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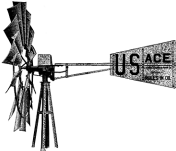


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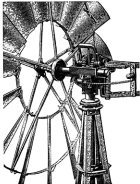
U.S. Ace Windmills

The U.S. Ace Windmill is fully described in the following pages.

Look it over in detail. Note the construction of the arms and that they form a perfect A frame. Note the attachment of the sails to the heads. Examine the gearing and see how the construction eliminates binding and friction. Remember that the power stroke requires nearly twice the wheel rotation that the return takes giving power when it is needed. Look at the simple and effective oiling system. Note that the mill can be furnished with Tinker bearings on the main shaft if desired. Note the perfect balance of the mill.



Remember that this Ace Windmill is the product of a company rated at over three quarters of a million dollars who have been manufacturing windmills for over 75 years and who present the Ace Mills as the best windmills made.



Assembled Mill with Head Removed

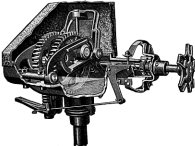
The fact that it is necessary to locate a windmill in an exposed position and at an elevation above the ground created a demand for a mill requiring the least possible attention. With all the old style windmills it was necessary for someone to climb a tower occasionally to keep them oiled. With the Ace Windmill this is unnecessary as it constantly operates in a bath of oil which lubricates all working parts.

The main casting is in one piece and provides for two reservoirs of oil. A portion of the gears is submerged in the larger reservoir and in turning, the gears carry oil up to the pinions, main shaft, and crank gear shaft bearings. At every revolution the front ends of the rocker arms (with the pump bearing pins) dip completely under the oil. In the smaller reservoir, the oil covers the fulcrum ends of the rocker arms. Thus all bearings are flooded with oil and there is no need for any mechanical device to carry oil to a higher level.

There is no pitman used on the Ace Windmill, an unusual feature and a long step in advance in windmill construction. Power is conveyed through the gears direct to the rocker arms and plunger with increased leverage on the up stroke and a faster movement on the down stroke while the load is relieved. The parts are arranged so that the load is perfectly balanced between the two rocker arms.

The crank gear bearing box is supported on two transoms so that it will align itself with the gear shaft, balance the drive of the pinions equally between the gears, and equalize the load of the pump rod on the two rocker arms. Two steel rolls resting on the crank pins connect directly with the rocker arms.

The main shaft is cold rolled steel 1 1/2 inches in diameter and 26 inches long in the 8-foot Ace and larger and longer in the larger sizes. The advantage of a long and strong main shaft with large bearing surface is easily apparent.



Cut Away View of Miller

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The main shaft bearings are regularly supplied with long grease impregnated wood bushings but can be furnished with Timken bearings at a small additional cost.

The crank pins are not separate parts secured to the gears but are part of the gear castings. This eliminates any possibility of their coming loose because of an improper fit, a point which will be fully appreciated by those who have been called upon to replace a loose crank pin.

The rolls have spherical faces and they roll in smooth cylindrical grooves in the crank arms. The rolls are self oiling and are always freely supplied with oil so that they will last indefinitely.

The governing spring is an upright coil of specially tempered steel and is provided with a screw adjustment.

The Ace Windmill is the only windmill that lubricates the vane support.

The vane hinges on a solid rolled steel shaft in oil soaked wood bearings which prevent the possibility of squeaking.



Vane Support



Spring Steel Brake

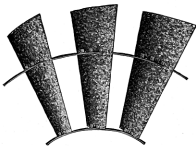
The brake is a band of spring steel circling a hub on the wheel spider. Its application is gradual as the mill is pulled out of sail and positive in action when fully applied. When released it springs away from any contact and is noiseless.

A double pump rod is used just below the plunger to which it is attached by a swivel connection. A guide for the pullout wire is located between the rods and secured to the platters. This provides a direct pull when the mill is drawn out of sail, doing away with any binding or side strain.

The mill is drawn out of sail by a pullout rod or windlass that is attached to a corner post of the tower. By releasing the ratchet or dog the mill goes into sail automatically.



Pullout Rod or Windlass



Wheel Section

12-Foot
Windmill
Arm16-Foot
Windmill
Arm8-Foot
Windmill
Arm

One of the most important features of windmill construction is the wheel itself and this is sometimes lost sight of because other less important features are made unduly prominent. The proper curve of blades, their distance from each other and the correct angle at which they should be placed can only be determined by long and patient study and experiment.

