

SOUTH CENTRAL CROPS AND SOILS  
RESEARCH STATION

Presho, South Dakota

INTRODUCTION

This is the fifteenth annual report of the South Central Crops and Soils Research Station. The experimental area, located on the Glen Hutchison farm, is approximately ten and one-half miles south of Presho, South Dakota. The soil, a fine clay, derived from Pierre shale is identified as Promise clay. It contains 3.0% organic matter, is medium in available phosphorus, and is high in potassium.

Rainfall in 1972 was below normal for all months except April through July, but the total for the year was near normal. The rainfall pattern combined with below normal temperatures permitted the production of good yields of small grain, grain sorghum, and forages.

However, below normal temperatures in April, also had detrimental effects on many winter wheat fields in the area. The first symptoms discernible in early May were yellowing and stunting. At that time the more severely infected fields were destroyed. Those fields which were only lightly infected were left to mature and when harvested yielded grain with a high percentage of scab.

The annual field day was held June 28 with forty people in attendance. The topics discussed included Spring and Winter Grain Variety Trials, and Spring and Winter Wheat Fertility Studies.

A field tour for 1973 has not been scheduled but the station is open to visitors at all times.

SOUTH CENTRAL CROPS AND SOILS RESEARCH STATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

<u>Officers</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>County</u>
Ralph Reimers	Pukwana 57372	Brule
George Fish, Jr.	Platte 57369	Charles Mix
Ed Bailey	Lucas 57549	Gregory
Lyn Lyman	Murdo 57559	Jones
John Quillan	Kennebec 57544	Lyman
Jerry Bruning	Wood 57585	Mellette
Lyle Hedman	Hayes 57537	Stanley
Dan Heinert	Parmelee 57566	Todd
Don Jorgensen	Ideal 57541	Tripp

---

This report was prepared by members of the South Dakota Agricultural Experiment Station. It is an annual report and results published herein are therefore neither complete nor conclusive.

## TABLE OF CONTENTS

	<u>Page</u> <u>Cover</u>
Introduction	
Weather Summary	3
Small Grain Variety Testing	
Rye	4
Winter Wheat	4
Spring Wheat	9
Triticales	9
Spring Barley	11
Oats	11
Flax	13
Specialty Crop Testing	
Sunflower Yield Trial	13
Crambe Yield Trial	14
Sorghum Testing	
Grain Sorghum Breeding	15
Grain Sorghum Performance Testing	16
Sorghum Forage Testing	16
Grass Testing	
Grass Forage Production	21
Management, Tillage, and Cultural Practices	
Comparison of Different Techniques in Growing Winter Wheat	22
Management, Methods of Seeding, and Fertilizer Effects on Sorghum-Spring Wheat Rotations	23
Fertilizer Studies	
Influence of Fertilizers on Yield of Winter Wheat	26
Crop Diseases and Their Control	
Wheat Streak Mosaic Development and Control in South Dakota	28
Air Pollution Detection in South Dakota Using Sensitive Indicator Plants	28
Application of Furadan for Control of Mites and Insects Affecting Winter Wheat	30

Table 1. Weather Data - South Central Crops and Soils Research Station, 1972

Month	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total
Rainfall in Inches*	0.12	0.04	0.24	3.41	3.15	3.23	2.00	0.89	0.11	0.97	1.39	0.56	16.11
Longtime Average**	0.47	0.57	1.02	1.79	2.38	3.11	1.66	2.08	1.45	0.98	0.67	0.39	16.57
Departure from Longtime Average	-0.35	-0.53	-0.78	1.62	0.77	0.12	0.34	-1.19	-1.34	-0.01	0.72	0.17	-0.46
Average Temperature*	--	--	--	45.8	59.2	66.6	71.9	72.4	64.2	46.7	--	--	
Longtime Average**	18.6	21.9	31.8	47.6	58.9	68.7	76.8	75.0	74.5	51.4	34.8	23.9	
Departure from Longtime Average	--	--	--	-1.8	0.3	-2.1	-4.9	-2.6	-10.3	-4.7	--	--	
Av. Monthly Maximum - 1972*	--	--	--	56.7	68.9	76.1	85.1	88.9	78.1	57.4	--	--	
Av. Monthly Minimum - 1972*	--	--	--	34.9	49.5	57.1	58.6	55.9	50.3	35.9	--	--	
Inches of Water													
Evaporated from Free Surface	--	--	--	--	--	--	6.01	7.61	6.49	1.97	--	--	

Note: The maximum recorded air temperature for the year was 105° and occurred on August 13.  
 Last killing frost - May 4; First frost - September 26; First killing frost - October 12; Growing season - 161 days.

\*Data taken and recorded at South Central Crops and Soils Research Station.

\*\*Longtime averages were recorded at Kennebec, South Dakota, based on 30 year period 1931-1960 inclusive.

## SMALL GRAIN VARIETY TESTING

H. A. Geise, D. G. Wells, P. B. Price, D. L. Reeves, and J. J. Bonnemann

Objective: To observe and compare small grain varieties and experimental strains for winterhardiness, grain yield, disease resistance, and other characteristics of area adaptability.

## RYE

The plots were seeded by using a deep furrow drill. The seeding rate was 5 pecks or 70 pounds per acre. The soil was fertilized by applying 15 pounds of elemental phosphorus with the seed. The results of the trial are presented in Table 2.

Table 2. Rye Variety Performance Trial - South Central Crops and Soils Research Station - Presho, South Dakota - 1972

Variety	Date of Heading	Height Inches	Lodging* (1-5)	Percent** Protein	Test Wt Lbs/Bu	Grain Yield Bu/Acre
Von Lochow	May 29	51	2.3	13.2	56	57.1
Pearl	29	52	3.3	13.8	55	54.2
Coloma	28	53	2.0	14.6	54	54.1
Cougar	28	49	2.3	12.2	54	51.0
Frontier	28	52	3.7	13.6	56	46.8
Mean						52.6

\*Lodging score: 1 - Upright; 5 - Prostrate.

\*\*Percent Protein was calculated from Kjeldahl nitrogen analysis and is reported on an oven-dry basis.

Note: Date of Planting: September 29, 1971

Date of Harvest: July 24, 1972

Height and Lodging notes were taken just prior to harvest

## WINTER WHEAT

Winter wheat varieties were evaluated in large drill-sized plots. They were fertilized by applying 15 pounds of elemental phosphorus with the seed by the use of a drill box attachment. The information is published in Tables 3 and 4.

Two Regional Performance Nurseries were grown off-station. These trials contained a number of old varieties which were used as controls or check varieties for comparing new or early generation crosses and selections. The results are published in Tables 5 and 6. Survival notes were taken in early April, while notes such as lodging and height were taken just prior to harvest.



Table 3. Winter Grain Variety Performance Trial (Late Seeded) - South Central Crops &amp; Soils Research Station, 1972

Variety	Date of Heading		Height Inches	Percent Survival	Rust Leaf	Reaction* Stem	Percent Lodging	Percent** Protein	Test Wt Lbs/Bu	Yield Bu/A
WINTER WHEAT										
Gage	June	7	37	92	MR	R	33	16.1	60.3	43.6
Shawnee		8	39	93	MR	S	17	15.8	60.3	41.5
Weathermaster 106		7	38	93	MR	R	50	16.5	60.7	40.8
Trader		10	40	93	S	R	33	15.8	59.5	40.1
NB66512		4	38	95	S	R	42	16.9	59.0	39.2
Centurk	June	7	34	92	MR	R	32	16.2	59.5	38.6
Trapper		10	40	93	S	R	42	15.4	59.2	37.7
Bronze		6	38	92	MR	R	25	15.9	59.2	37.5
Winoka		11	41	96	S	R	17	15.9	60.7	36.7
Hume		7	39	96	S	R	50	16.3	59.2	36.4
Triumph	June	5	36	95	S	S	32	17.1	60.5	35.9
Scout 66		9	38	87	S	R	50	16.3	59.5	35.4
Eagle		6	39	83	S	R	25	18.4	59.5	34.7
Froid		11	41	99	MR	R	17	16.3	57.5	34.3
Scoutland		5	36	93	S	R	42	17.6	60.7	34.2
SD 7117	June	7	40	88	R	R	33	17.2	58.7	32.9
Omaha		7	37	95	S	R	50	17.6	59.0	31.7
Lancer		8	39	90	S	R	8	15.8	60.7	31.6
Guide		6	36	93	S	R	50	16.5	59.2	27.2
Turkey		8	40	90	S	S	50	16.4	57.5	26.1
Minter	June	10	42	88	S	R	25	16.4	59.0	19.2
Sturdy		8	25	5	R	S	0	20.0	53.7	5.9
WINTER TRITICALES										
Fas Gro 131	June	5	46	73	R	R	8	20.9	48.5	34.3

LSD(.05) - 4.8 Bu/A

C.V. - 8.6%

Mean 33.7

Note: Values are an average of three replications; Date of Planting - Sept. 25, 1971; Date of Harvest - July 31, 1972.

