## **Crown Forklift Part**

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

Crown initially started with a small client base producing temperature controls that they manufactured for coal burning furnaces. The assembly of these control items took place in a former hardware store stationed in New Bremen, Ohio, where Crown's headquarters presently remain.

In 1949, responding to the public's growing fascination with TV, Crown shifted into the assembly of antenna rotators. This product was used to improve TV reception and picture quality. The company's lucrative move allowed them to become a leading maker of units until 2001. The company ceased production in October after a decline in the worldwide need for TV antenna rotators.

In the early 1950's Crown diversified into the production and restoration of electronic and mechanized parts for government and private industry. After several successful bids within a brief period of time, the company had developed a highly regarded business in this field.

With such versatility and success, Crown was able to diversify its production to incorporate material handling equipment. Crown began production of forklifts and lift vehicles in 1957. The company believed the industry demanded a smaller line of first-class quality lift trucks. Crown immediately created an exceptional series of progressive equipment and swiftly grew to be the most rapidly evolving materials 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 headquarters and presently leads Crown's Asia Pacific service, sales and advertising and marketing teams. Crown remains an unwavering market leader today, supported by exceptional service, solid sales and solid manufacturing operations.

In 1968, Crown established itself in the European marketplace by purchasing an Irish manufacturing facility from its parent company, Steinbock, who was a German firm. They started to manufacture Crowns' (PTH), hand pallet trucks. Later that same year, Crown began their first London operation situated close by Heathrow Airport. The sales and service operation of Crown's comprehensive lift truck line was available in the UK by the end of the decade. In the early 1970's, Crown expanded and began marketing and advertising forklifts across Europe through autonomous dealers.

Crown at the moment has a huge network of Crown-owned and independently-owned sellers in various key global markets providing a huge fleet of electric lift trucks. They are accountable for managing the company's product sales and service.

There is Corporate facilities in Munich, Germany and in New Bremen Ohio, which offer promotional sales and nationwide marketing support to all of their sellers and sales personnel. Crown sellers and sales personnel are trained in-house in various disciplines to ensure the utmost reliability and service. The Munich office was launched in the 1980's and offers purchasing, marketing and advertising, engineering and design functions for India, Africa, the Middle East along with Europe. The diverse family of global sellers and Crown-owned dealers successfully operate in nearly 100 overseas city environments.

Crown has established 6 manufacturing locations in the United States that include: New Knoxville; Celina, Ohio; Greencastle, Indiana; Kinston, North Carolina; Fort Loramie, Ohio; and New Bremen, Ohio. Serving their growing overseas markets, Crown has production 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 include locations in Singapore, New Zealand, the Netherlands, Korea, Malaysia, England, Germany, Belgium and Australia.

Crown has earned a successful status as a reliable, safe and forward-thinking organization by contented consumers worldwide. The company has earned over 50 prominent design awards and the Crown goods continue to attain recognition for top design superiority and innovation. To provide an example, in the 1970's, Crown's introduction of the side-stance design proved exciting and unparalleled by materials handling professionals. Today, this design has acquired common acceptance and earned a Design of the Decade award from the International Design Society of America. Again, more than thirty years later, the 5200S Series Reach Truck is another industry original, offering the operator with multiple comfort options to lean, sit or stand, along with its unmatched productivity capacity.