

# State Rainfall Averaged 12.1 Inches Last Year

The statewide average rainfall in Arizona last year was 12.1 inches, the Institute of Atmospheric Physics at the University of Arizona reported today.

This shows a shortage of moisture as compared with the long-term average of 13.03 found by the Institute. But it is more than the 10.3 inches the state received in 1960.

The annual figure was prepared by Mrs. Christine R. Green, statistical analyst in the Institute on a project initiated in 1959 and directed by Dr. James E. McDonald, institute senior physicist.

Records are taken from 41 reporting weather stations each representing a 50-square mile area.

With a weighting factor thrown in, the state figures have been analyzed for each year since 1925.

"Many of the stations in 1961 had an overabundance of rainfall and many were short of the mean," said Mrs. Green.

The weather station at the university itself reported 10.25 inches in 1961—com-

pared with an average of 10.91 inches over 63 years and 9.34 in 1960.

There was a continuous drought from Mar. 31 to July 2.

And the U.S. Weather Bureau at the Tucson Municipal Airport reported 10.89 inches in 1961 following 8.74 inches in 1960.

## Future Teachers Meeting At Tempe

TEMPE—UPI—The Arizona Association of Future Teachers of America are holding their annual meeting today and Saturday at Arizona State University. About 300 high school students who plan a career of teaching are expected to attend.