	14	6	11	sw.	
Lamoni	Decatur	1,123	21	53.4	-0.1	80	14	29	23	38	4.88	+1.95	0.98	0.1	12	17	3	11	se.	
Melrose	Monroe	871									4.97		1.68	0	7	14	5	12	sw.	
Mount Ayr	Ringgold	1,220	35	53.4	-0.2	79	18	29	25	39	4.94	+2.42	0.90	0	9	16	2	13	s.	F. S. Parks J. M. Carr E. O. Gleason James A. Verploegh H. S. Ely
Tingley	Ringgold	1,275	3	53.6	+0.5	79	14	30	23	37	4.66	+1.97	0.89	T.	10	15	4	12	sw.	
Winterset	Madison	1,118	37	53.5	-0.1	80	14	30	23	37	3.48	+1.11	0.68	T.	9	18	2	11	sw.	
Means and extremes				53.6	+0.3	83	14†	24	25	43	4.20	+1.70	1.68	T.	10	16	3	12	sw.	
<i>Southeast District</i>																				
Bonaparte (near)	Van Buren	563	37	53.6	-0.1	79	15	29	23	36	3.88	+0.97	1.03	0.5	10	18	4	9	nw.	B. R. Vale John W. Donnelly Miss Musa Todd R. M. McKenzie U. S. Weather Bureau
Burlington	Des Moines	544	32	54.6	-0.3	79	15	31	23	31	5.02	+2.74	1.36	4.0	12	19	3	9	sw.	
Columbus Junction	Louisa	595	27	52.2	-2.1	78	15	29	23	36	3.24	+0.69	0.92	2.0	12	18	5	8	se.	
Fairfield	Jefferson	780	44	52.4	-0.6	79	15	29	23	39	4.34	+1.58	0.98	0.5	11	17	3	11	n.	
Keokuk	Lee	614	57	54.8	-0.6	78	19	31	23	30	4.27	+2.01	1.13	0.4	11	16	3	12	e.	
Keokuk No. 2	Lee	651		53.8		82	16	30	25	36	5.18		1.05	0.5	11					
Keosauqua	Van Buren	639	36								5.40	+3.41	1.70	T.	10	17	4	10	nw.	
Mt. Pleasant	Henry	790	47	53.8	-0.2	77	14†	30	23	35	4.97	+2.57	1.40	1.0	11	14	7	10	nw.	
Oskaloosa	Mahaska	835	52	53.1	+0.3	78	15	27	23	37	3.65	+1.40	1.06	1.0	11	16	2	13	sw.	
Ottumwa	Wapello	649	33	54.2	-0.4	80	14	28	25	41	4.79	+2.41	1.03	T.	12	9	6	16	se.	
Sigourney (near)	Keokuk	790	32	53.0	0.0	80	15	29	23	41	3.23	+0.98	0.85	0.4	11	18	2	10	sw.	
Stockport (near)	Van Buren	747	26	53.4	+1.0	80	15	30	23	39	4.24	+2.18	0.99	0	12	19	2	10	n.	W. E. Utterback C. L. Beswick D. D. Sherman H. G. Liddle
Washington	Washington	757	46	53.4	+0.1	81	15†	28	23†	41	3.60	+1.40	0.93	T.	9	17	4	10	w.	
Wever	Lee	552		53.7		81	15	28	25	44	5.75		1.20	0	8					
Means and extremes				53.7	0.0	82	16	27	23	44	4.40	+2.13	1.40	0.8	11	16	4	11	nw.	
State means and extremes				51.8	0.0	84	15	23	25	49	3.10	+0.67	2.18	0.7	9	15	5	11	nw.	

Temperature normals are based on the 46-year period July 3, 1875 to July 2, 1921; shorter records corrected to harmonize. Precipitation normals are based on the 50-year period ended December 31, 1927 at first order stations; upon all records of 10 years or more ending December 31, 1920 for most of the co-operative observing stations; and upon interpolations from normal maps for recently established stations.

Reference letters a, b, c, etc., appearing in the table indicate the number of days missing; for example b represents two days, etc.

† Also other dates.

‡ Received too late to be included in means and summaries.

T. Precipitation is less than 0.01 inch rain or melted snow.

PRECIPITATION

The average precipitation for the State, derived from the averages of nine districts of nearly equal area, and based on the records of 119 stations, was 3.10 inches, or 0.67 inch more than the normal. All stations in the three southern districts and the east-central district showed an excess. The principal deficient area was in the northeastern, central and north-central districts, but the northeastern was the only district that was deficient at all stations. The greatest monthly amount was 6.55 inches at Bedford, and the

least was 1.10 inches at Webster City. The greatest amount occurring in 24 consecutive hours was 2.18 inches at Riverton on the 19th.

SNOWFALL

The average snowfall for the State was 0.7 inch. The greatest amount was 6.5 inches at Northwood. At more than one-half of the stations there was no snow, or only a trace. The snow melted soon after falling and much melted as it fell. At only one station was the ground snow-covered more than 24 hours.



Daily Precipitation for October, 1929—Continued

Table with columns for Stations, Drainage Basin, Day of Month (1-31), and Totals. Rows include Southwest District (Atlantic, Bedford, Clarinda, etc.), South Central District (Afton, Albia, Centerville, etc.), Southeast District (Bonaparte, Burlington, etc.), and various other stations.

Except as otherwise indicated, observations are generally made late in the afternoon, near sunset, and precipitation recorded is for 24 hours ending at the time of observation.
|||Precipitation measured in the morning; amount then recorded is for the preceding 24 hours.
\*\*\*Regular Weather Bureau Station: precipitation is for 24-hour period midnight to midnight.
\*\*Incomplete.
\*Precipitation included in the next following measurement.
T. Precipitation is less than .01 inch rain or melted snow.

PRESSURE, RELATIVE HUMIDITY, WIND AND SUNSHINE

Table with columns for Stations, Barometric Pressure (Inches (Sea Level)), Relative Humidity (%), Wind (Total movement, Average hourly velocity, Maximum), and Sunshine (% possible, Departure from normal). Rows include Chas. City, Davenport, Des Moines, Dubuque, Keokuk, Sioux City, Omaha, and Means and extremes Normals and records.

\*Davenport; Also Sioux City on the 29th, 1928. §Omaha. ¶Des Moines. ||Davenport. ‡Local mean time. †And other dates.

††January 1, 1928, 3-cup anemometers replaced the 4-cup instruments used since the establishment of the Weather Bureau stations. The new instruments will more accurately indicate the true wind movement. The records of the 4-cup instruments were somewhat too high at moderate velocities and considerably too high at the higher velocities. Tables of true velocities corresponding to indicated velocities appear in the January, 1928 Climatological Data. For purposes of comparison the highest velocity of record in the lower line of the table has been converted into a 3-cup velocity.

RIVERS

Low stages prevailed on all rivers. There were numerous slight fluctuations. On the Mississippi River the extreme stages were less than one-half of a foot and on the Missouri the extremes were less than one foot.

MISCELLANEOUS PHENOMENA

Fog: 1st, 2d, 3d, 4th, 5th, 8th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 16th, 28th, 29th, 30th, 31st.

Frost: 4th, 5th, 7th, 8th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 17th, 21st, 23d, 24th, 25th.

Hail: 29th, 31st.

Halos (lunar and solar): 21st, 22d.

Sleet: 23d, 24th, 28th, 29th.

Thunderstorms: 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th, 18th, 19th, 20th, 28th, 29th, 30th, 31st.

Daily Maximum and Minimum Temperature for the Month of October, 1929

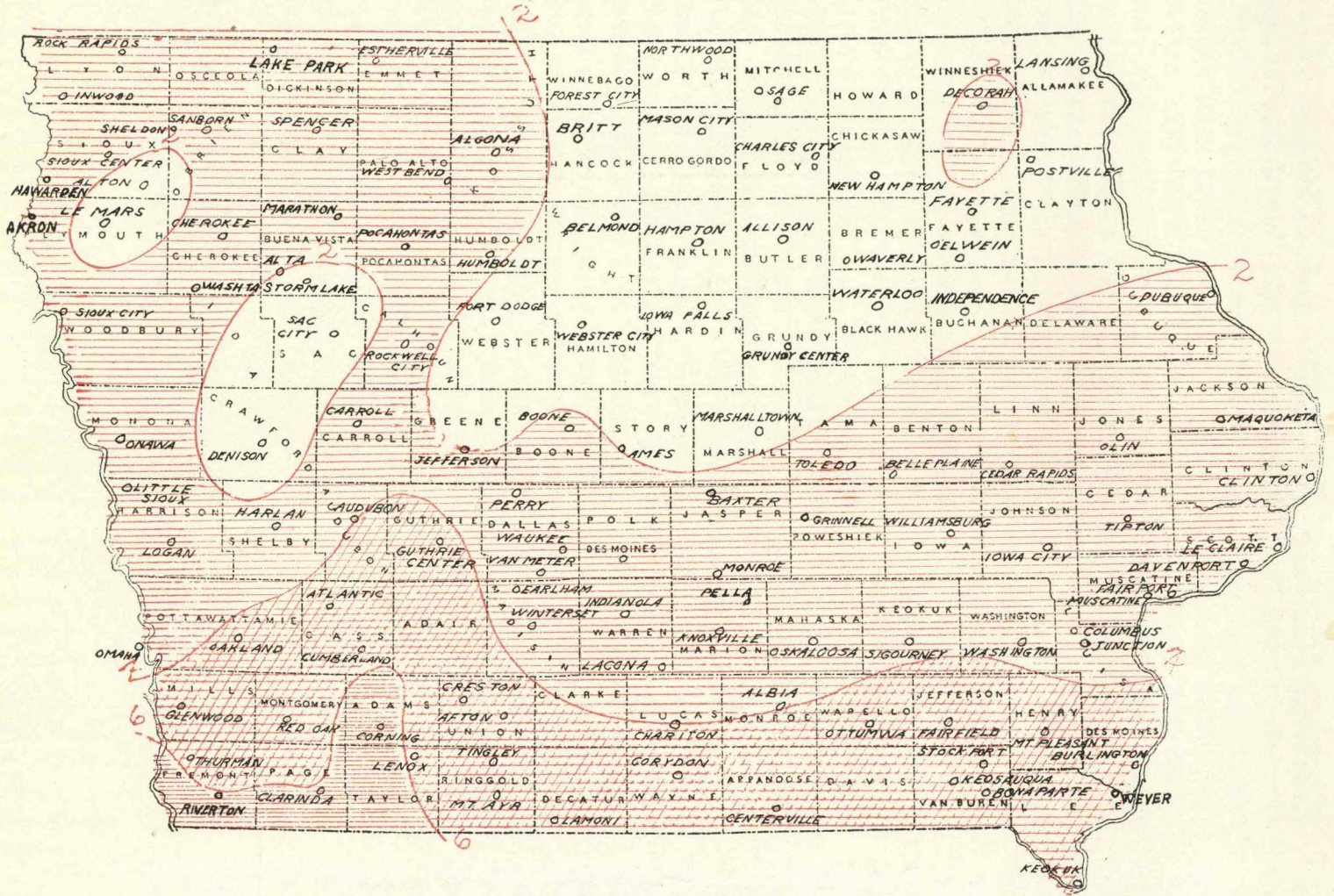
Table with 33 columns (1-31) and 1 Mean column. Rows are grouped by division: Northern, Central, and Southern. Each station lists Maximum and Minimum temperatures for each day.

IOWA STORMS, SEPTEMBER, 1929

Date	County	Township	Nature of Storm	Time	Storm Moved From	Width of Path Miles	Length of Path Miles	Area of Sq. Miles	Size of Hailstones Inches	Damage	Persons Killed	Persons Injured
8	Monroe.....	Franklin, Troy.....	Wind and Hail.....	4:00 p. m.	SW to NE	.....	.....	.....	$\frac{3}{4}$	\$40,000 .....	.....	6
8	Wapello.....	Highland, Columbia.....	Wind and Hail.....	4:00 p. m.	W to E	.....	.....	.....	$\frac{1}{4}$	10,000 .....	.....	5
8	Delaware.....	Coffins Grove, Delaware.	Wind.....	8:00 p. m.	SW to NE	.....	.....	.....	.....	13,000 .....	.....	.....

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TOTAL PRECIPITATION, OCTOBER, 1929



SCALE OF SHADES IN INCHES



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### GENERAL SUMMARY

The mean temperature for the State was 32.3 degrees, or 4.3 degrees below normal, and 6.4 degrees less than for the same month a year ago. The temperature deficiency was greatest in the central district, where it averaged 4.7 degrees, and least in the east-central district where it averaged 3.8 degrees. The outstanding temperature feature was the cold weather throughout the State on the last two days of the month. In a large part of the east and central sections it was the coldest for the past 31 years. The coldest for the State was 12 below zero on the 30th at Webster City. No large temperature fluctuation occurred in the first 18 days. A cold period prevailed from the 19th to the 24th; then a warm period from the 25th to the 27th inclusive, followed by the last three days of the month with an extreme cold period.

Precipitation averaged 20 per cent less than normal but the distribution was uneven. Most of the stations in the south-central and southwest districts had precipitation in excess of the normal, but the other seven districts were below normal. There were three principal precipitation periods in which most of the monthly total occurred, the first being between the 10th and 13th, the second between the 18th and 20th, and the third during the last four days of the month.

From the agricultural standpoint the month was generally favorable and much fall plowing was done. Unsettled weather interfered somewhat with corn husking in the southern districts, but in the northern half of the State this work was more than 90 per cent completed by the end of the month. Conditions were decidedly favorable for corn picking machines, there being an unusually large number used this year. Outside work was not greatly interrupted by the cold weather, and building operations and road construction were pushed as much as possible. The road construction companies, taking advantage of the opportunities in their favor, did not pour a large amount of cement at a time, and followed close behind with covering for protection from freezing. The dirt roads were generally in good condition, and detours where paving was in progress were generally in bad condition.

The unusually cold weather toward the end of the month, and ice conditions causing unusually low stages on the Mississippi River, resulted in the temporary shut-down of manufacturing concerns because there was insufficient water to operate the power plants.

In connection with a passing storm on the 27th, unusually strong winds occurred, which caused considerable damage. Plate glass windows were broken by the high wind. In the country small buildings of all description were racked and blown down.

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### COMPARATIVE DATA FOR THE STATE—NOVEMBER

YEAR	Temperature				Precipitation					Number of Days			
	Mean	Departure	Highest	Lowest	Total	Departure	Greatest	Least	Snowfall	With pre. .01 in. or more	Clear	Partly cloudy	Cloudy
1873.....	36.2	- 0.4	64	- 4	0.72	- 0.83	2.78	0.00					
1874.....	32.9	- 3.7	74	- 6	2.21	+ 0.66	4.79	1.05					
1875.....	30.1	- 6.5	60	-16	0.19	- 1.36	0.63	0.00					
1876.....	31.3	- 5.3	68	- 6	1.70	+ 0.15	3.50	0.16					
1877.....	33.3	- 3.3	82	-10	1.86	+ 0.31	3.84	0.12					
1878.....	39.7	+ 3.1	72	12	0.63	- 0.92	2.69	0.00					
1879.....	36.3	- 0.3	75	4	4.08	+ 2.53	7.90	0.20					
1880.....	25.3	-11.3	68	-12	1.29	- 0.26	3.30	0.05					
1881.....	34.4	- 2.2	65	- 1	2.01	+ 0.46	3.97	0.60					
1882.....	37.5	+ 0.9	76	4	1.71	- 0.16	7.15	0.30					
1883.....	36.8	+ 0.2	70	- 3	1.44	- 0.11	4.17	0.00					
1884.....	35.6	- 1.0	68	-15	0.79	- 0.76	1.90	0.00					
1885.....	36.4	- 0.2	67	14	0.69	- 0.86	2.60	0.10					
1886.....	32.1	- 4.5	75	- 4	1.49	- 0.06	5.18	0.30					
1887.....	35.1	- 1.5	78	-26	0.85	- 0.70	4.10	0.10					
1888.....	37.1	+ 0.5	82	0	1.56	+ 0.01	6.00	0.00					
1889.....	33.0	- 3.6	68	- 9	1.44	- 0.11	4.90	0.05					
1890.....	38.9	+ 2.3	78	- 2	1.31	- 0.24	3.55	0.50					
1891.....	30.5	- 6.1	84	-24	1.70	+ 0.15	3.64	0.66	7	10	8	12	
1892.....	33.3	- 3.3	70	- 3	1.10	- 0.45	3.16	0.05	1.8	4	11	8	11
1893.....	34.0	- 2.6	86	-13	1.17	- 0.38	2.56	0.05	4.6	4	16	8	6
1894.....	32.7	- 3.9	72	- 5	0.92	- 0.63	2.42	T.	0.4	4	9	11	10
1895.....	34.3	- 2.3	86	-12	1.51	- 0.04	3.01	0.45	4.9	6	9	8	13
1896.....	29.6	- 7.0	82	-15	1.83	+ 0.28	4.51	0.16	2.9	6	9	8	13
1897.....	34.3	- 2.3	81	-19	0.66	- 0.89	2.24	T.	1.2	5	12	8	10
1897.....	32.2	- 4.4	78	-17	1.50	- 0.05	3.61	0.35	8.7	6	14	8	8
1898.....	43.9	+ 7.3	86	8	1.20	- 0.35	2.97	0.13	0.5	5	12	8	10
1899.....	33.5	- 3.1	79	- 6	1.06	- 0.49	3.35	T.	3.7	6	12	7	11
1900.....	35.8	- 0.8	77	- 2	0.86	- 0.69	2.30	0.20	2.6	3	18	6	6
1901.....	41.2	+ 4.6	79	4	2.13	+ 0.58	4.19	0.16	1.8	7	9	7	14
1902.....	34.2	- 2.4	76	- 5	0.52	- 1.03	1.74	T.	1.1	3	13	8	9
1904.....	41.0	+ 4.4	80	4	0.15	- 1.40	0.50	0.00	0.5	1	20	6	4
1905.....	38.4	+ 1.8	70	-12	2.84	+ 1.29	5.30	0.90	0.6	5	16	7	7
1906.....	35.4	- 1.2	76	- 5	2.03	+ 0.48	3.86	0.35	4.4	8	9	7	14
1907.....	36.7	+ 0.1	68	- 4	1.03	- 0.52	2.27	0.05	0.9	4	17	6	7
1908.....	39.3	+ 2.7	80	- 5	1.56	+ 0.01	3.31	0.21	1.4	5	14	7	9
1909.....	42.4	+ 5.8	84	- 3	5.39	+ 3.84	1.48	2.07	6.8	10	10	7	13
1910.....	33.4	- 3.2	76	- 5	0.34	- 1.21	1.03	T.	0.7	3	13	9	8
1911.....	29.9	- 6.7	79	- 8	1.42	- 0.13	4.99	0.11	1.6	6	11	8	11
1912.....	40.1	+ 3.5	77	- 6	0.98	- 0.57	2.38	0.00	T.	2	18	8	4
1913.....	41.1	+ 7.5	78	10	1.18	- 0.37	3.49	0.20	0.4	6	11	7	12
1914.....	41.0	+ 4.4	80	- 4	0.22	- 1.33	0.95	0.00	T.	2	19	6	5
1915.....	40.2	+ 3.6	83	- 5	1.94	+ 0.39	4.86	0.30	1.2	6	11	10	9
1916.....	37.3	+ 0.7	80	- 8	1.61	+ 0.06	3.65	0.05	3.6	5	16	6	8
1917.....	40.7	+ 4.1	77	3	0.28	- 1.27	1.02	T.	1.4	3	14	6	10
1918.....	39.9	+ 3.3	76	0	2.11	+ 0.56	5.10	0.70	4.4	7	13	5	12
1919.....	33.6	- 3.0	68	-12	3.40	+ 1.85	6.22	1.97	6.3	8	11	7	12
1920.....	35.4	- 1.2	71	5	2.18	+ 0.63	4.45	0.73	1.2	8	10	5	15
1921.....	33.6	- 3.0	70	- 5	0.58	- 0.97	1.61	T.	3.4	5	10	5	15
1922.....	42.2	+ 5.6	74	11	3.54	+ 1.99	5.28	1.96	0.3	9	11	6	13
1923.....	40.1	+ 3.5	72	9	0.58	- 0.97	1.84	0.00	1.2	3	16	6	8
1924.....	38.9	+ 2.3	82	0	0.58	- 0.97	1.55	T.	0.4	4	15	7	8
1925.....	36.1	- 0.5	68	- 6	0.71	- 0.84	2.30	0.10	4.0	4	15	6	9
1926.....	32.6	- 4.0	71	- 3	2.10	+ 0.55	3.88	0.68	4.2	7	8	7	15
1927.....	37.7	+ 1.1	81	0	0.87	- 0.68	3.61	T.	0.6	5	7	6	17
1928.....	38.7	+ 2.1	70	8	3.83	+ 2.28	6.83	0.77	6.9	9	13	4	13
1929.....	32.3	- 4.3	66	-12	1.24	- 0.31	2.58	0.08	2.7	6	13	8	9

