



Add-on sidedraft wheel helps plow more evenly.

ALSO REDUCES LANDSLIDE WEAR AND MAKES PLOW EASIER TO PULL

Furrow Wheel Prevents Flex-Plow Sidedraft

New from Blanchat Mfg., Harper, Kan., is an add-on sidedraft wheel for flex-type plows which eliminates most sidedraft and greatly reduces landslide wear. It also makes flex-type plows easier to pull and to plow more uniformly, says Greg Blanchat, inventor-manufacturer, who notes that the sidedraft wheel can also be adapted to other types of plows.

"Other plow manufacturers fight sidedraft by making the landslide bigger and longer. We've taken pressure off the landslide and put it against this in-furrow stabilizer wheel. Because it turns, it controls sidedraft with very little friction, thus making the plow easier to pull," explains Blanchat.

Available as standard equipment on the Blanchat Series 11 Flex Plow, and with an additional mounting

REPLACES FLOTATION TIRES WITH NARROW TIRES ON FRONT AND BACK

Kit Converts 3-Wheel Sprayers To Row Crop

"Pickup sprayers are costly while high boy tractors are slow. With the conversion kit, custom applicators can use their big flotation tire 3 wheeler rigs in row crops. The narrow wheels allow the machines to straddle rows as narrow as 30-in. for post-emerge fertilizer and pesticide applications," says Gary Rothrock, salesman for McCord Terra Tire Sales and Service, manufacturer of the narrow wheel conversion kit.

By being able to cover row crops, custom applicators get the speed and capacity of the big 3-wheeler rig and make use of machine that normally wouldn't be used in row crops, points out Rothrock.

The complete narrow wheel conversion kit consists of the 1800 by 25 rear tires and wheel, the front axle assembly with bearings along with the two front wheels and 15.5 by 25 tires. Installation of the front wheels involves removing the old axle by

bracket for other makes of flex plows. Sells for approximately \$700.

Blanchat custom-flexes plows, and sells his own self-designed Series II Flex Plows. Billed as "the easiest pulling large plow on the market," they feature the patented sidedraft wheel, an optional gauge wheel which allows you to plow within an inch or two of fences, flexing tandem wheels for road transport, and a six-position drawbar which eliminates a hydraulic cylinder. "They also automatically shift from field to road position from the seat of your tractor," notes Blanchat.

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taking out the 4 bolts on each side and replacing it with the 3-in. axle assembly, then adding the narrow wheels and tires. The rear wheels mount in place of the existing flotation tires.

The two front tires are just as stable as having the flotation tire on, says Rothrock, adding that having two tires, instead of one narrow tire on the front, reduces soil compaction. Ground clearance under the front axle is 23-in.

McCord also makes narrow wheels for floater and semi-floater trucks. A kit that'll modify most late model 3-wheeler sprayers sells for \$5,846. Kits are available for older rigs.

For more information, contact: FARM SHOW Followup, McCord Terra Tire Sales & Service, P.O. Box 743, Monticello, Ind. 47960 (ph toll free 800 348-2396; in Ind. 800 552-2921).



Boat functions as conventional topper on pickup.

HANDIER THAN A REGULAR BOAT TO HAUL, LAUNCH

This Pickup Topper's Also a Fishing Boat

How about this — a pickup topper that doubles as a two-person fishing boat.

"It's handier than a regular fishing boat since you don't have to tow it," the manufacturer points out.

Called the Tip Topp, it's made of modified plastic and is available for all full-size ½ and ¾-ton pickups. Weighs 185 lbs. and measures 14 in. high. Hinges at the front for easy loading and retrieving of cargo, and for tilting beyond the locked position to accommodate tall cargo.

"It's equipped with built-in styrofoam sheets for flotation stability and safety," the manufacturer

points out. "Two adults can fish side by side on one side, or at one end, without tipping it. If you do a lot of fishing, you can set the 'boat' in the pickup bed in the 'up' position, leaving the seats and your fishing gear intact."

Comes with a built-in metal motor mount (up to 5 hp) and in a standard white color which you can paint to whatever color you choose.

Sells for \$655, not including optional swivel seats for fishing.

For more information, contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Miller W. Corp., Stratton, Neb. 69043 (ph 308 276-2151).



On water boat handles up to a 5-hp. motor.



Two-wheel row crop wheel kit replaces standard wide flotation tire found on most "floaters".