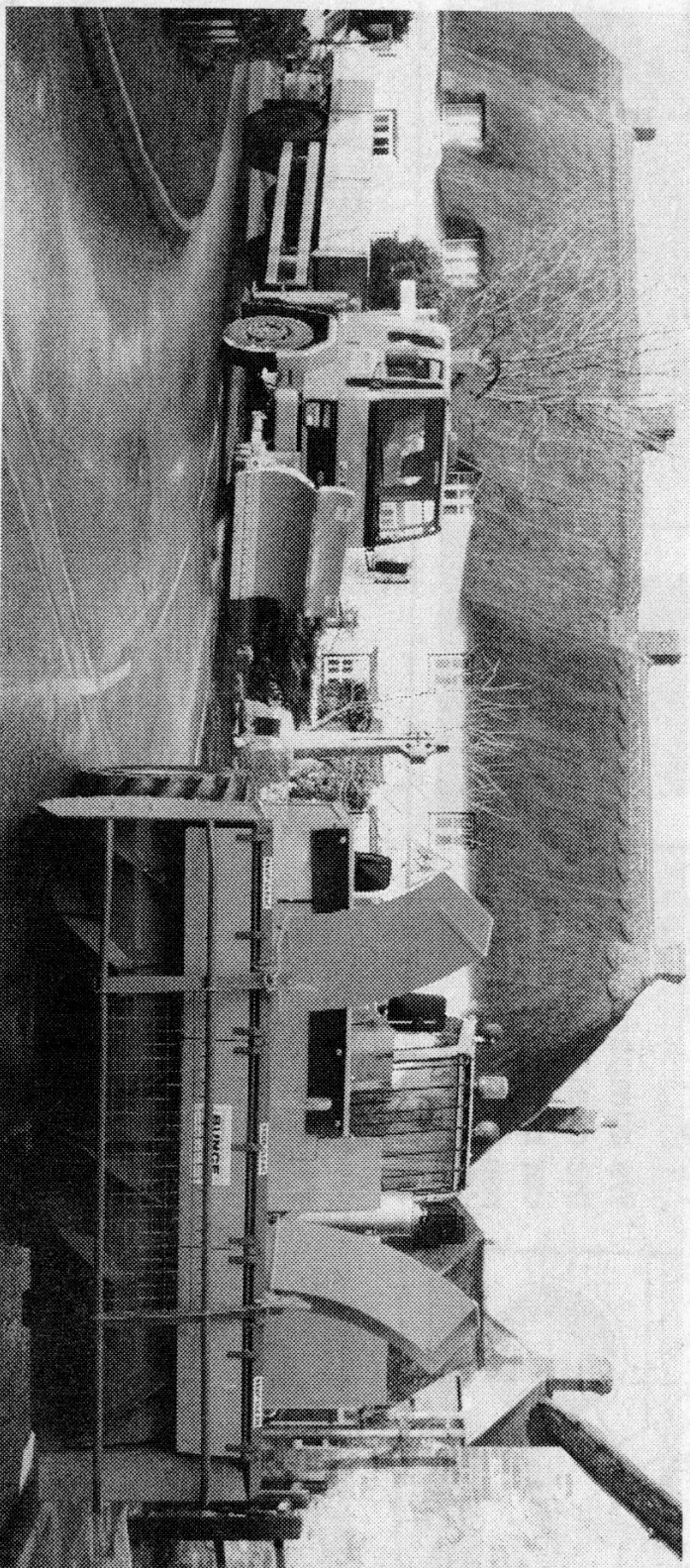


## NEWS

# Ploughing into the sunshine market

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Snow ploughs for Greece... Bunce's latest export drive hits the road in Ashbury

**SNOW** ploughs like these are keeping the roads clear in countries where holidaymakers usually soak up the sun.

Family-run firm Bunce has recently exported five snow ploughs and seven snow blowers to Greece. The deal was worth £138,000 and the firm is hopeful of another big order.

The equipment is being used to clear snow from roads through

the hills in the northern part of the country near the border with Turkey.

About 15 years ago Bunce, employing 50 people at its workshops at Ashbury, near Swindon, exported a number of snow ploughs to Saudi Arabia when there was a freak snowfall.

According to sales manager Harry Newborough, the Saudis still use them – not to move

snow but to clear sand drifts from roads.

Apart from ploughs and blowers the 98-year-old firm makes a range of specialised equipment for snow and ice clearing.

It recently made a de-icer sprayer for the new bridge over the River Thames at Dartford – it had to develop one that did not use salt because it would corrode the steelwork.