Samples for protein content and test weight were collected on July 29, 1972.

\*Letter indicates reaction to rust: S-susceptible

R-resistant

MR-moderately resistant

\*\*Protein content is reported on an oven-dry basis and was calculated from Kjeldahl nitrogen analysis.

Table 4. Winter Wheat Variety Performance Trial (Early Seeded) - South Central Crops &amp; Soils Research Station, 1972

Variety	Date of Heading		Height Inches	Percent Survival	Rust Reaction*		Percent Lodging	Percent** Protein	Test Wt Lbs/Bu	Yield Bu/A
					Leaf	Stem				
Shawnee	June	5	42	96	MR	S	70	16.3	60.0	51.2
Eagle		5	41	88	S	R	44	16.9	58.8	46.6
Trapper		7	41	92	S	R	40	15.4	58.6	46.3
Scout 66		4	41	88	S	R	76	16.6	60.8	46.2
Trader		6	42	89	S	R	50	16.8	56.4	45.9
Weathermaster 106	June	3	43	92	MR	R	76	16.6	60.6	45.2
Centurk		4	41	82	MR	R	44	16.4	59.6	44.9
Triumph		3	41	86	S	S	70	18.1	60.2	44.4
Hume		5	42	96	S	R	60	16.4	55.1	44.3
Gage		4	38	89	MR	R	36	17.2	59.4	44.0
Winoka	June	7	42	95	S	R	56	16.9	58.2	43.4
Bronze		4	42	92	MR	R	36	17.6	55.5	43.4
Omaha		4	40	96	S	R	60	17.6	58.0	41.0
NB66512		5	42	94	S	R	44	18.1	59.5	39.2
Lancer		5	42	90	S	R	36	16.8	59.6	37.8
Caprock	June	5	38	69	R	R	30	17.0	57.9	35.3
Minter		7	46	96	S	R	56	16.9	57.2	35.2
Guide		3	40	86	S	R	44	17.2	57.0	31.5
Froid		7	46	96	MR	R	24	16.6	57.2	30.3

LSD(.05) - 5.8 Bu/A

C.V. - 9.7%

Mean - 41.9

Note: Values presented within the table are averages of four replications.

Date of Planting: September 2, 1971; Date of Harvest: August 4, 1972.

Samples for protein content and test weight were collected on July 29.

\*Letter indicates reaction to rust: S-susceptible R-resistant MR-moderately resistant

\*\*Protein content is reported on an oven-dry basis and was calculated from Kjeldahl nitrogen analysis.

Table 5. Northern Regional Performance Nursery - George Anderson Farm - Presho, South Dakota - 1972.

Varietal Name or Pedigree	Percent Scab (July 6)	Percent Necrosis (June 28)	Percent Rust		Percent Survival (April 5)	Percent Lodging (July 18)	Test Wt Lbs/ Bu	Yield Bu/ A
			Leaf (June 28)	Stem (July 18)				
NE68427	1	30	10	5	90	27	59.4	56.1
NE68493	1	30	0	0	85	23	58.7	54.6
SD 7117	1	85	0	0	85	37	60.5	53.6
NE69442	0	25	10	0	90	57	57.2	53.5
NE701134	1	35	0	0	80	30	57.2	52.4
Centurk	3	70	5	5	90	30	60.0	51.9
NE69441	0	30	0	0	80	20	61.3	51.4
SD 697	0	30	100	0	90	30	57.3	51.0
68F6635	0	30	0	5	90	50	57.7	50.6
SD56713-10	0	25	5	0	90	37	56.8	47.8
Warrior	0	20	100	65	90	50	57.5	47.0
SD66117-2	0	30	0	0	90	50	56.1	44.1
KS6623	1	45	0	100	70	20	59.3	42.6
Bronze	0	30	65	0	90	40	55.6	41.9
Kharkof	0	25	100	25	90	53	55.1	41.8
NE68510	0	50	10	0	85	57	57.3	41.4
Bezostaya	1	50	0	100	75	3	57.3	34.2
Sundance	0	20	5	65	90	40	50.5	26.7

All data in Tables 5 and 6 are averages of four replications. The plots were composed of four rows sixteen feet long and spaced nine inches apart. Seeding was completed on September 11 by using a Chain Plot Seeder. The two center rows of each plot were hand harvested for determining yield information, and was completed on July 31.

Table 6. Southern Regional Performance Nursery - George Anderson Farm - Presho, South Dakota - 1972.

Varietal Name or Pedigree	Percent Scab (July 6)	Necrosis* (1-10) (June 28)	Percent Rust		Percent Survival (April 5)	Percent Lodging (July 18)	Test Wt Lbs/ Bu	Yield Bu/ A
			Leaf (June 28)	Stem (July 18)				
NE68435	1	3.5	25	25	90	30	57.2	53.6
NE701132	3	1.0	0	0	90	13	57.6	50.5
KS65274	1	5.5	0	0	75	40	57.5	49.5
KS7016	1	5.0	0	0	90	43	55.6	48.7
KS70H179	1	8.0	0	0	80	57	57.7	47.0
Scout 66	1	6.5	45	0	90	73	57.7	46.5
NE68440	5	2.5	25	0	90	80	55.4	46.0
OK69740	1	7.0	0	0	90	53	56.7	45.8
Centurk	5	6.5	0	0	90	63	56.1	45.7
KS70H134	1	8.5	0	0	80	60	57.2	45.3
TX69A367	5	5.5	0	5	80	17	54.3	42.8
OK696731	10	5.0	100	100	90	40	57.1	42.3
NE68437	1	3.5	5	0	90	47	55.4	38.0
TX69A571	2	4.5	100	40	80	27	57.3	37.9
CO64043 (Scout Sel.)	1	6.5	5	5	90	50	57.6	37.8
CO695552	5	3.5	5	100	50	13	56.5	37.7
SD 7117	0	8.0	0	0	90	53	57.3	37.6
TX62A2522-1-4	5	3.5	10	100	85	7	54.3	30.9
OK60118	1	3.0	100	65	25	20	57.0	26.6
Kharkof	0	2.0	5	40	90	75	53.2	26.6
Pronto	10	8.5	25	65	50	47	59.0	25.2
TX65A1268	3	7.5	5	65	90	60	55.5	24.8
Bezostaya	1	2.5	0	40	65	7	56.5	21.4
TX62A2782-4-2	0	5.5	0	65	60	10	54.5	19.5
TX69A565	15	9.0	0	5	85	17	49.0	18.6

\*Necrosis Score: 1-All tissue alive; 10-All tissue dead.



Table 7. Experimental Lines (Scout 66/Agent) Drill Strip Test - South Central Crops & Soils Research Station - Presho, 1972

Variety	Date of Heading	Height Inches	Lodging* (1-5)	Percent Survival	Percent** Protein	Test Wt Lbs/Bu	Yield Bu/A
KS70H124	June 8	36	3.0	95	15.5	55.5	42.2
KS70H199	7	35	2.8	95	16.3	53.2	37.5
KS70H179	7	35	2.5	95	15.4	54.8	35.7
KS70H126	8	37	3.2	95	15.7	55.0	35.4
KS70H128	6	35	3.0	95	16.2	54.1	33.9
KS70H167	7	35	2.2	91	15.7	53.9	33.5
KS70H169	7	33	1.5	95	15.8	54.6	32.4
KS70H175	8	34	2.0	94	15.1	53.6	31.0
KS70H168	7	34	1.5	95	16.4	53.1	28.9
KS70H125	7	34	2.0	91	16.4	54.6	28.1

LSD(.05) - 3.8 Bu/A

C.V. - 14.5%

Mean - 33.6

\*Lodging Score: 1-Upright; 5-Prostrate

\*\*Percent protein was calculated from Kjeldahl nitrogen analysis and is reported on an oven-dry basis.

