

Cattle-Tite fence (48 in.) with one strand of barbed wire makes a 54 in. high fence.

HORIZONTAL WIRES HAVE SAME UNIFORM SPACING FROM TOP TO BOTTOM

New Woven Wire Fence for Cattle

For years, woven wire has been sold in one universal style designed for hogs, cattle and sheep. Spacing between the wires is narrow at the bottom to hold hogs, then gets progressively wider at the top.

Nothing wrong with that design if you run both hogs and cattle. But it's expensive and overbuilt if you are using it solely for cattle.

"This is precisely why Armco developed Cattle-Tite," explains J.W. Campbell, senior market specialist.

The horizontal line wires on Cattle-Tite fencing are uniformly spaced 6 in apart from top to bottom. "It's approximately 30% less expensive than a comparable style conventional woven wire fence. What's more, uniform spacing provides equal stretching tension from top to bottom to give you a sturdier fence with fewer sags on any terrain," Campbell points out. "After stretching a conventional woven wire fence, vertical wires are often slanted. With Cattle-Tite, vertical wires remain perpendicular to the ground."

Cattle-Tite is available 42 or 48 in. high. In either size, the horizontal wires are 6 in. apart and the vertical stays 9 in. apart. The extreme top and bottom wires are 10 ga., and all other wires 11 ga.

For more details, including the

name of your nearest supplier, contact: FARM SHOW Followup, J. W. Campbell, Armco Steel Corp., 7000 Robert Street, Kansas City, Mo. 64125 (ph. 816-483-5100).

CAPTURES "FREE" ENERGY FROM THE SUN

Can You Use A Solar Fence?

Latest new fencing idea under the sun is a solar fence, introduced by Live Wire Products, Grass Valley, Calif.

It features a small collector which captures "free" energy from the sun to keep a regular 12 volt car or truck battery charged. The battery, in turn, charges a 12 volt MK4 controller especially designed for use on long electric fences in remote locations.

"Without the solar energizer, the battery would last about a month on about 10 miles of fencing before needing recharging," says Jack Henderson, of Live Wire Products. "It will run the year around with free solar energy keeping it recharged. This assurance of continuous operation is especially important in coyote country where a dead battery on an electric fence could be costly."

Maximum output of the solar energizer is 19 volts (150 miliamps). Even on a cloudy day, it will produce about 15 volts of battery-recharging current, explains Henderson. "You can string up to 10 miles of solar fence using our MK4 controller, a regular 12 volt car battery, and the new solar energizer to keep the battery charged."

The unit is easy to maintain. You simply attach it to a steel or wood post and adjust it at the recommended angle for your particular geographical area. The solar collector is protected against hail damage and



Solar collector produces up to 19 volts on a sunny day; up to 15 volts on a cloudy day.

is baffled so birds can't roost on it to mess up the face of the collector.

For more details, contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Live Wire Products, Jack Henderson, president, Box 150, Grass Valley, Calif. 95945 (ph 916-273-9397).

CLIP PROVIDES QUICK TAKE-DOWN OF BARB WIRE

Build Yourself A "Let Down" Fence

Slickest new fencing idea we've seen lately is a special clip for building a "let down" barbed wire fence.

For example, if you need to move irrigation equipment or machinery across it, you simply lift the wires out of the special clips and lay the fence on the ground. Or, if you're in an area where heavy snow or snowmobilers make it necessary to lay fences down during the winter months, the new fencing method makes the job simple and easy.

It consists of the Davison clip, designed by Idaho rancher L.G. Davison. together with his sons, Ron and Bill, and son-in-law, Gene Russell. The Davidsons teamed up with Pete Barniga, of Boise, Idaho, who devised a special tool for mounting the Davison clips onto steel posts.

The Davison clip is a C-Shaped metal band. Barb wire is run through the diagonal opening of the "C". Because of the diagonal opening, the wire can't jump out, yet it is free to move back and forth across the post as tension changes because of changes in weather. This eliminates most wire breakage due to cold weather, or snow piling up on the fence. On account of a small amount of labor involved, this is about the most economical let down fence that can be built, Davison points out.

Davison clips are also available for wooden posts. They come equipped with nail holes for easy attachment. By inserting a short length of plastic pipe, the clips can also be used for electric fence.

The clips for either steel or wood posts sell for \$32.50 per box of 250, postpaid. The fence clip tool, which makes attaching the steel post clips easier, sells for \$37.50. Clips for steel posts can be attached by hand except it takes longer than when the special tool is used.

For more details, contact: FARM



Magnetic tool head holds clip in the proper position. Diagonal opening for slipping wire out for quick take-down is adjustable for width.

SHOW Followup, Davison Fence Clips, c/o Prairie Stage, Mountain Home, Idaho 83647 (ph 208-888-1423).