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1 February

Yesterday's temperatures in Leningrad were 4 degrees below zero during the morning and 3 below during the day.(1)

Yesterday during the day, cloudy weather prevailed in the Belorussian SSR. Precipitation in the form of snow, rain, and drizzle was recorded. Fogs occurred locally. Temperatures at 1500 were 6 degrees below zero in Bychikha, 4 below in Orsha, 3 below in Drissa, one below in Minsk and Bobruysk, zero in Baranovichi, one degree above zero in Grodno and Pinsk, and 2 above in Brest.(2)

2 February

Last night's lowest temperature in Moscow was 15 degrees below zero; it was 10 below at noon today.(3)

3 February

Yesterday's temperatures in Leningrad were 16 degrees below zero during the morning and 13 degrees during the day.(1)

Yesterday during the day, cloudy with clearing weather prevailed in the Belorussian SSR. Snowfalls were recorded locally. Temperatures at 1500 were 10 degrees below zero in Mogilev, 9 below in Vitebsk, 8 below in Polotsk, 6 below in Gomel' and Minsk, 5 below in Baranovichi, 4 below in Slutsk, 3 below in Grodno and Pinsk, and zero in Brest.(2)

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During the last 24 hours, an invasion of cold air from northwestern Siberia into the European USSR took place. Last night temperatures dropped to 25 and 30 degrees below zero in the Middle Volga Region and the central region of the European USSR.

Temperatures at 0900 this morning were 34 degrees below zero in Kazan', 33 below in Vologda, 32 below in Kirov, 29 below in Gor'kiy, 28 below in Nar'yan-Mar, Molotov, and Kuybyshev, 25 below in Syktyvkar, 24 below in Saratov, 23 below in Chkalov, 19 below in Orel and Smolensk, 14 below in Murmansk, 13 below in Minsk and Leningrad, 12 below in Kiev, 10 below in Khar'kov, 8 below in Kaliningrad, 7 below in L'vov, 4 below in Stalingrad, one below in Odessa, one degree above zero in Rostov, 7 in Yalta, and 12 in Sochi.

Last night's lowest temperature in Moscow was 22 degrees below zero. It was 21 below at noon today.(3)

4 February

Yesterday's temperatures in Leningrad were 13 degrees below zero during the morning and 12 below during the day.(1)

Yesterday during the day, slightly cloudy weather with extreme subzero temperatures prevailed in the Belorussian SSR. Temperatures at 1500 were 17 degrees below zero in Mogilev, 16 below in Vitebsk, 13 below in Polotsk, 12 below in Minsk, Bobruysk, Mozyr', Grodno, and Baranovichi, 11 below in Ivatsevichi, and 10 below in Brest.(2)

This morning, cold, mostly slightly cloudy weather prevailed in the northern, eastern, central, and western regions of the European USSR. Lower temperatures accompanied locally by strong winds and snowfalls prevailed in most of the Ukraine, the Moldavian SSR, and the Crimea. Warm weather prevailed in the Caucasus.

Temperatures at 0900 this morning were 35 degrees below zero in Kazan', 34 below in Vologda, 33 below in Gor'kiy, 32 below in Kuybyshev, 31 below in Arkhangel'sk and Nar'yan-Mar, 27 below in Orel, 26 below in Voronezh, 23 below in Molotov and Saratov, 21 below in Minsk, 20 below in Kiev, 19 below in Khar'kov, 18 below in Leningrad, 13 below in Voroshilovgrad, 12 below in L'vov and Riga, 11 below in Stalingrad, Odessa, and Kishinev, 8 below in Kaliningrad, one below in Rostov, 2 degrees above zero in Yalta, 3 in Krasnodar, and 7 in Sochi.

