

Interchangeable beds fit 1/2-ton and larger pickups and trucks.

UNIQUE MOUNTING SYSTEM ALLOWS INTERCHANGEABILITY

Lock-On Truck Bodies

"It lets one truck take the place of several," says Rober Beam, Albion, N.Y., who, along with brothers Michael and Richard, has come up with a new interchangeable truck body system for pickups that allows one man to completely change the body of a pickup in 5 min. or less.

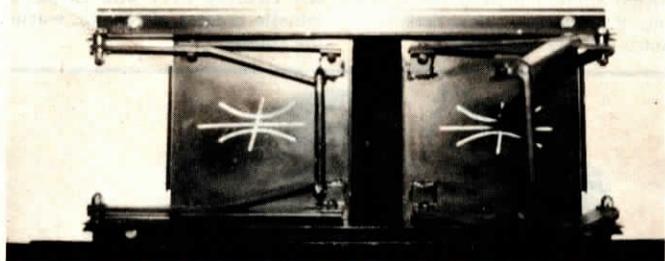
When not in use, the truck bodies stand on jack stands. The modified truck bed backs under the stands and raises hydraulically to lock on to the underside of the bed and pull it down to the truck. The frame of the bed has opposing hooks at a fixed distance apart and rollers that engage the hooks to secure the body to the truck. Once locked in place, each truck body can be dumped hydraulically, if needed.

Interchangeable bodies include standard boxes, flatbeds, 5th wheels, tag axle utility boxes, tag axle livestock trailers, dump boxes, hay racks, and so on.

"You don't have to buy a different pickup for every new job. The system will fit 1/2 to 1-ton pickups and can even be used, on a larger scale, on trucks up to 20 ton," says Robert.

The hydraulically-activated Duo-Lift system fits to the chassis for about \$6,900 installed. Altering each box costs \$200 to \$400. The company can also supply parts and plans for do-it-yourselfers.

For more information, contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Ramar, 14555 Ridge Road, Albion, N.Y. 14411 (ph 716 589-4762).



Truck can be up to 8 in. off center from auger if equipped with sliding endgate.

GIVES YOU LEEWAY WHEN BACKING

Side-Sliding Endgate Fits Any Grain Truck

"You can be up to 8-in. off center from the auger or elevator and still not have any unloading problems with the Sideslide," says Terry Twiestmeyer of Jet Marketing, Belgrade, Neb.

The Sideslide bolts to a sheet of plywood that you cut to fit in place of the truck's vertical endgate. The two doors on the Sideslide open to the sides instead of straight up. They

open up to 18 in. wide so you can unload just as fast as with vertically opening gates.

Each gate opens independent of the other and locks shut for road transport.

Sideslide sells for \$69.50.

For more information, contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Jet Marketing, Rt. 1, Box 34, Belgrade, Neb. 68623 (ph 308 357-1186).



Hostetter loaded all five bales with pickup bale loader.

IS THIS A WORLD RECORD?

Pickup Hauls Big Five-Bale Load

"I keep looking at the empty space at the top and think I could have loaded a sixth bale up there," says Dewey Hostetter, founder of DewEze Mfg., Inc., Harper, Kan., who used one of his own pickup-mounted big bale loaders to put a king-size load of five bales on his truck without any outside help or additional equipment.

"I did it strictly to show what could be done. We don't encourage anyone

to try it themselves," says Hostetter.

To load up, Hostetter first put two bales in the box and then grabbed a third bale towards its bottom in order to reach far enough to put it on top. Then he picked up the fourth, which he held until he backed up against a fifth bale. He let the fourth bale go against the fifth as it lay on the ground and then picked them both up at once.



EZ Tracks tow behind vehicle until needed.

TO REALLY GET AWAY FROM IT ALL

"Go Anywhere" Tracks For Pickups, Vans

If you really want to get back into the boondocks and away from it all, drive your pickup or van as far as the road goes. Then drive the vehicle onto a set of EZ Tracks and continue driving — right through mud, snow or muskeg — to wherever you want to go.

Used primarily by sportsmen, the "go anywhere" tracks utilize the suspension, power train and brakes of a 1/2 to 3/4 ton pickup, or van.

You tow the EZ Track unit behind your pickup until you need it. You then stop and remove the trailer wheels, position two ramps and back the pickup onto the tracks. You then bolt chain-drive adapters to the rear

wheels, insert a steering control, put the truck in gear and proceed to drive anywhere you want to go, regardless of how much mud, snow, sand or muskeg is in your path.

It only takes about 20 min. to get the vehicle onto the tracks and make all the connections, and about the same amount of time to reverse the process, Ian Wright, marketing representative, told FARM SHOW. A set of tracks sells for about \$6,000.

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