Gradall Forklift Part

Gradall Forklift Parts - All through the period when WWII caused a shortage of laborers, the legendary Gradall excavator was established in the 1940s as the creation of two brothers Koop and Ray Ferwerda. The brothers faced the problems of a depleted workforce due to the war. As partners in their Cleveland, Ohio construction company known as Ferwerda-Werba-Ferwerda they lacked the available laborers to perform the delicate job of grading and finishing on their interstate projects. The Ferwerda brothers chose to build a machine that will save their business by making the slope grading job easier, more efficient and less manual.

The very first excavator prototype consisted of a machine with two industrial beams on a rotating platform fixed to a used truck. There was a telescopic cylinder that was used to move the beams back and forth. This enabled the fixed blade at the far end of the beams to push or pull the dirt. Before long enhancing the initial design, the brothers made a triangular boom to add more strength. What's more, they added a tilt cylinder which let the boom rotate 45 degrees in either direction. A cylinder was positioned at the back of the boom, powering a long push rod to enable the machinery to be outfitted with either a bucket or a blade attachment.

Gradall launched in the year 1992, with the introduction of the new XL Series hydraulics, the most innovative adjustment in their machines ever since their invention. This new system of top-of-the-line hydraulics allowed the Gradall excavator to deliver high productivity and comparable power to the more traditional excavators. The XL Series put an end to the first Gradall equipment power drawn from low pressure hydraulics and gear pumps. These traditional systems effectively handled grading and finishing work but had a hard time competing for high productivity work.

The new XL Series Gradall excavators proved a remarkable increase in their digging and lifting ability. These versions were made with a piston pump, high-pressure hydraulics system that showed huge improvements in boom and bucket breakout forces. The XL Series hydraulics system was also developed along with a load-sensing capability. Traditional excavators use an operator to choose a working-mode; where the Gradall system could automatically adjust the hydraulic power intended for the job at hand. This makes the operator's whole job easier and also conserves fuel at the same time.

When their XL Series hydraulics became available, Gradall was basically thrust into the highly competitive market of machinery meant to tackle pavement removal, excavation, demolition and several industrial jobs. Marketability was further improved with their telescoping boom due to its exclusive ability to work in low overhead areas and to better position attachments.