



Front hitch can be used to mount 5-ft. mower or this 6-ft. snow plow.

LIVE HYDRAULICS, FRONT HITCH, 6-WD

"Rolls Royce" Of ATV's

"Farmers who've driven it call this new 6-WD utility vehicle the Rolls Royce of ATV's. It has walking beam rear axles which give it better traction and a smoother ride than any other off-road utility vehicle on the market. No other machine even comes close," says Jeff Hackett, Mountain Lion Outdoor, Inc., Walker, Minn.

The 6-wheel "Mountain Lion" has power steering, shift-on-the-go transmission (go from forward to reverse without stopping or clutching), live hydraulics, and a front hydraulic lift for mounting a 5-ft. mower, 6-ft. snow plow, and an engine-equipped snowblower. It also has a hydraulic dump box that can be equipped with a tool box on each side and can be outfitted with a rear-mount scraper blade. It comes standard with side-by-side bucket seats.

"We've spent 12 years and \$850,000 developing it," says Hackett. "The high-low transmission lets you shift from low to high and back to low again without stopping. The dump box has a carrying capacity of 1,250 lbs. which makes it great for picking rocks or other heavy hauling jobs.

"It's powered by an 18 hp gas engine that's mounted on the side for easy service. Top speed is 18 mph. The mower deck has



Walking beam rear axles ride up independently over rocks and other obstacles.

its own 14 hp Vanguard gas engine. Quick connect gas and electric lines let it be controlled from the driver's seat."

An optional kit lets you lift the rear set of wheels up off the ground to shorten the wheelbase. "We also offer a fiberglass cab and hydraulic winch, and we plan to soon offer an optional pto and fifth wheel goose-neck trailer," says Hackett. A 4-wheel model is also available.

Prices start at under \$7,000.

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HE STARTED SIDELINE BUSINESS USING MODIFIED BALER AND CHOPPER

Farmer Makes Money Selling Bales Of Paper

When a straw shortage hit his area last winter, Paul Jaquet, Galva, Ill., decided to start chopping and baling newspaper as bedding for his hogs and cattle.

He kept costs down by modifying a Deere 14T baler and a New Idea Uni-Harvester silage chopper rather than buying an expensive recycling paper baler and chopping system.

Jaquet built a 7-ft. tall "drop box" over the bale chamber on his baler. It's 3 ft. wide and 16 in. deep.

Chopped paper is blown into the drop box from the silage chopper through a piece of 12-in. dia. plastic drain tile that's taped to the spout on the chopper and runs horizontally to the side of the drop box. Large holes in three sides of the drop box, covered with hardware cloth, allow air to escape. Chopped paper drops down into the bale chamber where it's pressed into 55-lb. bales.

Jaquet uses a skid-steer loader to push

newspaper up a ramp to a conveyor belt that carries them into the front end of the chopper. It takes at least two people to make paper bales - one person feeding the chopper and the other monitoring the baler.

Once Jaquet got set up, he found he could make 65 newspaper bales an hour, much more than he needed. He started selling them and found out there was a good demand. He found an empty building in town and started a sideline business selling paper bales to farmers for \$2.50.

One of his biggest problems was obtaining enough newspaper. He started out getting paper free from the Galva recycling center and then set up collection points in four surrounding counties.

Jaquet cites several advantages of newspaper bedding over straw. He says it's more absorbent, provides a more sterile environment, creates less waste material since it dissolves in the manure, and it keeps ani-



Tined fork digs out rock, then rotates upward until rock slides down into bucket.

LETS YOU LOAD ROCKS INTO BUCKET RIGHT FROM THE TRACTOR SEAT

Bucket-Mount "Side Arm" Rock Picker

"We built it because we got tired of getting on and off a tractor to load rocks into the bucket on our front-end loader. We figured there had to be a better way," says Gerald Jeannotte, who, along with brother Jean, built a "side arm" bucket-mounted rock picker that worked so well he's now looking for a manufacturer.

The side-mount rock picker consists of a tined fork that mounts on the right side of the bucket. The fork tines are lower than the bottom of the bucket, allowing the operator to dig and pry out large buried rocks up to 2 ft. in dia.

Once the rock is on the fork, the fork is rotated upward by a hydraulic cylinder so the rock slides down into the bucket. The operator then returns the fork back to the original down position.

"It lets you pick up rocks without ever having to get off the tractor, and it's side-mounted so you have a clear view of the rock to be picked," says Jeannotte. "Dirt falls through the slotted grate so the rock is dirt-free when it's dumped into the bucket. Works great for spot picking rocks before or after planting or after doing tillage work. You can go up to 10 mph between rocks. Because there are so many different styles of buckets, we sell the rock picker and our own bucket as a unit. Bucket fits all front-end loaders. We expect to sell the unit for \$1,200 to \$1,500, not including the hydraulic cylinder."

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Jaquet modified Deere 14T baler and New Idea Uni-Harvester silage chopper. Chopped paper is blown through piece of 12-in. dia. plastic drain tile into drop box.

mals cleaner and drier. In one year on his own farm, Jaquet used 25 tons of newspaper, which produces about 36 bales per ton.

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