Note: Date of seeding: September 23, 1971; Date of Harvest: August 4, 1972; Plot size: Six rows spaced twelve inches apart by one hundred feet long.

#### SPRING WHEAT AND TRITICALES

All varieties reported in tables 8 through 11 were seeded in fallow. The soil was fertilized by broadcasting 40 pounds of nitrogen and 15 pounds of phosphorus per acre. An additional 15 pounds per acre of phosphorus was applied with the seed at planting. The plots were seeded in mid-April and harvested with a self-propelled combine in early August. Plant notes were taken just prior to harvest.

Table 8. Spring Triticales Variety Trial - South Central Crops & Soils Research Station - Presho, 1972

Brand & Variety	Height Inches	Lodging (1-5)	Percent* Protein	Test Wt Lbs/Bu	Grain Yield Lbs/Acre
Rosner	38	2.5	17.0	45.5	948
Fas Gro 204	44	2.0	17.6	47.2	893
Fas Gro 419	45	2.0	17.7	46.0	880
Fas Gro 203	42	2.0	17.5	45.2	833
CL-71	46	2.0	17.5	47.5	795
Graze Grain 70	37	2.8	17.9	47.6	746

Yield differences are not statistically significant

Mean - 849

\*Percent protein was calculated from Kjeldahl nitrogen analysis and is reported on an oven-dry basis.

Table 9. Hard Red Spring Wheat Variety Trial - South Central Crops and Soils Research Station, Presho, South Dakota, 1972

Variety	Plant Height	Lodging (1-5)	Percent Moisture	Percent* Protein	Test Wt Lbs/Bu	Grain Yield Bu/Acre
Fortuna	38	2.5	14.0	17.5	56.5	31.6
Nordak	38	2.5	12.8	18.9	54.2	26.8
Waldron	34	1.5	14.6	18.3	52.4	24.1
Chris	36	2.5	10.6	18.8	55.1	22.5
Polk	32	2.0	12.9	18.5	55.0	22.3
Sheridan	36	3.0	13.1	16.9	53.8	21.1
Manitou	34	3.2	9.8	18.2	53.9	16.0
Neepawa	35	2.5	10.8	19.3	51.1	15.0
LSD(.05) - 2.6 Bu/A C.V. - 7.9% Mean - 22.4						

\*Protein content was calculated from Kjeldahl nitrogen analysis and is reported on an oven-dry basis.

Table 10. Semi-dwarf Hard Red Spring Wheat Variety Trial - South Central Crops and Soils Research Station, Presho, South Dakota, 1972

Variety	Plant Height	Lodging (1-5)	Percent Moisture	Percent* Protein	Test Wt Lbs/Bu	Grain Yield Bu/Acre
W.S. 1809	26	2.8	14.9	17.5	55.6	29.8
Lark	27	2.2	14.9	18.4	54.4	26.7
Era (Feed Wheat)	29	2.0	13.4	17.4	52.5	26.7
Fletcher	29	2.0	13.4	18.7	52.5	26.7
DeKalb-Bonanza	27	2.0	15.0	17.6	54.9	25.0
Cargill-Bounty 208	28	3.0	13.1	17.8	56.8	22.5
LSD(.05) - 2.7 Bu/A C.V. - 6.8% Mean - 26.2						

\*Protein content was calculated from Kjeldahl nitrogen analysis and is reported on an oven-dry basis.

Table 11. Durum Wheat Variety Trial - South Central Crops &amp; Soils Research Station, Presho, South Dakota, 1972

Variety	Plant Height	Lodging (1-5)	Percent Moisture	Percent* Protein	Test Wt Lbs/Bu	Grain Yield Bu/Acre
Rolette	39	2.0	15.8	19.1	55.2	33.0
Wells	40	2.0	15.6	19.3	55.1	32.1
Hercules	39	2.0	13.8	18.5	58.2	31.4
Leeds	39	2.2	15.5	19.3	55.2	29.2
N.S. C.V. - 15.6% Mean - 31.4						

# SPRING BARLEY

The plots were seeded in fallow and were fertilized by broadcasting 40 pounds of nitrogen plus 15 pounds of elemental phosphorus per acre. An additional 15 pounds per acre of elemental phosphorus was applied with the seed at planting time. Rate of seeding was 60 pounds per acre. Date of seeding was mid-April. The yields and other agronomic data presented in Table 12 were recorded at harvest.

Table 12. Spring Barley Variety Trial - South Central Crops & Soils Research Station - Presho, 1972

Variety	Date of Heading	Height Inches	Lodging* (1-5)	Percent** Protein	Test Wt Lbs/Bu	Grain Yield Bu/Acre
Larker	June 16	36	3	15.5	42.0	61.5
Nordic	16	38	3	15.5	41.6	59.9
Burk	16	39	3	16.1	42.0	58.8
Cree	16	36	4	15.5	40.4	53.3
Firlbecks III	22	34	2	18.1	45.5	52.6
Dickson	20	36	3	15.6	40.4	52.0
Primus II	June 14	34	4	14.0	41.4	50.1
Conquest	17	40	2	15.2	39.9	46.7
Prilar	15	36	3	15.0	40.0	46.3
Liberty	18	36	3	15.0	40.4	45.2
Trophy	20	36	2	15.6	39.5	40.4
Paragon	22	36	2	15.6	40.0	40.2

LSD(.05) - 9.2 Bu/A

C.V. - 12.6%

Mean - 49.9

\*Lodging Score: 1-Upright; 5-Prostrate

\*\*Protein content was calculated from Kjeldahl nitrogen analysis and is reported on an oven-dry basis.

## OATS

All varieties listed in Tables 13 and 14 were seeded on fallow. The soil was fertilized by broadcasting 40 pounds of nitrogen and 15 pounds of phosphorus per acre. An additional 15 pounds of phosphorus was applied with the seed at planting. The rate of seeding was 2 bushels or 64 pounds per acre. Seeding was completed in mid-April. The agronomic notes were taken just prior to harvest in early August. Harvesting of plots was accomplished by using a self-propelled combine.

Table 13. Oat Variety Trial - South Central Crops &amp; Soils Research Station - Presho - 1972

Variety	Date of Heading	Height Inches	Lodging* (1-5)	Percent** Protein	Test Wt Lbs/Bu	Grain Yield Bu/Acre
Burnett	June 17	39	3.5	17.5	35.6	119.1
Kota	22	42	2.8	17.2	33.6	103.4
Froker	24	42	1.2	18.2	34.8	103.1
Dupree	16	37	3.5	16.6	34.9	98.0
Kelsey	24	44	2.5	15.7	31.5	98.0
Garland	June 17	37	2.8	17.2	34.9	97.6
Trio	16	41	3.2	17.5	34.9	96.3
Pettis	15	38	3.5	17.7	35.5	96.0
Otee	17	36	3.0	19.4	34.4	95.9
Cayuse	25	39	2.5	17.9	29.6	95.6
Diana	June 16	38	2.8	19.4	34.0	94.2
Nodaway 70	16	38	3.2	18.4	36.1	93.6
Grundy	16	37	3.0	17.2	34.4	91.2
Holden	19	42	2.5	17.3	33.8	91.2
Portal	20	42	3.0	16.5	34.2	90.9
Rodney	June 30	48	2.0	17.9	32.5	90.5
Dal	26	39	2.8	19.4	33.1	89.2
Chief	17	39	2.5	19.2	34.4	88.5
Mammoth	23	43	3.0	18.3	32.0	86.0
M-72	16	40	3.0	17.5	33.1	84.4
Lodi	June 26	48	1.8	18.8	30.6	82.7
Clintland 64	17	41	3.0	18.7	33.9	69.2
LSD(.05) - 11.7 Bu/A			C.V. - 8.9%		Mean - 93.4	

\*Lodging Score: 1-Upright; 5-Prostrate

Table 14. Oat Variety Trial (Forage Type) - South Central Crops and Soils Research Station

Variety	Height Inches	Forage Yield***			Grain Yield Bu/Acre
		% Dry Matter	Protein**	Tons/Acre	
Cayuse	39	60.0	11.1	5.6	95.6
Dal	39	56.5	12.9	5.2	89.2
Rodney	48	43.2	11.4	4.6	90.5
Mammoth	43	44.0	11.9	4.5	86.0
Froker	42	48.9	10.0	4.4	103.1
Kelsey	44	51.6	11.1	4.0	98.0
Lodi	48	48.0	11.2	4.2	82.7
Portal	42	55.3	12.2	3.8	90.9
LSD(.05) - .37 T/A		C.V. - 5.7%		Mean - 4.5	

\*\*Percent protein content was calculated from Kjeldahl nitrogen analysis and is reported on an oven-dry basis.

