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Two men inoculate clover seed with beneficial bacteria by mixing it with dirt at the Purdue University Seed House. (Tippecanoe County, 1926)

Disking ground and drilling alfalfa seed on the farm of Chauncey Craig near Noblesville (Hamilton County, 1932)

Cutting alfalfa near Elston (Tippecanoe County, early 1910s)
(Top left) A farmer uses a mowing machine to cut alfalfa in the West Point area. (Tippecanoe County, 1939)

(Top right) Cutting alfalfa in a field owned by J.W. Lake and Son in Maud, Mississippi (Tunica County, MS; ca. 1932)

(Bottom) Leo Feller cuts an alfalfa and bromegrass mixture for silage on his farm in Kankakee, Illinois. Feller incorporated molasses pellets with each load to promote fermentation of the silage. (Kankakee County, IL; 1954)
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Raking alfalfa with a side-delivery rake on the farm of the Schulze Orchard Company near Oaktown (Knox County, 1935)

This man uses a tractor to pull three rakes that have been hooked together to put loose hay into rows on the Lawrence Love farm in Eaton. (Delaware County, 1958)

A mule team pulls a side-delivery rake at the Hayland Farms in Taylorville, Illinois. (Christian County, IL; 1920)
A man rakes hay with a wheel rake near Coldwater, Ohio. (Mercer County, OH; 1965)

A farmer poses with a pitchfork in a hayfield. (Illinois, 1920)
Ray Oswalt, a tenant farmer on the farm of Julius Berlovitz in Romney, pauses for a photograph in a clover field. (Tippecanoe County, 1929)

A farmer places canvas covers on hayshocks on the Drew Ten Broeck farm in McLean, Illinois. The horse-drawn rack provided a convenient way to handle the covers. (McLean County, IL, 1917)

Shocked alfalfa on the farm of J. Crouch and Son (Tippecanoe County, 1914)
Three men pitch shocks of alfalfa hay onto a wagon on the G.W. Lemler farm in Plymouth. Three cuttings of the crop yielded seven tons per acre. (Marshall County, 1922)
A crew puts up alfalfa hay on the J. Heiss farm. (Tippecanoe County, 1934)
At the Albert Heckle farm in Quincy, Illinois, a man uses a pitchfork and brute strength to move alfalfa hay onto the top of a stack. (Adams County, IL; 1920)

(Top right) Using an Allis-Chalmers tractor with Goodyear tires to work a hayfield on the Albert Grimes farm in Rockford, Illinois (Winnebago and Ogle Counties, IL; 1933)

(Bottom) Loading alfalfa hay high onto a wagon using a hay loader drawn by tractor (Tippecanoe County, 1931)
Two men load baled hay onto a wagon with a Gunning Hay Stacker on the farm of Frank Kirkpatrick in Frankfort. (Clinton County, 1945)

Using a stationary baler in an alfalfa field on the farm of C. D. Greffe near Taylorville, Illinois (Christian County, IL; 1920)

The sled in back of this hay baler made loading and unloading easier for workers on Purdue University’s Lynnwood Farm in Carmel. (Hamilton County, 1947)
An International truck owned by Roy A. Jones is loaded down with hay. (Tippecanoe County, 1929)

Oxen haul hay from fields belonging to J. E. Green of Muncie. (Delaware County, 1927)

William House drives a team of two Belgian horses to transport hay near his farm in Arcadia. (Hamilton County, 1943)

Horses pull two wagonloads of hay near Dayton. (Tippecanoe County, 1913)
Workers use ingenuity and a special apparatus to build a large haystack at the Deer Park Farm in Utica, Illinois. (LaSalle County, IL; 1918)

Using a Gunning Hay Stacker to load hay onto a wagon on the farm of Art Kessler (Tippecanoe County, 1944)

Stacking alfalfa hay on the farm of Charles Wilson of Kennard (Henry County, 1940)
C. R. Fenske in Utica, Minnesota, uses wooden covers on his haystacks. (Winona County, MN; 1919)

A canvas covers a haystack on the dairy farm of George J. Wiese near Lafayette. (Tippecanoe County, 1931)

An example of haystacks made in the southern United States (Alabama or South Carolina, 1927)
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A farmer hoists hay into the barn on the farm of W. A. Davidson in Brooklyn, Iowa. (Poweshiek County, IA; 1919)

Pulling hay into a barn loft with a hay fork on the S. Williams farm in Crescent City, Illinois (Iroquois County, IL; 1919)

A portable hay shed allowed Bill Jones to feed chopped hay to steers on pasture on his farm near Anderson. (Madison County, 1949)
Workers use an elevator to load baled straw into a haymow on a farm near Star City. (Pulaski County, 1946)

An automated system distributes hay throughout the haymow in this rather large dairy barn on the Alva Braid and Son Farm in Durand, Michigan. (Shiawassee County, MI; 1958)
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