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"MULTI-MOVER" LETS YOU HAUL SIX BALES AT A TIME WITH YOUR TRACTOR

Handy New Round Bale Handling Attachments

An Ontario manufacturer introduced a line of innovative round bale handling equipment at the recent International Plowing Match and Farm Machinery Show near Lindsay, Ontario, including a "multi-mover" hay handling system that lets you haul six round bales at a time with your tractor.

The company also introduced a patented "side shift" bunk feeder that doubles as a bale wrapper. Another new device is a multi-purpose round bale grabber that can be equipped with bolt-on pans for hauling rocks, brush, manure, etc. The grabber can be equipped with a 2-prong bale fork or a round bale cutting knife.

- **"Multi-Mover"** - Consists of a 3-pt., 4-bale hauler that can be teamed up with a 2-bale loader-mounted fork. "It saves a lot of time and work," says Gary Walt, president, Bale-Eze Inc., of Belleville.

The 4-bale hauler consists of two steel forks, one above the other. The top fork extends behind the bottom fork on a pivoting steel arm. You load the top fork with two bales and then raise it up out of the way to load the bottom fork. "We recommend using a 4-WD tractor with at least 80 hp, preferably one equipped with a front-end loader that counter balances the weight at the rear. If you don't have a loader, you can still haul four bales in back provided you use a big 4-WD tractor equipped with dual rear wheels and front-mounted weights.

"Our bale haulers are designed mostly for dry hay and straw bales, but they can also be used to haul high moisture round bales if you have a big 4-WD tractor. They can also be used to haul three big square bales weighing up to 1,100 lbs. each - two on the 3-pt. and one on the loader," says Walt, who notes that the loader-mounted spear can also be 3-pt. mounted.

The 4-bale fork sells for \$2,225. The loader-mounted 2-bale fork sells for \$795.

- **Loader-Mounted Side Shift Bunk Feeder** - Lets you unroll bales into a feed bunk from either side of the tractor. It consists of two steel frames, one mounted inside the other. The inside frame supports the bale spear and has rollers on top and bottom. The bale unroller and side-shift frame are



Bale grabber can be equipped with bolt-on pans that convert it into mini clam bucket for hauling rocks, brush, etc.

operated by independent hydraulic controls.

"You can even use it to wrap high moisture bales by mounting a bale wrapper on the side of the frame," says Walt.

Sells for \$4,400. Bale wrapper (optional) sells for \$175.

- **Bale Grabber** - Designed to handle high moisture silage bales wrapped in plastic, it can be 3-pt. or loader-mounted. "Optional bolt-on pans convert the bale grabber into a mini clam bucket that can do a lot of different jobs, such as hauling rocks, brush, machinery, fencerails, manure, etc.," says Walt. "By pulling two pins, you can mount a 2-prong round bale fork or knife on the grabber's frame. We also make brackets that adapt the grabber to skid steer loaders."

Sells for \$970. A pair of pans sell for \$277.

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Prototype "Quadtrac" has four sets of rubber tracks that mount in place of wheels.

Case-IH Unveils New Tracked Tractor

Case-IH broke a long-standing tradition at the recent Farm Progress Show, held near Columbus, Ind., when it unveiled a prototype "tracked" tractor that isn't yet on the market.

Ordinarily Case-IH makes it a policy not to exhibit prototypes, according to company officials, but in this case the decision was made to show off the first-of-its-kind tractor in order to capitalize on the tremendous interest in tracked machinery. It must have worked because throughout the three days of the show farmers waited in long lines to get into a walled-off arena where the new tractor was on parade.

Four separate track assemblies mount in place of wheels on an all-new 4-WD, 300-hp, articulated tractor capable of 30-in. row

work. It's the first tractor of its size that's designed for in-crop work, and it will be available with either wheels or tracks. It has a tight turning radius of just 12.2 ft.

Tracks on the new 9250 were made by Goodyear, which is challenging Caterpillar's dominance in the rubber track market with its just introduced tracks of various sizes and configurations.

Track assemblies are driven off the tractor hubs just like wheels yet cause far less compaction and provide better traction than wheels.

Case-IH hopes to have both the new 9250 tractor and the rubber tracks on the market in 1993. Also on exhibit at the Case-IH's exhibit was a 2-WD Magnum tractor fitted with tracks on its rear wheels.



Eight-wheel transport system mounts under Unverferth's new 1,000-bu. wagon.

Big Grain Wagon Fitted With "Lightfoot" Wheels

"Tracks can't touch it," says Unverferth Mfg., about the first-of-its-kind "Lightfoot" wheel assembly for its big new 1,000 bu. grain wagon that actually exerts less ground pressure per square inch than rubber tracks.

The 8-wheel transport system consists of two separate wheel assemblies, made out of heavy steel tubing, that support 4 flotation tires each. The front and rear wheels on each frame are fully castered while the center two wheels on each side are mounted in a fixed position.

"The cart's 64,000 lb. load is distributed evenly for a light footprint of just 14 psi. The 8 independently operated wheels provide a smooth, level ride over field furrows and ridges without spilling grain," says Jerry

Ecklund, company spokesman, noting that the problem with tracked carts is that there are "pressure peaks" along the length of the tracks as compared to the even weight distribution of the new transport system's independently-mounted flotation wheels.

The big new wagon unloads its 1,000 bu. payload in under 4 min. with a 17-in. dia. corner auger. Unverferth doesn't plan to offer the Lightfoot transport system on its other, smaller wagons. Wagon is also available with a conventional 2-wheel axle.

Sells for \$29,500.

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