The Ace Windmill uses three blades in each section. There are five sections of fans in an 8-foot mill, six in a 16-foot mill and seven in a 12-foot mill. They are correctly placed and firmly held in position by substantial clips. The wheel is strong, produces the maximum of power from the wind, and is easy to assemble. Spring lock washers are used on all bolts effectively preventing the nuts from working loose. The blades are made of specially tempered stiff steel, heavily galvanized.

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Galvanized Steel Vane

The vane is substantially made of galvanized steel. Two large cushion springs relieve any jar that may be occasioned by putting the mill in or out of sail.

The vane balances the wheel and the motor is evenly balanced on either side of the mast so that the whole mill turns easily and freely on the bearing washers and skilful surface of the bedplate. The wind surfaces of wheel and vane are accurately calculated so that the mill handles itself perfectly in high winds, and reaches its maximum speed in a wind velocity of about 18 miles per hour. A



Ball-Bearing Turntable

stronger wind merely turns the mill partially out of sail allowing it to maintain its most efficient speed. It is unnecessary to pull the mill out of sail in case of a storm.

If desired a ball bearing turntable can be supplied at a small additional charge.

This turntable rests between the bedplate and the main casting and enables the mill to turn on the tower in the lightest breeze. There are twenty-seven hardened steel balls in the race way. The cover is so arranged as to make it water-tight. Oiling annually is sufficient.



Galvanized Steel Hood

The motor is completely covered by a galvanized steel hood so arranged as to positively exclude rain or dust and can be easily removed if desired.

Prices of U.S. Ace Galvanized Steel Windmills

Size Feet	Stroke Inches	Weight Pounds	Minimum, Less			Add for Ball Bearing Turntable
			Wind Furl Inches	Wind Twelve Inches	Wind Twenty Inches	
4	6	315	\$45.33	\$46.66	\$2.67	
8	6	370	51.33	54.66	2.67	
8	8	370	52.33	57.66	2.67	
12	8	380	120.66	125.33	4.00	

All Ace Windmills are houseloaded to 3¼ revolutions of the wheel to one stroke of the pump. Unless otherwise specified, wood bearings are furnished.

When towers are ordered with windmills sufficient wood rod will be furnished to operate the pump without added charge.

When windmills only are ordered the following added charges will be made if wood is furnished:

For 8, 8 or 10-foot mills 1½ inch rod, 12, 14 or 16-foot lengths, 4.7 cents per lineal foot.

Splice irons with bolts per pair, 20 cents.

For 12-foot mills 1½ inch rod, 12 and 14-foot lengths, 6.3 cents per lineal foot.

Splice irons per pair, 20 cents.

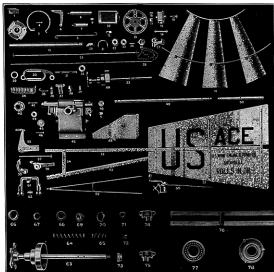
Table of Capacities of the Ace Windmills Giving Size of Pump Cylinders Which Are Recommended for Varying Elevations

Wind Vel. M.P.H.	Elevation, Feet											
	10	20	30	40	50	75	100	125	150	200	300	400
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8	8	10	12	14	16	20	25	30	35	40	50	60
12	8	10	12	14	16	20	25	30	35	40	50	60
18	8	10	12	14	16	20	25	30	35	40	50	60
24	8	10	12	14	16	20	25	30	35	40	50	60

The capacities given above are from actual experience and repeated tests and are conservative. They are based on continuous operation in a wind velocity of 18 miles per hour at which point their maximum speed is reached when

loaded as above. The Ace Windmills will operate in lower wind velocity to equal the maximum capacity 8 hours of the average day. Multiplying the capacities by 8 will give the approximate daily capacity.

