

(That must be a job that cradle.)

Yeah. You know that would grow to about six feet. Then when we cut it then we would go back and tie them up into bundles. I never could tie, tie them to stay, I couldn't get them tight enough. But see he made us kids carry them in. We'd have to carry them, load them on the wagon and haul them to the barn where we'd have to stack them and put them up.

(How did they thrash grain in those early days?)

I just don't know. I don't know how they done it, I never did see none. They did it back there they might have further on or somewhere. Dad always raised his feed and stuff like that.

(He just raised his oats then for feed?)

Yeah. He raised it for feed. He didn't sell none.

STRIP FODDER--CORN--CANE--TOBACCO

And I seen them strip fodder, you know.

(Yeah.)

Strip of the stalks. And of the evening we'd get in from school we'd have to go to tying it up. Me and my other'sister. She was older than me and we'd tie it up in rows and me and Mike, and Harvey we'd have to carry it down and put it in the wagon.

(They also used that to feed too?)

Yeah. Fodder, that makes good feed.

(Yeah.)

You have to get it at a certain stage so you won't hurt the ear of corn.

(Well what did they use for--to make sorghum molasses?)

Cane.

(Cane?)