

## UNL leads crop research program

A program to train sorghum and millet researchers from Southern Africa is being led by UNL. John Yohe, associate professor of agronomy, is coordinating the program.

"We are trying to strengthen the capabilities of nine southern Africa

countries to conduct research and improve the production of sorghum and millet," Yohe said.

The Southern Africa Regional Training Program officially began last year as part of the International Sorghum and Millet Research Program, also led by UNL and the International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics in Hyderabad, India. The training program for Southern Africa is funded by the U.S. Agency for International Development and other donors to ICRISAT.

The program will train students from

Africa in sorghum and millet research at U.S. universities. The African countries involved are: Botswana, Tanzania, Angola, Malawi, Zambia, Zimbabwe, Mozambique, Lesotho and Swaziland. U.S. universities participating are: Arizona, Kansas State, Kentucky, Mississippi State, Purdue, UNL, Texas A&M and Florida A&M.

"We hope to be placing our first students in the fall of 1985," Yohe said. "We want to see the students go back to their home countries and do sorghum and millet research and improve production."

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## Reuter Report

### As U.S. mourns missing, Vietnam celebrates victory

WASHINGTON — Children of America's longest war and only defeat honored their missing fathers Tuesday on the 10th anniversary of the fall of Saigon.

They were not alone before the black granite national Vietnam war memorial where the names of 58,007 dead are inscribed. Some of the 2,650,000 soldiers who survived the conflict were there too.

Some wept as the sons and daughters of their comrades stood at attention by the vast roll of names carved into the stone and a bugler played "Taps."

"They thought their fathers were forgotten but in this way they show they will never be forgotten," said Carmella Laspada of the private "No Greater Love" organization which arranged a tribute by three families on behalf of all 50,000 American children it says were made fatherless.

The V-shaped memorial which reaches out toward the George Washington monument and the Lincoln memorial was bathed in sunshine for the small ceremony, the only one in the capital marking Saigon's collapse to the communists on April 30, 1975. No official commemorations were scheduled.

Meanwhile in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam paraded its military might and called on Washington to restore diplomatic relations.

Troops goose-stepped on broad boulevards as Vietnam's leaders made a fresh appeal to the United States to show good will to its old enemy.

The Soviet press also hailed the anniversary of the U.S. withdrawal from Vietnam. The press called it a "victory for liberation," comparable to the Red Army's triumphs against Nazi Germany.

Newspaper dispatches from Soviet correspondents in Hanoi remarked on the close coincidence of the 10th anniversary of the communist capture of Saigon and the 40th anniversary of the May 8, 1945 surrender of Berlin.

### House committees approve sanctions

WASHINGTON — Legislation that would impose tough sanctions on South Africa, including a ban on computer sales, cleared its first hurdle in Congress Tuesday when it was approved by two House subcommittees.

By voice vote, the House Foreign Affairs subcommittees on Africa and international trade passed the controversial Democratic-sponsored measure and sent it to the full committee for action, possibly later this week.

The Republican-controlled Senate Foreign Relations Committee recently passed a resolution urging a two-year delay in imposing sanctions.

The measure approved by the House subcommittees would prohibit bank loans to the South African government except for housing, education or health programs accessible to all on a non-discriminatory basis. It would also ban the importation of Krugerrands and prohibit new investment to establish or finance U.S. companies in South Africa.

The bill stipulates penalties for violators but also allows the president and Congress to waive sanctions on Krugerrands and new investment for up to 12 months if Pretoria is making substantial progress to eliminate apartheid.

### Shultz to seek boycott of Nicaragua

WASHINGTON — Secretary of State George Shultz will recommend that President Reagan impose a trade boycott and halt airline traffic with the leftist government of Nicaragua, Sen. Lloyd Bentsen said Tuesday.

The Texas Democrat said he was informed of Shultz' recommendations Tuesday morning by the State Department.

Bentsen introduced a resolution in the Senate last week calling on Reagan to institute economic sanctions against Nicaragua and met Shultz to press him on the issue.

"I don't know the details of the administration proposal but I am pleased by the speed with which they seem to be responding to my suggestion," Bentsen said. "It just doesn't make any sense for us to buy their goods and finance with our dollars the export of their revolution."

Reagan last week initiated a sweeping administration review of U.S. policy toward Nicaragua after the House defeated his request for \$14 million in military or humanitarian aid for CIA-backed rebels fighting to overthrow the Sandinista government.

### Indians demand \$5 billion for victims

BHOPAL, India — More than 800 people demonstrated Tuesday demanding Union Carbide pay \$5 billion compensation for the victims of the Bhopal gas disaster.

They also urged the Indian government to offer larger relief payments. About 2,500 people died in the leak of toxic methyl isocyanate gas last December.

Witnesses said the demonstrators, mostly women, marched from the gate of the factory to the home of Moti Lal Vora, chief minister of Madhya Pradesh state.

They gave Vora a petition demanding \$125 in immediate government relief for all families living in areas affected by the gas, and a total of \$5 billion from the U.S. corporation. The petition also demanded payment from the government within two weeks of \$330 to families of those killed in the leak and compensation for dead livestock.

### Cocaine linked to bowel problems

BALTIMORE — Heavy cocaine use may cause a cutoff of blood to the lower intestine which could result in inflammation and death, researchers reported Tuesday.

Researchers at Sinai Hospital dubbed the syndrome "cocaine colitis" and cited the cases of two New York women and a Baltimore man who were regular cocaine users.

"The findings very strongly suggest that cocaine does affect the bowel and that, indeed, in certain patients could cause colitis (bowel inflammation)," said Dr. Gershon Efron, Sinai Hospital's chief surgeon and the research team leader.

A study of the New York cases appeared last month in the medical journal Surgery. Efron's report appears in the Journal of the American Society of Colon and Rectal Surgeons.

The New York cases involved two women in their 20s who tried to commit suicide by taking large amounts of cocaine orally. The Baltimore man, 37 years old, had used cocaine for seven years.