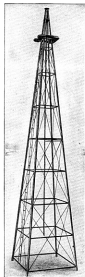
Repair Parts for U. S. Ace Windmills



Part No.	Description	4-Feet Mill		6-Feet Mill		12-Feet Mill	
		Catalog No.	Each	Catalog No.	Each	Catalog No.	Each
1	Angle Clip for Baseplate						
2	Backplate	80-325	1.15	80-325	1.25	D-325	1.50
3	Brake Band		.75		1.00		1.00
4	Brake Band Adjusting Bolt with Nut		.10		.10		.10
5	Brake Nut Block		.10		.10		.10
6	Brake Lever	T-481	.15	T-481	.15	T-481	.20
7	Brake Wood, Short for Main Shaft		.50		.50		.50
8	Brake Wood, Long for Main Shaft		.50		.50		1.00
9	Bushing for Vane Slingshaft, Wood		.10		.10		.10
10	Can with Oil	3 Qts.	1.00	3 Qts.	1.00	3 Qts.	2.00
11	Fan Section, Complete		1.00		1.25		2.00
12	Extra for Crating 1 Section		.50		.50		.50
13	Extra for Crating 2 or More Sections		1.00		1.25		1.50
14	Crating charges not within discount						
15	Fan Bolt complete with Glee		.50		.50		1.00
16	Fan Bolt Only		.40		.40		.50
17	Fan Glee, Large		.15		.15		.15
18	Fan Glee, Small		.10		.10		.10
19	Fan or Wheel Bolt, Short		.15		.15		.15
20	Fan or Wheel Bolt, Long		.20		.20		.20
21	Filler for Wood Yoke	N-104	.10	N-104	.10	P-114	.15
22	Gear, Prior to June 1910	T-400	0.80	T-1001	1.10	T-1200	2.00
23	Gear	T-401	0.85	T-1002	1.20	T-1201*	2.10
24	Gear Coupling Shaft with Cotter Pins for T-401		.50		.50		.50
25	Gear Coupling Shaft with Washers for T-401		.50		.40		.40

*For wood bearing only.

U. S. Galvanized Steel Towers



In buying a tower for a windmill, get one high enough to locate the windmill well above nearby trees and buildings. A windmill blocked by obstructions cannot give its best service.

All our windmill towers are built in multiples of ten feet with cross girts every five feet and round steel brace rods covering a panel of ten feet. Experience has shown this to be the most satisfactory method of construction and to make the towers more convenient for transportation and handling.

If a tower does not buckle it cannot go over unless it pulls up the anchorage, hence the importance of an adequate number of girts to keep the corner girts in perfect alignment.

In an actual test a 40-foot four-post tower with 2½x2½x¼-inch corner posts girted every ten feet buckled with a pull of 1200 pounds, while the same height four-post tower with 2½x2½x¼-inch corner posts and girts every five feet did not buckle until a strain of 1800 pounds was placed upon it, demonstrating clearly the advantage in placing the girts not more than five feet apart.



Brace Rods

The brace rods are round steel utilizing the full strength of the rod. They are cut to exact length and formed by machines especially designed for the purpose and when assembled in accordance with directions, will draw tight and stay that way. Side ladders are furnished with all windmill towers.



Anchor Post and Round Anchor Plate

There are two decided advantages in building towers in ten-foot sections. One is that they may be erected readily by building them up from the ground. The other is that a mill found to be too low due to the growth of trees or the erection of new buildings can be raised by any multiple of ten feet by adding new sections to the bottom of the tower.

Anchor posts and round cast iron anchor plates to be buried in the ground are furnished for anchorage.

Towers for 4 and 8-foot mills are built of 2½x2½-inch angle corner posts for the top 30 feet. Below this they are increased to 2½x2½x¼-inch angles to 60 feet. Seventy-foot towers for 8-foot mills are the same as for 16-foot mills.

Towers for 10-foot mills are built of 2½x2½x¼-inch angles

for the top 30 feet and of 2½x2½x¼-inch below this. Towers for 12-foot mills are built of 2½x2½x¼-inch angles for all heights. All towers have girts every five feet. Anchor posts for the 8 and 16-foot mills are 2½x2½x¼-inch angle, and for the 12-foot mills are 2½x2½x¼-inch angles.

Feet in Mills Tall	Size, Post											
	10		12		14		16		18		20	
	Each	Weight Pounds	Each	Weight Pounds	Each	Weight Pounds	Each	Weight Pounds	Each	Weight Pounds	Each	Weight Pounds
6 and 8	\$34.65	305	\$49.35	517	\$68.65	702	\$86.65	917	\$112.00	1193	\$146.65	1523
10	37.33	397	52.80	548	71.33	741	91.33	960	117.33	1238	146.65	1533
12	60.69	597	70.64	728	89.33	9312	116.00	1218	144.00	1509	176.00	1826
14	75.00	832	97.00	1039	119.00	1219	146.00	1570	175.00	2043	218.00	2261
16	83.00	933	104.00	1100	131.00	1393	164.00	1600	200.00	2353	262.00	2718

Above prices on towers include anchor posts and plates, or anchor lugs.

