



OPERATION SKYHOOK — Helicopter hovers over roof of Red Rose feed mill at York, slowly lowering bin hopper into position. The copter took part in positioning six bins as part of a \$68,000 construction program to increase finished feed storage capacity at the York plant.

Feed Mill Uses Helicopter To Install Bins

An area feed firm recently installed six, 1500-lb. bins on a rooftop in about five hours. Done the conventional way, hauling each section up for assembly and welding, the job could have required as long as five weeks according to Robert Burger, John W. Eshelman & Son engineer.

So Burger sent for a skyhook. Through the construction firm installing the bins, the Eshelman mill enlisted the services of the Carson Helicopter Service, Perkaspie, to lift and place the bin hoppers in position inside the plant roof.

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With the lifting aid of the helicopters, it became possible to weld the bins on the ground, eliminating the movement of many steel sections to the rooftop position.

The Eshelman company, established in 1842, operates six mills covering 21 states. Their international sales cover 32 countries.

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(Continued from Page 1) and adequate equipment and facilities for the successful production of a wheat crop on the farm; and who during the last five years has had at least two years' experience in producing wheat; and who as an operator expects to receive 50 percent or more of the current year's income from the total production on the farm (not including the anticipated income from wheat produced on a "new farm" allotment.) Other factors are involved, and it is suggested that interested producers discuss the details with officials at the ASCS county office.

USDA studies indicate that food purchased per capita at the retail level has decreased 200 pounds since 1909. What is purchased today is much more nearly what is actually consumed. Due to pre-processing, less food waste is taken home and there is a saving in storage.

Caloric intake has decreased too. Nutritionists estimate that the per capita consumption of calories is 400 fewer than 50 years ago. More meat is eaten today while per capita consumption of starches has gone down.

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