\*\*\*Forage Yields are reported on a 12% moisture content.



## FLAX

The flax variety trial was seeded on fallow soil at the rate of one bushel per acre. The soil was fertilized by broadcasting 100 pounds of 40-15-0 prior to field preparation and by placing an additional 15 pounds of phosphorus with the seed. The plots were sprayed for weed control with Bronate at the rate of one pound per acre. The plots were harvested in late August. Yield data are reported in Table 15.

Table 15. Flax Variety Trial - South Central Crops & Soils Research Station Presho, 1972

Variety	Height Inches	Test Wt Lbs/Bu	Grain Yield Bu/Acre
Nored	21	55	6.3
B-5128	20	52	6.1
Windom	21	54	5.7
Linott	21	52	5.3
Summit	21	53	4.2
Bolley	20	53	2.7
Foster	24	50	2.5
Norstar	20	51	2.2
LSD(.05) - 2.3 Bu/A			Mean - 4.4

## SPECIALTY CROP TESTING

H. A. Geise

Objectives: To observe and compare various specialty crop varieties and selections for grain yield, disease resistance, new management practices, and other characteristics for area adaptability.

## SUNFLOWER YIELD TRIAL

Sunflowers are grown as a crop for several purposes. The large-seed types are grown for whole-seed-uses in the confectionery trade. They are also preferred by some bird feeders because the large seed is less likely to attract sparrows and is less likely to be lost on the ground.

The small seeded varieties have a much thinner hull resulting in a proportionally larger meat. These thin hulled types are used primarily for their oil. Certain varieties contain over 50% high quality oil in the seed.

A variety trial containing 39 entries was seeded in 1972 but because of rodent damage stands were not uniform and the test did not provide reliable data. The average seed yields for the various types were: Birdfeed varieties - 1655 lbs/acre, Open-pollinated oilseed varieties - 1798 lbs/acre, Hybrid oilseed varieties - 1912 lbs/acre.



## Crambe Testing

H. A. Geise

Crambe is a new oil crop which is being tested for adaptability to the area. The oil contains Erucic acid which is used in the manufacture of plastics, such as brush bristles and bearings.

Crambe can be planted after danger of killing frost is past. It should be seeded with a grain drill at 15 to 30 pounds per acre. The plants will mature in 75 to 85 days and may be harvested by direct combine. Crambe may lodge but this can be prevented by swathing while still slightly immature.

The market for Crambe seed and oil has been established but because of the cost of shipping and location of processors only carload lots should be considered. Marketing could best be accomplished by forming a growers association. Yield data of selections from a plant introduction are shown in Table 16. The plots were seeded on May 19 and harvested on September 27. They were on fallow land and received 15 pounds of phosphorus with the seed at planting time.

Table 16. Crambe Selection Yield Trial - South Central Crops & Soils Research Station - Presho, South Dakota

Selection No.	Height	Test Wt	Seed Yield, Lbs/Acre		
	Inches		Lbs/Bu	1972	1969
<u>Crambe abyssinica</u>					
67002	27	21.8	817	2575	
67014	29	21.9	771	---	
67009	29	22.7	741	2270	
67042	26	22.1	741	---	
67022	28	21.5	718	2305	
67005	26	21.4	688	2215	
67006	26	22.2	681	2170	
67001	30	21.5	681	2230	
67032	27	18.0	673	---	
67008	29	22.0	669	2430	
67013	27	21.2	669	2765	
67007	27	21.4	666	2995	
67020	28	22.1	624	2305	
Prophet	29	22.0	401	---	
<u>Crambe hispanica</u>					
Indy	29	23.4	552	---	

## SORGHUM PERFORMANCE TESTING

## Sorghum Breeding

A. O. Lunden

Sorghum plantings in 1972 included the Regional Uniform Test and a group of hybrids and lines from the South Dakota Breeding Nursery. The yields were about 10% below the five-year average for full season hybrids but were 10-20% above average for the short-season and mid-season entries. Di-Syston, a recommended insecticide, applied at time of planting prevented injury from greenbugs. However, yields were limited by drought and frost. Seed quality was poor in late maturing entries because of immature seed at harvest. Lodging was severe in some entries resulting in very difficult harvest conditions.

Yields reported in Table 17, which ranged from 45 to 75 bushels per acre in 1972 are from 36-inch rows planted on May 22. The early maturing lines, SD 104 and SD 690363, which are intended for late planting in narrow rows would probably yield considerably more if they were planted in that way. Yields of these two lines were increased by 10% when planted June 2 at Highmore and 42% when planted May 31 at Beresford at the same row spacing and should be still better if planted in narrow rows.

Table 17. Yields of Grain Sorghum Entries - South Central Crops & Soils Research Station - Presho, South Dakota

Entry	Height	Percent	Maturity*	Yield in Bushels per acre			
	Inches	Lodging	(days)	1968-70	1971	1972	67-72
HYBRIDS							
SD 451	47	8	+ 6	59.4	32.8	65.0	55.9
SD 503	51	3	+ 5	68.2	39.6	76.8	64.9
NB 505	44	0	+ 1	55.4	37.0	59.3	52.9
RS 506	44	22	+ 4	69.1	37.7	64.5	63.1
RS 610	44	1	+10	64.8	40.7	52.7	58.7
LINES							
SD 102	39	24	+ 1	---	22.2	44.1	---
SD 104	39	17	+ 2	---	24.8	53.9	---
SD 690363	38	9	0		33.2	47.8	---

\*Additional days required to reach same point of maturity as check variety.

An experimental forage sorghum R873-71 was tested (Table 23) but a limited seed supply will delay release until at least 1975. This hybrid has a very short stature, considerable leafiness and excellent yield potential.

## Grain Sorghum Performance Testing

J. J. Bonnemann

Objective: To compare the performance of grain sorghum hybrid varieties as to yield and other agronomic characteristics.

Performance trials with grain sorghum hybrids have been conducted on a fee basis at the South Central Crops & Soils Research Station since 1962. Table 18 presents the 1972 yields and agronomic data. Long term averages and other information can be found in Circular 207, 1972 Grain Sorghum Performance Trials, South Dakota Agricultural Experiment Station.

The plots were seeded on May 22. They were treated with Di-Syston 15G at 1 #/acre active ingredients to control greenbugs, and Ramrod 20G at 4 #/acre active ingredients to control weeds. Row spacing was 36 inches. The plots were harvested on October 3.

## Sorghum Forage Testing

H. A. Geise

Objective: To compare the various forage sorghums and sudangrasses, or their hybrids as to their adaptability, their forage production, and their forage quality.

Sorghum forage testing at the South Central Crops & Soils Research Station is continued because of voluntary contribution of seed by commercial companies. With the exception of certain preselected "Check" varieties, which will remain unidentified, all other seed is donated.

The researcher will not make interpretations or verbal comparisons of the trials, because of what may be misconstrued as "Brand" favoritism.

When studying the tables, the reader should consider the unusual weather during the growing season. The limited days with high air temperatures delayed heading and maturity, and thus altered such measurements as maturity and plant type.

The data from these trials are presented in Tables 19, 20, and 21. The plots were seeded on May 26, and on October 19 the plant notes were taken. The sugar content, moisture content, and forage yields were measured at harvest time.

