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25 August 1951

On 23 and 24 August, slightly cloudy, warm and dry weather continued in the European USSR. It was cold only in the Urals, and frost was observed on the ground there. Considerable rain, amounting to more than 10 millimeters, fell in the North Caucasus and locally in the Middle Volga Region.

The warm, dry weather prevailing in the European USSR is altogether favorable for bringing in the harvest and sowing winter grains.

Spring wheat has reached waxy maturity in Leningrad and Vologda oblasts. The harvest of spring grains is in progress under favorable conditions in the northern central regions.

Conditions for bringing in the harvest were good in Omsk Oblast and Altay Kray. In other areas, rain retarded field work.

28 August 1951

On 26 and 27 August, cloudy weather with rain prevailed in the southern and central areas of the European USSR.

On 27 August, noon temperatures were 18 degrees in Minsk, Orel, and Petrozavodsk, 20 in Kursk, 21 in Voronezh and Tambov, 22 in Moscow, Ufa, and Chkalov, 23 in Vologda and Kirov, 24 in Kiev and Stalingrad, 25 in Rostov on the Don and Saratov, 26 in Dnepropetrovsk and Krasnodar, 28 in Riga, Kuybyshev, Voroshilovgrad, Gor'kiy, and Simferopol', 29 in Odessa, and 30 in Kishinev.

The rain which fell in the central chernozem zone and in the eastern Ukraine moistened the soil well and created favorable sprouting conditions for early sowings of winter grains.

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30 August 1951

On 28 August, cloudy weather with considerable rain prevailed in the central areas of the European USSR and in Belorussia.

During the first 12 hours of 29 August, rain fell in Ryazan', Voronezh, and Tambov oblasts and in the eastern Ukraine. In the rest of the European USSR, mostly slightly cloudy and dry weather continued.

On 29 August, noon temperatures were 19 degrees in Syktyvkar, 20 in Moscow, Minsk, and Voronezh, 21 in Leningrad, Orel, and Riga, 22 in Tambov, Kursk, and Kiev, 25 in Gor'kiy and Kishinev, 26 in Kirov, Krasnodar, and Dnepropetrovsk, 28 in Saratov and Rostov on the Don, and 29 in Kuybyshev and Simferopol'.

Sowing of winter crops has begun under favorable weather conditions in Moldavia and the western Ukraine.

Cloudy, comparatively cool weather was observed in most of West Siberia. Light rain fell locally.

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