

You Asked For It

EDITOR'S NOTE: Looking for the manufacturer or marketer of a product you'd like to buy or get repaired? Or for an item you read about in a previous issue of FARM SHOW?

We'd be happy to do what we can to help. If we don't have the answers, we can probably put you in touch with someone who does.

Contact: Research Dept., FARM SHOW Magazine, P.O. Box 1029, Lakeville, Minn. 55044 (ph 612 469-5572).

What's the address of the company from Spain featured in the last issue of FARM SHOW (Vol. 10, No. 4) that makes a pto-powered rock crusher that crushes rocks right in the field on the go? It eliminates the need to pick rocks and puts the minerals in the rocks back into the soil. (Gary Schneider, Rt. 1, Box 189, Fowler, Mich. 48835).

Contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Tiburon, S.C., C/Esquedas 12, Zaragoza, Spain 50014. A German company also builds a rock smasher that works on the go in the field. Contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Joseph Willibald Maschinen Fabrick, D-7771, Fricingen, Altheim, West Germany.

How do we get in touch with the company that makes tungsten steel sickle sections that last 2 to 5 times as long as standard chromed sections? (Jerry Hughes, Box 686, Grand Ridge, Ill. 61325).

Colby Manufacturing has developed a method of hard-surfacing sickle sections with tungsten steel by applying tungsten to the top of serrations. It allows the underside of the section to wear on the guards, which self-sharpen the teeth. Contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Colby Manufacturing, Co., 510 East Pine Street, P.O. Box 594, Colby, Kan. 67701 (ph toll-free 800 262-5267 or, in Kansas, 913 462-8244).

My son is working on a high school project that involves hydrogen fuel. Could he get more information? (LaVerne Quiring, Rt. 1, Hampton, Neb. 68843).

Lawrence Spicer, Lineville, Iowa makes a small electrolyzer that makes hydrogen fuel from ordinary well water right on the farm for use in any gas engine, gas appliance, or to replace acetylene in torches. Contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Hydrogen Wind Inc., Rt. 2, Box 262, Lineville, Iowa 50147 (ph 515 876-5665).

What's the name and address of the mechanic featured in a recent issue (Vol. 10, No. 3) who boosts gas mileage in tractor and truck engines by grinding camshafts, changing compression ratios and governor ratios? By reworking the engine he increased expansion, which required the installation of a turbo charger. Mileage increased 40 to 50% and engine wear was reduced. (Carl Lovkamp, Rt. 1, Queen City, Mo. 63561).

Contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Stoney D. Pipes, Rt. 1, Box 49A, Rocheport, Mo. 65201 (ph 314 698-3995).

Our on-farm storage facility has a number of conveyor legs, augers, cleaners, bins, and so on. When a motor fails, a belt breaks, or a plug develops it causes a chain reaction of problems. Is there a monitor system available that would keep "watch", giving warning by sound and/or visual alarm when something goes wrong? (John Ries, Ries Farms, Inc., Rt. 5, Box 53, Mt. Vernon, Ind. 47620).

Where can I buy a propane-powered refrigerator for use in remote areas without electricity? (Allan Thomas, Rt. 1, Box 116, Turon, Kan. 67583).

For information on propane-powered refrigerators and freezers, contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Dometic Sales Corp., P.O. Box 490, Elkhart, Ind. 46515 (ph 219 294-2511).

What company makes the one-armed hammer featured in Vol. 10, No. 4, of FARM SHOW for farmers who have lost an arm in an accident? The hammer lets you start and drive nails by sticking the nail to the hammer head. (Alvin

Anderson, Rt. 2, Box 55, Epping, N. Dak. 58843).

Contact: FARM SHOW Followup, United Pacific Inc., 245 Roosevelt Rd., W. Chicago, Ill. 60185 (ph 312 231-6030).

Where can I buy polyethylene plastic skids to put under my IH grain platform to keep mud from sticking? (Brian Skipper, R.R. 1, Tilbury, Ont.).

At least four companies make plastic skids to help headers get through wet ground. Contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Poly Tech Industries, P.O. Drawer 349, Monticello, Ga. 31064 (ph 404 468-2201); FARM SHOW Followup, Roetman & Sons, Rt. 2, Box 11, Sheldon, Iowa 51201 (ph 712 324-2731); FARM SHOW Followup, May-Wes Mfg., P.O. Box 33, Gibbon, Minn. 55335 (ph 507 834-6695); FARM SHOW Followup, CFC Distributors, Inc., R.R. 1, Roann, Ind. 46974 (ph 800 548-6633; in Ind. 317 833-4231).

One of FARM SHOW's back issues featured a farmer who converted his Harvestore silo to conventional storage by cutting silo doors in the side and installing a chute and unloader. Does anyone make a kit to convert Harvestores in this way? (Sam Brusven, Clarissa, Minn. 56440).

