



## Thern Winches Gives Rigging Company a Lift

Pay a visit to a local theater in the historic city of Woburn, Massachusetts – located just 10 miles outside of Boston – and look up. Chances are, you'll get a glimpse of the work resident company BN Productions has been designing and installing for 36 years.

A full-service rigging company, BN assists New England-area theaters, schools, churches and TV studios with rigging consulting, design, installation and safety inspections. "If you want to hang something overhead," quipped Chris Perry, Project Manager, "you call us."

Involved in all elements – pricing, inspecting and installing – of the rigging process, Perry found that a Thern CW-1100 clew winch best fit the needs of two recently completed projects. Both installations were at local schools, but had different applications. The first required raising and lowering of a scenery pipe, while the second was employed to trip a curtain, or raise it from the bottom up.

The model Perry chose is from a line of Thern winches specifically designed for the theater and performance industry. The winch holds an 1100 lb load capacity, and features a load holding break that provides positive load control. Its single reduction bronze worm gearing allows for accurate and secure functionality while operating in an oil bath to provide continuous lubrication. The oil bath is sealed tightly to keep oil in and dirt out, assuring long lasting service.

"Most other winch manufacturers specifically state that their products are for hoisting only, not hold-



Thern's CW-1100 Series Clew Winch

ing," Perry said, "while Thern offers winches specially designed for stage use."

Of the benefits of selecting the Thern winch, Perry names many. "We were able to install these winches where without them we would have needed a device such as a counterweight arbor, which is just too large for these applications," he said, adding, "I've had no problem with any of the winches – they are well designed and well thought out. They have always arrived on time, and if I've had questions the factory has been extremely helpful."

Thern also offers a wide assortment of entertainment-industry inspired winches and drives. These include multi-line drum winches, line shaft winches, portable point hoists and roll-up machines. As with other Thern products, the entertainment winches and cranes are backed by a Two Year Limited Warranty.