T. indicates an amount too small to measure, or less than .005 inch rainfall and less than .05 inch snowfall.

### TEMPERATURE

The mean temperature for the State, derived from the means of nine districts of nearly equal area, and based on the records of 103 stations, was 32.3°, or 4.3° below normal. There was a deficiency in all divisions of the State. The greatest deficiency, 4.7°, was in the central district. The east-central district had a deficiency of 3.8°, which was the least for the State. The highest monthly mean was 37.4° at Keokuk, No. 2, and the lowest was 28.2° at Sanborn. The absolute range for the State was 78°, from 66° at Ottumwa on the 11th, to -12° at Webster City on the 30th. Temperatures of 32° or lower, occurred at all stations. The average number of days with minimum temperatures 32° or lower was 25, ranging from 28° in the northwest, north-central and west-central districts, to 20° in the southeast district. The highest temperature observed in the State was 66° at Ottumwa, which was the lowest November State Mamimum since 1881, when 65° was reached. The average number of days with temperature zero or lower was 2, ranging from 4 days at 12 stations, to none at Sioux City, Omaha and Keokuk, these being regular Weather Bureau stations with city exposures. The average number of days with the maximum temperatures 32° or lower, was 6, ranging from 9 at stations in the northwest and north-central districts, to 3 recorded in the southeast district at Keokuk No. 2 and Wever.



Climatological Data for November, 1929

STATIONS	COUNTIES	Elevation, feet	Length of record, years	Temperature, in Degrees Fahrenheit						Precipitation, in inches				Number of Days				Prevailing direction of wind	OBSERVERS		
				Mean	Departure from normal	Highest	Date	Lowest	Date	Greatest daily range	Total	Departure from normal	Greatest in 24 hours	Total snowfall (unmelted)	Precipitation, .01 in. or more	Clear	Partly cloudy			Cloudy	
<i>Northwest District</i>																					
Akron	Plymouth	1,153	2																		Orlan C. Moore
Alta	Buena Vista	1,513	37	28.8	-5.1	54	5	-4	22	26	0.30	-0.84	0.08	1.0	7	9	16	5	n.	D. E. Hadden	
Alton	Sioux	1,305	23	29.6	-4.0	53	16	-4	30	32	0.50	-0.87	0.20	3.2	7	7	15	8	n.w.	W. S. Slagle	
Cherokee	Cherokee	1,196	8	30.4	-2.7	55	5	-3	29	29	0.37	-1.14	0.15	2.7	5	11	9	10	s.	J. E. Wirth	
Estherville	Emmet	1,298	33	29.0	-5.0	52	17	-8	29	30	0.50	-0.81	0.15	3.5	5	11	14	5	n.w.	A. O. Peterson	
<i>Hawarden</i>																					
Hawarden	Sioux	1,181	2																		Earl V. Slife
Inwood (near)	Lyon	1,474	24	28.5	-4.5	52	26	-3	22	30	0.18	-0.88	0.07	T.	6	11	8	11	n.w.	A. C. Hanson	
Lake Park (near)	Dickinson	1,480	15	29.2	-3.8	53	15	-9	29	31	0.21	-0.91	0.05	1.4	7	18	5	7	n.w.	P. M. Lawrence	
Le Mars	Plymouth	1,224	32	30.8	-4.2	55	26	-1	22	34	0.40	-0.73	0.15	1.0	8	13	10	7	n.w.	Henry Newell	
Marathon	Buena Vista	1,390	2								0.60			4.3	5	5	13	12	n.w.	E. G. Smith	
<i>Pocahontas</i>																					
Pocahontas	Pocahontas	1,248	24	29.4	-5.3	55	5	-6	29	30	0.60	-1.08	0.24	2.7	7	11	9	10	sw.	F. E. Hronek	
Rock Rapids	Lyon	1,349	29	28.4	-4.8	48	17	-2	22	27	0.25	-0.94	0.15	0.5	4	20	6	4	n.	Nellie F. Medberry	
Sanborn	O'Brien	1,553	14	28.2	-4.3	57	16	-6	22	33	0.11	-1.19	0.11	T.	1	10	5	15	sw.	J. W. Dow	
Sheldon	O'Brien	1,418	17	29.6	-3.6	58	16	-3	22	35	0.25	-1.23	0.10	1.1	6	11	14	5	n.w.	Ross E. Forward	
Sioux Center	Sioux	1,461	29	29.6	-3.9	55	16	-4	22	32	0.28	-0.90	0.16	1.5	2	12	10	8	n.w.	F. C. Aue	
<i>Spencer</i>																					
Spencer	Clay	1,319	14	29.2	-4.4	55	5	-7	29	40	1.41	+0.11	0.54	3.5	7	10	10	10	n.w.	E. W. Little	
Storm Lake	Buena Vista	1,438	39	30.2	-5.3	56	5	-1	22	27	0.78	-0.52	0.30	4.0	5	15	7	8	sw.	L. B. Florey	
Washta	Cherokee	1,157	30	31.5	-3.5	57	5	-2	22	36	0.48	-0.84	0.25	2.0	3	14	7	9	n.w.	H. L. Felter	
West Bend	Palo Alto	1,197	35	29.8	-4.3	56	5	-9	29	28	0.56	-0.93	0.33	3.0	4	12	13	5	n.w.	Jos. Dorweiler	
<i>Means and extremes</i>																					
				29.5	-4.3	58	16	-9	29	40	0.46	-0.84	0.54	2.3	5	11	10	9	n.w.		
<i>North Central District</i>																					
Algona	Kossuth	1,224	55	30.2	-4.4	55	5	-9	29	28	0.32	-1.04	0.12	2.5	5	16	4	10	n.w.	W. E. Laird	
Allison	Butler	1,060	14																		
Belmond	Wright	1,181	18	29.8	-4.4	55	5	-10	29	33	0.99	-0.66	0.35	4.2	9	6	3	21	n.w.	H. F. Luick	
Britt	Hancock	1,236	41	30.2	-3.3	53	27	-9	29	28	0.47	-0.98	0.20	0.5	6	6	7	17	n.w.	E. P. Healy	
Charles City	Floyd	1,015	37	29.2	-3.8	54	2	-7	29	30	1.11	-0.42	0.30	1.2	8	10	9	11	n.w.	U. S. Weather Bureau	
<i>Forest City</i>																					
Forest City	Winnebago	1,226	34	29.0	-4.5	54	27	-10	29	31	0.96	-0.59	0.18	4.8	9	12	4	14	n.w.	Dr. M. B. Neil	
Hampton	Franklin	1,145	3																		L. H. Davis
Humboldt	Humboldt	1,095	40	30.8	-4.8	56	9	-9	30	29	0.78	-0.89	0.46	4.0	3	7	10	13	n.w.	H. C. Snitkey	
Mason City	Cerro Gordo	1,148	31	28.8	-4.7	55	2	-8	29	33	1.01	-0.47	0.26	5.0	12	9	15	6	sw.	American Beet Sugar Co.	
Northwood	Worth	1,222	32	28.8	-3.6	55	27	-10	29	31	0.96	-1.01	0.30	7.0	8	11	11	8	n.w.	Charles Dwelle	
<i>Osage</i>																					
Osage	Mitchell	1,163	34	28.7	-4.5	54	27	-9	29	30	0.91	-0.60	0.27	1.5	6	10	10	10	n.w.	Dr. C. E. Juhl	
<i>Means and extremes</i>																					
				29.5	-4.3	56	9	-10	29	33	0.83	-0.73	0.46	3.4	7	10	8	12	n.w.		
<i>Northeast District</i>																					
Decorah	Winneshiek	872	35	30.1	-4.6	55	27	-11	30	43	1.22	-0.62	0.65	1.0	5	12	7	11	n.w.	M. D. Whitney	
Dubuque	Dubuque	700	55	32.3	-4.7	57	11	-4	29	34	0.68	-1.02	0.40	0.7	8	10	8	12	n.w.	U. S. Weather Bureau	
Fayette	Fayette	1,003	40	30.4	-3.7	61	1	-10	30	39	1.07	-0.65	0.48	1.6	6	17	5	8	n.w.	R. Z. Latimer	
Independence	Buchanan	956	64	33.5	-3.0	55	27	-6	29	37	1.03	-0.41	0.57	0.1	7	8	13	9	n.w.	Dr. Geo. Boody	
Lansing	Allamakee	632	21								1.44	-0.51	0.36	0.2	9				n.w.	Mrs. Mary Spinner	
<i>New Hampton</i>																					
New Hampton	Chickasaw	1,169	31	30.6	-3.5	55	27	-10	29	34	1.12	-0.57	0.37	1.0	5	7	14	9	n.w.	D. W. Dawson	
Oelwein	Fayette	1,036	5	30.7	-4.5	55	2	-7	29	35	1.16	-0.42	0.40	2.0	4	13	7	10	n.w.	John T. Ridler	
Postville (near)	Clayton	1,192	29	28.8	-5.2	55	2	-9	29	37	1.13	-0.56	0.49	0.7	5	15	7	8	n.w.	F. L. Williams	
Waterloo	Black Hawk	854	45	31.3	-4.8	56	2	-9	30	37	1.30	-0.19	0.66	0.5	6	17	7	6	n.w.	R. B. Slippy	
Waverly	Bremer	936	32	29.8	-5.8	55	2	-7	29	35	1.40	-0.25	0.59	T.	7	20	3	7	n.w.	D. H. Murphy	
<i>Means and extremes</i>																					
				30.8	-4.5	61	1	-11	30	43	1.16	-0.52	0.66	0.8	6	13	8	9	n.w.		
<i>West Central District</i>																					
Audubon (near)	Audubon	1,297	33	31.5	-3.3	55	57	-3	30	26	1.26	-0.07	0.39	7.7	6	14	11	5	n.w.	George Kibby	
Carroll	Carroll	1,265	38	30.8	-5.3	55	2	-3	29	28	1.03	-0.29	0.63	2.0	5	18	4	8	n.w.	Mrs. Jos. J. Wolfe	
Denison	Crawford	1,171	34	30.6	-5.0	54	27	-3	30	26	0.53	-0.82	0.34	2.7	6	11	12	7	n.w.	V. L. Byers	
Guthrie Center	Guthrie	987	33	32.6	-4.4	58	57	0	22	31	0.94	-0.51	0.50	1.0	5	6	18	6	n.	Floyd H. Bainter	
Harlan	Shelby	1,192	29	31.2	-4.6	57	5	-4	30	33	1.22	-0.24	0.45	4.5	5	12	7	11	n.w.	Water Bell	
<i>Jefferson</i>																					
Jefferson	Greene	1,052	29	32.0	-4.2	60	5	-3	29	30	1.38	-0.55	0.84	3.0	4	15	4	11	n.w.	W. I. Lyon	
Little Sioux	Harrison	1,010	23	31.9	-4.6	58	5	-2	29	35	1.27	-0.30	0.45	7.1	9	10	11	9	n.w.	H. W. Kerr	
Logan	Harrison	1,120	61	32.0	-5.3	56	27	-3	30	34	1.68	+0.28	0.42	11.0	7	9	17	4	n.w.	Amy Ann Stern	
Onawa	Monona	1,051	27	32.4	-3.3	57	27	0	22	34	0.84	-0.54	0.35	10.5	7	12	7	11	n.w.	Mrs. H. E. Colby	
Rockwell City	Calhoun	1,232	32																		A. W. McIsaac
<i>Sac City</i>																					
Sac City	Sac	1,269	52	30.3	-5.2	54	5	-3	29	29	0.62	-0.68	0.25	4.5	6	14	7	9	n.w.	F. P. Kessler	
Sioux City	Woodbury	1,135	39	31.8	-3.4	55	10	1	22	24	0.41	-0.59	0.13	2.4	7	5	14	11	n.w.	U. S. Weather Bureau	
<i>Means and extremes</i>																					
				31.6	-4.4	60	5	-4	30	35	1.02	-0.41	0.81	5.1	6	12	10	8	n.w.		
<i>Central District</i>																					
Ames	Story	926	51	33.0	-2.9	56	27	-4	29	28	1.29	0.00	0.65	1.3	5	18	3	9	n.w.	Iowa State College	
Baxter	Jasper	998	28	33.2	-4.0	59	11	-7	29	34	1.68	+0.25	0.58	1.6	6	16	5	9	n.w.	F. A. Kanne	
Boone	Boone	894	23	32.0	-4.6	57	27	-8	30	35	1.00	-0.37	0.48	T.	5	11	10	9	n.	C. F. Henning	
Des Moines	Polk	861	50	33.8	-4.6	58	11	0	29	28	1.87	+0.44	0.97	1.5	9	10	13	7	n.	U. S. Weather Bureau	
Fort Dodge	Webster	1,114	28	29.8	-5.5	56	5	-7	29	33	0.82	-0.76	0.28	3.5	7	15	4	11	n.w.	Mrs. Emma Sampson	
<i>Grinnell</i>																					
Grinnell	Poweshiek	1,031	34	33.2	-4.5	58	57	-6	30	33	1.49	-0.20	0.58	2.4	5	18	5	7	n.w.	R. E. Bates	
Grundy Center	Grundy	976	37	31.8	-4.5	57	9	-9	29	35	1.88	+0.44	0.70	T.	6	12	7	11	n.w.	M. G. Heiberger	
Iowa Falls	Hardin	1,127	35	30.8	-4.5	55	2	-8	29	34	1.41	-0.19	0.92	3.0	6	15	5	10	n.w.	C. H. Gilbert	
Marshalltown	Marshall	947	36																		

