

## PHYSICAL CONDITION REPORT

1. NAME OF ARTIST: Ferd Metten
2. TITLE OF WORK: Corn Shredder
3. MEDIUM: Assemblage
4. DIMENSIONS: 40" x 17½"
5. DESCRIPTION: Large diorama depicting a corn shredding machine, red tractor-like machine at left working in front of green wagon filled w/corn(center),and large black "Rumely" tractor at right. Man standing in back in small wagon carrying corn stalks; displayed on brown  
ACC# 84-59-1 painted board. EIU#77820
6. DATE RECEIVED: 8/22/78
7. RECEIVED FROM: Emma Metten  
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Teutopolis,IL
8. PHYSICAL CONDITION WHEN RECEIVED:  
Good.
9. CHANGE IN CONDITION: \_\_\_\_\_
10. DATE OF CHANGE AWARENESS: \_\_\_\_\_
11. LENDER NOTIFICATION DATE: \_\_\_\_\_
12. BY WHOM: \_\_\_\_\_
13. AUTHORIZATION:        YES        NO

ACTION TAKEN: \_\_\_\_\_



## CORN SHREDDING

Late 1960's

Ferd and his brother, Harry, owned and operated a corn shredder as depicted in this diorama. Although the labor-saving machine was mainly for their own use, they did custom work for other farmers in the community. The shredder, a vast improvement over hand shucking, removed ears of corn from cornstocks and chopped the stocks into fodder for use in feeding. Other machines owned and operated by the Metten brothers and depicted in models by Ferd included a threshing rig and sawmill.



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