Table 18. Grain Sorghum Performance Trial - South Central Crops & Soils  
Research Station - Presho, South Dakota - 1972

Brand & Variety	Date of Heading	Height Inches	Percent Lodging	Percent* Moisture	Test Wt Lbs/Bu	Yield Lbs/A
Pride P 550 BR	7-31	45	7	19.1	57	4860
RS 560	7-31	45	45	19.7	57	4810
Frontier Super 400A	8- 8	42	0	30.5	55	4705
Western WS 201	7-31	43	20	19.7	57	4705
ACCO R 1010	8- 2	47	12	17.0	59	4655
Pioneer 878	8- 7	40	0	20.9	57	4645
SD 25702	8- 2	40	20	19.6	56	4640
DeKalb C-42A	8- 8	39	2	27.6	58	4595
SD 503	7-31	51	5	19.7	57	4585
DeKalb A-26	8- 1	38	3	23.6	56	4570
Pride P-500A	7-30	43	40	20.3	57	4570
Northrup-King 180	8- 4	44	5	23.5	57	4560
Northrup-King 121	7-31	44	8	17.6	58	4560
ACCO R920	7-28	44	30	17.0	56	4445
DeKalb B-36	8- 1	42	3	20.9	58	4410
ACCO R-1019	8- 8	42	30	29.2	59	4395
Early Oro	8- 6	42	2	29.0	57	4395
Warner W-601	8- 7	40	4	20.6	57	4330
Frontier 400C	8- 8	44	2	25.9	57	4295
ACCO X-7250	8- 4	37	6	21.8	58	4290
Pioneer 894	7-29	37	4	16.1	58	4255
DeKalb X-1355	8- 2	33	3	21.1	57	4240
NK Mini-Milo 54BR	7-25	39	3	15.9	57	4230
Western WS100	7-31	47	35	16.8	54	4230
RS 610	8-10	42	8	24.5	55	4230
NB 635	8-10	42	25	31.2	58	4185
Pride P-200	7-22	41	15	17.6	56	4170
Warner W-55	8-10	36	0	19.2	50	4145
Pioneer 883	8- 8	37	5	30.1	54	4145
P-A-G 3849	7-30	41	15	16.5	57	4135
Western WS206	8- 8	39	2	19.5	55	4130
Pioneer 866	8- 8	44	5	28.7	56	4125
Frontier GX410	8- 8	37	2	23.8	56	4110
Coop SG-22	8-14	34	10	32.6	57	4040
Warner W-501	7-26	47	60	16.5	55	4030
Frontier GX700	7-31	43	15	18.9	57	3955
NB 634	8-13	43	2	35.+	59	3935
SD 451	7-30	45	45	17.1	55	3925
Coop SG-21	8-12	36	15	32.4	58	3680
Warner W-600	8- 4	37	10	15.8	48	3580

C.V. - 12.1%

Mean - 4315

\*Moisture content was determined by an electronic moisture tester, A "+" sign indicates the content to be above the upper limit of the tester.

The area harvested was 60 sq ft, and yields reported are an average of four replications.



Table 19. Performance Trial of Forage Sorghum Varieties - South Central Crops &amp; Soils Research Station, 1972

Brand & Variety	Date of Heading	Percent Lodging	Maturity* (1-5)	Height Inches	% Sugar in Sap	Plant** Type	Percent*** Protein	Forage Yield**** Tons/Acre
Rudy-Patrick 55F	8- 4	29	1	76	11.9	3	7.6	6.9
Rudy-Patrick Sumax	8-11	21	1	79	14.7	3	6.3	6.7
Acco FS401R	8- 8	51	1	69	11.4	3	7.6	5.3
Excel Silo-fill 33	8-16	22	2	62	5.2	3	7.5	5.1
Asgrow Beefbuilder T	8-18	22	1	83	11.9	3	6.0	5.0
DeKalb FS-1a	8- 4	14	1	57	4.4	8	8.2	4.6
Frontier S-209	8- 9	4	2	90	13.4	4	7.8	4.5
Funk's 102F	8- 6	25	2	67	9.6	3	6.9	4.4
Frontier S-212	8-25	11	2	80	13.8	3	7.7	4.4
Acco FS531	9- 5	36	4	82	12.4	2	8.5	4.2
Northrup-King 300	8- 9	28	1	62	4.3	3	11.6	4.1
Acco X7804	8- 7	65	1	62	5.0	3	8.1	3.9
Funk's 262S	8- 9	33	2	58	6.4	7	6.8	3.9
Niagara Protector	8-23	8	2	76	14.6	3	7.9	3.9
Advance 1085F	8-26	14	2	72	11.8	3	7.6	3.9
Rudy-Patrick 22F	8- 9	29	1	67	9.3	3	7.5	3.8
Funk's 93F	8-27	24	2	86	15.6	3	6.9	3.8
DeKalb FS-4	8-20	18	1	84	11.6	3	7.0	3.8
Waconia	8-13	14	1	74	13.1	3	5.9	3.7
Pioneer 931	8-20	8	5	91	14.6	2	8.5	3.6
Frontier S-205	8- 5	54	1	74	5.8	4	7.6	3.6
Niagara Hi-Chew	8-24	8	2	77	11.4	3	7.6	3.6
SD 275F	8- 4	9	1	58	6.0	7	8.6	3.6
Advance 1071F	8-25	21	1	84	16.0	3	6.9	3.5
Acco FS403R	8-24	9	2	82	9.2	3	8.0	3.5
DeKalb FS-1b	8-12	6	2	55	5.0	8	9.4	3.4
Asgrow Duet	8- 5	18	1	66	5.1	3	7.7	3.4
Acco X8815	8- 5	45	1	69	4.5	3	8.1	3.4
Northrup-King 367	9- 3	29	5	79	12.6	2	10.9	3.1
Northrup-King 145	8- 7	45	1	75	5.7	4	9.2	2.8
Frontier S-210	8-24	3	2	75	12.9	3	7.5	2.6
Rancher	7-28	3	1	74	14.6	5	8.1	2.5
SD R873	7-31	5	1	37	8.4	7	8.8	2.3

Note: Footnote explanations can be found on pages 19 and 20.



\*\*Legend for Plant Type - Tables 19-21.

Score	Description	Score	Description
1	Tall-Extra Leafy-No Grain	6	Short-Extra Leafy-No Grain
2	Tall-Leafy-Some Grain	7	Short-Leafy-Some Grain
3	Tall-Leafy-Grain (50-50)	8	Short-Leafy-Grain (50-50)
4	Tall-Few Leaves-Some Grain	9	Short-Few Leaves-Some Grain
5	Tall-Few Leaves-No Grain	10	Short-Few Leaves-No Grain

Table 20. Performance Trial of Sorghum-Sudangrass Crosses - South Central Crops & Soils Research Station, 1972

Brand & Variety	Date of Heading	Percent Lodging	Maturity* (1-5)	Height Inches	% Sugar in Sap	Plant** Type	Percent*** Protein	Forage Yield**** Tons/Acre
Excel Super Chowmaker S	8-13	25	1	53	9.3	7	8.5	4.2
Frontier Hidan 39	8-12	29	1	87	10.7	4	8.3	4.1
Funk's 83F	8-17	31	1	86	14.1	4	8.2	4.0
Funk's 78F	8-19	28	1	85	12.5	4	7.3	3.9
Northrup-King Sordan 70	8-11	30	1	84	9.9	4	6.7	3.6
DeKalb ST 11	8- 7	25	1	85	11.2	4	9.3	3.3
Excel Super Chowmaker A	8-21	10	2	80/46	10.2	4/8	9.8	3.3
Excel Chowmaker	8-17	28	1	77	15.6	4	12.3	2.9
Acco Sweet Sioux	8- 2	26	1	96	12.6	4	7.0	2.8
Excel Super Chowmaker	8-20	24	4	78	13.9	5	8.3	2.7
DeKalb ST 6	8- 7	24	1	96	15.4	4	6.1	2.6
Asgrow Grazer N	8- 3	28	1	86	11.2	5	6.9	2.6
Doreman Sure-Graze	8-12	34	1	86	13.1	4	9.0	2.5
Frontier Hidan 35	8- 4	20	1	81	8.0	4	5.1	2.4
Rudy-Patrick Su-4	8- 2	20	1	86	11.2	5	5.7	1.8
Acco Sweet Sioux II	8- 6	28	1	84	14.2	4	10.4	1.6

\*See Legend on page 20.

\*\*See Legend at top of page.

\*\*\*Protein content was calculated from Kjeldahl nitrogen analysis and is reported on an oven-dry basis.

\*\*\*\*Forage yields are reported on the basis of 12% moisture content.

