

NATION'S WHEAT HARVEST NEARING

Combination Reapers and Threshers to Start by Middle of June

KANSAS CITY (AP)—The song of the sickle will begin in Texas and Oklahoma wheat fields the second week in June, reach a crescendo in Kansas and Nebraska a month later and end in an echo beyond the Canadian border with approach of the autumnal equinox.

The hum of headers, binders and combine harvesters will be like the rattle of drums to the great army of men marching along the swaths and around the broad rectangles of yellow straw, laden with golden grain.

Despite the more extensive use of labor-saving machinery and the reduction of yield prospects because of drought, insect ravages and damage by freezing, farmers of Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas will look to other states for at least 20,000 men to harvest about 225,000,000 bushels of wheat.

The combines, which cut and thresh the grain at the same time have reduced very materially the demand for labor on the large farms. One of these machines, with a crew of only four men, covers 50 acres a day, equaling the performance of two headers with three and one-half times as much man-power and eliminating the threshing process besides.

But their use is general only on the large farms and even in Kansas, the leading state in wheat production, much of the crop, estimated at 142,000,000 bushels this year, is growing on small farms, where headers and binders still are used.

George E. Tucker, director of the farm labor division of the United States employment service, mobilizes the workers for the wheat country, which, largely because of the extensive character of its agriculture, is sparsely populated. Tucker, whose headquarters is in Kansas City, recruits the first contingent of harvest hands prin-

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By Williams

HEALTH

CONSIDER THE TONGUE-TIED

By J. Eastman Sheehan, M. D.

Member Gorgas Memorial Nobody knows how many tongue-tied children there are, but what everyone does know is that there is a very pitiful case. Not to be able to talk, when all other children are talking—what a humiliation!

And of course that is only the beginning, for the child soon learns that there is nothing to be done about it and begins to adapt himself to the idea that he is shut out from part of the world in which he lives. The older he grows the more timid he becomes; he shrinks into himself and away from others. He has little choice of occupations. He has none of the activities proper to adolescence. The fullness of adult life he feels, is not for him. How many thousands of lives have been, are being, lived in that stunting consciousness of inferiority?

And none of it is necessary. Nearly everyone thinks it is, but it isn't. Not any longer. Not since the new kind of surgery has found the way to loose the tie and give the tongue its natural swing. It may be why, if that is possible now, the family doctor has not had it done always. The family doctor did not know, may not know even now, for the determining factor has made its appearance only recently. It has always been possible, so to

penda largely on the manner in which it is fed.

Roundworms of poultry, various in specie and habits, may be found in the fowl's eyes, windpipe and lungs, blood stream, digestive tract, body cavity, under the skin, and in the narrow confines of the joint cavities. Sanitation is the only satisfactory preventative. Most parasites can be greatly reduced if lots are kept dry and clean, if the soil is plowed under occasionally, if water and feed is clean, and if the droppings are disposed of soon enough to keep their content of worm eggs away from the birds.

Farm Pointers

plains, "we tell the college boys to stay away. We warn them that work in the harvest field is no soft vacation and that the money they may earn will not go far toward keeping them in school."

Laborers who enter Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas are encouraged to move northward as the advance of the season ripens the grain. The railroads co-operate by reducing fares.

The men from the south are reinforced by farm hands who were employed in the wheat states before harvest, and this army of southerners and middle-westerners, with a sprinkling of easterners, answers the call for help in the Dakotas, Minnesota and Montana. Farther north, wheat growers rely more on the binder and the header, because they believe the shorter growing season does not permit the grain to ripen evenly enough to be binned immediately after cutting, as is necessary if a combine is used.

Tucker says North Dakota alone will need at least 24,000 men if climatic conditions do not affect the crop adversely. He anticipates a call for 16,000 hands in South Dakota; 6,000 in Nebraska; 5,000 in Montana; 2,000 in Colorado, and several thousand in Idaho, Oregon and Washington.

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may, to cut the cable that holds the ship, for the trouble is ordinarily due to the membranes which overlie both the base of the tongue and the adjacent floor of the mouth. But merely excising these membranes would have done no good, as scar would have formed over the surgical wound, and this scar would have held the tongue down faster than ever. The doctor knew this, and very properly did not hold out false hopes.

But suppose the tongue could be freed and the denuded surfaces could be covered by a membrane that would not contract, a membrane under which the tissues of the tongue would have perfect freedom of movement? That would change the whole aspect of the problem. The recent intensive development of reparative surgery has evolved such a treatment. A mere shaving from the surface of the skin, taken from the right place and applied in the right way, known in surgery as an epidermic skin graft, suffices to restore the freedom of relation between the tongue and the floor of the mouth.

Even in cases of greater than usual severity, as for example where all one side of the tongue is held fast, function can be given to the tongue by skillful application of appropriate methods of membrane replacement after surgical release. It is rather a wonderful thing that there should be hope for the tongue-tied child, in a shaving, which he will never miss, from the skin of his arm, but it is the fact, though as yet not all doctors are aware of the fact.

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