



BALED-HAY CART saves heavy lifting

FARMERS, poultrymen and feed dealers who have occasion to transport individual bales of hay or straw will have regular use for this unusual bale cart. It straddles the bale and carries it suspended in a welded frame in a manner similar to a lift truck. The method of loading the bale is pictured in Fig. 1, and construction details and dimensions of the cart are given in Fig. 2. Note that the complete frame is made from 3/4-in. pipe with all joints welded and that it consists of two similar frames, one above the other with pipe spacers welded between. The lower frame has one open end, permitting the cart to straddle the bale when loading. While it is possible to mount bicycle wheels on stub axles as indicated, a stronger straddle-type mounting is shown in the lower left-hand detail. Note that the sharpened metal spurs on the hinged bracket at the front of the frame are welded on at an angle of about 30 deg. so that when the bracket is lowered the spurs will engage the bale and support it in the horizontal position with ample ground clearance when the cart is tilted for transport, as in one of the illustrations at the right.

