



Eliminating the need for tarps, the "Protector" is wind, rain and snow proof. It takes just 15 seconds to open or close the lids.

BUILT-IN LIDS OPEN, CLOSE ELECTRICALLY

New-Style Truck Box Back On The Market

They're still calling it the first really new idea in trucking in years — a cylindrical-shaped box that opens and shuts hydraulically with the flip of a switch in the cab — but the "Protector" truck box is now being manufactured by a different company and has a new sales organization.

The unique truck box was first featured in FARM SHOW nearly four years ago when the inventor formed a new company to market the unique truck box. Since then, the inventor died and a new company — Janro Mfg. — has taken over production.

The Protector eliminates the need for tarps with lids that are completely wind, rain and snow-proof.

The lids, which were hydraulically operated on original production models, now work electrically off the truck's 12-V system. Ben Mellin, sales manager for Janro Mfg., says some purchasers of the original protector has trouble with the lids creeping open when the truck was parked with the motor off. He says a retrofit kit will soon be available.

The lids open and close independently of each other in about 15 sec-

onds. A gear on the electrical motors walks up a chain on either side of the box.

You can haul livestock as well as grain in the "protector" truck box. It's available with an optional "checkerplate" floor to give animals a better foothold. Lids can be left part way up to serve as livestock racks and, if needed, rear corner panels on the lids can be removed for extra ventilation. You can use the new-style box to haul silage, too — provided you have a high-dumping hoist on your truck.

A standard feature on the new box

is a unique, three-piece swinging, and rubber-sealed endgate.

Comes in 14 to 24-ft. lengths, 8 or 8½ ft. wide with 54-in. sides. A 14-ft., 8½-ft. wide box has a 414 bu. level load capacity. Mellin notes that a "grain drain" is being developed to fit over the rear door as well as a stock rack to "square up" the inside of the box for hauling livestock.

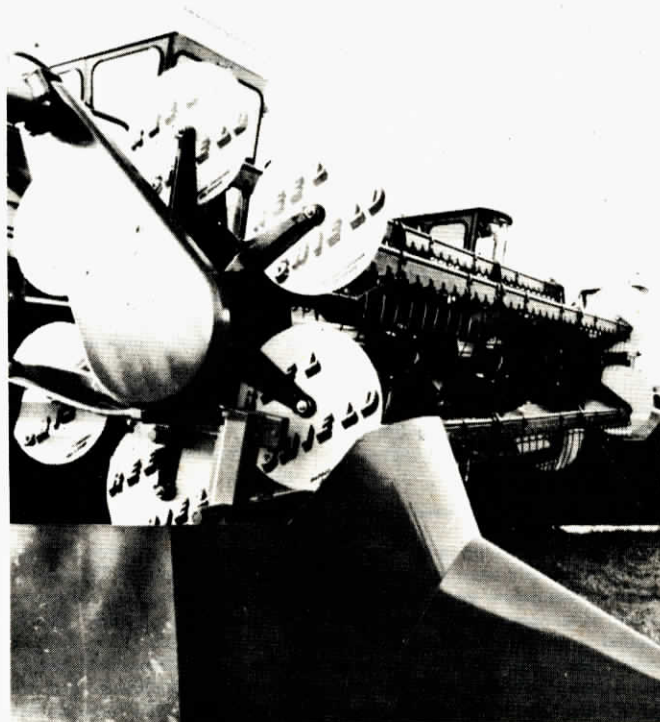
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"Update" on most popular products

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The plastic Reel Shield mounts between the reel's rigid and pivot arms.

ATTACHES TO END OF BAT REEL

Reel Shield Stops Combine Reel Wrap

"The Reel Shield stops end wrap of soybeans on combine wheels. We guarantee it," says Carol Imming, general manager for Reel Shield, Mallard, Iowa.

"With Reel Shields on your combine reel you can harvest a 'greener' crop without worrying about end wrap. And, you'll save valuable harvest time by not having to stop and unplug the ends of the reels," she adds.

You may remember the Reel Shield when FARM SHOW first featured it three years ago. Then it was called the Spiderweb.

Imming explains that the Reel Shield mounts between the rigid arm and the pivot arm at the end of the reel. To install, you pull out the bolt

connecting the two arms, place the Reel Shield disc between the arms and replace the bolt. The company provides a lock nut for the bolt.

The circular shields are 3/16 in. thick, 18 in. across and made of a hard plastic. Imming says that although Reel Shields have been used primarily in soybeans, they would probably stop end wrapping of other crops, too.

A set of 12 sells for right at \$300. Some combines will require slight modifications.

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