



Century Farm Applications

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CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Name of Centennial Farm owner

Name(s) to appear on certificate

Address

Address of farm, if different from above

Section

Township

County

Number of acres in the farm at present

Date of original purchase by member of your family

Legal description of the land (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME

DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP

BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER

Mrs. Andrew Jacobson (owner in 1876 or B4)	from 1875 to 1882	Mother
I. J. ANDERSON	from 1882 to 1937	ISRAEL GRAND FATHER
next owner EVAN ANDERSON	from 1937 to 1975	FATHER
next owner ALLEN ANDERSON	from 1975 to	SON
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	

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Abstract of Title (✓)
Land Patent (✓)
Original Deed ()
County Land Record ()

Court file in Registration Proceedings ()
Other (please explain)

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief:

(Witness sign here)

(Signature of present owner)

Date

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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1. From whom was the farm purchased? homestead
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? 80 acres
3. What was the cost of land per acre? free for 5 years living on it
4. Where was the first owner born? Norway
5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? Norway
6. Was this a homestead? yes
7. Did the first owner farm the land? yes
8. Did he engage in any trades or occupations other than farming?
no
9. Is the original home, or any portion of it or other original buildings, still standing or in use? no
10. When was the present home built? Oct. 1975
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? corn, beans, oats, wheat
pigs
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
Paynesville Press, Paynesville Mn

5636 2

Related information: (please feel free to use additional sheets of paper)

PLEASE RETURN TO: MINNESOTA STATE FAIR
CENTURY FARMS
ST. PAUL, MN 55108

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Name of Centennial Farm owner

Ivan J Anderson

Name(s) to appear on certificate

Ivan J. Anderson

Address

Paynesville, Minn. 56362

Address of farm, if different from above

Section

19

Township

Union Grove

County

Meeker

Number of acres in the farm at present

80

Date of original purchase by member of your family

Dec. 1875

Legal description of the land (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

s 1/2 of SW 1/4 of Section 19

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME

DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP

BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER

<u>St. Paul Pacific R.R.</u> (owner in 1876 or B4)	from	to <u>1875</u>	
<u>I. J. Anderson</u> next owner	from <u>1875</u>	to <u>1942</u>	<u>Grand Father</u>
<u>Grandfather died in 1914</u> next owner	from	to	<u>and farm remained an estate of his wife and children til purchased by me,</u>
<u>Ivan J. Anderson</u> next owner	from <u>1942</u>	to <u>present time</u>	<u>g n</u>
next owner	from	to	
next owner	from	to	
next owner	from	to	
next owner	from	to	

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Abstract of Title ☒Land Patent ☐Original Deed ☒County Land Record ☐

Court file in Registration

Proceedings ☒

Other (please explain)

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief:

Clayton H. Anderson
(Witness sign here)

Ivan J. Anderson
(Signature of present owner)

Date

7-9-76

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1. From whom was the farm purchased? St. Paul and Pacific R.R. Co. ~~Grandfathers estate~~
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? 80
3. What was the cost of land per acre? \$ 8⁰⁰ per acre
4. Where was the first owner born? Norway
5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? Norway
6. Was this a homestead? No. Railroad land
7. Did the first owner farm the land? yes
8. Did he engage in any trades or occupations other than farming?
no
9. Is the original home, or any portion of it or other original buildings, still standing or in use? no
10. When was the present ^{barn & granary} ~~home~~ built? 1888
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? Corn - beans
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
Paynesville Press

Related information: (please feel free to use additional sheets of paper)

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CENTURY FARMS
ST. PAUL, MN 55108

E 1/2 of NE 1/4 of NW 1/4

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Name of Centennial Farm owner Eugene Barrick

Name(s) to appear on certificate Eugene and Lorraine Barrick

Address Dassier, Minn.

Address of farm, if different from above _____

Section 33 Township Ellsworth County Muskegon

Number of acres in the farm at present 192

Date of original purchase by member of your family 7/1/1861

Legal description of the land (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

E 1/2 of NE 1/4 of NW 1/4

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

from Railroad
NAME To

DATES (YEARS) OF
OWNERSHIP

BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO
NEXT OWNER

<u>Amos Barrick</u> (owner in 1876 or B4)	from <u>1880</u> to <u>1936</u>	<u>Grandfather</u>
<u>Amos Barrick Jr.</u> next owner	from <u>1936</u> to <u>1957</u>	<u>Father</u>
<u>Eugene Barrick</u> next owner	from <u>1957</u> to <u>Present</u>	
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	

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Abstract of Title ()
Land Patent ()
Original Deed (X)
County Land Record ()

Court file in Registration Proceedings ()
Other (please explain _____)

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief:

Donna Wakefield
(Witness sign here)

Eugene Barrick
(Signature of present owner)

Date Aug. 16 1976

See reverse side for additional information.