Climatological Data for November, 1929—Continued

STATIONS	COUNTIES	Elevation, feet	Length of record, years	Temperature, in Degrees Fahrenheit						Precipitation, in inches				Number of Days				OBSERVERS		
				Mean	Departure from normal	Highest	Date	Lowest	Date	Greatest daily range	Total	Departure from normal	Greatest in 24 hours	Total snowfall (unmelted)	Precipitation, .01 in. or more	Clear	Partly cloudy		Cloudy	Prevailing direction of wind
<i>East Central District</i>																				
Belle Plaine	Benton	866	38	32.8	- 4.2	60	5†	- 6	30	35	1.73	+ 0.04	0.60	0.7	9	16	5	9	n.w.	O. C. Burrows J. T. Wurster Dr. A. P. Bryant U. S. Weather Bureau Bureau of Fisheries
Cedar Rapids	Linn	737	46	32.8	- 3.6	58	11	- 5	29	35	1.49	- 0.16	0.51	1.0	6	16	0	14	n.w.	
Clinton	Clinton	595	55	34.7	- 3.2	59	11	- 3	29†	35	1.36	- 0.53	0.65	1.5	8	16	5	9	w.	
Davenport	Scott	580	57	34.6	- 4.4	58	11	- 3	29	28	1.51	- 0.31	0.49	1.5	9	12	6	12	n.w.	
Fairport	Muscatine	567	7	34.5	- 4.7	58	11	- 3	29	42	1.79	- 0.21	0.89	0.8	7	10	5	15	n.	
Iowa City	Johnson	733	68	33.8	- 3.8	59	11	- 4	29†	32	1.52	- 0.65	0.79	0.5	7	14	10	6	n.w.	Prof. J. F. Reilly Margaret T. Disney John Strodthoff William Molis Mrs. L. Stingley
Le Claire	Scott	576	28																	
Maquoketa (near)	Jackson	692	23	32.2	- 3.6	56	2†	- 6	29	37	1.28	- 0.30	0.53	1.2	7	17	3	10	sw.	
Muscatine	Muscatine	546	67																	
Olin	Jones	760	29	33.0	- 3.3	57	2†	- 5	30	37	1.15	- 0.47	0.50	0.2	5	18	4	8	n.w.	
Tipton (near)	Cedar	806	29	33.8	- 3.6	56	1†	- 7	29	35	1.66	- 0.21	0.60	4.0	7	13	12	5	w.	John Kroeplen Dr. F. C. Schadt
Williamsburg	Iowa	770	12	32.8	- 3.7	56	2†	- 5	30	33	2.58	+ 0.88	1.27	0.8	8	20	3	7	n.w.	
Means and extremes				33.5	- 3.8	60	5†	- 7	29	42	1.61	- 0.23	1.27	1.2	7	15	5	10	n.w.	
<i>Southwest District</i>																				
Atlantic	Cass	1,110	37	33.4	- 4.1	58	11	- 2	30	35	1.19	- 0.11	0.50	3.5	6	12	13	5	n.w.	Roy L. Fancolly Arthur L. Bishop Dr. H. C. Hawley J. A. Wilson Carl E. Pollock
Bedford	Taylor	1,200									1.27	- 0.30	0.49	3.0	5	10	7	13	n.w.	
Clarinda	Page	1,009	38	33.7	- 6.0	59	5†	- 4	30	38	1.57	+ 0.05	0.40	3.5	7	12	11	7	w.	
Corning††	Adams	1,150	36								1.86	+ 0.39	0.66	4.5	5	10	3	17	n.e.	
Cumberland (near)	Cass	1,225	29								1.60	+ 0.51	0.46	5.0	6	13	11	6	n.w.	
Glenwood	Mills	1,100	30	33.5	- 5.1	56	2†	- 6	30	30	1.84	+ 0.69	0.50	9.2	6	10	12	8	n.e.	George Mogridge J. L. Hurley W. S. Matthews B. R. Bridge Geo. C. Rader
Lenox	Taylor	1,250	33	33.6	- 4.6	61	11	- 4	30	31	1.84	+ 0.37	0.62	4.5	6	16	6	8	n.w.	
Oakland	Pottawattamie	1,139	9	33.0	- 4.5	57	5†	- 3	30	34	2.18	+ 0.93	1.20	8.8	6	15	6	9	sw.	
Red Oak (near)	Montgomery	1,030	3								1.16	- 0.26	0.40	10.0	5	12	11	7	n.w.	
Riverton (near)	Fremont	920	2								1.60	+ 0.11	0.87	5.5	6	17	2	11	n.w.	
Thurman	Fremont	960	31	34.0	- 4.4	59	5†	- 7	30	35	1.31	- 0.54	0.45	11.0	5	14	7	9	n.	H. H. Askew U. S. Weather Bureau
Omaha, Neb.		1,105	57	33.8	- 4.7	56	2	3	29	29	1.38	+ 0.31	0.49	8.4	8	12	13	5	n.w.	
Means and extremes				33.6	- 4.6	61	11	- 7	30	38	1.54	+ 0.15	1.20	6.6	6	13	9	8	n.w.	
<i>South Central District</i>																				
Afton	Union	1,212	34	33.8	- 4.7	59	11	- 2	30	33	1.80	+ 0.37	0.80	6.5	8	16	8	6	n.w.	S. R. Brown O. E. McBride Thomas Wood C. C. Burr J. C. Davis
Albia	Monroe	949	30	34.6	- 3.6	61	11	- 1	29	32	1.40	- 0.16	0.75	0.9	7	10	7	13	n.w.	
Centerville††	Appanoose	1,013	23	35.0	- 4.5	68	11	- 2	30	36	1.23	- 0.21	0.57	1.2	6	11	7	12	n.w.	
Chariton (near)	Lucas	1,042	33	35.6	- 3.1	60	11	- 2	30	36	1.11	- 0.35	0.51	T.	3	11	13	6	n.w.	
Corydon (near)	Wayne	1,050	35	34.2	- 4.6	57	11	- 3	30	31	1.86	+ 0.36	0.71	3.0	8	13	9	8	n.w.	
Creston	Union	1,291	23	32.2	- 6.0	57	5†	- 6	30	36	2.01	+ 0.29	1.01	3.0	11	11	14	5	n.w.	Mrs. N. Spangler George Phillips Seth F. Shenton W. J. Casey J. B. Alter
Earlham (near)	Madison	1,126	26	34.0	- 3.2	59	2†	- 3	30	33	1.32	+ 0.34	0.60	1.0	4	21	4	5	n.w.	
Indianola	Warren	972	37	34.6	- 3.7	61	11†	- 2	30	35	1.52	- 0.05	0.48	2.4	6	13	12	5	n.	
Knoxville	Marion	920	33	35.0	- 3.8	59	11	- 2	30	33	2.34	+ 0.78	0.78	0.7	6	14	7	9	n.w.	
Lacona	Warren	824	29								1.58	- 0.10	0.42	2.5	11	9	13	8	n.w.	
Lamoni	Decatur	1,123	21	33.6	- 5.1	60	11	- 4	30	34	0.96	- 0.48	0.38	2.1	6	17	3	10	n.w.	F. S. Parks J. M. Carr E. O. Gleason James A. Verploegh H. S. Ely
Melrose	Monroe	871									1.76		1.00	1.0	5	9	15	6	n.w.	
Mount Ayr	Ringgold	1,220	35	34.8	- 4.0	60	2	- 5	30	35	1.36	- 0.18	0.64	2.8	5	21	2	7	sw.	
Tingley	Ringgold	1,275	3	33.3	- 5.1	57	11	- 3	29†	33	1.61	+ 0.14	0.66	2.8	7	17	9	4	n.w.	
Winterset	Madison	1,118	37	34.2	- 4.2	59	11	- 1	29	34	2.28	+ 0.81	1.15	2.5	6	17	8	5	n.w.	
Means and extremes				34.2	- 4.3	61	11†	- 6	30	36	1.64	+ 0.10	1.15	2.2	7	14	9	7	n.w.	
<i>Southeast District</i>																				
Bonaparte (near)	Van Buren	563	37	35.4	- 4.2	57	5†	- 5	30	34	1.19	- 0.61	0.84	0.5	6	14	5	11	n.w.	B. R. Vale John W. Donnelly Miss Musa Todd R. M. McKenzie U. S. Weather Bureau
Burlington	Des Moines	544	32	36.4	- 4.7	58	11	0	29†	28	1.22	- 0.64	0.98	1.0	4	13	5	12	n.w.	
Columbus Junction	Louisa	595	27	34.1	- 5.5	58	11	- 4	30	32	1.61	- 0.13	0.75	1.2	9	18	6	6	n.w.	
Fairfield	Jefferson	780	44	33.6	- 4.9	58	11	- 6	30	33	1.27	- 0.89	0.61	1.4	10	12	8	9	n.w.	
Keokuk	Lee	614	57	36.6	- 4.5	60	11	2	29	27	1.51	- 0.43	0.84	0.4	6	12	4	14	sw.	
Keokuk No. 2	Lee	651		37.4		60	9†	0	29†	31	1.72		1.12	0.4	7					J. N. D. Dickinson Dr. J. W. Rinabarger J. H. Jericho Roy R. Robinson C. L. Mikesh
Keosauqua	Van Buren	639	36	34.8	- 4.2	60	11	- 4	30	35	1.85	+ 0.24	1.00	0.5	4	10	10	10	w.	
Mt. Pleasant	Henry	730	47	36.1	- 3.6	60	11	- 2	30	32	1.33	- 0.48	0.66	0.2	7	12	7	11	n.w.	
Oskaloosa	Mahaska	835	52	34.8	- 3.7	58	9†	- 5	30	35	1.63	+ 0.03	0.71	0.8	8	13	8	9	sw.	
Ottumwa	Wapello	649	33	36.2	- 4.0	66	11	- 2	30	40	1.98	+ 0.60	0.95	T.	7	13	4	13	n.w.	
Sigourney (near)	Keokuk	790	32	34.8	- 3.4	58	11	- 4	29	32	1.45	- 0.20	0.71	1.2	7	19	3	8	n.w.	W. E. Utterback C. L. Beswick D. D. Sherman H. G. Liddle
Stockport (near)	Van Buren	747	26	35.0	- 3.4	59	3†	- 8	30	33	1.34	- 0.30	0.68	1.0	8	15	5	10	n.w.	
Washington	Washington	757	46	34.4	- 4.3	59	2†	- 6	30	35	1.21	- 0.46	0.62	2.0	7	8	11	11	n.w.	
Wever	Lee	552		36.2		59	8	- 5	30	35	1.55		1.03	T.	3					
Means and extremes				35.4	- 4.0	66	11	- 8	30	40	1.49	- 0.25	1.12	0.8	7	13	7	10	n.w.	
State means and extremes				32.3	- 4.3	66	11	- 12	30	43	1.24	- 0.31	1.27	2.7	6	13	8	9	n.w.	

Temperature normals are based on the 46-year period July 3, 1875 to July 2, 1921; shorter records corrected to harmonize. Precipitation normals are based on the 50-year period ended December 31, 1927 at first order stations; upon all records of 10 years or more ending December 31, 1920 for most of the co-operative observing stations; and upon interpolations from normal maps for recently established stations.

Reference letters a, b, c, etc., appearing in the table indicate the number of days missing; for example b represents two days, etc.

†Also other dates.

††Received too late to be included in means and summaries.

T. Precipitation is less than 0.01 inch rain or melted snow.

PRECIPITATION

The average precipitation for the State, derived from the averages of 9 districts of nearly equal area, from the records of 112 stations, was 1.24 inches, or 0.31 inch below normal. There was an excess in the south-central and east-central districts, the remaining seven being below normal. The precipitation which fell in the extreme southwest section of the State was mostly snow. The greatest amount at a single station was 2.58 inches at Williamsburg, and the least was 0.08 at Lake Park. The greatest amount occurring in 24 consecutive hours was 1.27 inches at Williamsburg

on the 13th. The average number of days with precipitation 0.01 inch or more for the State, was 6.

SNOWFALL

The average snowfall for the State was 2.7 inches, or 0.4 inch above normal. The average snowfall for most of the State in general was much below normal and in many localities only a trace of snow recorded, but the heavy snowfall in the extreme southwestern section made the State average above normal. The greatest snowfall was 11.0 inches at Logan and Thurman on the 28th, and the least was a trace reported at 8 stations.

Daily Precipitation for November, 1929

Stations	Drainage Basin	Day of Month																															Totals	
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31		
<i>Northwest District</i>																																		
Akron	Big Sioux			.01							.08		.04					.05											.02	.04	T.	.06	0.30	
Alta	Raccoon							.18			.10	T.	.17	.15					.16		T.					T.			.03	.03	.20		0.89	
Alton	Floyd		T.	T.							.10	T.	.03	.02					.02	.02	T.	T.	T.						.03	.20	T.	.10	0.50	
Cherokee	Little Sioux	T.									.15	.02	T.	.05					T.	.02	T.	T.	T.		T.			T.	T.	.13		0.37		
Estherville	Des Moines										.15		.10						.10											.10	.05		0.50	
Hawarden	Big Sioux			T.							.05		.02						.06	.01			T.					T.	.02	.02	.02		0.18	
Inwood (near)	Big Sioux										.05	T.	.01						.04	T.	T.	T.	T.		.02			.02	.02	.05		0.21		
Lake Park (near)	Little Sioux												T.				.01		.02	T.								T.	T.	T.	.05		0.08	
Le Mars	Floyd										.15		.01	.01					.02	.07	T.	T.	T.		T.			.02	.02	.10		0.40		
Marathon	Raccoon			T.							.16		.12						.06	T.	T.	T.	T.					T.	T.	.05	.21		0.60	
Pocahontas	Des Moines									.04	.20	T.	.08	.15					.05	T.						.02			.02		.06		0.60	
Rock Rapids	Big Sioux											.15							.03											.05			0.25	
Sanborn	Floyd										.11		T.						T.											T.			0.11	
Sheldon	Floyd			T.							.10		T.						.05	T.	T.		T.			.01			.01	.02	.06		0.25	
Sioux Center	Floyd										.16	T.																.12					0.28	
Spencer	Little Sioux			.02							.13		T.	.10					.50	.04									T.	.50	.12		1.41	
Storm Lake	Raccoon										.30		T.	.20					T.	.07	T.							T.	.02	.19		0.78		
Washta	Little Sioux			T.							.18		T.	.25					T.	T.					T.			.05	T.	T.		0.48		
West Bend	Des Moines										.33		.07						T.	T.					T.				.08	.08		0.56		
<i>North Central District</i>																																		
Algona	Des Moines										.12																		.02	.08	.04		0.32	
Allison	Cedar										T.	.33	.02	.12	.25				.07	.04					.02			T.	.12	.02		0.99		
Belmond	Iowa												.10	.20						.05					T.				.06			0.47		
Britt	Iowa	.02									.05	.25	.30				.04		.13	.03	T.				T.	T.		T.	.14	.01	T.	.20	1.11	
Charles City***	Cedar			T.	T.						.05	.25	.30						.13	.03	T.												1.47	
Forest City	Cedar			T.	T.						.18		.09	.15					.03	.08		T.				.10	.15		.08	.10	T.		0.96	
Hampton	Cedar										.46		T.							T.									T.	.12	.20		0.78	
Humboldt	Des Moines			T.							.11		T.						.15	.06	.03				.01	.01		T.	.14	.08	.10		1.01	
Mason City	Cedar	.06		T.							.11		T.	.10	.16				.15	.06	.03				.05	.10		T.	.10	T.	.05		0.96	
Northwood	Cedar			.05							.16	T.		.30					.15							.05	.10		T.	.10	T.	.05		0.96
Osage	Cedar										.27		.15	.17					.16	.04	T.				T.	T.			.12				0.91	
<i>Northeast District</i>																																		
Decorah	Mississippi										.26		.55	.10					.14	T.					T.	T.			.17			1.22		
Dubuque***	Mississippi			.01							T.	.40	.09	T.					.03	T.	.01				T.	T.			.02	.01	.11		0.68	
Fayette	Mississippi			T.							.34		.41	.07					.10	T.					.01	T.	T.		.14	T.	T.		1.07	
Independence	Wapsipinicon			T.							.57		.17	.06					.06	.05					T.	T.			.11	.01			1.03	
Lansing	Mississippi	.32			.04						.28	.08	.14	.25					.26	.03							.04						1.44	
New Hampton	Wapsipinicon										.35		.37	.15					.20	.05						T.							1.12	
Oelwein	Wapsipinicon										.40		.40	T.					.20	T.						T.			.16				1.16	
Postville (near)	Mississippi										.42		.49	T.					.17	.02	T.				T.			.03				1.13		
Waterloo	Cedar										.38		.66	.08					.08	T.					T.			.05	.05	T.		1.30		
Waverly	Cedar			.02							.25		.59	.13					.11	.18					T.			.09					1.40	
<i>West Central District</i>																																		
Audubon (near)	Nishnabotna			.02							.39		.35	.15					T.	T.		T.							.15	.20		1.26		
Carroll	Raccoon			T.							.04	.21	.63						.05										T.	.10			1.03	
Denison	Missouri										.11	.23	.09	.03						T.										.05	.02		0.53	
Guthrie Center	Raccoon										.09	.25	.50																	.05	.05		0.94	
Harlan	Nishnabotna			T.							.26	.16	.45	.20						T.	T.								T.	T.	.15		1.22	
Jefferson	Raccoon										T.	.34	.84	T.					T.	T.	T.								.10	.10			1.38	
Little Sioux	Little Sioux			.01							.30	.15	.30	.12					.06	.02									.16	.15			1.27	
Logan	Missouri			T.							.24	.16	.40	.42					.06										.16	.24			1.68	
Onawa	Missouri										T.	.35	.05	.15						.04									.10	.10	.05		0.84	
Rockwell City	Raccoon																																	
Sac City	Raccoon										.25	.11	.08	.08					T.	T.	T.								.04	.16			0.62	
Sioux City***	Missouri			T.	T.						.10	.01	T.	.06					.05	T.	T.	T.	T.					.01	.02	T.	.13		0.41	
<i>Central District</i>																																		
Ames	Skunk										T.	.40	.65	.10																.04	.10		1.29	
Baxter	Skunk										.54		.58	.39						.05									.10	.02	.02		1.68	
Boone (near)	Des Moines			T.							T.	.37	.48	.11						T.									.01	.04	.18		1.00	
Des Moines***	Des Moines			T.							.21	.10	.97	.30					T.	.03	T.	.03				T.			.08	.08	.16		1.87	
Fort Dodge	Des Moines										.05	.22	.10	.10					.10	T.										.16			0.82	
Grinnell	Iowa										.45		.27	.58															T.	.16			1.49	
Grundy Center	Cedar										T.	.40	.70	.35					.25										.15	.03	T.		1.88	
Iowa Falls	Iowa										.24		.64	.28					.05	T.									T.	.10	.10		1.41	
Marshalltown	Iowa										T.	.41	.46	.12					T.	T.	T.								T.	.04	T.		1.03	
Monroe	Des Moines										T.	.36	.35	.83					T.	T.	T.								.38				1.92	
Perry	Raccoon										.10	.78	.33	.02					T.	T.	T.								.01	.05	.10		0.89	
Toledo	Iowa										.45		.20	.40					.04	.06									.07	.06	T.		1.28	
Van Meter	Raccoon										.20		.80	.30	.25														.03				1.58	
Wauke	Raccoon										T.	.23	1.05	.40					T.	T.	T.								T.	.02	.02		1.77	
Webster City	Des Moines			T.							.28		.47	.06					T.	T.	T.								.05	.02			0.88	
<i>East Central District</i>																																		

Daily Precipitation for November, 1929—Continued

Table with columns for Stations, Drainage Basin, Day of Month (1-31), and Totals. Rows include districts like Southwest, South Central, and Southeast with various station names and precipitation values.

Except as otherwise indicated, observations are generally made late in the afternoon, near sunset, and precipitation recorded is for 24 hours ending at the time of observation.

- |||Precipitation measured in the morning; amount then recorded is for the preceding 24 hours.
\*\*\*Regular Weather Bureau Station: precipitation is for 24-hour period midnight to midnight.
\*\*Incomplete.
\*Precipitation included in the next following measurement.
T. Precipitation is less than .01 inch rain or melted snow.

PRESSURE, RELATIVE HUMIDITY, WIND AND SUNSHINE

Table with columns for Stations, Barometric Pressure (Inches Sea Level), Relative Humidity (%), Wind (direction, velocity), and Sunshine. Rows include Chas. City, Davenport, Des Moines, etc.

\*Sioux City §Davenport ¶Omaha ||Keokuk ‡Local mean time †And other dates.

January 1, 1928, 3-cup anemometers replaced the 4-cup instruments used since the establishment of the Weather Bureau stations. The new instruments will more accurately indicate the true wind movement.

RIVERS

Moderately low stages prevailed on all the interior streams with falling stages the latter half of the month. On the Mississippi River the highest stage was reached during the middle of the month...