Hanson Silo Co. (Vol. 9, No. 4) converts Harvestores to conventional storage. Contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Hanson Silo Co., Lake Lillian, Minn. 56253 (ph 612 664-4171).

How can I get in touch with the German farmer featured in FARM SHOW who raises deer commercially in New York state? (Alan Kolodziej, Michigan City, Ind. 46360).

Josef Von Kerckerinck (Vol. 9, No. 4) has the largest deer farm in the U.S. and is founder of the North American Deer Farmer's Association. Contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Josef Von Kerckerinck, Lucky Star Ranch, Box 372, Chaumont, N.Y. 13622 (ph 315 649-5519).

Can anyone help me find an auger-type water pump for field drainage? (David Pohlman, R.R. 1, Box 158, Lakefield, Minn. 56150).

I'm looking for Hol-Dem fences. Our local dealer moved and left no forwarding address. (Rose Gustafson, Glendon, Alb.).

Contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Hol-Dem Products, P.O. Box 6117, Rochester, Minn. 55903 (ph 507 288-7777).

Who developed the new breed of beef cattle that have a wide white strip around their middle like a Hampshire hog? (S. Wacker, Garner, Iowa 50438).

Russel Bueling developed the fast-gaining new breed called Buelings. Contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Russel Bueling, Sheldon, N. Dak. 58068 (ph 701 882-3331).

What's the name and address of the company that converts 3-wheel ATV's into 4-wheelers? (Mike Colling, 1469 Wilson Ave., Havre, Mont. 59501).

FARM SHOW's featured two such companies. Contact: FARM SHOW Followup, 3 X 4 Products, 1452 N. Johnson Ave., El Cajon, Cal. 92020 (ph 619 442-0876) or FARM SHOW Followup, CSE Enterprises, Rt. 2, Box 3, Sutton, Neb. 68979 (ph 402 773-4120).

I'd like information on lightning rods. I don't often see them on buildings any more. Are rods still available? (Rick Sheehan, Rt. 5, Box 700, Byhalia, Miss. 38611).

Contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Boston Lightning Rod Co., 1201 East St., Dedham, Mass. 02026 (ph 617 326-2807).

What's the name and address of the company that makes a tire bead breaker that clamps to the wheel rim? (James Ryan, Nine Mile Falls, Wash. 99026).

Contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Joed Corp., Rt. 4, Box 194, Rocky Mount, N.C. 27801 (ph 919 442-4384 or 2805).

I'd like to put numbered confetti in with my grain so it can be identified if stolen. Can FARM SHOW help me find a source? (Gerald Wood, 12011 West Mount Morris Rd., Flushing, Mich. 48433).

Vol. 1, No. 3 featured an article about grain-protecting confetti. Each farmer has his own 7-digit code imprinted on the paper strips which is registered with sheriffs and county agents. Confetti can be spread on top of grain in the bin or sprinkled into the auger as the bin's filled. You can buy enough to "secure" 35,000 bu. for \$30. Contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Grain Identification Co., Box 87, Cooperstown, N. Dak. 58425 (ph 701 797-3124).

What company makes a combine sieve that lets you harvest high moisture ear corn with a combine? (Ted Tesch, Rt. 3, Watertown, S.D. 57201).

FARM SHOW's featured two such "cob-saving" sieves. Contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Automatic Equipment Mfg., P.O. Box P, Pender, Neb. 68047 (ph 800 228-9289; in Neb. 402 385-3051). Or, FARM SHOW Followup, Lightfoot Inc., 3810 McIntyre Ave., Eau Claire, Wis. 54703 (ph 834-2361).

I'm looking for replacement chain for Goliath bottom unloaders in Harvestore silos. Can you help? (John Scherber, Rogers, Minn. 55374).

For information on low-price replacement chain, (Vol. 7, No. 4) contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Rockford Chain Co., 4175 22 Mile Rd., Utica, Mich. 48087 (ph 800 521-4135; in Mich. 313 739-1200). For a low-cost rebuild kit (Vol. 8, No. 4) that replaces only the inside links that come in contact with the unloader's drive sprocket, contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Norman Patrick, 5853 Gibsonville, Leicester, N.Y. 14481 (ph 716 658-3788).

Where can I order a parts catalog for a Deere 346 baler? (James Wisian, Cuero, Tex. 77954).

You can order operator's manuals, parts catalogs and technical manuals for any Deere equipment ever built through Deere's Distribution Service Center. For more information and prices on catalogs, contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Deere Distribution Service Center, 1400 Third Ave., Moline, Ill. 61265 (ph 309 757-5903).

FARM SHOW featured a recent "best buy" for a Grasshopper lawnmower (Vol. 10, No. 4). The man said it "works great" and "turns on a dime". What's the address of the company? (Wayne Bengtson, Rt. 1, Box 60, Maiden Rock, Wis. 54750).

Contact: FARM SHOW Followup, The Grasshopper Co., Box 637, Moundridge, Kan. 67107 (ph 316 345-8621).

