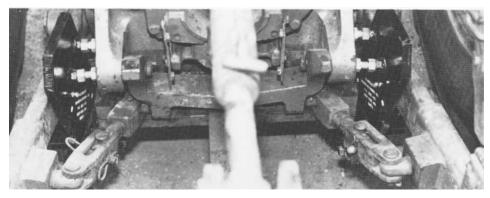
3-Pt. Hitch Stabilizer

"It puts an end to 3-pt. hitch sway," says Ken Klingler, Klingler Mfg., about his new 3-pt. hitch stabilizer for IH 656 to 1586 tractors.

Built from heavy 3/4 by 6-in. plate steel, the hitch blocks bolt into place with no modification of tractor. Hitch arms slide on the outside of the vertically-mounted plates. Spacer bolts hold stabilizer blocks in the correct position for either Cat. II or Cat. III hitches. No holes to drill.

"Without these blocks, IH hitches can sway as much as 3 in. Once installed, hitch arms hold steady as a rock. They won't move even with the heaviest implements. We have had these units out for over 25 years and the people who have them are truly satisfied. Stabilizers are backed by a



money-back guarantee."

The hitch stabilizer blocks sell for \$145 per set plus shipping. Some models require narrower hole spacing so specify tractor model when ordering.

Klingler also makes crop deflector plates that attach to stabilizer bottom irons to protect tall row crops from damage. They sell for \$15 a set. Dealer inquiries welcome.

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"World's Cutest Sheep" Only Available In Europe

People say Valais sheep are about the cutest animals on earth next to Panda bears. Unfortunately for producers who'd like to get their hands on them, they probably won't be available in North America anytime soon.

Valais sheep are bred specifically for mountainous regions of the Alps in Europe. They're also known as the Valais Blacknose, the Wallis Blacknose, or if you're in Germany, Walliser Schwarznasenschaf.

Valais are a dual purpose breed raised for meat and wool. Their fleece is coarse in texture, almost white in color, and 4 in. to 6 in. long on mature animals. It's the solid black muff of 1-in. fleece covering their nose, eyes and ears that gives them their quizzical and cute look. Some animals also have a small tuft of black fleece below the knees on their front legs. The adult rams and ewes of the breed both have horns that in some instances are flat and spiraling.

Scottish farmer Raymond Irvine paid \$90,000 for 10 ewes and a ram that he intends to breed at his farm in Moray. He also spent \$8,000 on closed circuit TV cameras and guard dogs to protect the valuable sheep from thieves and intruders.

Although the animals aren't available in the U.S., that hasn't stopped a Facebook user from setting up a page called "BlacknoseSheepUSFanClub". It has nearly 8,000 "likes" and on it you'll see hundreds of Valais sheep photos snapped presumably on small farms in the Swiss Alps.

The USDA says at the present time live animals, embryos or semen for this unique breed aren't allowed in the U.S. due to a concern about transferring the Schmallenberg virus, which was first identified in 2011 in various ruminant animals in the Netherlands, Germany and other European countries. The central nervous system virus results in aborted fetuses, births of deformed or stillborn lambs, and infected adults showing fever, loss of appetite and eventual death. The USDA is monitoring the virus and says as of June, 2014, the ban for importing Valais is still in place.

Contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Valais Blacknose Sheep – US Fan Club; https://www.facebook.com/ValaisBlacknose-SheepUsFanClub#!



With a solid black muff of 1-in. fleece covering their nose, eyes and ears, Valais sheep have a quizzical and cute look.

Toilet Vac Sucks Odors Away

"Once it's installed, you wonder how you ever got along without it," says Daniel Antepenko, inventor and manufacturer of the new "Vac-A-Way" device for toilets that sucks odors directly out of the toilet bowl.

The simple device simply bolts in place between the toilet lid and the bowl using the same bolts that hold the lid. A small dia. hose attaches to both sides of the unit and an opening extends out under the toilet lid into the top of the bowl. A suction fan mounts up in the attic or crawl space and is wired to a wall switch in the bath-room. "It fits all toilets with top-mounted tanks and is so small you'll hardly notice it. It's very efficient. You don't have to leave it on for 10 min. after using the bathroom like with an overhead fan," says Antepenko.

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