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1. From whom was the farm purchased? Acquired from the S. Govt. + railroad
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? _____
3. What was the cost of land per acre? _____
4. Where was the first owner born? Bethel County, Maine
5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? Cedar City, Michigan Co.
6. Was this a homestead? part
7. Did the first owner farm the land? yes
8. Did he engage in any trades or occupations other than farming?
Great Grandfather Kennedy was a doctor
9. Is the original home, or any portion of it or other original buildings, still standing or in use? _____
10. When was the present home built? _____
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? corn alfalfa
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
Hitchcock Independent Review

Related information: (please feel free to use additional sheets of paper)

PLEASE RETURN TO: MINNESOTA STATE FAIR
CENTURY FARMS
ST. PAUL, MN 55108

Meeker

PLEASE COMPLETE THESE BRIEF QUESTIONS AND SEND BACK TO ME IMMEDIATELY!

Names to appear on 1976 Certificate

Eugene + Lorraine Bassick

ADDRESS

Darwin, Minn.

FIRST YEAR OF OPERATION BY THE FAMILY

1946

PLEASE RETURN THIS BY AUGUST 17, so we may fill out the certificate for you to have ready on September 4. The sign the FARMER Magazine is giving you will be mailed after the State Fair.

PLEASE MAIL THE ENCLOSED APPLICATION BLANK SEPERATELY or bring it with you to the Fair. The information on this sheet is most important for fairtime.

RETURN TO:

Karen A. Humphrey
Minnesota State Fair
St. Paul, Mn. 55108

thank you for your immediate attention.

E 1/2 of NE 1/4 of NW 1/4

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Name of Centennial Farm owner Eugene Barrick
Name(s) to appear on certificate Eugene & Lorraine Barrick
Address Sharon, Minn.
Address of farm, if different from above _____

Section 33 Township Ellsworth County Meeker
Number of acres in the farm at present 192
Date of original purchase by member of your family 1861
Legal description of the land (from deed, abstract, tax statement)
E 1/2 Sect. Lot 4

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

Patent from U.S. Govt NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
Vincent P. Kennedy (owner in 1876 or B4)	from 7/1/1861 to 1877	Great Grandfather
Julia A. Barrick next owner	from 1877 to 1936	Grandmother
Vincent Barrick Jr. next owner	from 1936 to 1957	Father
Eugene Barrick next owner	from 1957 to Present	
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	

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Abstract of Title ()	Court file in Registration
Land Patent (X)	Proceedings ()
Original Deed ()	Other (please explain _____)
County Land Record ()	

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief:

Donna Wakefield
(Witness sign here)

Eugene Barrick
(Signature of present owner)

Date Aug. 16, 1976

See reverse side for additional information.

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

RETURN TO: MN. STATE FAIR
CENTURY FARMS
ST. PAUL, MN 55108

Name of Centennial Farm owner Homer C. Barrick
Name(s) to appear on certificate Homer C. Barrick
Route 1
Address Hutchinson, Minn. 55350
Address of farm, if different from above Darwin, Minn.

Section 32 Township Ellsworth County Meeker

Number of acres in the farm at present 98

Date of original purchase by member of your family July 1, 1861

Legal description of the land (from deed, abstract, tax statement)
SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ and Lot 1, Section 32, Township 118 N, Range 30 W.,

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
Vincent P. Kennedy (owner in 1876 or B4)	from 7/1/1861 to Sept. 20, 1877	Father
Julia A. Kennedy next owner	from Sept 20, 1877 to Dec. 16, 1936	Grandmother
Homer C. Barrick next owner	from Dec. 16, 1936 to present	
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	

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Abstract of Title (xx)	Court file in Registration
Land Patent ()	Proceedings ()
Original Deed ()	Other (please explain)
County Land Record ()	

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief:

Audrey Nordquist
(Witness sign here)

Homer C. Barrick
(Signature of present owner)

Date 7/2/76

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1. From whom was the farm purchased? U.S. Govt.
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? 98 acres
3. What was the cost of land per acre? _____
4. Where was the first owner born? Pennsylvania
5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? Indiana
6. Was this a homestead? Yes
7. Did the first owner farm the land? No
8. Did he engage in any trades or occupations other than farming?
Dr Kennedy was a physician and surgeon in Litchfield, Minn.,
9. Is the original home, or any portion of it or other original buildings, still standing or in use? The cellar is there.
Some of the flowers planted by Julia Kennedy are still there, & bloom.
10. When was the present home built? None.
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? Corn
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
Hutchinson Leader, Hutchinson, Minn. 55350

Related information: (please feel free to use additional sheets of paper)

"Little Crow" and two of his Braves held Julia Kennedy Barrick in cellar (which is still on farm) as a practical joke until they saw Julia's husband, Nimrod Barrick coming through the woods to his home. In talking to my grandfather, Nimrod Barrick, he said "Little Crow" was a practical joker.

This farm is still occupied by a great-granddaughter of Julia Barrick.

