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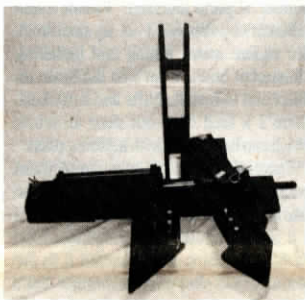
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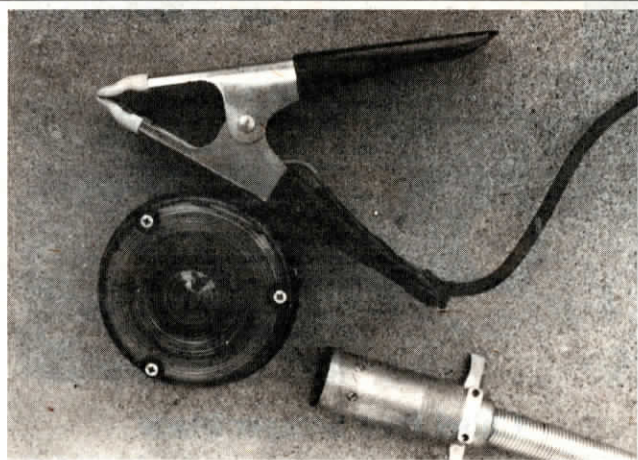
3-Pt. Mounted Brush Puller

"The only other machine on the market that can do what this will do is a bulldozer," says Walter Herbrich, Houston, Tex., who built a 3-pt. brush puller that'll handle trees and brush up to 3 in. in dia.

The puller is powered by a hydraulic cylinder operated by an auxiliary four-way valve, which opens and closes the pointed jaws to about 4 in. "To operate, I back the tractor up to the tree, clamp the jaws onto it, and lift as I drive the tractor forward. It pulls the roots and all," says Herbrich, noting that the operator needs some type of protection behind and above him. He's used the brush puller for 8 years, primarily to pull Youpon bushes, and has had no problems.



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Extension Cord Warning Light

You'll like this clamp-on warning light for trailing implements or wagons pulled down the road by tractor.

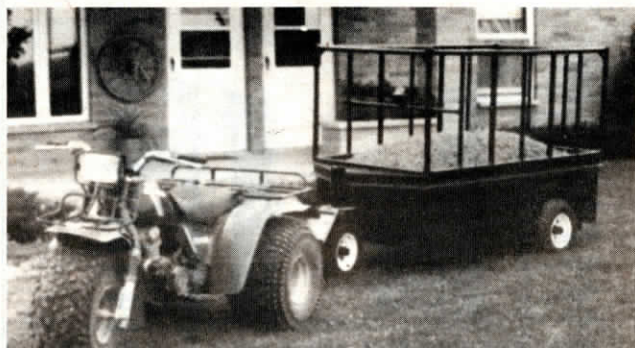
James and Verel Salmon, Erie, Penn., have used the idea for 8 years. "It cost less than \$20 yet provides tremendous peace of mind on busy roads. The clamp holds tight - it's never shaken off," says James.

A flashing red warning lamp simply bolts to one of the jaws of a large spring-type hardware clamp. An electrical cord, with a ground wire, is wired to the light

and taped to the handle of the clamp. An adaptor at the other end plugs into the tractor.

"The 20-ft. length of cord reaches the rear corner of any of our trailing implements or wagons. It eliminates the need to equip each piece of equipment with lights," says James.

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"ATV Cattle Feeder"

A home-built "ATV cattle feeder" lets Edward Peters, West Bend, Wis., easily load silage from underneath the silo chute inside his barn and feed it to heifers in a pasture 1/4 mile away.

The feeder, built from sheet metal and channel iron, is 4 ft. high, 6 ft. long and only 38 in. wide, allowing it to fit through the barn and feedroom doors. Its 20-in. deep bottom section holds about 600 lbs. of silage. Bars above the feeder, made from 1 3/4-in. dia. pipe, are 2 1/2 ft. long and spaced 1 ft. apart.

"We used a commercial 3-wheel, 24-ft. tractor-pulled feeder wagon as a model," says Peters, who built the feeder four years ago. "We had been using an old wooden 2-wheel trailer, but it wouldn't fit inside our barn door. We had to park it outside the feedroom and shovel silage out through the window. We can drive this feeder right through the barn door, unhook it, back it into the feedroom by hand and park it underneath the silo chute.

There's no shoveling."

The feeder is equipped with three snowmobile trailer tires. The front tire, which swivels, can be locked into position by means of a spring-loaded pin to keep heifers from pushing the feeder around. The 3-ft. long hitch can be swung up out of the way against the sides of the cart and locked into place with the hitch pin and a bracket.

Rounded fenders were built into the bottom of the feeder so the rear wheels are flush with the sides of the cart. Peters removed the cover from an old water tank and cut it in half, using each half as a fender. A 1/2-in. opening runs across the full width of the feeder to allow water to drain out.

Total cost to build the feeder was about \$200.

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ATV Wire Unroller

"This is an inexpensive and easy way to roll and unroll fence wire," says Terry Hoepfner, Morden, Manitoba, who says he's always looking for new ways to use his ATV.

"I cut off a hub and spindle from the front-end of a junked car. I then welded about a 3-ft. piece of 1 1/4-in. pipe to the spindle. I fasten the pipe to the rear carrier of my 4-wheeler with two hose clamps so that I can quickly and easily remove the unroller when not in use.

"I use old car rims as spools, drilling a small hole in the bottom center of the rim



to get a new roll started. To unroll, I can drive along at a good speed, braking the spool lightly with a gloved hand."

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Pickup Grill, Towbar Combo

"I built it 12 years ago and it still does a fine job," says Lowell Johnson, Wolford, N. Dak., about his pickup grill that doubles as a towbar and spare tire carrier.

"I use the towbar to pull my pickup behind machinery when moving from one field to another. It's self-aligning and self-locking when in use and folds behind the tire when not in use. The tire does not have to be removed to use the towbar and when in working position the towbar will not touch the ground if it ever becomes disconnected. The tire is positioned low, mounted on a very sturdy bracket. It doesn't interfere with engine cooling," says Johnson.

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