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They Built Their Own Skid Steer Loaders

"I couldn't justify the expense of a commercial unit so I decided to build my own," says Dave Madar, Brown City, Mich., who patterned his home-built rig after a Melroe Bobcat. Power is supplied by a 4cyl. gas engine out of a Chevette. It drives a hydraulic pump off a forklift. Large drive chains on each side drive gears mounted on the inside of each wheel. See story on page 2.





Bob Burk of Hutchinson, Kan., built an articulated, mini-4-WD tractor that does the work of a skid steer. Burk used a pair of auto axles cut down to 3 ft. wide. See story on page 2. Ray Skoglund decided to build this skid-steer after reading about a similar home-built rig in FARM SHOW. He used parts from two self-propelled swathers. See story on page 2.

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