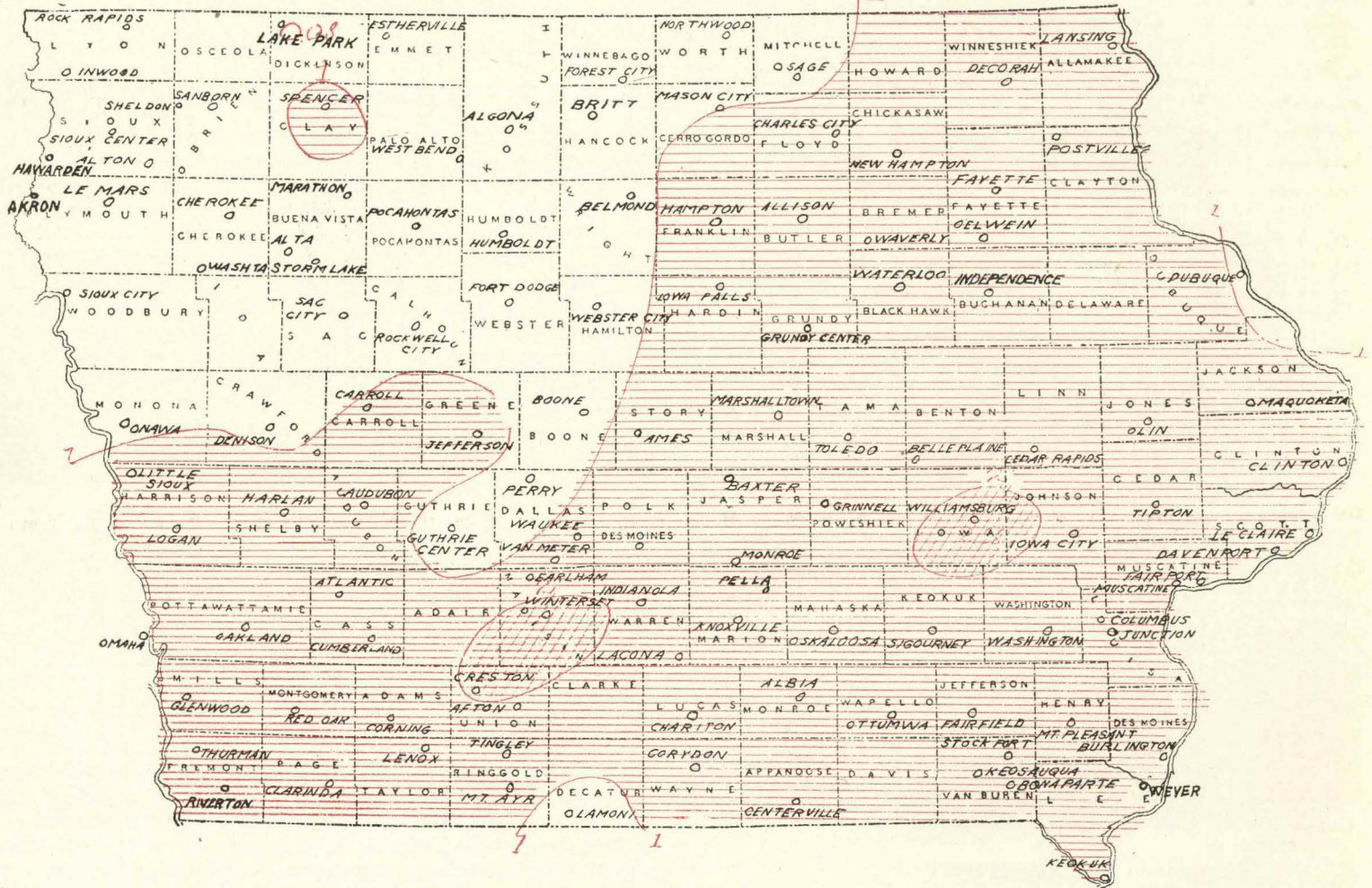
MISCELLANEOUS PHENOMENA

- Aurora: 2d, 3d.
Fog: 9th, 10th, 11th, 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th.
Hail: 3d, 29th, 30th.
Halos (lunar and solar): 8th, 11th, 17th, 18th, 21st, 22d, 25th, 29th.
Sleet: 3d, 16th, 18th, 19th, 27th.
Thunderstorms: 12th, 13th.
Wind (unusually strong): 22d, 27th.

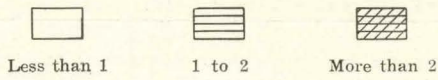
Daily Maximum and Minimum Temperature for the Month of November, 1929

Table with columns for Stations, days 1-31, and Mean. Rows are categorized by Northern Division, Central Division, and Southern Division, listing various Iowa cities and their daily temperature ranges.

TOTAL PRECIPITATION, NOVEMBER, 1929



SCALE OF SHADES IN INCHES



# CLIMATOLOGICAL DATA.

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### GENERAL SUMMARY

December temperature averaged slightly above normal, with an abnormally mild period from the 24th to the end of the month, but cold periods, with below zero temperatures, prevailed during the opening days of the month and from the 18th to 24th. The greatest departures, amounting to one or two degrees above normal, occurred from the Racoon Valley south and east to the boundaries of the State, while scattered stations elsewhere had slight deficiencies. The preceding December was much milder.

The maximum temperature for the month occurred at all but three stations on the 30th. During this unusually mild period, several records were broken in maximum temperatures for so late a date in the season. At Davenport, the highest temperature recorded was 61° on the 30th, this being the highest temperature ever observed on any December 30th since the station was established, the previous record being 60° in 1875. Likewise, the maximum of 54° on the 26th exceeded the record for that date, made in 1928, by 5°. At Des Moines, the highest temperature recorded was 61° on the 30th, this being the highest temperature ever observed on that date since the station was established; the previous record was 53° in 1896. Also, the maximum temperature of 55° on the 29th exceeded the record for that date, made in 1908. At Davenport, the lowest reading was -1° on the 3d, equalling the low record for that date made in 1886. Cold waves passed over the State on the 2d and 18th.

Precipitation averaged 66% less than normal, and was evenly distributed. All of the stations throughout the State were below normal. The two principal precipitation periods were on the 1st and 8th-18th.

Beginning on the 7th and ending on the 17th, the State experienced one of the most persistent cloudy and foggy periods of record. At most places in the State the sun was not visible for 10 days. In the vicinity of Davenport the sky was cloudy for 14 consecutive days, 6th-19th, during which time there were 11 consecutive days with not a glint of sunshine, setting a new record for absolute cloudiness. Throughout the remainder of the State there were 10 consecutive days with no sunshine. At Des Moines the absence of sunshine for 10 consecutive days exceeded by 4 days the previous record of consecutive days without sunshine. During this unprecedented period of gloom all flying ceased. At the airports throughout the State there were no incoming planes, and those which landed on the 8th were unable to leave until the 18th because of the uncertainty of finding favorable landing conditions at other terminals. Air mail was generally dispatched by train.

From the agricultural standpoint the month was generally unfavorable. During the milder periods there was some corn husking; and very little corn remained in the field by the end of the month. The snow cover was unusually light during the entire month. Some corn shell-

### COMPARATIVE DATA FOR THE STATE—DECEMBER

YEAR	Temperature				Precipitation					Number of Days			
	Mean	Departure	Highest	Lowest	Total	Departure	Greatest	Least	Snowfall	With pre. .01 in. or more	Clear	Partly cloudy	Cloudy
1873.....	22.6	- 1.5	65	-10	2.51	+ 1.37	8.56	0.60					
1874.....	24.0	- 0.1	60	-18	0.84	- 0.30	3.22	0.10					
1875.....	30.0	+ 5.9	68	-18	2.06	+ 0.92	4.73	0.73					
1876.....	11.9	-12.2	56	-28	0.24	- 0.90	1.40	0.00					
1877.....	36.8	+12.7	65	-11	2.18	+ 1.04	3.90	1.00					
1878.....	17.2	- 6.9	52	-17	0.77	- 0.37	2.78	0.10					
1879.....	16.1	- 8.0	58	-35	1.40	+ 0.26	3.31	0.20					
1880.....	16.1	- 8.0	55	-25	0.85	- 0.29	2.50	0.06					
1881.....	33.8	+ 9.7	60	-10	1.24	+ 0.10	4.67	0.10					
1882.....	21.0	+ 3.1	54	-23	1.57	+ 0.43	3.50	0.48					
1883.....	24.8	+ .07	62	-24	1.03	+ 0.11	2.75	0.00					
1884.....	16.2	- 7.9	59	-30	2.15	+ 1.01	4.42	0.70					
1885.....	24.6	+ 0.5	55	-22	1.45	+ 0.31	3.73	0.40					
1886.....	14.4	- 9.7	55	-32	0.80	- 0.34	1.64	0.10					
1887.....	20.3	+ 3.8	57	-25	2.17	+ 1.03	5.85	0.60					
1888.....	28.6	+ 4.5	66	- 6	1.46	+ 0.32	2.90	0.25					
1889.....	35.8	+11.7	60	- 2	1.06	- 0.08	3.20	0.00					
1890.....	28.5	+ 4.4	68	-18	0.58	- 0.56	2.72	0.00					
1891.....	32.3	+ 8.2	72	-14	2.41	+ 1.27	4.50	1.21					
1892.....	18.9	- 5.2	68	-29	1.65	+ 0.51	3.04	0.20	10.9	6	14	9	8
1893.....	22.0	+ 2.1	70	-21	1.31	+ 0.17	2.80	0.46	7.6	7	10	9	12
1894.....	30.1	+ 6.0	73	-17	0.95	- 0.19	1.75	0.25	1.3	3	15	6	10
1895.....	25.4	+ 1.3	63	-16	1.63	+ 0.49	5.74	0.00	4.1	5	11	9	11
1896.....	30.8	+ 6.7	70	-10	0.65	- 0.49	1.79	T.	1.6	4	10	8	13
1897.....	18.0	- 6.1	60	-25	1.65	+ 0.51	3.22	0.61	15.9	6	11	7	13
1898.....	18.1	- 6.0	60	-25	0.48	- 0.66	1.70	T.	3.9	3	15	8	8
1899.....	22.6	+ 1.5	75	-19	1.61	+ 0.47	4.28	0.10	4.3	5	12	9	10
1900.....	26.9	+ 2.8	63	-10	0.45	- 0.69	2.70	T.	2.4	4	13	6	12
1901.....	20.5	+ 3.6	64	-31	0.93	- 0.21	2.75	0.05	5.4	6	10	9	12
1902.....	20.1	+ 4.0	59	-20	2.23	+ 1.09	5.51	0.67	12.9	8	9	6	16
1903.....	19.6	+ 4.5	58	-27	0.41	- 0.73	1.96	T.	3.7	4	11	9	11
1904.....	23.4	+ 0.7	67	-19	1.44	+ 0.30	3.68	0.06	12.3	5	12	7	12
1905.....	27.0	+ 2.9	62	-11	0.52	- 0.62	1.69	T.	4.2	3	19	6	6
1906.....	25.7	+ 1.6	65	- 9	1.43	+ 0.29	2.81	0.37	1.4	6	11	7	13
1907.....	28.8	+ 4.7	62	- 9	1.00	- 0.14	2.28	0.05	4.7	5	10	7	14
1908.....	27.2	+ 3.1	67	-17	0.57	- 0.57	2.07	0.05	3.8	3	15	8	8
1909.....	15.1	- 9.0	60	-26	2.18	+ 1.04	6.10	0.89	13.7	11	10	5	16
1910.....	23.4	+ 0.7	57	-14	0.37	- 0.77	1.39	0.01	3.0	3	15	7	9
1911.....	27.9	+ 3.8	60	-24	2.57	+ 1.43	4.43	0.62	12.6	7	13	6	12
1912.....	29.2	+ 5.1	64	-13	0.74	- 0.40	1.75	0.10	1.1	3	18	7	6
1913.....	32.0	+ 7.9	65	-13	1.02	- 0.12	4.73	0.00	1.3	4	15	5	11
1914.....	15.7	- 8.4	63	-31	1.30	+ 0.16	2.24	0.57	11.1	9	10	6	15
1915.....	25.0	+ 0.9	56	-10	0.69	- 0.45	1.70	T.	4.6	5	11	8	12
1916.....	18.7	- 5.4	67	-25	1.04	- 0.10	2.00	0.35	6.7	6	15	8	8
1917.....	14.5	- 9.6	62	-40	0.56	- 0.58	1.70	0.14	6.7	6	10	9	12
1918.....	32.7	+ 8.6	68	- 7	1.30	+ 0.16	3.30	0.37	5.1	8	9	8	14
1919.....	15.0	- 9.1	52	-36	0.54	- 0.60	1.55	0.08	5.8	4	11	7	13
1920.....	26.4	+ 2.3	65	-26	1.16	+ 0.02	2.64	0.26	7.4	5	10	8	13
1921.....	28.2	+ 4.1	69	-22	1.02	- 0.12	3.72	T.	2.9	4	14	9	8
1922.....	24.0	- 0.1	65	-25	0.37	- 0.77	0.97	T.	2.2	3	16	7	8
1923.....	33.5	+ 9.4	68	-21	0.76	- 0.38	2.22	T.	4.4	4	14	6	11
1924.....	15.4	- 8.7	62	-33	1.79	+ 0.65	2.93	0.90	8.1	8	12	6	13
1925.....	21.0	- 3.1	64	-25	1.30	+ 0.16	3.52	0.30	10.6	5	12	8	11
1926.....	21.9	- 2.2	58	-21	1.06	- 0.08	2.42	0.28	5.7	4	10	7	14
1927.....	18.7	- 5.4	59	-22	1.04	- 0.10	2.60	0.23	4.4	5	13	8	10
1928.....	28.7	+ 4.6	57	-15	0.89	- 0.25	1.98	0.12	2.3	5	12	7	12
1929.....	24.8	+ 0.7	65	-13	0.39	- 0.75	1.21	0.03	3.8	5	12	6	13

T. indicates an amount too small to measure, or less than .005 inch rainfall and less than .05 inch snowfall.

ing and marketing occurred during the favorable and mild periods.

Road construction and building were practically suspended throughout the State because of unfavorable conditions.

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### TEMPERATURE

The mean temperature for the State, derived from the means of 9 districts of nearly equal area, and based on the records of 102 stations, was 24.8°, or 0.7° above normal. There was an excess in all the divisions of the State except the northeast district, and this district averaged exactly normal. The greatest excess, 1.2°, was in the south-central district. The highest monthly mean was 30.0° at Keokuk, and the lowest was 19.2° at Rock Rapids. The absolute range for the State was 83°, from 67° at Guthrie Center on the 30th, to -16° at Britt and Forest City on the 19th. Temperatures of zero or lower occurred at all stations, ranging from 10 days at Sioux Center, to 1 at each of the three stations, Dubuque, Davenport and Fairport. The average number of days with minimum temperatures 32° or lower, was 28, ranging from 31 days in the northwest, north-central and northeast districts, to 26 days in the southeast district. The average number of days with temperature zero or lower, was 6. The average number of days with the maximum temperatures 32° or lower, was 13, ranging from 21 days at three of the stations in the northwest district, to 8 days at four stations in the southeast district.

