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## IT'S WATERTIGHT AND WILL SUPPORT LOADS IN EXCESS OF TRUCK'S CAPACITY

# New Flat Deck For Pickups

"Once you've used it, you'll never want to drive a 'naked' pickup again," says Norman Ross, distributor of the new Armor Deck for pickups.

It fits over the top of the pickup bed to form a flat deck capable of carrying loads in excess of the truck's rated capacity, according to Ross. "It allows you to transport heavy, bulky loads on top and, at the same time, store tools and other small equipment below," Ross points out.

The 10 in. wide slats, made of extruded aluminum, accordion fold into a single pile behind the cab when the deck isn't needed. It takes less than a minute to unfold the deck back

over the bed, says Ross. Individual slats lock in place on both sides and on the end. The watertight and lockable deck has tie-downs on both sides and is available with optional side racks which fit into stake openings. Also available for campers and hunters is a custom-designed tent that you pitch right on top of the deck.

Retail cost of Armor Deck is \$765 for a 3/4 ton, \$700 for a half ton, and \$660 for Toyota pickups.

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Aluminum slats (10 in. wide) accordion-fold into a single stack behind the cab when not in use.

## SELF-LOADS, MIXES AND MEASURES

# New-Style Mixer For Feed, Concrete

New from France is a 3-pt. mounted mixer for farm tractors that's equipped with a hydraulic scale for precise self-loading of each ingredient.

Although designed primarily for concrete, it can also be used as a feed mixer, says the manufacturer. And,

in addition to farm tractors, it can be used with skid-steer loaders or backhoes.

The drum is 56 in. long, 36 in. dia. and has a mixing capacity of 15 cu. ft.

To mix concrete, for example, the



You can set the windrow on the same strip or move it over 3 ft.

## SHORTENS HAY AND GRAIN DRYING TIME

# Farmer Designs Windrow Fluffer

Minnesota farmer Lester Schultz, Osakis, designed a windrow "lifter saver" that replaces his hay rake to speed hay and grain drying time.

"It's real gentle on crops," says Schultz. "It doesn't knock leaves and grain heads off and, by fluffing the windrow, it reduces hay drying time by a day. We also swath our grain. When it rains and flattens the windrow, it's tough to get it to dry. But, by lifting the windrow with the lifter-saver in the morning, we can go through with the combine in the afternoon. "An added benefit is that the rig puts the windrow atop the stubble so you can run with the combine pickup higher."

The pickup consists of five 22-in. wide rubber belts that rotate on rollers. The belts have 6-in. long plastic teeth to pick up the windrow.

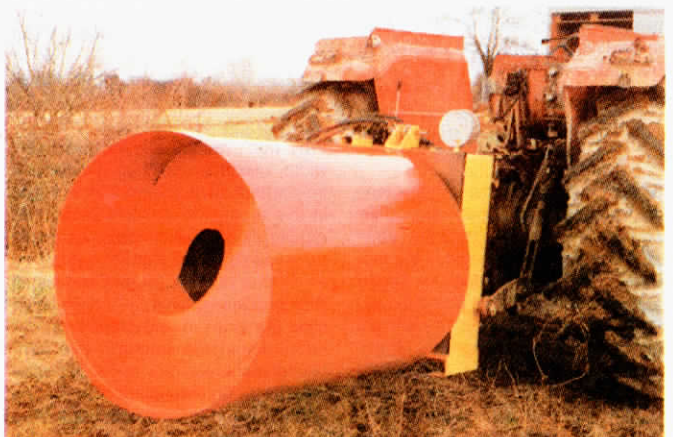
Schultz designed both pto and hydraulically-powered roller systems that operate independently of tractor ground speed.

Roller angle can be set from 90°, which sets hay back down on the same strip, to 40°, which moves the windrow over 3 ft. onto dry ground. Pickup angle is set by adjusting the rig's rigid outside wheel. The other wheel is on casters.

Pickup height is hydraulically adjustable from a ground-sweeping low to a 15-in. transport position height.

Schultz is working on getting his lifter-saver into commercial production. He hasn't set a price yet.

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Built-in hydraulic scale lets operator know when desired amount of each ingredient has been self-loaded into the mixer.

operator backs into the sand pile and watches the gauge to determine when the desired amount of sand has been self-loaded. He then repeats this process to self-load cement into the mixer. Water can be added by a hose or other device. Each batch is then

mixed and, by reversing direction of the rotating drum, emptied directly into the form.

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