Last night's lowest temperature in Moscow was 29 degrees below zero; it was 25 below at noon today.(3)

5 February

Yesterday's temperature in Leningrad was 18 degrees below zero both during the morning and during the day.(1)

Yesterday during the day, slightly cloudy subzero weather prevailed in the Belorussian SSR. Temperatures at 1500 were 22 degrees below zero in Orsha, 20 below in Mogilev, 19 below in Vitebsk, 18 below in Minsk and Polotsk, 13 below in Pinsk and Grodno, and 10 below in Brest.(2)

Last night's lowest temperature in Moscow was 32 degrees below zero; it was 25 degrees below at noon today.(3)

6 February

This morning, mostly slightly cloudy weather with extreme subzero temperatures prevailed in the European USSR. Temperatures dropped on the Black Sea coast of the Caucasus. Snowfalls were recorded in the Komi ASSR and the Northern Caucasus. A considerable rise in temperature was recorded in the western regions of the European USSR. Warmer weather spread to the east and was accompanied by snowfalls and strong winds.

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Temperatures at 0900 this morning were 36 degrees below zero in Vologda, 34 below in Kirov, 33 below in Syktyvkar, 31 below in Arkhangel'sk, 29 below in Gor'kiy and Molotov, 28 below in Voronezh, 27 below in Saratov, 24 below in Kalinin and Kuybyshev, 20 below in Stalingrad, 18 below in Smolensk and Chkalov, 14 below in Rostov, 13 below in Riga and Minsk, 12 below in Kiev, 10 below in L'vov, 2 below in Tuapse, one below in Odessa, zero in Socho, and one degree above zero in Yalta.

Last night's lowest temperature in Moscow was 24 degrees below zero; it was 20 below at noon today.(3)

7 February

Yesterday's temperatures in Leningrad were 22 degrees below zero during the morning and 18 degrees below during the day.(1)

Yesterday during the day, overcast weather prevailed in the Belorussian SSR. Snowfalls and snowstorms were recorded everywhere. Temperatures at 1500 were 16 degrees below zero in Kostyukovichi, 14 below in Vitebsk, 13 below in Mogilev, 12 below in Polotsk, 11 below in Gomel', 10 below in Minsk, 7 below in Slutsk, 5 below in Baranovichi, and 3 below in Grodno and Brest.(2)

Temperatures at 0900 this morning were 36 degrees below zero in Syktyvkar, 33 below in Molotov, 32 below in Arkhangel'sk, 29 below in Kazan', 26 below in Gor'kiy, 22 below in Nar'yan-Mar, 16 below in Rostov, Stalingrad, Kursk, and Leningrad, 15 below in Khar'kov, 14 below in Smolensk, 10 below in Riga, 8 below in Minsk and L'vov, 6 below in Kiev, one degree above zero in Odessa, 3 above in Yalta, and 6 above in Sochi.

Last night's lowest temperature in Moscow was 20 degrees below zero; it was 18 below at noon today.(3)

8 February

Yesterday during the day, cloudy weather with light snowfalls prevailed in the Belorussian SSR. Temperatures at 1500 were 10 degrees below zero in Orsha, 8 below in Polotsk, 7 below in Minsk, 6 below in Bobruysk and Grodno, 5 below in Brest and Pinsk, and 4 below in Ivatsevichi.(2)

9 February

This morning, warm weather with strong winds and precipitation in the form of rain and snow prevailed in the southern and eastern regions of the Ukraine and the Northern Caucasus.

Temperatures at 0900 this morning were 33 degrees below zero in Syktyvkar, 29 below in Arkhangel'sk, 26 below in Kirov and Molotov, 25 below in Murmansk, 24 below in Chkalov and Ufa, 23 below in Kazan', 22 below in Kuybyshev, 21 below in Gor'kiy, 18 below in Saratov and Pskov, 17 below in Kaliningrad and Leningrad, 16 below in Smolensk and Tallin, 11 below in Kiev and Stalingrad, 10 below in Voronezh, 8 below in Astrakhan', 3 below in Khar'kov, one below in Rostov, 8 degrees above zero in Yalta, and 13 above in Sochi.