Climatological Data for December, 1929

STATIONS	COUNTIES	Elevation, feet	Length of record, years	Temperature, in Degrees Fahrenheit						Precipitation, in inches				Number of Days				OBSERVERS			
				Mean	Departure from normal	Highest	Date	Lowest	Date	Greatest daily range	Total	Departure from normal	Greatest in 24 hours	Total snowfall (unmelted)	Precipitation, .01 in. or more	Clear	Partly cloudy		Cloudy	Prevailing direction of wind	
<i>Northwest District</i>																					
Akron.....	Plymouth.....	1,153	3									0.15	-0.50	0.10	2.0	4	10	9	12	nw.	Orlan C. Moore D. E. Hadden W. S. Slagle J. E. Wirth A. O. Peterson
Alta.....	Buena Vista.....	1,513	38	21.8	+0.4	52	30	-10	19	34	0.24	-0.67	0.08	1.5	7	12	8	11	nw.		
Alton.....	Sioux.....	1,305	24	21.2	+0.4	51	30	-9	19	37	0.31	-0.49	0.10	2.5	5	11	7	13	nw.		
Cherokee.....	Cherokee.....	1,196	9	22.6	+2.1	54	30	-8	18†	34	0.19	-0.63	0.11	1.7	3	15	5	11	s.		
Estherville.....	Emmet.....	1,298	34	20.8	+0.5	50	30	-11	19	30	0.45	-0.26	0.20	3.0	5	17	6	8	nw.		
Hawarden.....	Sioux.....	1,181	3									0.27	-0.41	0.16	3.2	6	15	2	14	nw.	
Inwood (near).....	Lyon.....	1,474	25	20.3	+0.9	49	4†	-12	19	38	0.19	-0.47	0.06	1.3	7	15	5	11	nw.		
Lake Park (near).....	Dickinson.....	1,489	16	19.7	+0.2	49	30	-12	18	37	0.38	-0.25	0.18	2.0	4	15	2	14	nw.		
Le Mars.....	Plymouth.....	1,224	33	22.4	0.0	53	30	-10	19	37	0.30	-0.57	0.20	5.0	5	16	1	14	nw.		
Marathon.....	Buena Vista.....	1,390	3								0.19		0.09	1.7	4	9	9	13	nw.		
Pocahontas.....	Pocahontas.....	1,248	25	22.8	+1.1	54	30	-10	19	39	0.28	-0.64	0.10	3.5	8	13	6	12	nw.	F. E. Hronek Nellie F. Medberry	
Rock Rapids.....	Lyon.....	1,319	30	19.2	-0.5	48	30	-11	18†	32	0.23	-0.40	0.12	2.6	3	16	0	15	n.		
Sanborn.....	O'Brien.....	1,553	15	20.0	+0.6	50	30	-12	18†	38	0.36	-0.49	0.32	4.5	2	11	7	13	ne.		
Sheldon.....	O'Brien.....	1,418	18	21.4	+1.0	52	30	-9	18†	40	0.21	-0.61	0.08	1.7	8	13	8	10	nw.	J. W. Dow Ross E. Forward F. C. Aue	
Sioux Center.....	Sioux.....	1,461	30	20.4	-0.4	51	30	-11	19	38	0.18	-0.70	0.12	2.3	2	18	1	12	nw.		
Spencer.....	Clay.....	1,319	15	21.4	+0.7	52	30	-9	19	37	0.42	-0.43	0.15	2.0	6	14	4	13	nw.		
Storm Lake.....	Buena Vista.....	1,438	40	23.0	+0.5	54	30	-9	19	32	0.34	-0.48	0.09	3.6	6	14	5	12	nw.		
Washta.....	Cherokee.....	1,157	31	23.3	+1.2	55	30	-9	19	38	0.16	-0.67	0.12	3.0	2	16	2	13	n.		
West Bend.....	Palo Alto.....	1,197	36	22.2	+1.1	53	30	-11	19	39	0.11	-1.05	0.04	1.2	3	16	5	10	nw.		
<b>Means and extremes</b> .....				21.4	+0.6	55	30	-12	18†	40	0.26	-0.55	0.32	2.5	5	14	5	12	nw.		
<i>North Central District</i>																					
Algona.....	Kossuth.....	1,224	56	20.7	-0.8	56	30	-13	19	31	0.37	-0.58	0.24	5.0	4	18	3	10	se.	W. E. Laird W. P. Miller H. F. Luick E. P. Healy U. S. Weather Bureau	
Allison.....	Butler.....	1,060	15																		
Belmond.....	Wright.....	1,181	19	21.6	+0.7	54	30	-13	19	38	0.22	-1.11	0.12	1.5	4	11	3	17	sw.		
Britt.....	Hancock.....	1,236	42	21.6	+1.1	52	30	-16	19	37	0.23	-0.57	0.20	5.0	2	16	3	12	nw.		
Charles City.....	Floyd.....	1,015	38	21.4	+1.0	52	30	-8	19	33	0.25	-1.05	0.35	4.9	4	8	11	12	nw.		
Forest City.....	Winnebago.....	1,226	35	20.4	-0.9	52	30	-16	19	40	0.49	-0.39	0.35	4.9	5	15	1	15	se.	Dr. M. B. Neil L. H. Davis H. C. Snitkey American Beet Sugar Co. Charles Dwelle	
Hampton.....	Franklin.....	1,145	4																		
Humboldt.....	Humboldt.....	1,095	41	23.2	+0.6	55	30	-10	19	39	0.44	-0.42	0.30	3.0	3	10	8	13	nw.		
Humboldt.....	Cerro Gordo.....	1,148	32	21.1	+0.2	51	30	-10	22	32	0.40	-0.58	0.15	3.8	6	9	10	12	nw.		
Mason City.....	Worth.....	1,222	33	20.0	+0.3	50	30	-13	19	35	0.40	-0.83	0.20	4.0	2	7	11	13	nw.		
Northwood.....																					
Osage.....	Mitchell.....	1,163	35	20.8	+0.8	49	30	-10	19	34	0.55	-0.67	0.20	4.5	5	16	3	12	w.	Dr. C. E. Juhl	
<b>Means and extremes</b> .....				21.2	+0.3	56	30	-16	19	40	0.36	-0.70	0.35	4.1	4	12	6	13	nw.		
<i>Northeast District</i>																					
Decorah.....	Winneshiek.....	872	36	20.2	-2.0	48	30	-12	3†	36	0.48	-0.80	0.26	7.0	5	10	8	13	nw.	M. D. Whitney U. S. Weather Bureau	
Dubuque.....	Dubuque.....	700	56	25.6	+0.9	56	30	-4	3	30	0.54	-0.90	0.29	6.3	12	4	7	20	nw.		
Fayette.....	Fayette.....	1,003	41	22.4	+1.0	53	30	-10	3	34	0.73	-0.68	0.45	5.3	3	12	8	11	sw.		
Independence.....	Buchanan.....	956	65	24.6	+1.0	57	30	-3	2†	34	0.45	-0.86	0.37	3.7	2	8	8	15	sw.		
Lansing.....	Allamakee.....	632	22																		
New Hampton.....	Chickasaw.....	1,169	32	21.8	+1.0	50	30	-10	3	34	0.28	-0.81	0.28	3.5	1	8	10	13	nw.	D. W. Dawson John T. Ridler F. L. Williams R. B. Shippy D. H. Murphy	
Oelwein.....	Fayette.....	1,036	6	22.4	-0.6	54	30	-7	20†	41	0.32	-0.96	0.32	4.0	1	13	4	14	s.		
Postville (near).....	Clayton.....	1,192	30	21.1	+0.2	49	30	-8	3	31	0.67	-0.69	0.40	6.8	3	10	11	10	sw.		
Waterloo†.....	Black Hawk.....	854	46	23.8	+0.3	59	30	-8	3	36	0.43	-0.77	0.27	3.2	6	17	2	12	nw.		
Waverly.....	Bremer.....	936	33	22.4	-0.8	55	30	-9	3	48	0.32	-0.86	0.32	4.0	1	15	7	9	nw.		
<b>Means and extremes</b> .....				22.6	0.0	57	30	-12	3†	48	0.47	-0.78	0.45	5.1	4	10	8	13	nw.		
<i>West Central District</i>																					
Audubon (near).....	Audubon.....	1,297	34	21.3	+1.5	56	30	-8	19	33	0.39	-0.60	0.20	5.0	6	13	8	10	nw.	George Kibby Mrs. Jos. J. Wolfe V. L. Byers Floyd H. Bainter Walter Bell	
Carroll.....	Carroll.....	1,265	39	23.9	+0.1	56	30	-9	19	34	0.50	-0.48	0.30	4.2	7	16	4	11	nw.		
Denison.....	Crawford.....	1,171	35	23.8	0.0	56	30	-10	6	32	0.20	-0.67	0.13	3.0	4	12	7	12	nw.		
Guthrie Center.....	Guthrie.....	987	34	25.7	+1.2	67	30	-8	19	37	0.29	-0.82	0.24	3.5	2	4	15	12	w.		
Harlan.....	Shelby.....	1,192	30	24.1	+0.5	60	30	-9	3†	37	0.35	-0.65	0.17	2.9	4	13	5	13	nw.		
Jefferson.....	Greene.....	1,052	30	25.1	+1.5	60	30	-8	19	40	0.55	-0.52	0.30	5.5	3	12	6	13	nw.		
Little Sioux.....	Harrison.....	1,040	24	25.5	+1.5	60	30	-7	19	37	0.30	-0.58	0.10	1.7	11	11	8	12	nw.		
Logan.....	Harrison.....	1,120	62	25.0	+0.4	59	30	-9	19	34	0.43	-0.70	0.16	6.0	3	11	10	10	nw.		
Monona.....	Monona.....	1,051	28	24.8	+0.9	58	30	-9	19	38	0.15	-0.95	0.10	2.0	2	12	3	16	sw.		
Rockwell City.....	Calhoun.....	1,232	33	23.6	+0.8	55	30	-10	19	38	0.39	-0.59	0.20	3.0	4	18	1	12	nw.		
Sac City.....	Sac.....	1,269	53	23.2	+0.7	54	30	-8	19	36	0.20	-0.92	0.08	2.5	3	15	3	13	nw.	F. P. Kessler U. S. Weather Bureau	
Sioux City.....	Woodbury.....	1,135	40	24.8	+1.7	55	30	-8	19	37	0.27	-0.63	0.16	3.2	4	8	10	13	nw.		
<b>Means and extremes</b> .....				24.5	+0.9	67	30	-10	8†	40	0.34	-0.67	0.30	3.5	4	12	7	12	nw.		
<i>Central District</i>																					
Ames.....	Story.....	926	52	25.2	+1.4	59	30	-7	19	38	0.48	-0.58	0.40	5.0	3	15	2	14	nw.	Iowa State College F. A. Kanne C. F. Henning U. S. Weather Bureau Mrs. Emma Sampson	
Baxter.....	Jasper.....	998	29	26.2	+1.8	61	30	-7	19	39	0.19	-0.76	0.16	2.3	3	15	5	11	nw.		
Boone (near).....	Boone.....	894	24	21.2	+0.2	60	30	-12	3	48	0.45	-0.44	0.30	5.0	4	11	6	14	nw.		
Des Moines.....	Polk.....	861	51	26.9	+0.9	61	30	-6	19	35	0.34	-0.88	0.27	4.5	10	9	8	14	nw.		
Fort Dodge.....	Webster.....	1,114	29	23.3	+1.0	55	30	-10	19	38	0.33	-0.50	0.11	4.0	10	16	1	14	nw.		
Grinnell.....	Poweshiek.....	1,031	35	26.0	+0.8	58	30	-6	3	38	0.31	-0.86	0.28	3.5	2	12	7	12	nw.		
Grundy Center.....	Grundy.....	976	38	24.2	+0.3	53	30	-8	19	39	0.58	-0.58	0.28	4.0	4	13	7	11	nw.		
Iowa Falls.....	Hardin.....	1,127	36	23.2	+0.7	57	30	-9	19	36	0.67	-0.63	0.30	3.8	8	13	4	14	nw.		
Marshalltown.....	Marshall.....	947	37	25.2	+0.1	60	30	-6	19	35	0.37	-0.90									



Climatological Data for December, 1929—Continued

STATIONS	COUNTIES	Elevation, feet	Length of record, years	Temperature, in Degrees Fahrenheit						Precipitation, in inches				Number of Days				OBSERVERS		
				Mean	Departure from normal	Highest	Date	Lowest	Date	Greatest daily range	Total	Departure from normal	Greatest in 24 hours	Total snowfall (unmelted)	Precipitation, .01 in. or more				Prevailing direction of wind	
															Clear	Partly cloudy	Cloudy			
<i>East Central District</i>																				
Belle Plaine	Benton	866	39	25.5	+ 1.3	69	30	- 8	3	38	0.65	- 0.70	0.28	3.7	12	8	10	13	n.w.	O. C. Burrows J. T. Wurster Dr. A. P. Bryant U. S. Weather Bureau Bureau of Fisheries
Cedar Rapids	Linn	737	47	25.7	+ 1.7	60	30	- 6	3	36	0.56	- 0.75	0.38	6.0	4	11	1	19	sw.	
Clinton	Clinton	595	56	27.0	+ 0.7	59	30	- 7	3	33	0.44	- 1.31	0.24	7.8	9	12	4	15	s.	
Davenport	Scott	580	58	28.4	+ 1.3	61	30	- 1	3	28	0.53	- 0.95	0.42	5.3	8	6	8	17	w.	
Fairport	Muscatine	567	8	28.5	+ 1.3	61	30	- 4	3	31	0.48	- 1.08	0.35	6.0	5	10	2	19	sw.	
Iowa City	Johnson	733	69	26.6	+ 0.8	60	30	- 8	3	35	0.64	- 0.97	0.49	5.0	8	12	4	15	n.w.	
<i>Southwest District</i>																				
Le Claire	Scott	576	29	24.8	+ 0.8	59	1	-11	3	35	0.45	- 0.86	0.32	4.0	7	8	6	17	sw.	Prof. J. E. Reilly Margaret T. Disney John Strothoff William Molis Mrs. L. Stingley
Maquoketa (near)	Jackson	692	24	25.2	+ 0.3	60	30	- 9	3	38	0.36	- 0.99	0.32	4.5	2	12	6	13	n.w.	
Muscatine	Muscatine	516	68	26.2	+ 0.6	59	30	- 7	3	33	0.65	- 0.83	0.65	6.0	1	6	8	17	n.w.	
Olin	Jones	760	30	26.2	+ 1.8	56	30	- 7	3	33	0.30	- 0.95	0.25	2.6	5	15	4	12	n.w.	
Tipton (near)	Cedar	806	30	26.4	+ 1.0	61	30	-11	3	38	0.51	- 0.98	0.65	5.1	6	10	5	16	n.w.	
Williamsburg	Iowa	770	13	27.0	+ 0.8	63	30	- 8	19	47	0.15	- 0.88	0.36	1.1	2	14	5	12	n.w.	
<i>Atlantic District</i>																				
Bedford	Cass	1,110	38	25.6	- 0.1	60	30	- 8	19	38	0.12	- 1.00	0.05	1.7	4	14	6	11	n.w.	Roy L. Fancolly Arthur L. Bishop Dr. H. C. Hawley C. A. Smith Carl E. Pollock
Clarinda	Taylor	1,009	39	27.6	+ 0.7	63	30	- 7	19	43	0.04	- 1.06	0.04	0.5	1	14	6	11	n.w.	
Corning	Page	1,150	37	27.3	+ 0.9	61	30	- 7	3†	39	0.29	- 0.87	0.19	2.0	2	12	7	12	n.w.	
Cumberland (near)	Adams	1,225	30	27.6	+ 0.8	60	30	- 6	19	35	0.18	- 1.11	0.10	1.0	5	14	3	14	n.w.	
Glenwood	Mills	1,100	31	27.3	+ 0.5	60	30	- 6	19	34	0.03	- 0.64	0.03	0.3	1	13	5	13	n.w.	George Mogridge J. L. Hurley W. S. Matthews B. R. Bridge Geo. C. Rader
Lenox	Taylor	1,250	34	27.2	+ 1.6	62	30	- 8	19	38	0.66	- 0.32	0.36	2.0	6	14	7	10	n.w.	
Oakland	Pottawattamie	1,139	10	26.2	+ 1.0	59	30	- 8	19	40	0.04	- 0.92	0.04	0.5	1	17	2	12	n.w.	
Red Oak (near)	Montgomery	1,030	4	27.2	- 0.2	58	1	- 6	3†	47	0.04	- 1.27	0.04	0.8	1	11	5	15	n.	
Riverton (near)	Fremont	920	3	27.8	+ 1.4	62	30	- 5	19	30	0.14	- 0.79	0.07	2.0	5	15	5	11	n.w.	
Thurman	Fremont	960	32	27.2	- 0.2	58	1	- 6	3†	47	0.04	- 1.27	0.04	0.8	1	11	5	15	n.	
Omaha, Neb.	Fremont	1,105	58	27.8	+ 1.4	62	30	- 5	19	30	0.14	- 0.79	0.07	2.0	5	15	5	11	n.w.	
<i>South Central District</i>																				
Afton	Union	1,212	35	27.4	+ 1.2	60	30	- 6	19	34	0.31	- 0.88	0.13	5.0	9	14	4	13	n.w.	S. R. Brown O. E. McBride Thomas Wood C. C. Burr J. C. Davis
Albia	Monroe	919	31	27.6	+ 1.4	62	30	- 5	19	36	0.31	- 0.76	0.15	1.7	4	8	6	17	n.w.	
Centerville	Appanoose	1,013	24	27.0	+ 0.7	65	30	- 6	19	33	0.70	- 0.40	0.36	6.1	7	14	3	14	sw.	
Chariton (near)	Lucas	1,042	34	27.3	+ 0.9	61	30	- 7	3†	39	0.29	- 0.87	0.19	2.0	2	12	7	12	n.w.	
Corydon (near)	Wayne	1,050	36	27.6	+ 0.8	60	30	- 6	19	35	0.18	- 1.11	0.10	1.0	5	14	3	14	n.w.	
Creston	Union	1,291	24	26.0	+ 1.0	60	30	- 8	19	39	0.18	- 0.88	0.05	1.0	7	12	4	15	n.w.	Mrs. N. Spangler George Phillips Seth F. Shenton W. J. Casey J. B. Alter
Earlham (near)	Madison	1,126	27	26.0	+ 1.5	61	30	- 7	3†	42	0.28	- 0.91	0.24	3.5	2	17	3	11	sw.	
Indianola	Warren	972	38	26.6	+ 1.0	62	30	- 7	19	40	0.57	- 0.75	0.28	5.6	3	12	7	12	n.w.	
Knoxville	Marion	920	34	27.8	+ 1.9	63	30	- 5	3†	37	0.49	- 0.83	0.20	3.5	6	13	4	14	n.w.	
Lacona	Warren	824	30	27.5	+ 1.5	60	30	- 8	19	38	0.08	- 1.10	0.02	0.4	6	16	3	12	n.w.	
Lamoni	Decatur	1,123	22	27.5	+ 1.5	60	30	- 8	19	38	0.16	- 1.10	0.02	2.0	13	7	11	sw.		
Melrose	Monroe	871	36	27.5	+ 1.0	60	30	- 7	19	40	0.12	- 1.11	0.07	1.4	2	18	2	11	sw.	
Mount Ayr	Ringgold	1,220	36	27.4	+ 1.4	58	30	- 8	19	36	0.25	- 0.89	0.05	0.6	8	16	5	10	n.w.	
Tingley	Ringgold	1,275	4	27.5	+ 1.7	61	30	- 7	19	34	0.32	- 0.87	0.16	4.0	2	15	5	11	n.w.	
Winterset	Madison	1,118	38	27.2	+ 1.2	65	30	- 8	19	42	0.32	- 0.88	0.36	2.7	5	14	5	12	n.w.	
<i>Southeast District</i>																				
Bonaparte (near)	Van Buren	563	38	28.2	+ 0.4	63	30	- 6	3	37	0.70	- 0.56	0.60	6.0	2	15	2	14	w.	B. R. Vale John W. Donnelly Miss Musa Todd R. M. McKenzie U. S. Weather Bureau
Burlington	Des Moines	544	33	29.2	- 0.2	60	30	- 3	3	33	1.21	- 0.39	0.91	8.5	7	16	1	14	sw.	
Columbus Junction	Louisa	595	28	27.0	+ 0.8	60	30	- 3	2	36	0.64	- 0.68	0.48	5.5	9	14	5	12	sw.	
Fairfield	Jefferson	780	45	26.8	+ 0.4	60	30	- 4	3	36	0.67	- 0.95	0.50	4.7	7	12	5	14	n.	
Keokuk	Lee	614	58	30.0	+ 0.4	59	30	- 1	3	31	0.69	- 0.76	0.65	7.7	4	6	6	19	sw.	
Keokuk No. 2	Lee	651	37	29.7	+ 0.3	60	30	- 5	3	35	0.90	- 0.65	0.60	7.5	8	13	11	14	sw.	J. N. D. Dickinson Dr. J. W. Rinabarger J. H. Jericho Roy R. Robinson C. L. Mikesh
Keosauqua	Van Buren	639	37	28.4	+ 0.7	65	30	- 5	3	40	0.52	- 0.86	0.48	6.0	2	7	13	11	w.	
Mt. Pleasant	Henry	730	48	28.4	+ 0.3	63	30	- 4	3	35	0.64	- 0.73	0.43	5.0	8	10	7	14	sw.	
Oskaloosa	Mahaska	835	53	27.4	+ 1.4	61	30	- 6	3	39	0.65	- 0.52	0.29	4.6	11	7	10	14	sw.	
Ottumwa	Wapello	649	34	28.6	+ 0.9	62	30	- 8	3	44	0.44	- 0.82	0.32	4.0	4	13	7	11	n.w.	
Sigourney (near)	Keokuk	790	33	27.0	+ 0.3	60	30	- 6	3	48	0.58	- 0.65	0.49	5.8	4	12	3	16	n.w.	
Stockport (near)	Van Buren	747	27	28.0	+ 1.2	64	30	- 8	3	40	0.58	- 0.69	0.54	5.0	2	14	4	13	w.	
Washington	Washington	757	47	27.8	+ 1.2	62	30	- 8	3	36	0.61	- 0.71	0.45	4.7	7	6	7	18	n.w.	
Wever	Lee	552	30	28.2	+ 0.6	65	30	- 8	3	48	0.68	- 0.67	0.91	5.8	6	11	6	14	sw.	
Means and extremes State means and extremes				24.8	+ 0.7	67	30	-16	19	48	0.39	- 0.75	0.91	3.8	5	12	6	13	n.w.	

Temperature normals are based on the 46-year period July 3, 1875 to July 2, 1921; shorter records corrected to harmonize. Precipitation normals are based on the 50-year period ended December 31, 1927 at first order stations; upon all records of 10 years or more ending December 31, 1920 for most of the co-operative observing stations; and upon interpolations from normal maps for recently established stations.

Reference letters a, b, c, etc., appearing in the table indicate the number of days missing; for example b represents two days, etc.  
†Also other dates.  
‡Received too late to be included in means and summaries.  
T. Precipitation is less than 0.01 inch rain or melted snow.

PRECIPITATION

The average precipitation for the State, derived from the averages of 9 districts of nearly equal area, and based on the records of 113 stations, was 0.39 inch, or -0.75 inch below normal. The greatest district deficiency was in the east-central district, -0.98 inch, and the least was in the northwest district, -0.55 inch. There was a deficiency at every station, Clinton having the greatest, 1.34 inches, while Lake Park, with 0.25 inch, had the least. More than 75% of the precipitation was in the form of snow. The greatest amount at a single station was 1.21 inches at

Burlington, and the least was 0.03 inch at Glenwood. The greatest amount occurring in 24 consecutive hours was 0.91 inch at Burlington on the 1st. The average number of days with precipitation 0.01 inch or more for the State was 5.

SNOWFALL

The average snowfall for the State was 3.8 inches, or 2.2 inches below normal. The greatest total snowfall for the month was 8.5 inches at Burlington, and the least, 0.3 inch at Glenwood. The greatest snowfall in 24 hours was 8.0 inches at Burlington on the 1st.



