

Foot-Operated Holder for Hogs

A new foot-operated hog holder called Caster-Gate leaves both hands free, allowing one person to handle hogs up to 60 lbs. in weight.

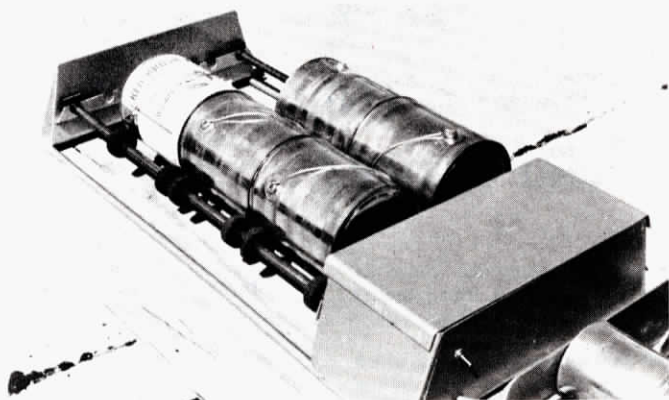
The bottom floor plate is adjustable via a chain. You lower the sliding floor for larger hogs and raise it for smaller ones. This vertical adjustment lets the animal stand on either its front or hind legs, giving it natural support without strain on any part of the animal. The operator positions the animal in the Caster-Gate with head up or down, depending on the job to be performed.

The operator holds the animal in the desired position, then steps on the foot bar. As pressure is applied to

the foot bar, the two leg clamps will move into position over the animal's legs. At the same time, the body band inside the Caster Gate automatically moves against the animal's body, holding it firmly but gently. Foot bar pressure is maintained until the animal is ready to be released.

The Caster-Gate is mounted on its own rigid base so you can pick it up and take it to the job. The unit weighs 20 lbs. and sells for \$59.95.

For more details, contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Midlands Marketing Associates, 4603 South 96th Street, Suite 3, Omaha, Neb. 68127 (ph 402-339-6086).



Mixing machine's rollers rotate cans of paint or other material at rate of 66 rpm's. You don't have to remove handles of can in putting them on roller for mixing.

ROLLS RATHER THAN SHAKES CONTAINER

New Machine Mixes, Washes

"Took me four years to get it perfected," says Gary Collay, inventor of an all-purpose machine for mixing paint, washing parts or for mixing small amounts of concrete or mortar for patching or other small jobs.

Designed primarily for mixing paint, it rolls rather than shakes the can. "Shaker-type mixers don't do a good job of mixing paint in the center of the can," Collay points out. "With rolling, all the paint from end to end is thoroughly and uniformly mixed in 10 or 15 minutes."

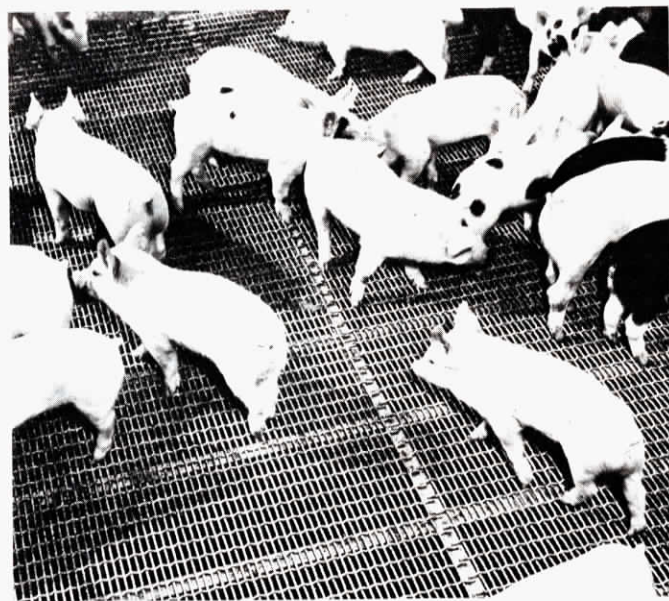
The mixer's rollers turn at the rate of 66 rpm's. It's portable and will handle 4 1-gal. cans, 9 1-qt. cans or 1

5-gal. can. The rollers are adjustable and you don't have to take the handles off the cans before setting them on the roller machine for mixing. For washing parts or mixing small amounts of concrete, you simply load one or more empty cans, place them on the rollers and flip the switch. The new machine is available battery operated, or with a 110 volt A.C. motor. Sells for \$198. (Larger model for dealer or store use sells for \$295.)

For more details, contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Mixing Machine, c/o Mark Benson, 432 East 12th Street, Hutchison, Kan. 67501 (ph. 316-663-6945).



Foot-operated body band inside Caster Gate holds hog firmly but gently in either "up" or "down" position.



Flooring wires are approximately 3/16 in. in dia. Standard size openings are 3/8 in. by 1.5 in.

"FLOORING OF THE FUTURE"

Woven Wire Floors

"It's the flooring of the future," predicts G.L. Underhill, president of Delphi Products Co., Delphi, Ind., one of the first U.S. suppliers to market woven wire flooring for farrowing houses.

Underhill cites the following advantages for woven wire over conventional slatted flooring:

1. "Because woven wire flooring does not have any horizontal flat surfaces, it keeps dry. The result is less corrosion, less rusting and longer life."

2. "Woven wire flooring, used extensively in Europe the past ten years, produces a cleaner, drier atmosphere. This reduces stress on baby pigs, and they are ready for weaning as early as three weeks. Faster weaning permits producers to re-

breed sows in 7 days, resulting in greater profits from more frequent litters."

3. "Woven wire flooring greatly reduces the amount of leg and foot abrasions on both small and large pigs."

4. "Experience has shown that woven wire flooring not only sheds moisture more readily but also permits manure to fall through more easily. The entire area of the pens can be used so they need not be so large."

Delphi Products is offering its new Tender-Care woven wire flooring in 4 x 8 ft. and 4 ft. x 10 ft. sections.

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