Table 21. Performance Trial of Miscellaneous Annual Forages - South Central Crops &amp; Soils Research Station, 1972

Brand & Variety	Date of Heading	Percent Lodging	Maturity* (1-5)	Height Inches	% Sugar in Sap	Plant** Type	Percent*** Protein	Forage Yield**** Tons/Acre
SILAGE CORN								
Pioneer 3681	7-30	25	1	78	10.9	3	9.2	3.2
Pioneer Blend BR	7-30	0	1	76	8.8	3	10.9	2.9
Pioneer Blend AR	7-28	0	1	72	16.4	3	8.2	2.5
Pioneer Blend CR	8- 4	25	1	73	14.5	3	8.7	2.3
SUDANGRASS								
Acco ES-33	7-31	0	1	78	10.1	5	4.9	1.6
Northrup-King Trudan 5	8- 2	25	1	78	10.1	5	5.4	1.5
Rudy-Iatrick Trudy	7-31	25	1	72	7.3	5	6.5	1.3
Cal/West Monarch	7-31	0	1	75	10.4	5	5.1	1.2
Piper	7-29	0	1	78	10.7	5	4.6	0.8
SORGHUM BLENDS								
Acco 3 Little Indians	8- 4	25	1	80	6.6	3	10.5	4.0
Acco FB-44	8-12	43	1	78	10.0	4	9.1	2.8
SOUTH DAKOTA FORAGE HYBRIDS								
R873-71	8- 5	32	1	53	--	6	4.4	4.5
GRAIN SORGHUM CHECK								
SD 503	8- 1	50	1	52	11.2	8	8.6	2.5

\*Legend for Maturity: 1-Mature grain; 2-Hard dough stage; 3-Milk stage; 4-Pollinating stage; 5-Not headed

\*\*See legend at top of page 19.

\*\*\*Protein content was calculated from Kjeldahl nitrogen analysis and is reported on an oven-dry basis.

\*\*\*\*Forage yields are reported on the basis of 12% moisture content.

## GRASS TESTING

Grass Forage Production With Various  
Fertilizers and Row Spacings

H. A. Geise

Objective: To determine optimum rates and ratios of fertilizers to be used in the production of grass forage. The effects of wide and narrow row spacings are also included.

A statistical analysis (Table 22) show some of the 1972 yield differences to be real. In the early years of the study the yields of forage decreased when phosphorus fertilizer was added to the soil.

In recent years the longtime yield records indicate a slight advantage for phosphorus on Smooth Brome grass plots but no real advantage on Intermediate Wheatgrass.

Table 22. Influence of Row Space and Fertilizer on Forage Yield of Smooth Brome grass and Intermediate Wheatgrass - South Central Crops & Soils Research Station

Species	Row Space	Fertilizer* Applied	Percent** Protein	Forage Yield-Tons/A	
				1972	Av. 1960-72
Smooth Brome grass	6"	0-0-0	3.38	0.98	0.72
		20-0-0	3.38	1.48	1.03
		40-0-0	3.69	1.69	1.14
		40-9-0	3.63	2.28	1.30
		40-9-0+Zn	4.00	2.35	1.16***
	42"	0-0-0	2.88	1.22	0.99
		20-0-0	3.94	1.71	1.17
		40-0-0	4.94	1.62	1.19
		40-9-0	4.56	2.14	1.27
		40-9-0+Zn	5.13	2.04	1.01***
Intermediate Wheatgrass	6"	0-0-0	3.44	1.22	0.99
		20-0-0	2.50	1.72	1.40
		40-0-0	5.19	2.04	1.28
		40-9-0	4.25	1.86	1.30
		40-9-0+Zn	4.00	1.62	0.96***
	42"	0-0-0	3.06	2.33	1.21
		20-0-0	4.69	2.87	1.36
		40-0-0	5.25	2.98	1.43
		40-9-0	4.13	2.28	1.40
		40-9-0+Zn	3.69	2.52	1.12***

\*Nitrogen and Phosphorus fertilizers were applied as pounds of element at the rate indicated. Zinc was applied at 10 pounds per acre as zinc sulphate.

\*\*Protein content was calculated from Kjeldahl nitrogen analysis and is reported on an oven-dry basis.

\*\*\*Average yield for this treatment is for the period 1966-1972 only.

## MANAGEMENT, TILLAGE, AND CULTURAL PRACTICES

H. A. Geise

## Comparison of Different Techniques in Growing Winter Wheat

Objective: To compare yields of winter wheat grown, (1) continuously with and without commercial nitrogen, (2) in rotation with conventional fallow or sweet clover, (3) in rotation with corn or sorghum harvested as an ensilage crop, and (4) with or without the addition of phosphorus fertilizer.

The results of this study are reported in Tables 23 and 24.

Table 23. Yields of Winter Wheat from Plots Having Eight Different Management Practices - South Central Crops & Soils Research Station - 1972

Management Practices	Fertilizer*	Percent Survival	Height Inches	Percent** Protein	Test Wt Lbs/Bu	Yield Bu/A
Continuous Wheat	0- 0-0	74	27	13	55	14.6
	0-15-0	91	31	15	56	24.9
Continuous Wheat	40- 0-0	70	29	15	51	16.5
	40-15-0	90	31	15	56	27.6
Continuous Wheat	80- 0-0	70	29	16	52	13.5
	80-15-0	89	34	14	55	27.2
Continuous Wheat	120- 0-0	81	28	16	54	13.1
	120-15-0	90	32	15	56	28.0
Wheat - Fallow	0- 0-0	84	28	15	55	17.6
	0-15-0	90	31	15	57	26.8
Wheat-Sw Cl Fallow	0- 0-0	70	30	16	54	18.3
	0-15-0	88	33	15	55	30.6
Wheat-Corn(Silage)	0- 0-0	76	28	16	55	15.7
	0-15-0	90	30	15	57	26.1
Wheat-Sorghum(Silage)	0- 0-0	70	28	16	56	16.1
	0-15-0	84	30	15	56	24.0
LSD(.05) - 4.6 Bu/A		C.V. - 14.6%			Mean - 21.3	

\*Phosphorus fertilizer was applied with the seed at the rate of 15 pounds of element per acre, while nitrogen was broadcast on the surface at the rate indicated.

\*\*Protein content was calculated from Kjeldahl nitrogen analysis and is reported on an oven-dry basis.

The data collected from this experiment in 1972 indicated only small differences were present between the main treatments of the experiment. The rate of application of commercial nitrogen fertilizer did not affect yield. Neither did the effects of summer fallow, sweet clover fallow, or the silage crops.



The major difference seems to have been influenced by the addition of phosphorus fertilizer, which directly affected winter survival. Although increases in protein and test weight were noted, they are probably due to more efficient use of soil moisture and nutrients.

Table 24. Yields of Forage Obtained from Sweet Clover, Corn and Sorghum-South Central Crops & Soils Research Station - 1972

Crop	Fertilizer* Treatment	Percent Dry Matter	Percent** Protein	Forage Yield-Tons/Acre		
				Wet	Dry***	Av 1971-2
Sweet Clover	O	58.6	13.5	5.8	3.8	---
	P	59.6	13.5	7.1	4.9	---
Silage Corn (Pioneer X8870)	O	23.1	9.6	8.0	2.1	4.1
	P	23.9	9.7	8.5	2.3	4.4
Forage Sorghum (Waconia)	O	15.3	8.8	13.9	2.4	3.9
	P	17.9	6.7	15.3	3.1	4.9

\*15 pounds of elemental phosphorus is applied with the seed of the alternating winter wheat crop.

\*\*Protein content was calculated from Kjeldahl nitrogen analysis and is reported on an oven-dry basis.

\*\*\*Dry forage yields are reported on a 12% moisture content.

#### Management, Methods of Seeding Sorghum, and Fertilizer Effects on a Sorghum-Spring Wheat Rotation

H. A. Geise

Objectives: To determine the effects of nitrogen and phosphorus fertilizers, planting dates, and varieties of grain sorghum on grain yield, and effects of these practices on the yield of spring wheat the next year.

Grain yields in the sorghum-spring wheat rotations have varied among years because of weather conditions. Although the yields have been above the county averages, they are below the yields in other studies at the research station. Continuous cropping since 1957 may have depleted the subsoil moisture to cause the lower yields.

The spring wheat in this study has not yielded more even though nitrogen was applied. However, there has been a visual difference in the appearance of the fertilized and unfertilized plots. The nitrogen fertilized plots have had thicker stands, taller plants, and larger leaves per plant. While the test weights of the grain have been lower, the protein content has always been higher. These are characteristics of grain produced under moisture stress.



