

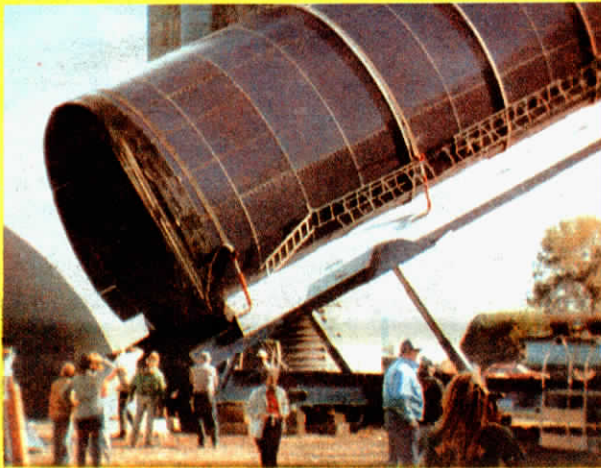
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BACKS UP TO SILO AND CARRIES IT AWAY

World's First "Silo Mover"



In less than six hours this 20 by 50-ft. Harvestore was down and ready to move down the road. Grotte figures that moving steel silos in one piece will cost about half as much as moving them in sections.

By Mark Jacobs
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Walter Grotte had a dream to do what no one else had ever done — back up to a silo with his go-anywhere "Silo Mover" and haul the silo away in one piece. People laughed but, just before FARM SHOW went to press, Grotte made believers out of skeptics who said it couldn't be done.

He backed his monster machine up to a 20 by 50 Harvestore near Ayr, N. Dak., and in less than six hours from the time workers began readying the silo for moving, had it laying horizontal on the Silo Mover, ready for moving down the road. It was left resting on the flatbed trailer for several days before being raised back up — again without a single problem — at a new site 60 miles away. Grotte bought the silo, rather than use someone else's as a "guinea pig", for the initial test of his world's first silo moving machine.

It all began five years ago when Grotte, of Finley, N. Dak., and his four sons, and son-in-law, began planning and building the monstrous 25-ton silo-moving trailer. It's 60 ft. long, 18 ft. wide and designed to move silos as

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