Daily Precipitation for December, 1929—Continued

Stations	Drainage Basin	Day of Month																															Totals
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	
<i>Southwest District</i>																																	
Atlantic	Nishnabotna	.05							.01	T.	T.	T.	T.	T.	T.		.02	.04															
Bedford	102	.05															.10	.03															
Clarinda	Nodaway	.04																															
Corning	Nodaway	T.																															
Cumberland (near)	Nodaway	.15																															
Glenwood	Missouri	T.																															
Lenox	Missouri	.05								.05	.03	.02	T.	T.	T.	T.	.36	.15															
Oakland	Nishnabotna									T.																							
Red Oak (near)	Nishnabotna																																
Riverton (near)	Nishnabotna																																
Thurman	Missouri	T.			T.	T.	T.			T.	T.	T.	T.	T.	T.	T.	T.	T.	T.	T.	T.	T.	T.										
Omaha, Neb.***	Missouri	.05					T.			T.	T.	T.	.01	T.	T.	T.	.01	T.	.03	.04		T.	T.			T.							
<i>South Central District</i>																																	
Afton	Grand	.13									.01	.01	.01	.02		.01	.02	.02	.08														
Albia	Des Moines	.15							T.	T.							.06	.08	.02	T.		T.											
Centerville	Chariton	.36						T.	T.		.01	T.	.02	T.	T.	T.	.01	.02	.03	.25	T.		T.										
Chariton (near)	Chariton	.10																		.19													
Corydon (near)	Chariton	T.																															
Creston	Missouri	.05										.02	T.	T.	T.	.01	.01	T.	.02	T.	.03	.04											
Earlham (near)	Des Moines	.24										T.	T.	T.	T.	T.	T.	T.	T.	.04													
Indianola	Des Moines	.28										T.	T.	T.	T.	T.	T.	.01	T.	.28													
Knoxville	Des Moines	.20									.05	T.	.05	T.	T.	T.	.05	.04	.10								T.						
Lacona	Des Moines	.10									.05	.02	.02	.02																			
Lamoni	Grand	.02										T.	.01	.01	T.	.01				.01													
Melrose	Des Moines	.16									*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	.08													
Mount Ayr	Grand																																
Tingley	Platte	.04										T.	.04	.03	.05	.03	T.	T.	.02	.02	T.	.02											
Winterset	Des Moines	.16										T.	T.	T.	T.	T.	T.	T.	T.	.16													
<i>Southeast District</i>																																	
Bonaparte (near)	Des Moines	.60																		T.		T.											
Burlington	Mississippi	.91											.03	.02	T.	T.	.08	.02	.12	.03	T.												
Columbus Jct.	Iowa	.48										.02	.01	.01	.01	.01	.01	.07	.02														
Fairfield	Skunk	.50										T.	T.	T.	T.	T.	.02	.02	.06	.03	.02												
Keokuk***	Mississippi	.45										T.	T.	T.	T.	T.	.02	T.	.21	T.	T.												
Keokuk No. 2	Mississippi	.60											T.	.02	T.	.02	.03	.02	.15	.05													
Keosauqua	Des Moines	.18																		.04	T.												
Mt. Pleasant	Skunk	.43											.03	.02	.01	.01	.03	.01	.10	T.													
Oskaloosa	Des Moines	.29										.03	.04	.03	.01	.02	.02	.03	.06	T.	.10	T.											
Ottumwa	Des Moines	.32											.01	.02	.02	.02	T.	.06	.03	.08	T.												
Sigourney (near)	Skunk	.49										T.	.03	T.	T.	T.	T.	T.	T.	.04	.02	T.											
Stockport (near)	Skunk	.54																			.01												
Washington	Skunk	.45										.02	T.	.03	.01	.01	T.	.05	T.	.04	T.												
Wever	Mississippi	.52																															

Except as otherwise indicated, observations are generally made late in the afternoon, near sunset, and precipitation recorded is for 24 hours ending at the time of observation.

|||Precipitation measured in the morning; amount then recorded is for the preceding 24 hours.

\*\*\*Regular Weather Bureau Station: precipitation is for 24-hour period midnight to midnight.

\*\*Incomplete.

\*Precipitation included in the next following measurement.

T. Precipitation is less than .01 inch rain or melted snow.

PRESSURE, RELATIVE HUMIDITY, WIND AND SUNSHINE

Stations	Barometric Pressure, Inches (Sea Level)				Relative Humidity, %				Wind				Sunshine				
	Mean	Highest	Date	Lowest	Date	Mean		Date	Total movement	Average hourly velocity	Maximum			% possible departure from normal			
						7 A.M.	12 Noon				Miles	From	Date				
						7 P.M.	Lowest										
Chas. City	30.09	30.65	2	29.55	26	94	79	88	44	30	4,407	5.9	18	n.	18	46	+ 2
Davenport	30.07	30.57	17	29.59	30	89	75	80	42	30	6,916	9.3	31	n.	18	37	- 5
Des Moines	30.09	30.63	21	29.58	31	88	72	79	31	30	6,594	8.9	30	n.	18	50	0
Dubuque	30.00	30.59	21	29.53	30	90	79	82	42	30	4,310	5.8	23	n.	18	38	- 4
Keokuk	30.10	30.64	21	29.62	31	84	71	78	41	3	5,263	7.1	25	nw.	28	45	- 2
Sioux City	30.13	30.77	18	29.55	31	84	74	76	30	30	7,957	10.7	34	nw.	1	52	+ 3
Omaha, Nb	30.12	30.69	21	29.56	31	83	70	72	31	30	5,565	7.5	30	nw.	17,18	55	+ 4
Means and extremes	30.09					87	74	79				7.9				46	0
Normals and records	30.12	30.77	18	29.53	30				30				34	nw.	1		
		*31.09	29th		13th	84	77									46	
		*29.00	1920										*47	nw.	1907		

\*Sioux City §Dubuque ¶Keokuk †Local mean time ‡And other dates.

|||January 1, 1928, 3-cup anemometers replaced the 4-cup instruments used since the establishment of the Weather Bureau stations. The new instruments will more accurately indicate the true wind movement. The records of the 4-cup instruments were somewhat too high at moderate velocities and considerably too high at the higher velocities. Tables of true velocities corresponding to indicated velocities appear in the January, 1928 Climatological Data. For purposes of comparison the highest velocity of record in the lower line of the table has been converted into a 3-cup velocity.

RIVERS

Moderately low stages prevailed on all the interior streams with little fluctuation in their stages. The interior streams were frozen over the entire month. On the Missouri River the stages averaged

below normal. At Sioux City, the extreme stages were 3.4 and 5.4 feet, and the average stage was 4.2 feet or 0.5 foot below normal. At Omaha the extreme stages were 3.3 and 5.9 feet, and the average stage was 4.2 feet or 1.5 feet below normal. The Missouri River froze over at Omaha on the 19th, but reopened on the 26th. The low stages prevailed at both stations from the 6th to the 20th, and much higher stages prevailed the remaining period of the month.

On the Mississippi River a peculiar situation existed in the river stages. At Dubuque, the average stage for the river was higher than during any of the four preceding months. The lowest stage, 2.2 feet, was registered on the list. The water rose steadily to 5.1 feet, the highest of the month, on the 10th. This stage was maintained until the 19th, after which a slow fall set in and continued to the end of the month. The river was frozen throughout the month. Ice measurements showed an average thickness of 6 inches on the 3d; 8 inches on the 10th; 7 inches on the 16th, and 10 inches on the 23d and 30th. At Davenport the extreme stages were 0.4 and 5.0 feet, and the average stage was 2.9 feet or 0.1 foot above normal. The lowest stage, 0.4 foot, was registered on the 2d. The water rose steadily to 5.0 feet, the highest of the month, on the 21st, 22d, and 23d, after which it continued to fall until the stage of 3.2 feet was reached on the 31st. At Keokuk the river was the lowest this month that it has been for several years. The average stage was 0.6 foot below the zero of the gage, and the lowest reading was 3.1 feet below the zero of the gage, which equals the lowest stage on record.

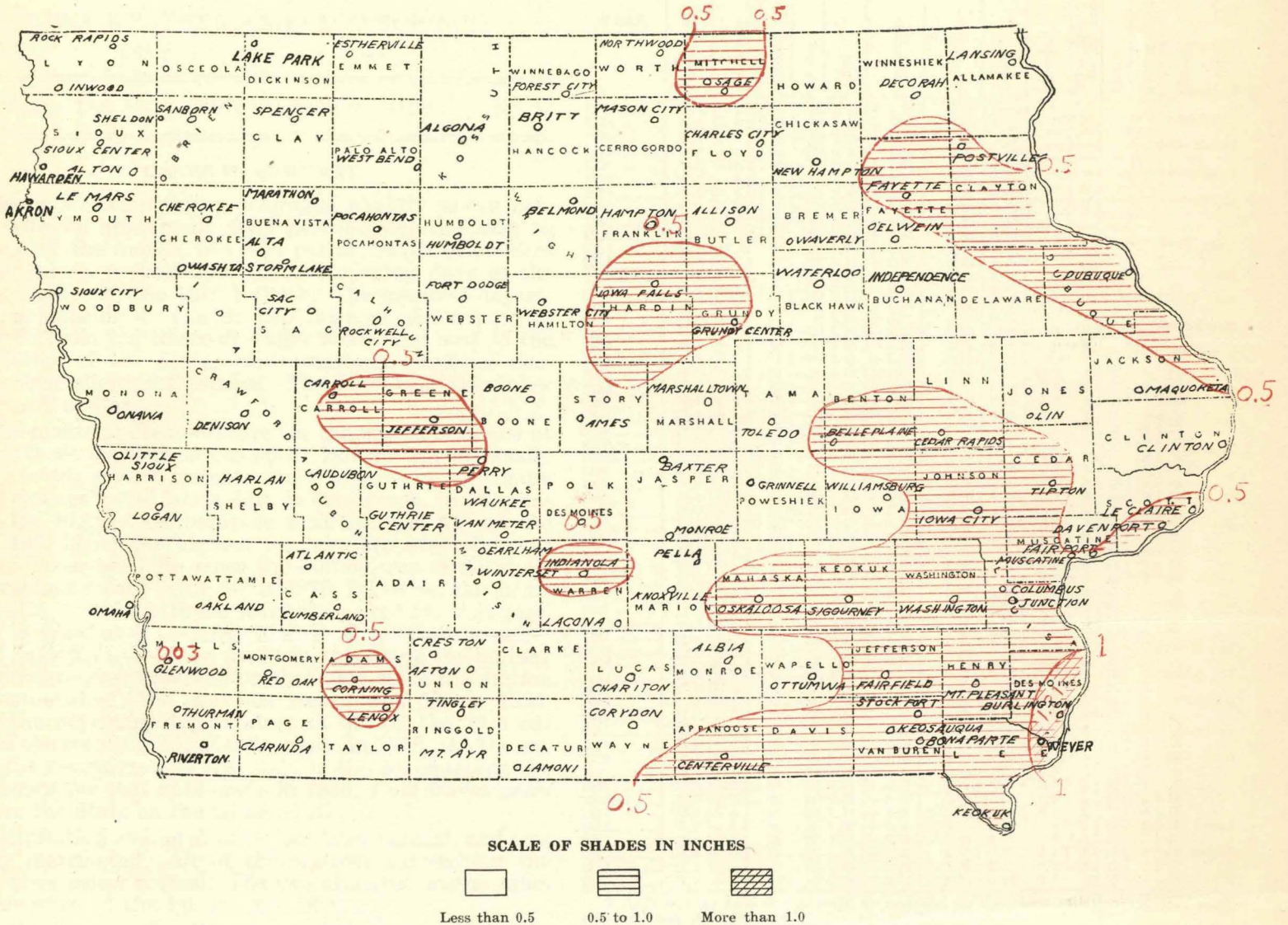
MISCELLANEOUS PHENOMENA

Aurora: 3d, 4th, 5th.  
 Fog: 5th, 6th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th, 22d, 23d, 31st.  
 Haze: 13th, 14th, 15th, 16th, 31st.  
 Halos (lunar and solar): 2d, 5th, 6th, 18th, 19th, 20th, 26th, 31st.  
 Sleet: 8th, 10th, 11th, 12th, 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th.  
 Glaze: 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th, 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th, 18th.

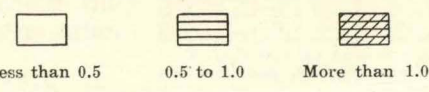
Daily Maximum and Minimum Temperature for the Month of December, 1929

Stations	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	Mean	
<i>Northern Division</i>																																	
Algona	Maximum	18	15	18	40	45	38	22	20	28	31	43	37	34	31	25	26	26	12	2	5	10	12	23	25	38	42	38	35	45	56	48	28.6
	Minimum	3	0	-3	9	23	19	10	18	17	16	30	31	30	14	18	22	10	-8	-13	-7	-1	-9	-4	10	9	27	26	21	22	30	27	12.8
Alta	Maximum	20	11	25	46	40	38	20	26	31	32	32	33	31	34	34	30	4	7	10	10	13	28	35	42	46	39	35	50	52	45	30.0	
	Minimum	3	-2	-3	12	26	13	6	18	18	30	29	30	24	18	18	20	4	-9	-10	-5	-2	-5	2	18	12	30	27	23	23	31	27	13.7
Alton	Maximum	23	10	26	45	40	38	17	24	30	33	33	34	33	32	33	28	29	3	5	10	8	12	26	35	40	46	40	36	49	51	43	29.4
	Minimum	4	0	-4	8	18	17	5	12	20	29	26	32	28	16	20	20	3	-8	-9	-4	-2	-8	0	18	10	25	29	27	21	26	25	13.0
Belmond	Maximum	24	9	23	45	40	41	27	26	29	35	34	35	35	32	32	31	31	15	4	9	11	15	25	37	37	46	39	35	51	54	42	30.6
	Minimum	6	-3	-5	7	15	15	12	13	13	28	28	31	30	20	20	24	15	-7	-13	-8	-3	-9	-6	15	12	26	24	25	19	28	23	12.7
Charles City	Maximum	21	10	21	41	36	37	23	23	28	34	32	35	35	31	31	31	31	17	5	7	12	15	23	37	31	43	33	33	47	52	40	29.0
	Minimum	1	3	4	8	13	15	14	12	15	28	27	31	30	26	22	27	17	5	8	6	2	5	2	15	13	24	23	26	21	28	25	13.7
Decorah	Maximum	35	12	21	36	36	39	32	28	26	34	31	35	35	32	31	29	8	9	14	16	15	23	35	27	40	41	33	41	48	41	29.6	
	Minimum	10	-4	-12	0	12	6	15	6	4	23	24	28	32	25	20	24	-4	-6	-6	-2	-5	-12	2	9	15	23	21	24	20	25	20	10.9
Dubuque	Maximum	30	14	18	38	41	35	30	29	31	36	35	37	39	34	34	35	35	26	13	11	20	23	27	40	30	43	38	37	45	56	42	32.3
	Minimum	9	1	-4	8	20	22	23	17	16	31	32	32	34	31	26	29	26	6	5	2	4	3	14	17	20	26	25	23	27	31	26	18.8
Forest City	Maximum	21	10	23	45	38	40	23	23	25	33	31	33	38	30	30	29	29	20	5	10	12	14	25	30	34	47	41	35	48	52	42	29.5
	Minimum	7	-3	-8	5	22	15	10	15	12	22	25	28	28	16	16	20	10	-8	-16	-11	-4	-11	-6	10	10	25	29	22	17	23	11	2.2
Independence	Maximum	31	18	20	40	39	35	35	26	29	35	35	35	36	34	32	31	32	31	13	12	17	20	24	39	32	45	44	36	47	57	49	32.6
	Minimum	14	-3	-3	6	14	17	16	21	17	26	29	31	33	29	25	25	29	12	-3	-3	3	-2	8	14	15	23	28	25	19	27	25	16.7
Inwood	Maximum	21	10	21	41	36	37	23	23	28	34	32	35	35	31	31	31	31	17	5	7	12	15	23	37	31	43	33	33	47	52	40	29.0
	Minimum	3	-3	-3	11	20	13	2	15	20	25	21	31	25	12	18	18	-1	-11	-12	-7	-6	-10	0	19	8	29	28	22	24	28	18	11.5
Lake Park	Maximum	19	10	22	46	39	36	18	26	26	30	31	32	32	30	31	27	28	2	3	4	7	15	26	31	41	43	40	33	48	49	45	28.1
	Minimum	4	-2	-5	9	22	11	5	16	17	25	23	29	21	9	17	18	0	-12	-10	-6	-4	-9	-2	18	7	26	26	23	18	30	26	11.3
Mason City	Maximum	21	9	22	41	37	38	27	23	26	33	32	34	36	33	31	31	31	23	1	5	8	10	25	35	34	41	39	33	47	51	40	29.0
	Minimum	8	-4	-5	9	16	14	13	14	12	25	26	30	31	21	19	24	21	-4	-5	-8	-2	-10	-6	15	12	22	22	26	20	31	23	13.2
New Hampton	Maximum	27	15	18	38	40	36	34	24	29	35	35	34	36	37	36	32	33	27	11	10	15	19	25	35	29	42	40	33	45	50	40	31.0
	Minimum	10	-3	-10	4	11	13	15	9	7	25	26	30	31	21	21	25	24	-4	-6	-5	-1	-6	-1	12	22	21	23	18	25	24	12.7	
Northwood	Maximum	19	15	20	40	37	39	27	22	25	33	32	33	35	33	31	37	26	20	0	3	10	5	20	34	33	41	34	32	46	50	40	28.2
	Minimum	8	0	-4	5	16	15	13	14	12	25	22	31	31	22	20	20	12	-4	-13	-9	-10	-9	-7	5	11	22	21	19	30	24	11.7	
Pocahontas	Maximum	26	12	25	47	40	41	20	25	29	34	33	35	33	33	35	31	31	10	7	11	12	11	27	37	43	48	38	36	51	54	43	30.9
	Minimum	6	-1	-5	8	23	18	9	20	19	28	30	31	29	29	30	20	10	-7	-10	-5	-2	-7	-5	17	10	28	28	26	21	27	29	14.6
Postville	Maximum	27	11	15	34	35	31	30	25	26	33	32	33	34	32	31	30	31	17	7	8	15	17	25	34	28	40	38	40	40	49	38	28.7
	Minimum	9	-7	-8	3	12	17	15	11	6	25	25	28	31	28	21	25	17	-5	-5	-5	-1	-5	6	15	15	23	20	24	26	27	24	13.5
Rock Rapids	Maximum	14	11	25	35	36	35	19	25	27	32	32	32	32	30	32	27	17	5	4	7	7	10	21	31	40	39	40	35	40	48	40	27.0
	Minimum	5	-1	-3	9	16	17	3	15	19	25	23	30	25	11	17	18	3	-11	-11	-5	-5	-10	-2	18	8	24	23	24	20	24	23	11.4
<i>Central Division</i>																																	
Ames	Maximum	29	14	21	45	42	40	35	26	33	37	36	37	37	34	34	32	32	20	8	13	17	15	24	43	41	48	43	38	53	59	45	33.4
	Minimum	12	-1	7	23	20	13	23	22	32	34	32	32	34	32	32	26	17	0	-7	-3	4	-2	-1	20	17	15	29	27	22	28	25	16.9
Belle Plaine	Maximum	30	16	22	42	45	40	34	30	32	38	36	37	37	34	34	33	30	10	15	21	20	27	42	36	50	42	41	49	60	47	34.3	
	Minimum	12	-4	-8	4	21	19	18	21	20	31	33	32	33	31	29	28	24	3	-3	-3	1	-2	1	14	14	27	28	26	24	16.7		
Carroll	Maximum	29	13	25	46	41	41	28	29	32	34	34	35	33	33	35	32	31	11	6	12	13	11	27	40	43	47	40	37	50	56	44	31.9
	Minimum	11	-1	-3	12	28	21	8	19	18	32	31	31	30	25	22	22	11	-5	-9	-6	-1	-6	-2	19	15	34	27	27	24	33	27	15.9
Cedar Rapids	Maximum	31	15	20	40	41	39	36	30	32	37	36	37	38	35	34	34	34	32	14	14	21	23	25	40	34	48	42	39	47	60	46	34.1
	Minimum	12	-2	-6	4	15	18	19	22	19	31	31	32	33	31	30	28	29	5	0	1	3	1	9	11	17	24	27	26	20	26	23	17.3
Davenport	Maximum	32	14	20	39	47	38	34	30	34	40	37	39	42	35	36	36	29	14	18	23	24	28	44	32	54	42	40	46	61	47	35.2	
	Minimum	9	1	-1	11	30	26	23	25	25	34	33	33	35	33	29	29	29	11	5	4	8	9	18	18	22	30	28	26	25	34	29	21.6
Des Moines	Maximum	32	13	27	47	45	44	26	30	35	40	37	39	39	38	39	31	34	17	10	15	19	16	27	44	46	52	38	40	55	61	47	35.0
	Minimum	6	3	-1	12	28	24	14	22	25	35	33	33	33	30	29	29	17	-3	-6	0	7	0	3	19	19	28	29	32	25	31	28	18.8
Ft. Dodge	Maximum	32	12	24	46	43	41	23	26	32	34	34	36	35	33	33	32	32	14	6	11	14	12	27	38	42	46	40	37	51	55	42	31.5
	Minimum	10	0	-4	8	21	17	11	19	19	31	32	32	32	31	28	22	21	13	-5	-10	-6	0	-6	-5	19	12	29	29	27	21	30	24
Grinnell	Maximum	30	16	23	43	43	42	37	29	33	39	38	38	37	34	35	33	34	29	8	12	18	17	21	41	37	49	44	48	50	58	46	34.3
	Minimum	15	-4	-6	5	25	20	15	20	22	32	3																					

TOTAL PRECIPITATION, DECEMBER, 1929



SCALE OF SHADES IN INCHES



ERRATA

Report for October, 1929. Page 74. New Hampton, mean temperature recorded 49.2°, should be 49.0°; departure recorded -1.0°, should be, -1.2°. Page 76. New Hampton; mean minimum temperature recorded 37.6°, should be 37.3°.

