

Easy-To-Install Rail Fence System

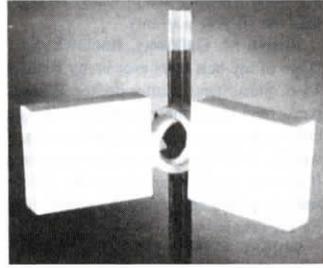
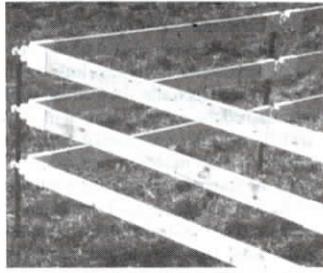
Here's a rail fence you can put up fast without having to use nails or dig post holes.

Key to the system are "multi-directional" joints that attach to steel posts and support 1 1/2 by 5 1/2-in. wood or vinyl rails. The multi-directional joint allows the rails to swivel up or down on hillsides and from side to side on corners. A receiver attaches the multi-directional joint to the post using a friction-fit lock. An insulator built into the friction lock can be used to hold electric fence.

"It's comparable in price to an all-wood fence, but installs in only about one-fourth as much time. You can put up 40 ft. of double rail fence in only 15 minutes," says Carol Cronkhite of The Fence Connection. "We've installed 208 ft. of triple rail fence in only one hour and 45 minutes. Each connector is 18 in. long."

Rail connectors sell for \$4.65. Packaged in 12, 24, and 36-unit cases. Optional vinyl 8-ft. rails sell for \$9.30. A package of 10 T-Post caps sells for \$8.

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Fence Connection, 2560 Muhlenhardt Road, Shakopee, Minn. 55379 (ph 612 496-2620).

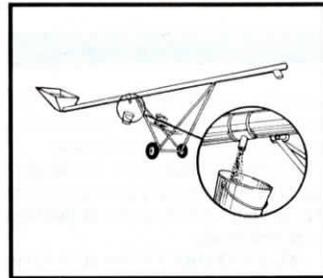
"Continuous Sampler" Fits Any Grain Auger

With grain companies getting pickier and premiums paid for quality grain, taking good, representative grain samples is more important than ever, according to Sid Lockhart, a Camrose, Alberta, inventor who's involved in a couple of family grain farms and also works for a grain company.

Lockhart saw the need for a new way to sample grain and came up with a "continuous sampler" that mounts on any grain auger and lets you take out a continuous "trickle" of grain so that you can get a good sample of an entire bin load of grain, rather than just a handful of grain from the back of one or two truck loads.

"The better your sample, the stronger your argument with grain buyers who may have a different reading on your grain because they took only a limited sample," says Lockhart. "Here in Canada, grain in bins is sampled by government representatives as part of support programs and they almost never get grain from the center of the bin - only around the outside. This sampler can help you give a true picture of the grain you have in storage."

The device simply clamps to the underside of any 6 to 13-in. dia. auger. You cut a 1-in. hole in the auger. It'll mount anywhere but Lockhart recommends putting it part way up the auger so it won't get in the way. It has an adjustable spout that's 1 in. dia. and 3 1/2 in. long. You put a 1-in. dia. rubber hose over the spout and run it down into a pail. The sampler opening can be adjusted for everything from tiny mustard seed to corn, and the speed with which each sample is taken can be adjusted depending on how much grain you're moving. For



example, if you're sampling 1,000 bu., you'll want to open it up wider than if you're sampling 5,000 bu.

"When I first got the idea, I was worried it might split beans and other seeds as they came out of the auger, but that hasn't been a problem," says Lockhart, who retails the sampler for \$26 (Canadian). He's looking for distributors and dealers in the U.S. and Canada.

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Pto-Driven Stump Grinder

New 3-pt. mounted, pto-driven stump grinder can grind stumps down to 8 in. below ground level, says Stumpster Canada, Orangeville, Ontario.

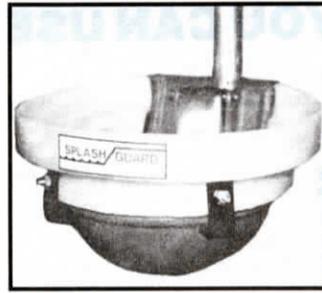
The self-leveling stump grinder is equipped with a 26-in. cutting wheel made from 3/4-in. thick steel plate that's fitted with carbide cutting bits. The company says the grinder can reduce a 16-in. high, 19-in.

dia. stump of oak to an 8-in. hole in less than 3 min.