Table 25. Effects of Planting Date and Fertilizer Application of Previous Crop of Grain Sorghum on Spring Wheat Yields - South Central Crops & Soils Research Station

Date of Planting Sorghum	Type of Grain Sorghum	Fertilizer*	Percent** Protein	Test Wt Lbs/Bu	Grain Yield-Bu/Acre	
					1972	Av 1971-72
June 1	Short-Season	O	19.6	52.6	15.0	11.6
		N	18.3	52.1	15.4	11.2
		P	19.9	55.6	15.8	12.4
		NP	19.0	53.9	19.1	13.8
	Mid-Season	O	19.7	53.1	15.4	11.0
		N	19.0	52.8	15.9	11.6
		P	19.9	52.8	16.0	12.6
		NP	19.7	52.9	19.5	14.8
	Long-Season	O	18.9	53.0	13.5	11.6
		N	18.4	54.0	16.9	14.8
		P	19.3	55.4	19.0	15.2
		NP	19.0	54.0	18.8	16.4
June 15	Short-Season	O	19.4	54.4	15.6	11.6
		N	18.7	54.2	16.3	12.8
		P	19.5	54.8	13.8	11.6
		NP	19.6	52.8	18.3	14.6
	Mid-Season	O	19.8	53.4	17.1	12.4
		N	19.0	54.5	15.9	12.4
		P	20.0	54.4	20.1	14.8
		NP	20.1	54.5	20.3	16.0
	Long-Season	O	19.2	54.2	13.2	10.8
		N	17.8	54.2	15.8	12.4
		P	19.9	55.1	19.4	14.5
		NP	12.5	54.6	19.4	15.3
June 30	Short-Season	O	18.9	54.0	15.9	14.2
		N	17.8	53.9	13.8	13.4
		P	19.6	54.8	16.4	15.4
		NP	19.9	54.5	17.5	15.6
	Mid-Season	O	19.6	52.6	13.0	10.6
		N	19.0	54.5	14.7	12.0
		P	20.2	54.6	15.2	11.8
		NP	19.6	52.8	19.6	15.9
	Long-Season	O	19.2	52.9	14.0	14.0
		N	18.9	52.8	13.9	13.8
		P	20.2	54.2	15.9	15.4
		NP	19.4	53.4	17.1	16.2

\* "O" indicates fertilizer was not used, "P" indicates 15# of Phosphorus per acre was applied, "N" indicates 40# of Nitrogen per acre was applied, "NP" indicates that both fertilizers were applied at the rate stated.

\*\*Protein content was calculated from Kjeldahl nitrogen analysis and is reported on an oven-dry basis.

Table 26. Effects of Planting Date and Fertilizer Application on Yield of Grain Sorghum Varieties of Varying Maturity - South Central Crops and Soils Research Station

Date of Planting	Brand and Variety	Fertilizer**	Lodging Percent	Height Inches	Test Wt Lbs/Bu	Grain Yield Lbs/Acre
June 1	See Footnote*	O	78	69	53.9	1820
		N	70	71	54.8	1932
		P	78	68	53.8	1792
		NP	78	67	54.4	1971
	SD 506	O	94	53	55.4	2307
		N	94	45	55.0	2732
		P	95	50	56.0	2699
		NP	96	46	56.5	3058
	SD 503	O	80	50	56.1	2352
		N	59	51	56.2	2816
		P	84	43	56.7	2520
		NP	74	52	56.0	2789
June 15	See Footnote*	O	55	56	51.6	2167
		N	62	54	52.0	2279
		P	75	54	52.1	2060
		NP	82	54	52.6	2144
	SD 506	O	31	58	50.1	2676
		N	44	54	50.7	2503
		P	35	56	51.6	2828
		NP	50	53	50.7	2581
	SD 503	O	46	45	52.8	3186
		N	31	44	53.2	2335
		P	36	44	53.5	2413
		NP	31	46	53.6	2374
June 30	See Footnote*	O	5	64	42.2	78
		N	5	63	42.3	123
		P	6	65	42.6	168
		NP	8	60	42.3	157
	SD 506	O	4	46	43.7	548
		N	0	46	42.8	436
		P	0	45	43.3	543
		NP	0	45	44.4	594
	SD 503	O	0	46	45.0	246
		N	0	45	46.0	392
		P	0	45	45.7	308
		NP	0	44	46.6	571

\*SD 102 was selected as the Short-season variety but because of a seed mixture it was necessary to use a hybrid containing SD 102 as a parent.

\*\* "O" indicates fertilizer was not applied. "P" indicates 15# of Phosphorus per acre was applied, "N" indicates 40# of Nitrogen per acre was applied, "NP" indicates that both fertilizers were applied at the rate stated.

The grain sorghum study has been revised over the years as data has been collected and interpreted. The best implement for seeding sorghum was either a conventional corn planter or a grain drill. These implements placed the seed at a depth satisfactory for rapid seedling emergence. They also do not leave furrows which collect water from heavy rains. Standing water in the furrows usually causes a puddled soil surface and a hard crust when the soil dries.

Soil temperature was also studied in relation to date of planting for grain sorghum. The optimum temperature for rapid germination and emergence is usually reached in mid-June. This planting date also had other advantages in that it permits the early growing weeds to be destroyed before the sorghum is planted.

The next variable which was studied was row width. The most satisfactory width of those studied was found to be 24 inches. This width produced the highest grain yields with the least weed problems.

The last variable which has been studied is the length of growing season required for varieties. The results of earlier studies indicate that the short-season variety produced a higher yield when planted later, the medium-maturing variety produced best when planted in mid-June, and the long-season variety produced the highest yields when planted early.

The results of the 1972 study presented in Table 26 do not agree with earlier data. Under the limited moisture conditions during July and August the late planted sorghum either headed, but was unable to pollinate and set seed, or was forced into dormancy until late summer when moisture was again available. In either situation, the seed produced was of low quality.

#### Influence of Fertilizers on Yield of Winter Wheat

H. A. Geise

Objective: To study winter wheat responses which are influenced by addition of fertilizers.

This experiment was initiated to study the effects of fertilizing winter wheat in a Promise clay soil. The fertilizers used contained the plant nutrient elements: nitrogen, phosphorus, potassium, and sulphur. The fertilizers were placed with the seed by using a drill attachment.

The experiment was placed on fallow land and consisted of various rates and ratios of plant food. The results of this trial (Table 27) contained so much variability because of winter-kill that positive interpretations could not be made.

The use of systemic insecticides increases the yield of winter wheat but as yet the reason for the increase has not been determined.

Table 27. Influence of Fertilizer on Winter Wheat in Fallow - South Central Crops & Soils Research Station - Presho, South Dakota

Fertilizer Treatment* Pounds of Element/A	Height Inches	Percent Survival	Percent** Protein	Test Wt Lbs/Bu	Yield-Bu/A Av 1971-72
0-0-0	33	82	14.9	57.3	19.4
15-0-0	35	85	15.6	58.2	23.0
30-0-0	33	88	15.3	57.7	22.4
60-0-0	34	85	15.2	57.5	21.2
0-15-0	34	92	15.2	58.0	27.4
15-15-0	33	82	15.6	57.7	26.4
30-15-0	34	88	15.3	57.7	26.8
60-15-0	33	85	15.4	58.2	23.0
0-30-0	34	90	15.5	57.8	26.4
15-30-0	33	73	15.0	57.5	26.0
30-30-0	36	90	15.0	57.2	27.0
60-30-0	34	80	15.1	57.7	25.0
0- 0-30	31	82	15.4	57.5	17.4
0- 0-60	34	83	15.2	57.5	19.6
30-15-30	31	78	15.4	57.8	23.1
30-15-60	32	87	15.4	58.2	23.0
30-15-120	31	80	15.4	57.5	16.6
CuSO <sub>4</sub> (Cu-15#/A, S-7#/A)	32	88	14.7	57.3	24.3
Furadan	34	80	15.0	57.5	28.4
Thimet	34	72	15.0	57.7	22.2
Di-Syston	34	90	15.1	58.0	25.4
Furadan +30-15-0	32	92	14.9	57.7	32.7
Thimet +30-15-0	34	85	15.7	57.8	26.9
Di-Syston +30-15-0	31	87	15.3	57.7	27.4

\*Rate indicated is actual pounds of element applied per acre (N-P-K).

\*\*Protein content was calculated from Kjeldahl nitrogen analysis and is reported on an oven-dry basis.