Last night's lowest temperature in Moscow was 20 degrees below zero; it was 17 below at noon today.(3)

10 February

Yesterday during the day, cloudy with clearing weather prevailed in the Belorussian SSR. Light snow fell locally. Temperatures at 1500 were 17 degrees below zero in Drissa, 14 below in Polotsk, 13 below in Minsk, Mogilev, and Vitebsk, 11 below in Gomel' and Brest, 10 below in Iel'chitsy, and 9 below in Grodno.(2)

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This morning, cloudy weather with strong winds and local snowfalls and snowstorms prevailed in most of the Ukraine, the Lower Volga Region, the central chernozem zone and the western regions of the European USSR. Strong winds with precipitation in the form of rain and wet snow were recorded in the Crimea and Northern Caucasus. Light snowfalls were recorded in the Karelo-Finnish SSR. Mostly slightly cloudy weather with moderate to extreme subzero temperatures prevailed in the rest of the European USSR.

Temperatures at 0900 this morning were 32 degrees below zero in Syktyvkar, 27 below in Arkhangel'sk and Kirov, 26 below in Vologda, 25 below in Chkalov and Murmansk, 24 below in Saratov, 23 below in Gor'kiy and Molotov, 21 below in Kuybyshev, 18 below in Stalingrad, 17 below in L'vov, 15 below in Leningrad and Voronezh, 14 below in Minsk, 13 below in Riga, 10 below in Odessa, 8 below in Kiev, 7 below in Rostov, 4 below in Astrakhan', 6 degrees above zero in Yalta, and 12 degrees above in Sochi.

Last night's lowest temperature in Moscow and also the lowest temperature at noon today was 16 degrees below zero.(3)

11 February

Yesterday's temperatures in Leningrad were 15 degrees below zero during the morning and 12 below during the day.(1)

Yesterday during the day, cloudy with clearing weather prevailed in the Belorussian SSR. Snow fell locally in the northeastern portion of the Belorussian SSR. Temperatures at 1500 were 12 degrees below zero in Slutsk, 10 below in Minsk, Brest, and Grodno, 9 below in Pinsk, 8 below in Lel'chitsy, 7 below in Mogilev, and 5 below in Bragin.(2)

Last night's lowest temperature in Moscow was 17 degrees below zero; it was 15 below at noon today.(3)

12 February

Yesterday during the day, cloudy weather prevailed in the Belorussian SSR. Light snowfalls were recorded in the eastern half of the republic. Temperatures at 1500 were 12 degrees below zero in Orsha, 11 below in Polotsk and Mogilev, 10 below in Minsk and Gomel', 9 below in Vileyka, 9 below in Grodno, and 5 below in Brest.(2)

Last night's lowest temperature in Moscow was 20 degrees below zero; it was 17 below at noon today.(3)

13 February

Yesterday's temperatures in Leningrad were 14 degrees below zero during the morning and 12 below during the day.(1)

Yesterday during the day, mostly cloudy weather with strong winds prevailed in the Belorussian SSR. Snowfalls and snowstorms were recorded locally. Temperatures at 1500 were 12 degrees below zero in Orsha, Vitebsk, and Mogilev, 11 below in Gomel', 10 below in Minsk, Borisov, and Novogrudok, 9 below in Baranovichi, 8 below in Lida, 7 below in Volkovysk, 6 below in Pinsk, and 3 below in Brest.(2)

Last night's lowest temperature in Moscow was 21 degrees below zero; it was 16 below at noon today.(3)

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14 February

Yesterday during the day, variable cloudiness prevailed in the Belorussian SSR. Light rains fell locally. Temperatures at 1500 were 18 degrees below zero in Vitebsk, 17 below in Mogilev, 15 below in Polotsk, 14 below in Gomel', 12 below in Minsk, 10 below in Pinsk, 9 below in Grodno, and 8 below in Brest.(2)

Last night's lowest temperature in Moscow was 23 degrees below zero; it was 18 below at noon today.(3)

15 February

Yesterday's temperatures in Leningrad were 22 degrees below zero during the morning and 11 below during the day.(1)

