

“Rebaler” For Big Square Bales

After years of success building and selling an “unroller” that turns big round bales into more user-friendly small square bales (first introduced in FARM SHOW’s Vol. 23, No. 6 issue), T. Whipple Simpson of Cochran, Ga., has just introduced a first-of-its-kind separator for big square bales that breaks bales apart and “rebales” them into small bales.

Simpson says he’s already sold two of the new separators, which were shown to the public for the first time this fall at the Sunbelt Ag Expo in Georgia. “People have been amazed at how well it works. This machine lets you make big square bales in the field, which are faster and more efficient to make, and then turn them into small square bales for customers who don’t want to have to deal with big bales.”

Simpson built the square bale “rebaler” at the request of commercial hay producers from all over the country who had seen his big round baler unroller. He has sold 65 round bale units since it came on the market.

To “rebale” a big square bale, it’s placed

on a conveyor table that pulls it into a separator head that separates the flakes, dropping the loose hay onto another conveyor that carries it into a small square baler. The finished small bales are carried away by a bale elevator for stacking or loading.

Sells for \$19,000 plus shipping, including the three major pieces of the system and the hydraulic valve bank.

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Separator head drops loose hay onto conveyor, where it feeds into small square baler.



Bale feeds into separator head that pulls flakes of hay off big bale for rebaling.



Bale elevator carries bales away for stacking.

Rope Cows With Your Tractor

“It’s almost like roping your cows with a tractor,” says inventor Dave Dahlberg about his tractor-pulled “cow catcher” that lets you catch and work on cattle safely on pasture.

The “Big Rope”, as he called it, measures 30 ft. long and rides on four wheels. The corral narrows from 8 ft. wide at the back to the 3 1/2-ft. gate up front. A hydraulic cylinder on back opens and closes the entire unit.

To catch a cow, the driver extends the cylinder to swing one side of the corral out about 30 ft. away from the tractor. Once the cow is inside the corral, he retracts the cylinder to close it in.

A built-in headgate behind the gate can be used for vaccination, ear tagging, pulling a calf, etc. A “butt bar” keeps the animal from backing out.

To release the animal, the driver simply opens the gate.

“It lets you catch cows and calves slowly and quietly, without putting a lot of stress on them,” says Dahlberg. “If you want, you can

walk the animal right up to your barn and then open the gate to let it in. It works best if you drive less than 1 mph.

“It works a lot better than trying to set up a bunch of corral panels and using a 4-wheeler or horse to round up the cattle. Most cows on ranches are used to a tractor bringing them feed during the winter, so it’s easy to catch them.”

Dahlberg says he used the Big Rope on his ranch last spring on every cow that calved, attaching brisket tags and to ear tag calves. “The corral kept overly protective cows away, providing us with a safe work environment,” says Dahlberg. “It also works great for cows that won’t accept their calves. You can capture the cow inside the corral, then bring the calf inside, too, so she can suck without her mom getting away. It also works great for moving bulls from one pasture to another or into a trailer. You can open the trailer door, then hydraulically open the corral just to the width of the trailer and let the animal walk



To catch a cow with tractor-pulled “cow catcher”, driver extends a cylinder to swing one side of corral out about 30 ft. away from tractor.

up into it.”

Sells for \$3,895.

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Purple Farmall A Big Hit In Parades

Thom Hart and his son Mike of Waggoner, Ill., are vintage tractor collectors. Their most “famous” tractor is a Farmall M which they painted purple.

They painted it that color strictly for Thom’s seven grand daughters. When Mike was expecting a baby they already had three red Farmall M’s. They also had a Farmall H, a Deere H, Deere A, Deere 730, and Deere 3010. They decided it was time to do something different. If it was a girl, the next tractor would be pink or purple.

So, when she came along, they decided to paint a Farmall purple. Mike chose the best Du Pont paint he could find.

The girls have great fun taking it to parades and shows. They’re invited to go to more shows than they can handle because it gets a lot of attention.

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Purple-colored tractor is a big hit in parades and at shows.

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Rare Farmall C Painted White

“The white color really makes it stand out,” says Fred Vergin, Loretto, Minn., about his rare 1950 Farmall C “demonstrator” tractor. He displayed it at the recent Albany, Minn., Pioneer Power Days show.

“There are a few similar white colored Farmall C’s around, but not many,” says Vergin. “IH only made the white Farmalls, Cubs, and Super A’s for a couple months in 1950. Worldwide, about 4,000 Farmall C’s were painted white. It was part of a sales promotion in which they gave one tractor to each dealer for use as a demonstrator. After the sales promotion was over, the dealers were supposed to paint the tractors red and sell them. However, the red paint often didn’t stay

on very well and partially rubbed off, so the white color would show through.”

Vergin bought his demonstrator six years ago. “It had been painted over red, but the white color showed through in several places and parts of the tractor never did get painted red. The owner I bought it from didn’t find the fenders until two years after I bought it, so I mounted red fenders off a conventional Farmall C which actually makes the tractor look better. At shows I display the original fenders by laying them up against the front wheel,” he notes.

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