How can I get in touch with the inventor who re-does combine cylinder bars by taking out every other bar and hardening existing ones? (Earl Moser, Rt. 2, Dundee, Ill. 60018).

Contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Clarence Trimpe, Junction U.S. 31 and 50, Seymour, Ind. 47274 (ph 812 522-1398).

Where can we order Ray Stueckle's book, "Combine Settings For Better Harvesting?" (Thomas Swintek, R.D. 3, Aliquippa, Penn. 15001).

Contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Arline Stueckle, Box 1323, Caldwell, Idaho 83605 (ph 208 459-1508).

Where can I find a feederhouse reverser for my Cleaner combine? (James Kohel, R.R. 2, Wilber, Neb. 68465).

We've featured two stories on electric header reversers. Contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Ed-Ka Mfg. Inc., P.O. Box 37, Garfield, Wash. 99130 (ph 509 635-1521) or, FARM SHOW Followup, Gremillion Mfg., 127 East Irene Rd., Zachary, La. 70791 (ph 504 654-9585).

Due to bad weather, our corn crop is down. What equipment is available to pick it up for harvest? (Mike Bunton, Erwin, Mo. 64759).

Past issues of FARM SHOW have featured a variety of commercial machines for harvesting down corn. Two companies make reels with long metal fingers that mount above the cornhead to rake stalks up off the ground and into the cross auger. Contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Rittenhouse and Associates, Rfd. 1, Petersburg, Ill. 62675 (ph 217 632-7450), or FARM SHOW Followup, Rogers Trailers, Hwy. 50 M on MF Road, Garden City, Kan. 67846 (ph 316 276-6932). Two companies make gathering devices that replace the entire snout. LK Mfg. (Rt. 2, Box 120, Aurora, Neb. 68818, ph 402 723-5374) makes the "Corn Rooter" which replaces each snout with a pair of snouts that have a rotating "toothed" cylinder in between to feed stalks into the machine. Mak-Young (Rt. 1, Box 138, Fair Oaks, Ind. 47943, ph 219 987-3442 or 866-7091) makes a replacement snout equipped with two rows of gathering chains to pick up down stalks. Tri-R Innovations (628 S. Sangamon, Gibson City, Ill. 60936, ph 217 784-8495) modifies existing snouts by adding a gathering chain that pick up stalks and carries them to the feeder auger. Corn Saver Mfg. (Box 889, Dimmitt, Tex. 79027, ph 806 647-2217) modifies cornheads by suspending a gathering chain out over the tip of the snout to rake in stalks. Outside snouts are outfitted with rotating cones that pull in outside rows. Finally, Gary Resch (Rt. 1, Box 211, Clearwater, Minn. 55320, ph 612 558-6622 or 6526) builds a machine that picks ears up off the ground after the crop has been harvested. Resch does custom work throughout the Midwest with his "down corn harvester".

In 1980 I was in Europe and noticed several small 1/2-ton trucks built with side-mounted mowers. The mowers were mounted behind the left front wheels for good visibility by the driver. I would like to know if any North American manufacturers make such a mower that I could mount on my 4-WD 1/2-ton pickup. (Jim Hofer, 16900 105th St. W., Reynolds, Ill. 61279).

Readers knowing of a side-mount mower for 1/2-ton pickups please contact: FARM SHOW, P.O. Box 1029, Lakeville, Minn. 55044. There is a mower for 2-ton trucks which cuts a 15-ft. wide swath at speeds up to 12 mph. It was featured in FARM SHOW four years ago (Vol. 6, No. 3, page 5). For more information, contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Hardee Mfg., Rt. 4, Box 232, Loris, S.C. 29569 (ph 803 756-4051).

About a year ago I saw an article in FARM SHOW about a company that sells a kit to repair worn flighting on augers, particularly combine augers. What's the name of the company? (Marvin L. Huisman, Box 96, Wilmont, Minn. 56185).

Porta Products makes a heavy metal wear strip that attaches to the outer edge of worn flighting to build it back to original factory condition. Contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Porta Products, Box 157, Rosalia, Wash. 99170 (ph 509 523-3451).

I'm interested in finding a slip-in, chain and flat manure spreader-type conveyor to add to a flat deck to convert it into a self-unloading hay hauler. I'd like to make it 30-ft. long and 8 ft. wide with a 10-ton capacity. It should also be hydraulically operated. Can anyone help me find such a kit to make this conversion? (Gerald W. Wood, 12011 W. Mt. Morris Rd., Flushing, MI 48433).

Can you or any of your readers tell me where to find a pto-powered air compressor? (Odell Bowman & Sons, Rt. 1, Box 512, Boones Mill, Va. 24065 ph 703 334-5951).

Could anyone help me obtain exact measurements for building a 3-pt. hitch for my Farmall M tractor which is still in good working order? (Floyd Faith, 7 Sharman Place, Ft. Madison, Iowa 52627).