No. 1453 U.S. Windmill Regulators

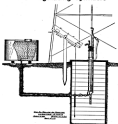


The regulator is controlled by a wood float in the tank. As the tank fills, the float rises and releases the ratchet which is in turn governed by a counter-balance weight, thus placing the device in operation and pulling the mill out of sail. When the water in the tank recedes to a point where the wood float overcomes the counter-balance weight the operation is reversed allowing the mill to come into sail.

It is well proportioned and all parts are of ample strength.

No. 1453.....each \$6.67

U.S. Regulating Cylinders



This regulating cylinder may be used with U.S. or other underground force pumps to pull the windmill out of sail when the tank is full. The illustration shows how the cylinder is connected.

The weight near the outer end of the lever must be placed so it will hold the plunger in the regulating cylinder at the top of the cylinder when pumping into the tank. The float closes valve when tank is full, and back pressure forces down the plunger in the regulating cylinder, throwing the mill out of sail. When water is used from the tank, the pressure is relieved and the cylinder allows the mill to come into sail. It will work even though the tank is several hundred feet from the well.

Size.....	inches	1 1/2 to 4
Without Lever and Weight.....	each	\$6.50
With Lever and Weight.....	each	\$ 8.11

U.S. Combination Tank and Windmill Outfits

4-Post Galvanized Steel Tower for 21 and 62-Barrel Special Taper Tanks and 8, 10 or 12-Foot Windmills



A liberal supply of running water adds more to the comfort of the farm or suburban home than any other convenience.

This may be easily obtained at a very reasonable cost by using an outfit as shown and outlined above.

The sections of the tower below the tank are made of heavy steel properly proportioned to support both the tank and the windmill. Above the tank a regular windmill tower is used. This makes a very compact and economical arrangement. The sizes listed are our regular stock sizes but special designs for larger outfits of the same type can be supplied. We can furnish the complete installation, tower, tank, windmill, frost box, seal, indicator and other accessories.

For 21-Barrel Tank

Height of Tower.....	feet	40	50
Elevation of Tank.....	feet	20	30

For 62-Barrel Tank

Height of Tower.....	feet	50	60
Elevation of Tank.....	feet	30	30

Special Taper Tower Tanks

Tank Sizes.....	feet	7	8
Bottom Diameter of Tank.....		53"	60"
Capacity Barrels.....		21	62

Prices on application.

U.S. Tanks and Towers



We manufacture at our plant at Batavia, Illinois, wood tanks and vats for all purposes and can supply any requirements promptly. Wood tanks should be made of the best quality of lumber. Poor tank lumber causes short life and unsatisfactory service.

We carry in our yards at Batavia, Illinois, a large stock of 2 and 3 inch redwood, cypress and fir, suitable for tanks up to and including 100,000 gallons capacity.

A wood tank is the best container for water and many other liquids and we are prepared to furnish wood tanks of any shape or size designed to meet your requirements.

We can furnish any size tank up to 100,000 gallon capacity in fir, redwood or cypress with round, flat or half round hoops as desired. Roofs and front booms for the protection of tank riser pipes can be applied to meet practically any requirements. We are prepared to furnish either tanks alone or entire installations including tank, tank tower or support, tank piping, front box, roof, float indicator and other accessories erected complete.

Redwood

Our redwood is all close, heart redwood. Redwood trees are the oldest living things. The lumber contains a natural preservative which protects it from rot and decay; is practically free from warping and shrinking, difficult to ignite and slow burning.

After a redwood tank has been filled and emptied several times, no discoloration, odor or taste is given off and it makes use of the sweetest and best containers for almost any liquid.

Cypress

Our cypress is all tank-grade Louisiana red cypress, the best quality obtainable, more expensive and better suited to tank purposes than any other grade.

A tank should be well made and of the best quality of cypress such as we use exclusively. Too often a buyer sees the general term "cypress tank" in his inquiry and then buys on the low bid. The word "cypress" is then found to cover a multitude of sins.

