



To "load up", simply position the animal in front of the chair, above, and set it down, below.

Trimming Easy With "Sheep Chair"

Sheepmen are taking the backwork out of hoof trimming with a unique "sheep chair" invented by a South Dakota sheep rancher.

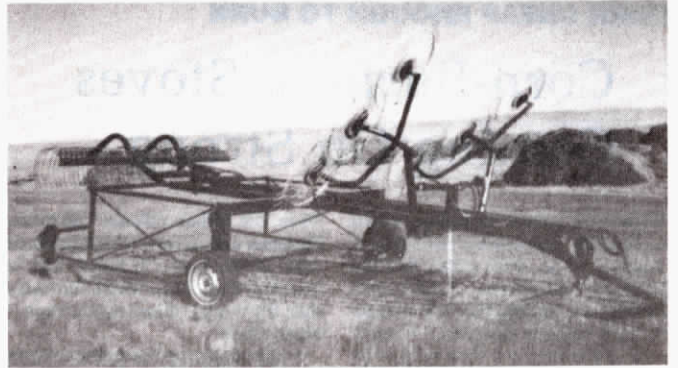
Since you have to turn a sheep on its rump for examination or foot trimming, sheepman Douglas Ness, of Gary, figured, "why not set the animal in a chair?"

The "Sheep chair" he came up with will accommodate any adult sheep. The sheep is laid back in the steel chair and needs no further restraint. Hoof trimming and general examination are easy to do without having the weight of the sheep to hold. The chair is made of 1-in. round



tubing and measures 27 in. high, 15 in. wide and 36 in. deep. Sells for \$89, plus shipping.

For more information, contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Shalom Valley Sheep Equipment, Rt. 1, Box 90, Gary, S.D. 57237 (ph 605 272-5864).



Combination rake and dump saves labor, fuel and investment, says manufacturer.

GATHERS, BUNCHES WINDROW SWATHS

New "Super Sweep" Dumps and Rakes

Latest new development in high-speed stacking of loose hay is the "Super Sweep". It gathers windrow swaths into buck-rake size bunches.

"The Super Sweep is twice as fast as other rakes," says Dusty Gilger, designer and manufacturer. "It covers 10-15 acres per hour and makes it possible for a 2-man crew to cut and stack 40-50 acres a day. A 4 or 5-man crew can cut and stack 80-100 acres a day."

The machine features wheel rakes on hydraulic wings and a dump rake on a tailgate. The wings adjust to pick up 12-16 ft. swaths. For road travel, the width of the machine is 14 ft. with wings folded.

"Besides being fast, the Super

Sweep is gentle so there is a minimum of leaf shattering of hay or damage to grain and seed crops. It is also efficient for cleaning up spillage left by the buck rake or sweeping operation," explains Gilger.

"We've found it to give a 30% overall saving in labor, fuel and investment, compared with other popular hay systems. It's simple and maintenance-free."

The sweep operates with a 30-40 hp tractor with a low pressure hydraulic system. Sells for right at \$5,000.

For more information, contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Gilger Enterprises, Boyes, Mont. 59316 (ph 406 427-5730).

BITES INTO BAGS, PILES TO MOVE MANURE, GRAIN, SILAGE

New "Biting Bucket" For Tractor Loaders

New from Ag-Bag Corp., Astoria, Oreg., is the Mighty Bite, a new-style "biting bucket" that fits most front end tractor loaders.

Resembling two large jaws, it opens and closes to bite into bags or piles to move most anything — manure, silage, grain, sand, dirt or whatever. In grain, for example, the jaws close up tight to pick up a 1,500 to 1,800 lb. bite without any spillage.

"It'll handle many jobs that are either awkward or impossible with a regular loader bucket," says Charles Savage, advertising manager of Ag-Bag Corp. "It's especially handy for loading silage or grain out of long plastic bags. You simply drive up to the bag and let Mighty Bite do the work — no need to spin the tires or to ramrod the pile to get a full bucketful of silage or grain. You can even use the Mighty Bite to pound fence posts into the ground, or to pull them out."

When the two jaws come together they form a slanted bottom which completely empties when the jaws are opened to dump the load. Width of the bucket is 5 ft. closed, and 6½ ft. when fully opened. It's 4 ft. high, 4½ ft. long, weighs 800 lbs. and has 2 tons of biting power.

The bucket itself has two cylinders (one per jaw) which control the opening and closing bites. The loader's "bucket" cylinder regulates tilt of the Mighty Bite. It's manufactured by Walluski Western Ltd., Astoria, Oreg.

Available in three sizes (1, 2 and 3 cu. yds.). Price range from about \$2,300 to \$2,800, depending on size.

For more information, contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Ag-Bag Corp., P.O. Box 418, Astoria, Oreg. 97103 (ph 503 325-2488).



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