Yesterday during the day, slightly cloudy, subzero weather prevailed in most of the Belorussian SSR. It was cloudy only in the extreme western portion of the republic. Light snow fell locally. Temperatures at 1500 were 18 degrees below zero in Drissa, 16 below in Polotsk, 15 below in Mogilev, 13 below in Minsk, 12 below in Grodno, 11 below in Lel'chitsy, and 9 below in Brest.(2)

16 February

Last night's lowest temperature in Moscow was 21 degrees below zero; it was 14 below at noon today.(3)

17 February

Yesterday morning's temperatures were 21 degrees below zero in Moscow, 18 below on Dikson Island, 15 below in Sverdlovsk, 13 below in Arkhangel'sk, 12 below in Kiev, 11 below in Riga, 10 below in Murmansk, 5 below in Tallin, 9 degrees above zero in Yalta, 11 in Ashkhabad, and 15 in Sochi.

Yesterday's temperatures in Leningrad were 9 degrees below zero during the morning and 6 below during the day.(1)

Yesterday during the day, cloudy with clearing weather prevailed in the Belorussian SSR. Snowfalls were recorded locally. Temperatures at 1500 were 14 below in Gomel' and Mogilev, 12 below in Vitebsk and Orsha, 11 below in Bobruysk, 10 below in Mozyr' and Vasilevichi, 9 below in Minsk, 7 below in Pinsk and Grodno, and 6 below in Volkovysk.(2)

This morning, warm weather prevailed and rains fell in the southern and eastern regions of the Ukraine, Rostovskaya Oblast, and the Northern Caucasus. Snowfalls, strong winds, and snowstorms were recorded in the Moldavian SSR, the western and northern regions of the Ukraine, the central chernozem zone and the Middle Volga Region.

Temperatures at 0900 this morning were 28 degrees below zero in Gor'kiy, 21 below in Smolensk, 19 below in Molotov, Kirov, Ryazan', and Arkhangel'sk, 15 below in Kazan' and Kiev, 14 below in Kuybyshev, Chkalov, and Syktyvkar, 13 below in Saratov and Minsk, 10 below in Voronezh, 9 below in Riga, 8 below in L'vov, 6 below in Leningrad, 5 below in Tallin, one below zero in Kaliningrad, and 8 degrees above zero in Sochi and Yalta.

Last night's lowest temperature in Moscow was 22 degrees below zero; it was 14 below at noon today.(3)

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18 February

Yesterday during the day, slightly cloudy weather prevailed in the Belorussian SSR. It was cloudy only in the northwestern portion and light snowfalls were recorded. Temperatures at 1500 were 15 degrees below zero in Polotsk, 13 below in Mogilev, 12 below in Gomel', 10 below in Bobruysk, 9 below in Minsk, and 5 below in Grodno and Pinsk.(2)

Last night's lowest temperature in Moscow was 16 degrees below zero; it was 12 below at noon today.(3)

19 February

Yesterday's temperatures in Leningrad were 9 degrees below zero during the morning and 7 below during the day.(1)

Yesterday during the day, cloudy weather prevailed in the Belorussian SSR. Light snowfalls, fog, and light hail were recorded locally. Temperatures at 1500 were 11 degrees below zero in Kostyukovichy, 10 below in Mogilev and Gomel', 9 below in Polotsk, 4 below in Minsk, one below in Slutsk, zero in Lel'chitsy, and one degree above zero in Grodno.(2)

Last night's lowest temperature in Moscow was 14 degrees below zero; it was 11 below at noon today.(3)

20 February

Yesterday's temperatures in Leningrad were 11 degrees below zero during the morning and 7 below during the day.(1)

Yesterday during the day, comparatively warm weather with precipitation in the form of rain and snow prevailed in the Belorussian SSR. Temperatures at 1500 were zero in Vitebsk, Mogilev, Gomel', and Bobruysk, one degree above zero in Polotsk, and 2 in Minsk, Baranovichy, Grodno, Brest, and Pinsk.(2)

Last night's lowest temperature in Moscow was 9 degrees below zero; it was 4 below at noon today.(3)

21 February

Yesterday's temperatures in Leningrad were 10 degrees below zero during the morning and 8 degrees below during the day.(1)