## CROP DISEASE CONTROL

Wheat Streak Mosaic Development  
and Control in South Dakota

W. S. Gardner and H. A. Geise

The effect date of planting has on the severity of Wheat Streak Mosaic in winter wheat and on the yield of grain has been studied for twelve years at the South Central Crops and Soils Research Station. Wheat Streak Mosaic did not affect the yields at the station in 1971 and 1972 although it did in 1968, 1969, and 1970 (Table 29). The data for 1968, 1969, and 1970 is more typical of the long term average than the past two years data which is only similar to the 1960 data. Until the carry over of the virus and the Wheat Curl Mite mosaic vector is better understood, the control of the disease apparently will need to be by:

1. Destroying volunteer wheat and grassy weeds in stubble and in fallow seven to ten days before planting winter wheat.
2. Plant winter wheat in South Dakota between September 10 and September 15.

Air Pollution Detection in South Dakota  
Using Sensitive Indicator Plants

W. S. Gardner

The South Central Crops and Soils Research Station has been used for two years (1971-1972), as a location for sensitive indicator plants for detection of air pollution. In 1971 none of the plant indicators showed evidence of air pollution at this station, while other locations in South Dakota had a positive response from ozone indicators. In 1972 this station's sensitive Bel W3 tobacco plants showed very light indication of ozone injury. This was the least injury found at any of 12 locations in South Dakota. The plants used and pollutant sensitivity are shown in Table 28.

Table 28. Indicator Plants Used to Determine the Distribution of Plant Damaging Air Pollutants in South Dakota - 1972

Indicator Plant		Reaction	Pollutant
Tobacco	(Bel-B)	Resistant	Ozone
Tobacco	(Bel-C)	Moderately Sensitive	Ozone
Tobacco	(Bel-W3)	Very Sensitive	Ozone
Tobacco	(Glutinosa)	Sensitive	PAN*
Petunia	(White Cascade)	Very Sensitive	PAN*
Gladiolus	(Snow Princess)	Sensitive	Flouride
Cotton	(Acala S-J-1)	Sensitive	Sulphur Dioxide
Bean	(Tempo)	Sensitive	Ambient Oxidant

\*Peroxyacetyl nitrate - a photochemical air pollutant.

Locations: Beresford, Sioux Falls, Elk Point, Brookings, Milbank, Big Stone City, Highmore, Presho, Spearfish, Belle Fourche, Buffalo.



Table 29. Response of Winter Wheat in 1967, 1968, and 1969 to Six Dates of Planting, Mosaic Development and Yield Compared With the 12 Year Average - South Central Crops and Soils Research Station

Date of Planting	1967		1968		1969		3 Year Average		12 Year Average	
	Percent Mosaic	Yield Bu/A	Percent Mosaic	Yield Bu/A	Percent Mosaic	Yield Bu/A	Percent Mosaic	Yield Bu/A	Percent Mosaic	Yield Bu/A
August 15	37	15	98	9	87	3	74	9	50	14
August 25	25	21	89	12	62	3	59	12	43	19
September 4	5	33	37	24	16	10	19	22	14	24
September 14	0	40	26	27	5	14	10	27	5	26
September 24	0	27	15	17	2	15	6	20	3	24
October 4	0	22	2	7	0	9	1	13	1	18

Table 30. Response of Winter Wheat in 1960, 1971, and 1972 to Six Dates of Planting, Mosaic Development and Yield Compared With the 12 Year Average - South Central Crops and Soils Research Station

Date of Planting	1971		1972		2 Year Average		12 Year Average		1960	
	Percent Mosaic	Yield Bu/A	Percent Mosaic	Yield Bu/A	Percent Mosaic	Yield Bu/A	Percent Mosaic	Yield Bu/A	Percent Mosaic	Yield Bu/A
August 15	1	38	13	24	7	31	50	14	1	31
August 25	0	47	5	36	2	41	43	19	1	38
September 4	0	47	4	34	2	40	14	24	1	36
September 14	0	40	1	35	5	37	5	26	1	32
September 24	0	35	0	35	0	35	3	24	0	24
October 4	0	34	0	21	0	27	1	18	0	18

Application of Furadan for Control of Mites  
and Insects Affecting Winter Wheat

H. A. Geise and W. S. Gardner

In 1971 and 1972 experiments were carried out to determine if Furadan, a systemic insecticide and miticide, would control the Wheat Curl Mite Vector of the virus and reduce the Wheat Streak Mosaic severity. The Date of Planting experiment was divided into a split plot design, with one half of each regular planting date treated with Furadan. The results for 1972 are shown in Table 31.

The original purpose of the experiment could not be tested in 1972 because Wheat Streak Mosaic was not a problem in that year. The experiment will need to be repeated to study the effect of Furadan on the spread of the insect and of the mosaic virus.

In 1971, an unexpected effect was noted in the August 15 planting. The untreated wheat had fewer plants per plot and yielded six bushels per acre less than the Furadan treated wheat. In 1972, no difference was noted between the appearance of Furadan-treated and untreated wheat, but there was a 10 bushel per acre increase in yield in the Furadan-treated wheat planted on August 15. Possibly the beneficial effect of the Furadan treatment on early planted winter wheat was control of cutworms, greenbugs or other pests.

Table 31. Winter Wheat Date of Planting Experiment Using Furadan\* for Attempted Mosaic Control - South Central Crops and Soils Research Station - 1972

Date of Planting and Treatment	Date of Heading	Height Inches	Percent** Moisture	Percent*** Protein	Test Weight Lbs/Bu	Grain Yield Bu/Acre	Percent Mosaic
August 15							
Check	June 5	38	12.4	14.4	56	24.6	13
Furadan	5	38	13.3	13.8	57	34.3	22
August 25							
Check	June 4	38	13.1	14.8	58	35.6	5
Furadan	4	36	14.4	14.1	58	34.6	6
September 4							
Check	June 5	37	13.0	14.6	57	34.0	4
Furadan	5	34	13.8	14.6	59	42.5	5
September 14							
Check	June 7	37	12.7	14.4	58	35.0	1
Furadan	7	38	12.9	13.8	58	38.6	1
September 24							
Check	June 9	36	13.3	14.1	58	35.1	0
Furadan	8	38	12.6	13.8	57	32.5	0
October 4							
Check	June 9	35	12.2	14.3	57	21.3	0
Furadan	9	34	12.8	14.6	57	22.0	0

\*Furadan is a systemic insecticide-miticide.

\*\*Percent moisture content in grain at harvest was measured with a Steinlite moisture tester.

\*\*\*Protein content was calculated from Kjeldahl nitrogen analysis and is reported on an oven-dry basis.

Note: Variety - Lancer; Method of Seeding - Deep Furrow Drill W/12 inch space and 4 inch shoe;  
Rate of Seeding: - 76 lbs/acre; Rate of Insecticide Application: 3% granules applied at the  
rate of 1.62 lbs of active ingredient per acre. Each value in table is average of 3 replications.

1. The first part of the report is a general introduction to the project. It describes the purpose of the study, the objectives, and the scope of the work.

2. The second part of the report is a literature review. It discusses the work of other researchers in the field and identifies the gaps in the current knowledge.

3. The third part of the report is a description of the methodology used in the study. It details the data collection methods, the sample size, and the statistical tests used.

4. The fourth part of the report is a presentation of the results. It includes tables, figures, and graphs that illustrate the findings of the study.

5. The fifth part of the report is a discussion of the results. It interprets the findings, compares them with the literature, and discusses the implications of the study.

6. The sixth part of the report is a conclusion. It summarizes the main findings of the study and provides recommendations for future research.

7. The seventh part of the report is a list of references. It includes all the sources cited in the report, such as books, articles, and websites.

8. The eighth part of the report is an appendix. It contains supplementary material that is not included in the main body of the report, such as raw data or additional figures.

9. The ninth part of the report is a glossary. It defines the key terms and concepts used in the report, ensuring that the reader understands the terminology.

10. The tenth part of the report is a bibliography. It lists all the sources used in the report, providing a comprehensive list of references for the reader.

11. The eleventh part of the report is a list of figures. It identifies each figure in the report and provides a brief description of its content.

12. The twelfth part of the report is a list of tables. It identifies each table in the report and provides a brief description of its content.

13. The thirteenth part of the report is a list of abbreviations. It defines the abbreviations used throughout the report, making it easier for the reader to understand the text.

14. The fourteenth part of the report is a list of acronyms. It defines the acronyms used throughout the report, ensuring that the reader is familiar with the terminology.

15. The fifteenth part of the report is a list of symbols. It defines the symbols used throughout the report, providing a key for the reader to understand the mathematical notation.