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RAINS BENEFIT SPRING SOWING;
 GIVES 9 - 19 MAY WEATHER REPORTS

REPORTS WEEKLY VOLUME OF RAINFALL -- Izrev, No 1729, 10 May 50

The Ministry of Agriculture reports that the weekly volume of rainfall is between 15 and 20 liters per square kilometer in northwestern and southeastern Bulgaria, 25 to 40 liters in the Danubian tablelands, 15 to 25 in the Dobrudzha and the Thracian tablelands, and 5 to 10 liters in southwestern Bulgaria. The heaviest rainfalls have been noted in Svishtov with 53 liters per square kilometer, in Gabrovo with 53, in Sredets with 51, and in Sevlievo with 48 liters.

The rainfalls have had a very favorable effect on sowing. Fall and spring sowings are in very good condition, and barley, wheat, and rye are beginning to form ears. Rice sowing and some local tobacco planting have been started.

WEATHER FORECASTS -- Izrev, No 1728-1737, 9 - 19 May 50

9 May 1950. Mostly cloudy during the night and greater part of the day, with light local showers throughout western and central Bulgaria. Decreasing cloudiness in the afternoon, greatest in the northeastern part of the country. Moderate northeast winds, growing stronger in the Black Sea area. Minimum temperature 10-14 degrees, maximum 16-22.

10 May 1950. During the night decreasing cloudiness in eastern Bulgaria and the Danube valley, some cloudiness and light showers in western Bulgaria and the Thracian plain. Partial and variable cloudiness during the day in western Bulgaria, with light showers in the plain areas during the afternoon. Low to moderate southeast winds. Minimum temperature 7-10 degrees in the Dobrudzha, 10-13 in other areas. Maximum temperature 16-20 degrees in southeastern Bulgaria, 21-25 in other areas.

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11 May 1950. During the night clear weather in eastern Bulgaria and decreasing cloudiness in the western part. Minimum temperatures 5-8 degrees in the northeast and the lowlands, 8-12 in other areas. During the day partial and variable cloudiness in most parts of the country, greatest in western Bulgaria. Low to moderate east winds. Maximum temperatures 8-12 degrees in the Dobrudzha and on the Black Sea coast, 22-27 in other areas.

12 May 1950. During the night decreasing cloudiness, completely clearing up in eastern Bulgaria. During the day intermittent, variable cloudiness, considerable in the afternoon throughout the western part of the country. Light to moderate easterly winds. Lowest temperature 3-7 degrees in the lowlands, 8-12 for the rest of the country; highest 17-20 in the Black Sea area, 20-23 for the rest of the country.

14 May 1950. During the day intermittent, variable cloudiness, considerable in the afternoon, with showers over the lowlands. Light, variable winds. Highest temperature 15-18 degrees in the Sofia area and northeastern Bulgaria, 18-22 throughout the rest of the country.

16 May 1950. Intermittent, variable cloudiness for most of the country, becoming considerable in the afternoon, with local showers mostly in the lowlands. Light westerly winds, becoming moderate at midday. Low temperature 8-12 degrees, high 20-25.

17 May 1950. During the night decreasing cloudiness, clearing locally. Lowest temperature 5-10 degrees. During the day sunny, with rising cloudiness becoming heavier in the afternoon, mostly over the lowlands. Light winds. Highest temperature 23-28 degrees.

18 May 1950. Local showers by nightfall, followed by decreasing cloudiness, clearing locally. During the day continued, considerable cloudiness, with showers in the afternoon, mostly over northeastern Bulgaria, accompanied by scattered thunderstorms and temporary strong winds. Lowest temperature 6-11 degrees, highest 22-25 in northern Bulgaria and up to 28 in the southern part of the country.

19 May 1950. During the night decreasing cloudiness over most of the country, except the Black-Sea area, clearing locally. Lowest temperature 8-14 degrees. By noon considerable cloudiness over the lowlands, scattered showers after noon, mostly over the central Stara Planina region, accompanied by temporary strong winds. Highest temperature 24-28 degrees, and up to 22 in the Black Sea area.

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