The length of record for all stations in this publication from January, 1929 till November, 1929, inclusive, should be increased 1 year.

Report for November, 1929. Page 85, Omaha; date of lowest barometer reading published 28th, should be 26th. Page 83, Omaha; total snowfall for the month published 8.4 inches, should be 8.5 inches. Page 82, Fort Dodge, monthly mean temperature published 29.8°, should be 30.0°; Departure recorded -5.5°, should be, -5.3°. Page 82, Sac City, total precipitation published 0.62 inch, should be 0.72; Departure recorded -0.68, should be -0.58. Page 84, Sac City, total precipitation published 0.62 inch, should be 0.72. Page 86, Fort Dodge, monthly mean minimum temperature published 20.8°, should be 20.6°.

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# CLIMATOLOGICAL DATA.

## IOWA SECTION

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### GENERAL SUMMARY

The mean temperature of the year 1929 for the State of Iowa as a whole, was 46.4°, or 1.6° below normal. January, February and November produced most of the deficiency in temperature, though May, June and September were also deficient. March and April were noticeably warmer than normal, and July, August and December slightly warmer. The mean temperature of the crop season, May to September inclusive, was 66.5° or 1.3° below normal. The average length of the growing season for the State between the average date of last killing frost in spring, May 13, and the average date of first killing frost in autumn, September 28, was 138 days, or 17 less than the normal. Eighty-five per cent of the corn escaped frost damage.

Precipitation averaged 30.20 inches, or 1.95 inches less than the slightly revised normal. Excessive rains in April hindered spring seeding and planting. Excessive snows in January and February, the greatest since records began in 1892, greatly reduced transportation and marketing and caused spring floods in many places. The State average snowfall for the year was 41.8 inches, or 11.1 inches above the normal, and the greatest since records began in 1892, except 1909, which had 49.0 inches. The greatest total snowfall of the year, 75.8 inches, occurred at Northwood, Worth County. Sunshine was deficient or just normal in all months, but August and November, which had slight excesses. Hail, tornado and storm damage generally was less than in 1928.

Corn did not yield as well as in 1928, but the cool weather crops, such as oats, wheat, hay and potatoes, yielded well.

### SYNOPSIS BY MONTHS

Persistent low temperatures, yet with freakish fluctuations in the early part of the month, and the largest average snowfall since statewide records of snowfall began in 1892, were the outstanding features of the weather of January, 1929. Travel by rail and automobile was suspended for long periods; country roads remote from the main highways were blocked for weeks; snow in the city streets was reduced to the consistency of ice, through which deep tracks were cut by automobiles; and an unusually large amount of damage to paved streets occurred. The ice harvest was completed during the month, but deep snows added considerably to the cost of harvesting. Where the ground was blown bare of snow it froze to unusual depths. The snow cover and severe temperature made it impossible for birds to obtain feed, and large numbers perished. The consumption of feed by livestock was very heavy.

Severe winter weather continued most of February, with the same general characteristics as January, only temperature extremes were greater, though the average temperature was higher and the blizzards were less intense. Traffic interference continued. The snowfall was dry and easily blown about, rapidly filling the cuts of the railways and the cleared tracks of the main highways. In some cases drifts were 15 feet deep. Snow fences were buried and detours were necessary around persistently drifted places. Rural mail delivery was almost impossible; damage to paving continued, and this, together with the cost of snow removal, amounted to several million dollars in the state. Many roofs were damaged. The care of livestock was made difficult and the consumption of feed continued heavy. Rabbits severely injured fruit trees and berry canes.

Though the average temperature of the winter of 1928-1929 was not exceptionally low, due to the warm December, the heavy and frequent snows and rather low temperatures of January and February made it the most severe winter since automobiles have come into general use, and it is generally remembered as a severe winter.

### AVERAGE PRECIPITATION State of Iowa, Year, 1929

### AVERAGE TEMPERATURE DEPARTURE State of Iowa, Year, 1929

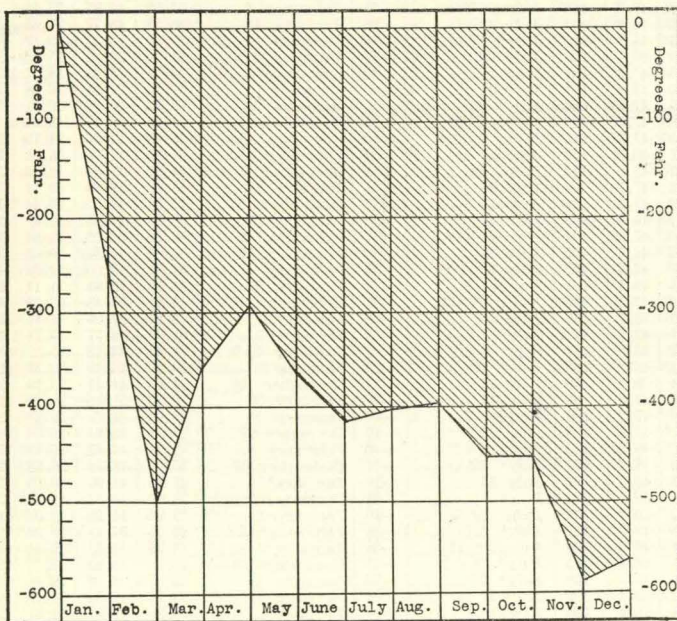


Figure 1.—Line bounding shaded area shows accumulated departure of temperature from normal. Upward slope means temperature above normal; downward, below.

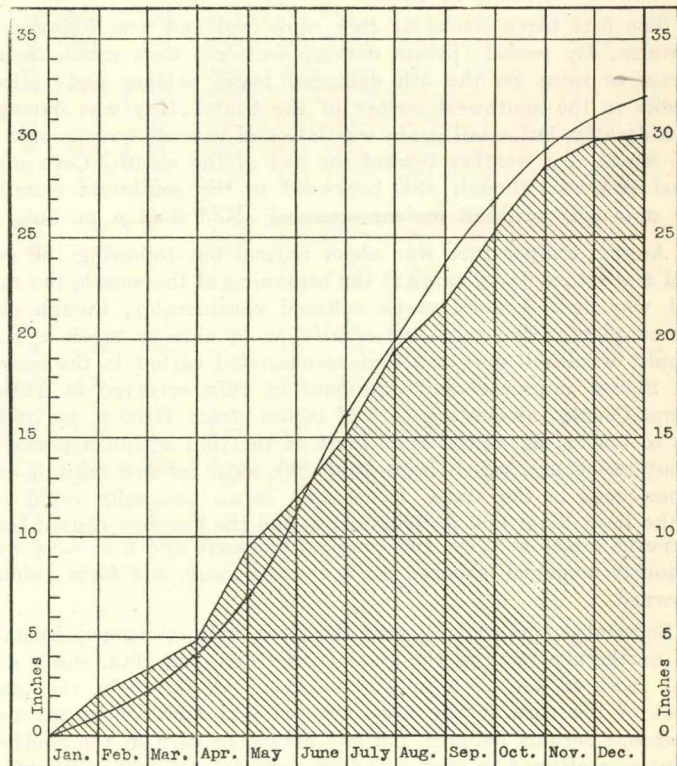


Figure 2.—Line bounding shaded area shows accumulated depth of precipitation in inches. Smooth curve shows normal.

Wintery weather relaxed early in March, though the accumulated snow did not disappear generally till toward the middle of the month, when a warm period melted it rather rapidly, causing the highest known water in connection with ice gorges in many of the rivers. This was particularly true of the Iowa, Cedar, Nishnabotna, Raccoon and lower Des Moines rivers. On the 30th a destructive ice and sleet storm occurred in central and northern Iowa, doing great damage between Waterloo and Dubuque. The melted snow made country roads and even graveled highways impassable.

Summerlike weather occurred early in April, prematurely opening the buds of trees and fruits, but the decreased fruit crop was due more to cool, rainy weather during the blooming season than to subsequent frost. Bees had suffered severely from winter killing and were notably absent. Precipitation averaged 60% in excess of the normal. The period October, 1928, to April, 1929, inclusive, averaged wetter than any similar period in 55 years. Streams were higher than normal and floods occurred in sections of the Mississippi River and smaller streams emptying into it. Spring seeding was much impeded and preparations for corn planting delayed. Dirt roads were generally impassable, and hundreds of mudholes had to be planked on graveled highways. Tornadoes occurred on four days, and there was considerable hail.

May was generally cool, and there was a severe drop in temperatures of 40° or more on the 15th-16th. Frosts were frequent during the first two weeks, and as late as the 21st in the northern counties, but there was little damage because vegetation was backward. The average date of last killing frost was May 13, ten days later than normal. Tree fruit fell off badly as a result of the frost. Precipitation was generally deficient, but there were locally heavy and damaging rains, particularly in Woodbury, Plymouth and Lyon counties, which washed out bridges and railway embankments, overflowed farm land and drowned animals. Farm work was backward, and corn planting was greatly delayed in some sections, particularly the southwest counties.

June was generally cool, with deficient precipitations, though with excessive rainfall in localities. On the 11th, hail, wind and floods caused damage amounting to about \$1,000,000 in the northwest counties. Three-fourths of this damage was in Monona and Woodbury counties. In general, the crop situation at the close of June was better than the spring weather seemed to warrant, except that corn was very backward in the southwest counties. The hay and small grain crops were in unusually good condition. White clover was unusually luxuriant.

The first three weeks of July were cool and wet, followed by a warm, dry period. Storm damage was less than usual, though excessive rains on the 5th damaged many bridges and railway tracks in the southwest corner of the State. Hay was damaged considerably, but small grain was late and harvest was favored by the warm, dry weather toward the end of the month. Corn made good progress, though still backward in the southwest counties. An unusually brilliant meteor occurred about 9:46 p. m. July 25.

August temperature was about normal but following the general and rather heavy rains at the beginning of the month, the rainfall was deficient and crops suffered considerably, though deep rooted plants, like corn and alfalfa, were able to reach a large supply of subsoil moisture that accumulated earlier in the season. An almost unprecedented downpour of rain occurred at Toledo, Tama County, amounting to 8.27 inches, from 11:00 p. m. of the 1st to 6:00 a. m. of the 2nd. Most of this fell within a period of about two hours, which is probably the most intense rainfall ever experienced in the state. It resulted in an unusually rapid rise in the Iowa River and its tributaries, and the overflow caused large property losses in town and country, railways and highways were seriously damaged, shocked grain carried away, and farm animals drowned.

September was cool till near the close, with occasional frosts in the northern portion of the state on the 14th and 16th, and a general frost on the 18th in the northern two-thirds of the state. Most of the corn in the area affected was sufficiently advanced to escape serious damage, but the backward corn in the southern counties continued to grow. The average date of first killing frost

SUPPLEMENTAL PRECIPITATION TABLE, YEAR 1929

STATIONS	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual
<i>Northern Division</i>													
Allison.....	2.03	1.53	1.20	3.18		1.85							
Hampton.....	2.07	1.99	0.68	5.29	3.61	2.01	2.87	3.37	3.98	1.81			
Hawarden.....	0.65	0.94	0.57	4.08	4.67	3.42	4.59	1.70	3.06	2.11	0.18	0.27	26.24
Lansing.....			1.47	4.08	2.49	3.26	2.33	2.85	2.70	1.19	1.44		
Marathon.....	1.08	1.56	1.38	4.64	1.00	3.38	2.16	2.87	4.91	2.17	0.60	0.19	25.6
Northwood.....	2.55	1.10	1.88	5.61	3.89		2.41	3.54	4.61	1.55	0.96	0.40	
Waverly.....	3.81	1.54	1.85	2.97		1.85	4.35	3.97	4.10	1.36	1.40	0.32	
<i>Central Division</i>													
Davenport, No. 2.....	3.59	0.92	2.01	6.07	1.67	4.38	6.32	3.14					
Grinnell.....	2.63	0.85	1.70	5.45	2.61	1.89	4.26	2.23		2.43	1.49	0.31	
Guthrie Center.....				4.56	2.03	2.96	4.31	0.78	3.26	4.69	0.94	0.29	
LeClaire.....			2.18	5.30	2.13	4.50	5.01	3.45	4.71	3.31			
Maquoketa (near).....	2.07	0.87	1.74	4.33	1.30		2.54	2.57	2.35	3.60	1.28	0.45	
Muscatine.....	3.39	0.81	2.14	7.97	1.30	2.74	8.78	2.33	3.91	3.33	1.72	0.85	39.27
Rockwell City.....			0.82				4.60	2.30	4.13	2.33		0.37	
Sac City.....	1.32	1.92	0.30	2.63	1.45		3.49	1.99	2.34	1.80	0.72	0.20	
Van Meter.....	2.20	1.23	1.20	4.99	1.78	2.88	4.60	2.58	3.36	2.80	1.58	0.35	29.55
Waukeo.....			1.05	5.67	1.48	1.99	5.81	1.97	4.42	3.25	1.77	0.34	
<i>Southern Division</i>													
Afton.....	2.22	2.81	0.98	4.99	2.40	3.48	2.77		4.06	4.78	1.80	0.31	
Bedford.....	2.47	1.58	0.67	6.43	3.18	4.31	6.16	1.46	3.80	6.55	1.27	0.18	38.06
Corning.....	2.72	1.00	1.12	5.52	3.84	2.36	3.58	1.44	4.30	6.51		0.10	
Keokuk, No. 2.....				5.68	3.93	5.18	6.25	1.87	4.98	5.18	1.72	0.99	
Lacona.....	3.79	1.75	1.58	4.60	1.68	2.86	2.35	2.03	2.35	2.91	1.58	0.49	27.97
Melrose.....				5.99	2.16	3.25	5.79	1.75	4.48	4.97	1.76	0.16	
Red Oak.....	1.23	2.26	0.87	5.81	3.66	5.00	5.34	1.07	4.07	5.72	1.16	0.08	36.27
Riverton (near).....	1.34	1.13	0.97	5.76	5.79	4.85	12.30	0.88	2.63	5.97	1.60	0.12	43.34
Wever.....	3.54	1.17	4.92	6.95	2.49	5.34	4.53	1.68	3.44	5.75	1.55		

COMPARATIVE DATA FOR THE STATE—Annual

Year	Temperature				Precipitation in Inches			
	Mean annual	Highest	Date		Annual	Greatest annual	Least annual	Average snowfall
			Lowest	Date				
1873	46.1	102	August 31	-38	33.92	41.04	23.34	
1874	47.7	101	July 5	-24	30.76	39.76	25.43	
1875	43.3	97	July 16	-31	35.83	48.42	28.55	
1876	45.9	96	August 21	-28	36.65	53.57	19.92	
1877	48.4	100		-31	35.16	49.82	22.52	
1878	50.0	101		-13	34.53	42.08	20.92	
1879	48.0	102		-35	28.23	46.71	16.49	
1880	47.9	104		-25	30.95	51.10	14.90	
1881	47.5	104		-40	44.16	56.81	34.02	
1882	48.4	98		-23	33.40	50.30	17.71	
1883	41.8	100		-38	34.54	46.15	18.00	
1884	46.0	96		-38	35.59	46.60	23.35	
1885	44.7	102	July 31	-12	32.23	44.89	17.91	
1886	46.4	103	July 13	-34	24.71	35.48	15.55	
1887	46.6	105	July 29	-34	26.31	38.61	12.30	
1888	45.3	110	August 2	-43	31.44	41.17	20.60	
1889	48.0	104	August 30	-28	21.95	37.61	13.66	
1890	47.5	101	July 13	-27	29.48	45.45	16.51	
1891	47.3	106	August 9	-31	32.90	49.05	23.48	
1892	46.6	104	July 11	-38	36.58	48.77	24.78	34.2
1893	45.7	102	July 13	-36	27.59	33.27	19.19	37.2
1894	49.7	109	July 26	-37	21.94	29.81	15.65	19.2
1895	47.2	104	May 28	-33	26.77	35.25	18.57	26.0
1896	48.6	104	July 3	-20	37.23	51.60	28.68	22.6
1897	47.8	106	July 23	-30	26.98	36.18	20.21	38.8
1898	47.3	103	August 20	-25	31.34	55.47	19.51	40.3
1899	47.3	104	Sept. 6	-40	28.68	42.06	21.79	23.4
1900	49.3	103	August 3	-27	35.05	47.33	25.05	25.8
1901	49.0	113	July 22	-31	24.41	37.69	16.35	38.5
1902	47.7	88	July 30	-31	43.82	58.80	20.14	28.0
1903	47.2	101	August 24	-27	35.39	50.53	26.41	19.4
1904	46.3	100	July 17	-32	28.51	38.93	19.34	29.2
1905	47.2	101	August 11	-41	36.56	52.26	24.66	38.3
1906	48.4	102	July 21	-32	31.60	44.34	20.63	32.8
1907	47.4	102	July 5	-31	31.61	43.90	19.93	24.0
1908	49.4	101	August 3	-18	35.09	49.98	24.11	22.7
1909	47.4	103	August 15	-26	40.01	53.48	37.20	49.0
1910	48.6	108	July 16	-35	19.87	27.99	12.11	23.4
1911	49.5	111	July 3	-35	31.37	46.77	19.74	35.3
1912	46.3	104	Sept. 8	-47	28.65	33.13	15.25	39.5
1913	49.7	108	July 16	-25	29.95	45.18	20.31	25.4
1914	49.1	109	July 12	-31	31.93	44.11	23.30	27.5
1915	47.8	99	May 14	-32	39.53	51.15	27.29	31.3
1916	47.2	106	August 4	-34	28.90	46.34	22.48	29.5
1917	44.8	106	July 30	-40	27.81	36.00	20.78	32.4
1918	49.2	113	August 4	-36	32.78	47.53	25.03	33.4
1919	48.6	104	July 30	-36	36.76	48.16	26.88	26.6
1920	48.2	102	July 23	-26	31.75	41.00	20.95	21.7
1921	52.2	104	July 11	-22	32.03	46.47	20.44	30.7
1922	50.2	104	June 23	-29	29.98	44.20	19.08	13.5
1923	49.0	102	July 22	-23	29.50	37.47	21.36	36.3
1924	46.4	100	August 21	-36	31.39	43.85	19.41	37.2
1925	48.8	105	July 1	-25	28.24	45.53	13.77	29.2
1926	48.3	109	July 19	-22	33.07	48.36	22.35	27.8
1927	48.8	102	July 11	-27	29.35	47.54	18.75	17.9
1928	49.4	100	August 1	-20	35.96	47.81	24.67	22.5
1929	46.4	102	August 22	-35	30.20	44.24	20.57	41.8
Mn	47.7				31.82			29.8

\*And other dates.





