

Following snow both days, the temperature plummeted Thursday and Friday nights, taking care of most fall flowers and other beautiful foliage (above). Although corn harvest was well underway a week ago (which was nearly three weeks ahead of normal) the freeze was welcomed by farmers who could then shift into high gear. Jim Kemling (right) was harvesting a couple miles east and one south of Grant on Oct. 2 during mild weather. The snow and severe dip in temperatures aided in drying it down quickly. Harvest of high moisture corn that was being sold to area feedlots began in late August. Because of the hot, dry summer, most dryland corn was used for cattle feed. It's predicted corn harvest will be close to wrapping up around Nov. 1, with yields averaging 180-220 bushels per acre and test weights averaging in the mid 50s.



First snow with hard freeze ends beauty—	-spurs on harvest