## **Crown Forklift Part**

Crown Forklift Parts - Two brothers Allen A. Dicke and the late Carl H. Dicke established the Crown business in 1945. Carl's son, James F. Dicke joined the family company later that year. At this time, his son, James F. Dicke II, is Chairman and CEO. James F. Dicke III, serves as the company President at the moment, becoming the fourth generation of the Dicke descendants to uphold this position.

Now an internationally diversified company, Crown initially created temperature controls for coal burning furnaces, servicing a small client base. The production of these control items took place in a former hardware store based in New Bremen, Ohio, where Crown's center of operations presently remain.

In 1949, responding to the public's growing appeal of the television, Crown shifted into the manufacture of antenna rotators. This product was utilized to enhance television reception and image quality. The company's profitable move allowed them to become a leading manufacturer of units until 2001. The company ceased production in October after a decline in the global demand for television antenna rotators.

In the early 1950's Crown diversified into the manufacturing and restoration of electronic and mechanical components for government and private market. After several profitable bids inside a short period of time, the company had built a reputable business in this field.

With such adaptability and achievement, Crown was able to diversify its production to include materials handling equipment. Crown began production of forklifts and lift vehicles in 1957. The company believed the industry required a smaller line of superior quality forklifts. Crown immediately created an exceptional series of progressive equipment and swiftly evolved into the most rapidly evolving material handling company with its assortment of merchandise.

In 1966, Crown ventured outside of the US material handling marketplace and into Australia. Sydney, Australia is home to the regional head office and at present leads Crown's Asia Pacific service, sales and marketing teams. Crown remains an unwavering industry leader today, supported by exceptional service, solid sales and strong production operations.

Two years later, Crown had moved into the European marketplaces by buying up an Irish manufacturing plant from a German Company, Steinbock. There they began to build PTH hand pallet trucks. Later on that same year, Crown began their first London operation stationed near Heathrow Airport. The sales and service operation of Crown's complete lift truck line was offered in the UK by the end of the decade. In the early 1970's, Crown expanded and began marketing forklifts across Europe through autonomous dealers.

Crown at present has a considerable network of Crown-owned and independently-owned dealers in many key worldwide markets delivering a vast fleet of electric lift trucks. They are accountable for handling the company's product sales and service.

Corporate offices in New Bremen, Ohio and Munich, Germany provide nationwide advertising and promotional sales support to all seller and sales personnel. Both Crown sales and seller personnel are factory- trained in all disciplines to ensure the utmost reliability and service. The Munich office was launched in the 1980's and offers purchasing, advertising and marketing, engineering and design capabilities for India, Africa, the Middle East along with Europe. The diverse relations of international sellers and Crownowned dealers effectively operate in almost 100 foreign city environments.

Crown has established 6 manufacturing locations in the United States that consist of: New Knoxville; Celina, Ohio; Greencastle, Indiana; Kinston, North Carolina; Fort Loramie, Ohio; and New Bremen, Ohio. Serving their growing overseas markets, Crown has manufacturing facilities in Sydney, Australia (since 1966); Queretaro, Mexico (since 1973); Roding, Germany (since 1986); and Suzhou, China (since 2006). Crown also owns branch sales and service center operations in more than 30 locations in the USA. International branch sales and service center operations consist of locations in Singapore, New Zealand, the Netherlands, Korea, Malaysia, England, Germany, Belgium and Australia.

Crown has earned a successful status as a dependable, trustworthy and progressive company by happy customers worldwide. The company has earned over 50 distinguished design awards and the Crown products continue to attain recognition for top design excellence and modernization. For instance, in the 1970's, Crown's launch of the side-stance design proved exciting and unparalleled by materials handling professionals. Today, this design has acquired widespread acceptance and earned a Design of the Decade award from the International Design Society of America. Once again, more than thirty years later, the 5200S Series Reach Truck is another industry first, offering the operator with many comfort alternatives to lean, sit or stand, along with its unequaled productivity capability.