Yesterday during the day, variable cloudiness prevailed in the Belorussian SSR. Snowfalls and snowstorms were recorded in the eastern portion of the Belorussian SSR. Strong southwest winds prevailed everywhere. Temperatures at 1500 were 3 degrees below zero in Bychikha, 5 below in Polotsk, 4 below in Gomel' and Minsk, 3 below in Bobruysk and Baranovichy, 2 below in Grodno, and one degree above zero in Brest.(2)

Last night's lowest temperature in Moscow was 12 degrees below zero; it was 9 below at noon today.(3)

22 February

During the past 24 hours, a mass of warm air began to invade the western portion of the Belorussian SSR. As a result, precipitation fell in the form of rain and snow. Temperatures rose to the thawing point.(2)

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23 February

This morning, cloudy weather with moderate subzero weather and light snowfalls locally prevailed in most of the European USSR. Slightly cloudy weather prevailed in Kalininskaya and Leningradskaya oblasts and the Karelo-Finnish SSR. Warm weather with rains and strong winds was recorded in the Western Ukraine.

Last night's lowest temperature in Moscow was 19 degrees below zero; it was 12 below at noon today.(3)

24 February

Yesterday during the day, cloudy with clearing weather prevailed in the Belorussian SSR. Temperatures at 1500 were 6 degrees below zero in Bychikha, 4 below in Polotsk, 3 below in Minsk, 2 below in Mogilev, zero in Lel'chitsy, 2 degrees above zero in Pinsk, and 4 above in Brest.(2)

Last night's lowest temperature in Moscow was 12 degrees below zero; it was 10 below at noon today.(3)

25 February

Yesterday's temperatures in Leningrad were 22 degrees below zero during the morning and 9 below during the day.(1)

Yesterday during the day, cloudy weather prevailed in the Belorussian SSR. Precipitation in the form of rain was recorded in most of the republic, and in the form of snow in the southwestern portion. Temperatures at 1500 were 6 degrees below zero in Mogilev, 5 below in Minsk, Polotsk, and Bobruysk, 3 below in Baranovichi, 2 below in Mozyr' and Grodno, zero in Pinsk, and 3 degrees above zero in Brest.(2)

Last night's lowest temperature in Moscow was 15 degrees below zero; it was 10 below at noon today.(3)

26 February

Yesterday during the day, slightly cloudy weather prevailed in the Belorussian SSR. Temperatures at 1500 were 12 degrees below zero in Mogilev, 10 below in Gomel' and Vitebsk, 8 below in Minsk, 7 below in Polotsk, 5 below in Pinsk and Grodno, and 2 below in Brest.(2)

Last night's lowest temperature in Moscow was 15 degrees below zero; it was 13 below at noon today.(3)

27 February

Yesterday during the day, cloudy weather prevailed in the Belorussian SSR. Precipitation was recorded in the northern portion. Temperatures at 1500 were 10 degrees below zero in Orsha, 9 below in Gomel', 6 below in Polotsk and Minsk, 4 below in Mozyr', 2 below in Lida, one below in Baranovichi, one degree above zero in Volkovysk and Ivatsevichi, 2 above in Grodno, and 3 above in Brest.(2)

This morning, cloudy weather with snowfalls and strong winds prevailed in the northern and northeastern oblasts of the European USSR. Snowstorms were recorded locally. Warm, cloudy weather with light precipitation and local fogs was recorded in the Baltic republics and western Belorussian SSR.

Last night's lowest temperature in Moscow was 19 degrees below zero; it was 10 below at noon today.(3)

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28 February

Yesterday's temperature in Leningrad was one degree above zero both during the morning and during the day.(3)

Yesterday during the day, masses of warm air invaded the western portion of the Belorussian SSR. As a result, temperatures rose to 4 to 6 degrees above zero. Temperatures ranged from zero to 6 degrees below zero in the rest of the republic.(2)

Last night's lowest temperature in Moscow was 7 degrees below zero; it was 6 below at noon today.(3)

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