CLIMATOLOGICAL DATA FOR THE YEAR 1929—Continued

Table with columns: STATIONS, COUNTIES, Elevation, Length of record, Temperature (Mean, Highest, Date, Lowest, Date), Length of record, Total, Precipitation (Greatest Monthly, Month, Least Monthly, Month, Total snowfall), Number of Days (Clear, Partly cloudy, Cloudy), Prevailing direction of wind.

Reference letters a, b, c, etc., appearing in the table indicate the number of days missing; for example, b represents two days, etc.
†Also on other days.
\*Also in other months.

MONTHLY STATE DATA FOR 1929

Table with columns: MONTH, Barometric Pressure (Mean, Highest, Date, Lowest, Date), Temperature (Mean, Departure from Normal, Highest, Lowest, 7 a. m., 12 noon, 7 p. m.), Relative Humidity (Average, Departure from Normal, Lowest), Precipitation (Average, Departure from Normal, Greatest, Least, Snowfall), No. of Days (Clear, Partly Cloudy, Cloudy), Sunshine (Pct. of Possible Amt., Departure from Normal), Wind (Average Hourly Velocity, Prevailing Direction).

†Local mean time.
\*Normal central time.
†And other dates.
‡7 A. M. and 7 P. M. observations only.

MEAN MONTHLY AND ANNUAL TEMPERATURES, WITH DEPARTURES FROM THE NORMAL, FOR 1929

Table with columns for STATIONS, months (January-December), and Annual. Rows are categorized into Northern Division, Central Division, and Southern Division. Each row lists a station and its corresponding temperature and departure values for each month and the annual average.

Reference letters a, b, c, etc., appearing in the table indicate the number of days missing; for example, b represents two days, etc.

MEAN MONTHLY AND ANNUAL PRECIPITATIONS, WITH DEPARTURES FROM THE NORMAL, FOR 1929

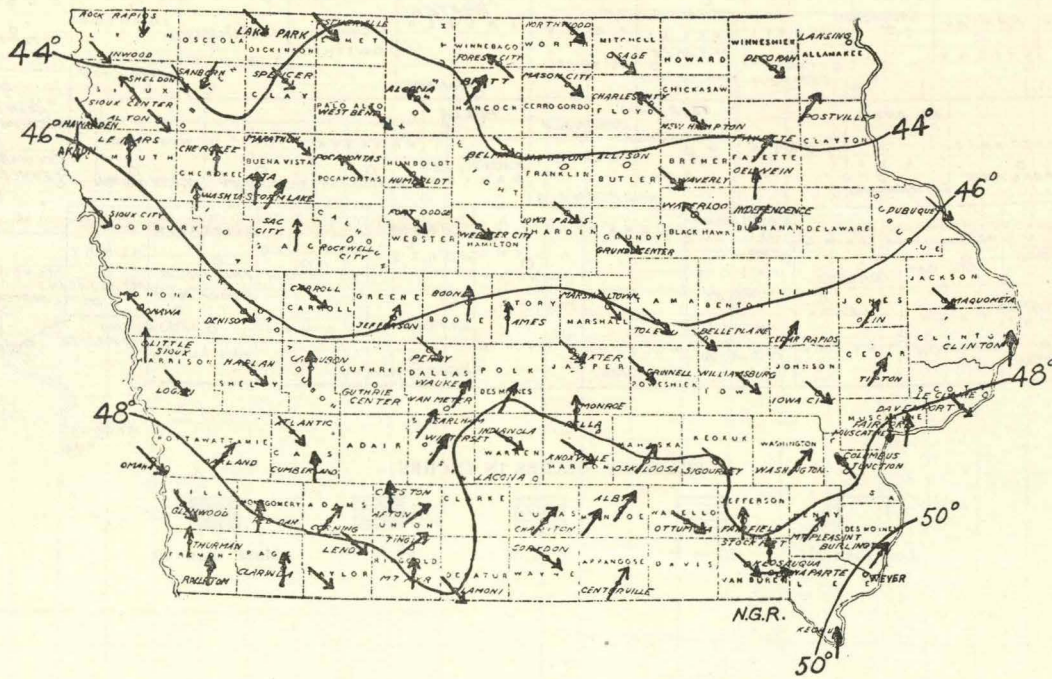
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DATES OF KILLING FROST, 1929

Charles City, Davenport, Des Moines, Dubuque, Keokuk, Sioux City, Omaha and Marshalltown, excluded from averages because of city influences.

STATIONS	Last in Spring	First in Autumn	Days in Growing Season	STATIONS	Last in Spring	First in Autumn	Days in Growing Season	STATIONS	Last in Spring	First in Autumn	Days in Growing Season
<i>Northwest District</i>			<i>North Central District</i>				<i>Northeast District</i>				
Alta.....	May 16	Sept. 18	125	Algona.....	May 16†	Sept. 18	125	Decorah.....	May 19†	Sept. 18	122
Alton.....	May 16†	Sept. 18	125	Allison.....	May 19	Sept. 18†	122	Dubuque.....	April 1†	Oct. 23	205
Cherokee.....	May 16†	Sept. 18†	125	Belmond.....	May 19	Sept. 18	122	Fayette.....	May 19	Sept. 18	122
Estherville.....	May 19†	Sept. 18	122	Britt.....	May 19†	Sept. 18	122	Independence.....	May 19†	Sept. 18†	122
Inwood (near).....	May 16	Sept. 18	125	Charles City.....	May 9	Sept. 18	132	New Hampton.....	May 19†	Sept. 18	122
Lake Park (near).....	May 16†	Sept. 18†	125	Forest City.....	May 19†	Sept. 18	122	Oelwein.....	May 19†	Sept. 18†	122
Le Mars.....	May 16†	Sept. 18	125	Hampton.....				Postville (near).....	May 21†	Sept. 18	120
Pocahontas.....	May 19†	Sept. 18†	122	Humboldt.....	May 19†	Sept. 18	122	Waterloo.....	May 19†	Sept. 18	122
Rock Rapids.....	May 16†	Sept. 18	125	Mason City.....	May 19	Sept. 18	122	Waverly.....	May 19†	Sept. 18	122
Sanborn.....	May 16†	Sept. 18	125	Northwood.....	May 19†	Sept. 18	122	Rural Average.....	May 19	Sept. 18	122
Sheldon.....	May 16†	Sept. 18	125	Osage.....	May 19†	Sept. 18†	122	<i>East Central District</i>			
Sioux Center.....	May 16†	Sept. 18†	125	Rural Average.....	May 19	Sept. 18	122	Belle Plaine.....	May 19†	Sept. 18	122
Spencer.....	May 16†	Sept. 18†	125	<i>Central District</i>				Cedar Rapids.....	May 21†	Sept. 18	120
Storm Lake.....	May 16†	Sept. 18	125	Ames.....	May 7†	Sept. 18	134	Clinton.....	May 5†	Oct. 18†	136
Washta.....	May 21†	Sept. 18	120	Baxter.....	May 19†	Sept. 18	122	Davenport.....	April 1	Oct. 23	205
West Bend.....	May 13†	Sept. 18†	122	Boone (near).....	May 21	Sept. 18	120	Fairport.....	May 4†	Oct. 23	172
Rural Average.....	May 17	Sept. 18	124	Des Moines.....	April 13	Oct. 25	195	Iowa City.....	May 5	Sept. 18†	136
<i>West Central District</i>				Des Moines (near).....	May 19†	Sept. 18†	122	Maquoketa (near).....	May 21†	Sept. 18†	120
Audubon (near).....	May 16†	Sept. 18	125	Fort Dodge.....	May 19†	Sept. 18†	122	Olin.....	May 21†	Sept. 18†	120
Carroll.....	May 16†	Sept. 18†	125	Grinnell.....	May 19†	Sept. 18	122	Tipton (near).....	May 19†	Sept. 18†	122
Denison.....	May 16†	Sept. 18†	125	Grundy Center.....	May 19†	Sept. 18	122	Williamsburg.....	May 21†	Sept. 18†	120
Guthrie Center.....	May 16†	Sept. 18†	125	Iowa Falls.....	May 19	Sept. 18	122	Rural Average.....	May 15	Sept. 22	130
Harlan.....	May 16†	Oct. 21†	158	Marshalltown.....	May 19	Sept. 18	122	<i>Southeast District</i>			
Jefferson.....	May 16†	Sept. 18†	125	Monroe.....	May 5	Sept. 18	136	Bonaparte (near).....	April 2†	Oct. 23†	204
Little Sioux.....	May 16†	Oct. 21†	158	Perry.....	May 21†	Sept. 18	120	Burlington.....	April 1†	Oct. 23†	205
Logan.....	May 16†	Oct. 21†	158	Toledo.....	May 19	Sept. 18	122	Columbus Junction.....	May 5†	Oct. 23†	171
Onawa.....	May 16†	Oct. 21†	158	Waukee.....	May 16†	Sept. 18	125	Fairfield.....	May 5†	Sept. 18†	136
Rockwell City.....	May 16†	Sept. 18†	125	Webster City.....	May 21†	Sept. 18	120	Keokuk.....	April 1	Nov. 9	222
Sac City.....	May 16†	Sept. 18†	125	Rural Average.....	May 17	Sept. 18	124	Keosauqua.....	May 5†	Oct. 23†	171
Sioux City.....	May 5	Oct. 23	171	<i>South Central District</i>				Mt. Pleasant.....	April 2†	Oct. 23	204
Rural Average.....	May 16	Sept. 30	137	Afton.....	May 2†	Oct. 25†	176	Oskaloosa.....	May 5	Oct. 23	171
<i>Southwest District</i>				Albia.....	May 5†	Oct. 25†	173	Ottumwa.....	May 6†	Oct. 25	172
Atlantic.....	May 16†	Sept. 18	125	Centerville.....	May 5†	Oct. 25†	173	Sigourney (near).....	May 5†	Sept. 18	136
Clarinda.....	May 16†	Oct. 21†	158	Chariton (near).....	May 5†	Oct. 23†	170	Stockport (near).....	May 5†	Oct. 23†	171
Corning.....	May 16†	Oct. 21	158	Corydon (near).....	April 15	Oct. 23†	191	Washington.....	May 5†	Sept. 18†	136
Cumberland (near).....		Sept. 18†		Creston.....	May 3†	Oct. 23†	173	Wever.....	May 5†	Oct. 23†	171
Glenwood.....	May 2†	Oct. 13	164	Earlham (near).....	May 16†	Sept. 18	125	Rural Average.....	April 27	Oct. 14	170
Lenox.....	May 16†	Oct. 25	162	Indianola.....	May 5†	Sept. 18	136	State Average, 1929.....	May 13	Sept. 28	138
Oakland.....	May 16†	Sept. 18†	125	Knoxville.....	May 5†	Oct. 23†	171	State Normal.....	May 3	Oct. 5	155
Red Oak (near).....				Lamoni.....	May 3†	Oct. 23†	173	†Date of last temperature of 32° or lower in the Spring, or first temperature of 32° or lower in the Autumn (as the case may be) when frost was not reported.			
Riverton (near).....		Oct. 21†		Mount Ayr.....	May 5†	Oct. 25	173				
Thurman.....	May 2†	Oct. 25†	176	Tingley.....	May 2†	Oct. 25	176				
Omaha, Neb.....	April 2†	Oct. 23	204	Winterset.....	May 16†	Sept. 18	125				
Rural Average.....	May 12	Oct. 12	153	Rural Average.....	May 4	Oct. 16	165				

MEAN ISOTHERMS AND PREVAILING WINDS, YEAR, 1929



GENERAL SUMMARY

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was September 28th, a week earlier than normal. The growing season was 17 days shorter than normal. Rainfall was ample.

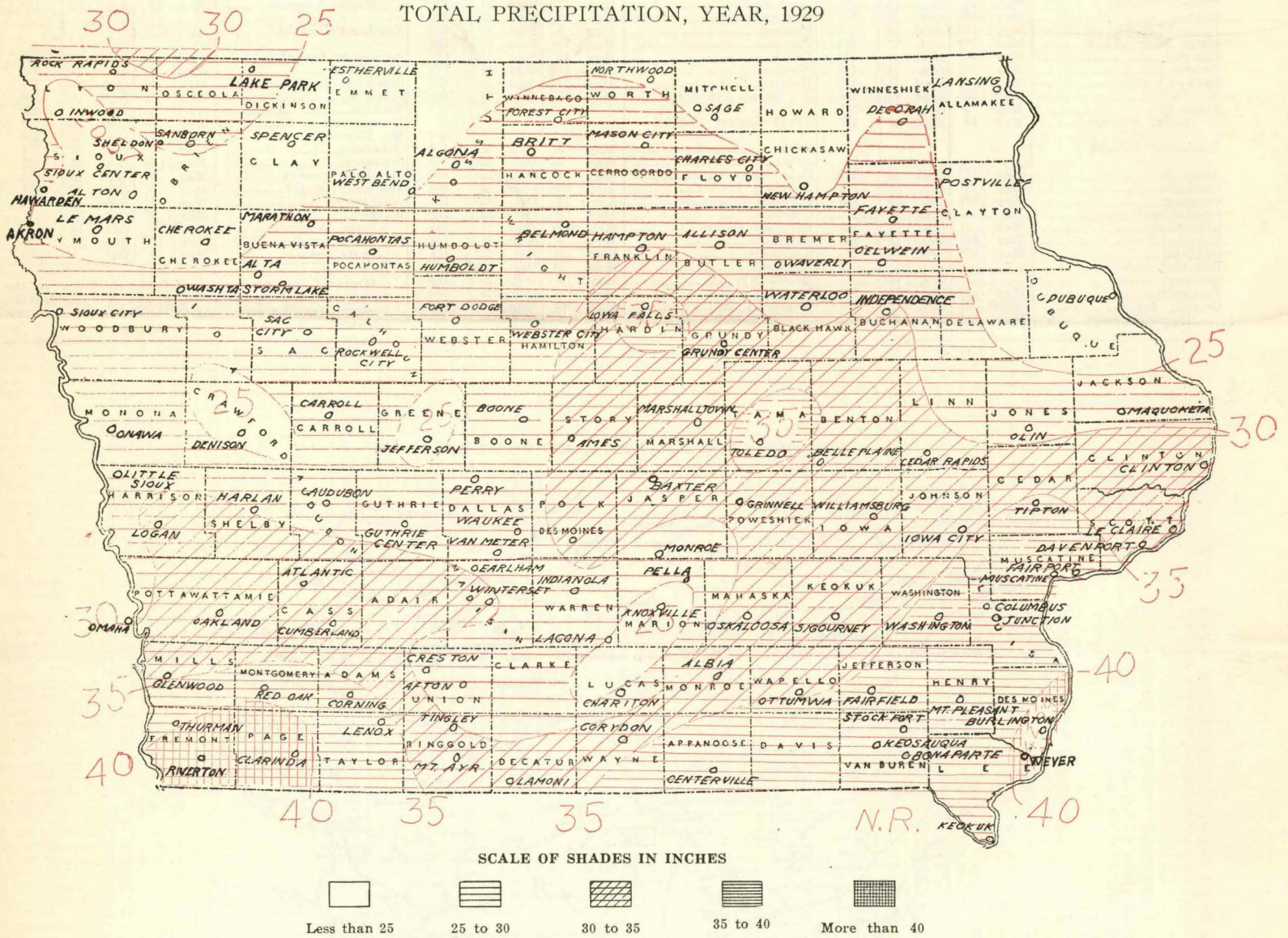
October temperature averaged about normal, with frequent frosts, and a general freeze on the 23d. Corn continued to grow and mature in the southern counties to an unusual degree, so that the average yield per acre reported by correspondents on November 1st, was somewhat higher than on October 1st. Frequent rains prevented corn from drying, so that the moisture content was about 5% higher than a year ago. Sugar beets were harvested with no damage from freezing, and commercial canneries were able to complete operations with very little loss of material. Road construction was pushed with little interruption.

November was generally cold, with an outstanding cold period

at the close of the month, and a temperature of 12 below zero at Webster City on the 30th. Precipitation was deficient. These conditions favored the drying and husking of the corn crop. Highway paving was brought to a satisfactory conclusion. Gales of unusual strength occurred on the 27th.

Frequent fluctuations in temperature occurred in December till an abnormally warm period came toward the close of the month, with the highest temperature generally on the 30th, when records were broken for high temperature on that date. Precipitation was generally below normal, but there was a remarkable period of cloudy, drizzly weather from about the 6th to the 19th, during which, in most of the state, the sun was not visible for 10 days. At Des Moines this exceeded by four days all previous records for consecutive days without sunshine. Though conditions were not very favorable, most of the corn was in the crib by the end of the month, but a little remained in the field in the southern counties.

TOTAL PRECIPITATION, YEAR, 1929



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