

## More New Products From Europe



### Plastic Netting For Big Bales

Claas of Germany chose the Sima show in Paris to unveil its new plastic netting for wrapping big round bales. Called the Rollatex system, it reduces the bale tying operation to only 10 seconds, thereby increasing capacity of the baler by 50%. Bales are wrapped in the netting, and, on ejection, are pushed well away from the baler by a special "kicker" device.

The netting requires only 1/2 turns and only 10 seconds of down time, versus up to 12 turns with twine and upwards of 40 to 60 seconds of down time. If you're turning out 200 bales per day with your conventional twine-tie baler, you can do 300 bales with the Rollatex system because of the short stop

required for tying, the manufacturer points out.

New Claas balers equipped with the Rollatex wrapping system will also have mechanical twine wrapping as standard equipment, allowing owners to tie bales with either twine or netting. Existing twine-tie balers can't be retrofitted for wrapping with plastic netting, which costs about three times as much per bale than twine.

Claas of America, headquartered in Columbus, Ind., is getting two of the net-wrapping balers this month and will be field testing them this coming summer and fall, according to R.H. "Bob" Brown, product specialist.

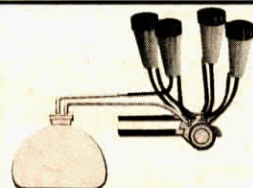


### Feed Wagon Features Bale Unroller

Incorporating hay into rations is easy with this new feed wagon from France that comes equipped with its own built-in big bale unroller.

You simply use your tractor loader to set a big round bale of hay into the cradle of the hydraulically-operated unroller on top of the wagon. It rotates the bale and peels off a preset amount of hay or straw for incorporation into the ration.

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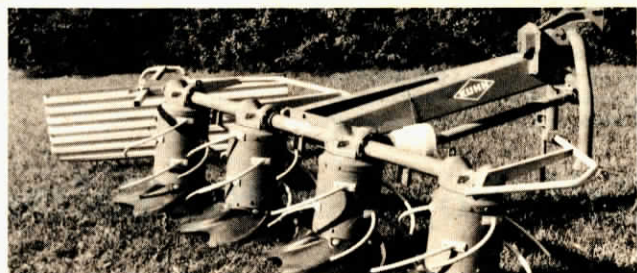


### Quarter Milker

After treating a mastitic cow, this new quarter milker from New Zealand can be used to isolate the contaminated milk, leaving milk from the other three quarters safe to be sold (if regulations permit) or fed.

Designed to fit any make or model milking machine, the plastic Topmilk quarter milker intercepts the milk between the cow's teat and the milking cluster. Milk from the other three quarters is collected in the usual way. Capacity is .7 liters.

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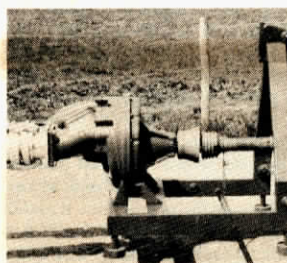
### First Hay Rake Without Tines

That revolutionary "rubber" hay rake from Kuhn we told you about a year ago in FARM SHOW is now in production and on the market in Europe. It's slated for marketing in the U.S. and Canada in the near future — possibly yet this fall, according to Tim Harmon, sales manager for Kuhn Farm Machinery, headquartered in Vernon, N.Y.

Billed as "the first rake without tines," the revolutionary Kuhnflex has no metal working parts, thus eliminating problems with lost tines damaging bales or choppers. Traditional tines have given way to supple rubber skirts fitted to the bottom of each rotor. The rubber skirts

pass under the crop, transporting it from one rotor to another. During this process, the crop has practically no contact with the ground until the swath is actually formed, thereby minimizing leaf loss and leaving the new growth untouched, the manufacturer points out. Working at field speeds of 6 to 10 mph, the Kuhnflex can form single or double swaths, put several together, and turn or reposition them.

Working width is 13 ft. in a single swath, or 21 ft. in a double swath. Work capacity is rated at 12 acres per hour. Overall transport width is just under 8 ft.

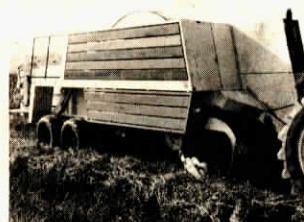


### Manure Pump

Until now, pumping manure laced with straw or other bedding has required two pumps — one to first chop the straw, and a second to move the chopped material under pressure through irrigation pipe and sprinklers, or to load it into a tank for spreading.

The just-introduced Holz pump does both jobs. Described as "a portable single disc drive," it handles thick slurry containing up to 20% straw or other dry matter. It has a built-in air compressor to prevent air locks. It'll chop and move slurry through several miles of irrigation pipe at 20 lbs. pressure. Capacity (5 1/2 in. dia. input and 4 1/2 in. dia. output) is rated at 200 cu. meters per hr. Requires a 50 hp tractor to operate at 20 lbs. pressure.

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### New Rectangular Baler Ties With Metal Straps

The just-introduced Dehondt baler makes large rectangular bales up to 2.5 meters long, .70 meters high and 1.2 meters wide. (Hesston bales measure about 1.2, by 1.2 by 2.5 meters.) Instead of twine, individual bales are machine tied with three metal straps. Bale density can be adjusted by shrinking or expanding the baler's compression chamber on three sides.

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