Available in 16 or 24-in. (horizontal cutting span) models.

Sells for \$6,400 (Canada).

Contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Stumpster Canada, 33 Sunset Drive, Orangeville, Ontario, Canada L9W 2H1 (ph 519 941-2626).



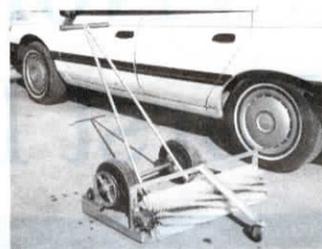
New "Splash Guard" Prevents Wet Mangers

In every herd there are a few cows who just can't seem to drink out of water bowls without slobbering all over the place. A New York inventor says his Splash Guard eliminates the problem.

Bill Roberts of New Hartford makes the plastic wrap-around guard that clamps onto all sizes of bowls. Once installed, he says it'll keep feed mangers much drier.

"You don't have to install them on every bowl. It depends on your setup and whether you can identify the cows that cause the most problems," says Roberts. The Splash Guard is made of impact resistant polyethylene that meets Grade A regulations. Sells for \$12.

Contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Bill Roberts, Splash Guard, 3 Sedgewick Park, New Hartford, N.Y. 13413 (ph 315 735-0952).



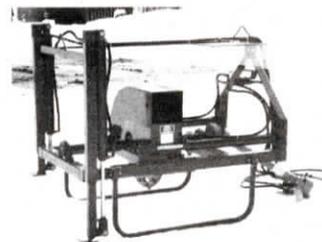
Ground-Driven "Rotor Sweeper"

You'll like this new ground-driven rotor sweeper that makes floor cleanup fast and easy.

The three-wheel sweeper is equipped with a 26-in. wide, belt-driven nylon brush mounted on a steel frame and angled to one side to make "windrows". A small caster wheel in front keeps the brush balanced evenly from side to side.

"It works great for cleaning machine sheds, shops, poultry houses, etc.," says Edgar Friesen, manufacturer. "You can use it as fast as you can walk. We also make a model equipped with a covered hopper that catches material swept up by the brush."

Sells for \$695. Hopper model for \$895. Contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Edgar Friesen, Box 38, Rt. 1, Ste. Anne, Manitoba, Canada R0A 1R0 (ph 204 355-4667).



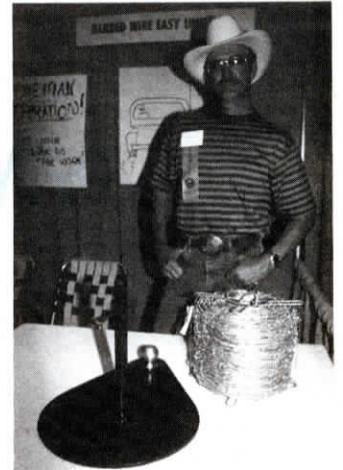
Handy "Towel Tote" Holds 125 Wipes

A Minnesota farm woman who was always on the lookout for more efficient ways to milk cows came up with a waist pouch for holding cow towels that worked so well she decided to put it on the market.

Cheryl Mohn's "Towel Tote" holds 125 single-fold wipes and also has two straps for teat dip - one for pre-dip and one for post-dip. The pouch is made out of heavy denim and is designed to dispense one towel at a time. She says it won't interfere with strap-on stools or backpack teat sprayers.

"It works great in either parlor or stanchion barns. We've sold a bunch of them to neighbors and friends and everyone says they don't know how they got along without them," says Mohn, who sewed them herself at first but has since contracted with a manufacturer to produce Towel Totes. They sell for \$17.99 apiece (plus \$3 S&H). If you order two at once, the second is \$14.99.

Contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Mohn Dairy Farm, 27605 Pillsbury Ave., Lakeville, Minn. 55044 (ph 612 461-2890).



Wire Unroller

Simple new barbed wire unroller lets you unroll barbed wire using the fifth wheel hitch on your pickup.

It consists of a steel plate with a hole on one end that slips over the fifth wheel hitch. The roll of barbed wire rotates around a vertical steel shaft welded onto the plate.

Hanson says the wire unroller could probably be marketed for less than \$40. He's looking for a manufacturer.

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