

OPERATES AT GROUND LEVEL AND REQUIRES NO PIT

New Porta Pit For Center Dump Trucks

You can move the new Baasch Porta Pit anywhere around the farm to unload center dump trucks and wagons. It operates at ground level so there's no need to dig dump pits.

You can also use the Porta Pit for unloading straight trucks because you don't have to worry about backing up to the auger. You simply drive over the pit and raise the truck hoist, says Eldon Kluthe, of Baasch and Son, Cairo, Neb.

The Porta Pit transports on its own set of wheels. You pull it up next to your grain auger and remove the axle, wheels, and hitch. Then, flip the four ramp wings down for the truck or wagon tires to drive over. Each wing is 6 ft. long and 2 ft. wide.

SEALS IN MOISTURE

Pull-Behind Cultivator For Moldboard Plows

"A tremendous amount of moisture is lost right behind the plow," says Floyd Ghere, Danville, Kan., who came up with a pull-behind cultivator for moldboard plows that breaks up clods and seals up plowed ground before moisture can evaporate from open furrows.

"Many farmers, particularly in this part of the country, follow the plow with a second tractor and cultivator to do exactly what this unit will do without the extra compaction. This unit takes less power to pull than one plow bottom and the S-tines provide the best action for breaking up clods and preparing a seedbed," says Ghere.

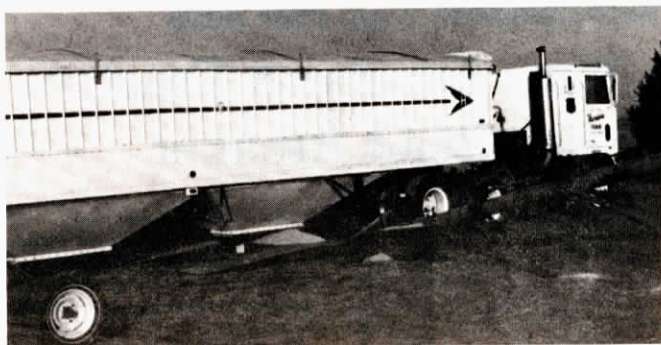
The mini-cultivator's two rows of tines are raised and lowered by a small cylinder. It's pulled by a short mast welded to the top of the frame of the plow pulling it. Sizes for plows

over the ramp and unload the material into the 4-ft. long auger opening between the tire ramps. For dump boxes, you simply drive over the Porta Pit, raise the hoist and unload the truck without backing up at all.

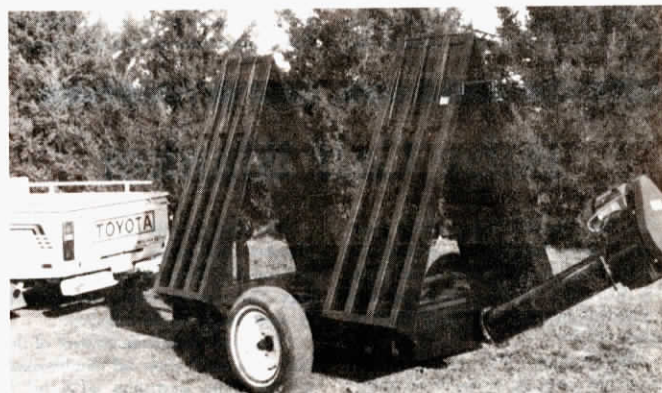
An 8-in. dia. auger, with a 2,000 bu./hr. capacity powered by electric, hydraulic or pto power, moves grain out of the pit.

The Porta Pit is made of 10 ga. steel and sells for \$3,750.

For more information, contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Baasch & Son, Box 446, Cairo, Neb. 68824 (ph 308 485-4661).



The Porta Pit takes up just a few inches under the truck yet unloads at a rate of 2,000 bu. per hour.



Compact Porta Pit travels on its own axle and set of wheels.

ranging from 5 to 13 bottoms are available.

The cultivator pulls from the center of the plow, allowing a straight pull from the tractor. The left wheel rides in the furrow so the cultivator easily follows the plow. The machine is built from heavy steel and the added weight of the cultivator gives added penetration in hard ground conditions. The unit's hydraulics can be operated in conjunction with the plow's hydraulic system or separate controls can be used.

A Ghere mini-cultivator, sized for a 7 to 8-bottom plow, sells for \$2,260 without the 3 to 4-in. cylinder and hoses needed to raise and lower it.

For more information, contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Ghere Mfg., Danville, Kan. 67036 (ph 316 962-5291).



Ghere cultivator levels the ground right behind the plow, sealing in moisture.

LOW-COST WAY TO PREVENT STEPPED-ON TEAT INJURIES

Protective "Shoes" For Valuable Cows

High-producing, valuable cows can't step on and damage their teats if they're wearing new plastic "shoes" called Geba Rings.

The plastic rings, worn on the rear legs, lift the teats up and out of the way when the cow gets up, thus preventing the costly problem of losing top-producing cows because of teat injuries. Each ring is 9½ in. in dia. and made of a special plastic which

resists manure acids and is pliable. When the cow lays down, or when she steps in deep mud, manure or snow, for example, the outer edge of the pliable ring folds up against the leg, the manufacturer points out.

The rings are adjustable for inside diameter (3.5 to 4 in.) so one size fits all cows. Each ring comes in two halves which are bolted together with stainless steel bolts.

The protective "shoes" have been extensively field tested on dairy farms in Holland where they were developed and first introduced, according to Daniel Meloche, president of Recipro-Prof, a division of Lanark Farm Equipment, Pakenham, Ont., North American marketer of the new teat-protection device. It was developed by the Recipro-Prof Company in Holland, which manufactures a complete line of replacement parts and accessories for major brands of milking equipment.

The plastic rings retail for \$30 per pair in the U.S., \$38 in Canada.

For more information, contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Recipro-Prof, Division, Lanark Farm Equipment, Pakenham, Ont. KOA 2X0 (ph 613 624-5393).



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