

**SC** The corn was sowed first of all in the spring.

**Int.** Mm-hm.

**SC** Then it grew on to August, the harvest time.

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**SC** It was cut then with a, if you were well off you had a machine for cutting it, you know, and putting it off and

**Int.** Mm-hm.

**SC** you had to generally open the field first with a scythe for room for the horses and the machine to go round.

**Int.** Sure, aye.

**SC** And then you, you [put it] off in sheaves and tied the sheaves up and then you stooked them. You put four together and put a band round the top of them [to keep them] standing.

**Int.** Aye. Uh-huh.

**SC** Then the crows, they'd tackle them.

**Int.** Is that right?

**SC** You'd have to put up a scarecrow.

**Int.** Uh-huh.

**SC** They eat, they eat the seeds, do you see.

**Int.** Oh, aye, uh-huh, yes.

**SC** So then, if it was, if it was a middling year, you'd lump it. That's put it in wee, wee piles [XX] kind of rucks.

**Int.** Uh-huh.

**SC** And then when you'd think it was good enough you'd draw it into the haggard and put it in big stacks.

**Int.** Mm-hm. Into the haggard?

**SC** Aye.

**Int.** Uh-huh. You built it in stacks then.

**SC** You built it in stacks then. Then you had to turn round and cut rushes to thatch it.

**Int.** Right, uh-huh.

**SC** And you had to twist ropes made out of hay

**Int.** Uh-huh.

**SC** To keep the thatch on, you know, you went round them.

**Int.** Aye.