Cypress is called "the wood everlasting" and there is no better wood known from which to build tanks and vats.

Fir

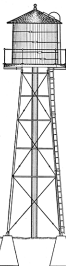
Tank-grade fir is used in our tanks. This is the best quality of fir possible to procure for tank purposes.

Fir is a very strong, fine looking lumber and probably more commonly used for making tanks than any other lumber.

Tank Towers

Steel tank towers for the support of tanks are made in any height required; properly designed and accurately fabricated. Our structural shop has built thousands of tank towers and is especially equipped to handle such work.

U.S. Tank Towers

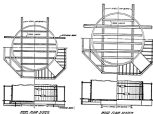


A wood tank supported on a steel tower gives the most reliable water storage. The force of gravity does not fail and as long as there is any water in the tank, practically full pressure is assured. A wood tank protects its contents from the heat of summer and from freezing in winter. Water from a wood tank is cool and sweet.

The design shown to the left is furnished either painted or hot galvanized for use with tanks 600 (1000 gallons), 7x7 (1700 gallons), 8x8 (2800 gallons) and 10x10 (5000 gallons).

These towers are regularly made in 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 40, 50 and 60-foot heights and these elevations are ordinarily carried in stock.

The tower as regularly furnished includes another roof, the steel cap beams, and the tower ladder. On these cap beams either wood or steel joists may be placed to support the tank bottom. A walkway and hand rail can be furnished if desired. A front box should usually be used to protect the tank riser pipe and a tank ladder is advisable.



These installations are neat and attractive in appearance and require practically no attention.

Prices on application.

U.S. Tank Hoops and Lugs



Lugs for Flat and Round Hoops

Tank hoops are regularly made of wrought iron instead of steel as a protection against corrosion and can be furnished either round, flat or half round for the larger sizes. For small tanks round hoops are used.



The illustration at the left shows the method of using half rounds for hoops. A half round hoop does not cut into the tank staves as much as a round hoop and does not form a pocket for dirt and water on its upper side.

In addition to their use on tanks, hoops may be used for silos.

U.S. Steel Ladders

We manufacture steel ladders in a wide variety of design and weights. They can be furnished either black or galvanized. If you want a steel ladder for any purpose we can fill your requirements.

U.S. Frost Boxes



Round Box

In cold climates piping to an elevated tank must be protected from freezing. This piping is usually enclosed in a double, triple or quadruple box, made of boards and tarred paper and either square or round.

Round boxes (as shown in the illustration to the left) are regular equipment with us.

We make them in lengths 10, 22 and 34 feet long. Each length is in halves, one end female and the other male and both vertical and horizontal joints devised to make perfect connections.



Square Box

The square box (as shown in the illustration to the right) is regularly built consists of dressed and matched flooring laid horizontally, driven tightly together and nailed on upright studding. Building paper is used between the layers of boards. Corner boards give a neat appearance and increase the tightness of the box. The square box is assembled in the field.

U.S. Indicator Boards

This indicator board is used to register the depth of water in tanks.

Made for all heights of wood or steel tanks.

Furnished complete with star marker, copper cable, pulleys and wooden, galvanized or copper float with eye bolt.

Prices on application.



U.S. Galvanized Floats



Size In.	Each	Size In.	Each
4x16	\$4.00	6x20	\$7.50
4x20	4.75	6x30	8.25
6x20	5.00	10x30	11.50
6x30	7.00		

U.S. Tank Stuffing Boxes



The stuffing box shown in the above illustration will care for expansion and contraction and will make a water-tight joint where pipes go through the bottom of tank.

Packing is placed in the space between the two parts of the joint and pressed in place against the pipe by tightening the bolts.

These stuffing boxes are made for any size pipe and for use with 2 or 3-inch tank bottom.

Size In.	Cast Iron		Wrought Iron		Cast Iron		Wrought Iron	
	For C. L. Pipe	For W. Pipe	For C. L. Pipe	For W. Pipe	For C. L. Pipe	For W. Pipe	For C. L. Pipe	For W. Pipe
2	\$3.50	4	\$5.00	8	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00
2 1/2	3.85	5	10	\$5.25	\$5.25
3	4.25	6	7.00	12	10.00	10.00

In ordering specify whether for cast iron or wrought pipe.