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Name of Centennial Farm owner Nimrod Barrick III

Name(s) to appear on certificate Nimrod Barrick III

Address Route 1, Box 132 - Darwin, Minn. 55324

Address of farm, if different from above _____

Section 32 & 33 Township Ellsworth County Meeker

Number of acres in the farm at present 166 acres

Date of original purchase by member of your family July 1, 1861

Legal description of the land (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

Govt. Lot 1, Section 32 and SW 1/4 of NW 1/4, Lots 4 and 5, Section 33, Township

118 North, Range 30 West,

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
Vincent P. Kennedy (owner in 1876 or B4)	from 7/1/1861 to 9/20/1877	Father
Julia A. Barrick	from 9/20/1877 to 12/16/1936	Mother
next owner Nimrod Barrick, Jr.	from 12/16/1936 to Oct. 22, 1957	Father
next owner Nimrod Barrick III	from 10/22/57 to present	
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	

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Abstract of Title ()	Court file in Registration
Land Patent ()	Proceedings ()
Original Deed ()	Other (please explain _____)
County Land Record (XX)	

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief:

Audrey Nordquist
(Witness sign here)

Nimrod Barrick III
(Signature of present owner)

Date June 30, 1976

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1. From whom was the farm purchased? U.S. Govt.
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? 485 acres
3. What was the cost of land per acre? _____
4. Where was the first owner born? Butler Co., Penn.
5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? Green Castle, Ind.
6. Was this a homestead? yes
7. Did the first owner farm the land? yes
8. Did he engage in any trades or occupations other than farming?
Vincent P. Kennedy was a Medical Doctor. He was the area doctor after Dr. Ripley died.
9. Is the original home, or any portion of it or other original buildings, still standing or in use? Still standing but not in use.
10. When was the present home built? 1949
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? Corn, oats, soybeans, hay.
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
The Independent Review, Litchfield, Minn. 55355

Related information: (please feel free to use additional sheets of paper)

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Name of Centennial Farm owner George Dahlk
Name(s) to appear on certificate Mr & Mrs George Dahlk
Address Grove City Minn 56243
Address of farm, if different from above _____

Section 4 Township Danielson County Meeker

Number of acres in the farm at present 197 Acres

Date of original purchase by member of your family 1876

Legal description of the land (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

N¹/₂ of N¹/₄ and S¹/₄ of T¹/₄ Section 4 Township 118 North
Range 32 West

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>Soren Nelson</u> (owner in 1876 or B4)	from <u>1876</u> to <u>1903</u>	<u>Father</u>
next owner	from _____ to _____	
<u>N.P. Nelson</u>	from <u>1903</u> to <u>1946</u>	<u>Father in Law</u>
next owner	from _____ to _____	
next owner	from _____ to _____	
<u>George Dahlk</u>	from <u>1946</u> to <u>1976</u>	
next owner	from _____ to _____	
next owner	from _____ to _____	
next owner	from _____ to _____	

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Abstract of Title ☒
Land Patent ☐
Original Deed ☐
County Land Record ☐

Court file in Registration Proceedings ☐
Other (please explain _____)

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief:

Audrey Radguit
(Witness sign here)

George E. Dahlk
(Signature of present owner)

Date June 10, 1976

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1. From whom was the farm purchased? William Higbee
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? 120 acres
3. What was the cost of land per acre? \$80⁰⁰
4. Where was the first owner born? Denmark
5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? Grove City, Minn.
6. Was this a homestead? No
7. Did the first owner farm the land? Yes
8. Did he engage in any trades or occupations other than farming?
No
9. Is the original home, or any portion of it or other original buildings, still standing or in use?
No
10. When was the present home built? 1914
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? Corn, Soybeans, wheat
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
Independent Review, Litchfield Minn. 55355

Related information: (please feel free to use additional sheets of paper)

Soren Nelson lived 6 years north of Grove City prior to purchasing this land so I doubt it would be a homestead.

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

ST. PAUL, MN 55108

Name of Centennial Farm owner MRS. OSCAR ENGAN
 Name(s) to appear on certificate Mrs Adeline Engan & Shirley Engan
 Address ATWATER, MINNESOTA
 Address of farm, if different from above OROVUE CITY,
MINNESOTA

Section 6 Township ACTON County MEeker

Number of acres in the farm at present 166

Date of original purchase by member of your family 1868

Legal description of the land (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

SOUTH 1/2 OF NORTH EAST 1/4 OF SECTION 6 Township 169

of Range 32 in the District of Lands subject to sale at Litchfield Minn.
containing 80 acres - Homestead Certificate 1805 application 2751.

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP Recorded Vol 4 Page 346

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>Old Olson & Ingeborg Olam his wife</u>	<u>signed by Old Olson</u>	
<u>OLE OLSON ENGAN</u>	from <u>Jan 10, 1874</u> to <u>March 30, 1916</u>	<u>father</u>
(owner in 1876 or B4)		
<u>PETER ENGAN</u>	from <u>June 20, 1916</u> to <u>June 20, 1967</u>	<u>father</u>
next owner		
<u>Oscar Arthur Engan & Adeline O Engan</u>	from <u>June 20, 1967</u> to <u>Dec 18, 1967</u>	<u>husband</u>
next owner		
<u>Adeline O Engan</u>	from <u>Dec 18, 1967</u> to <u>present</u>	<u>mother</u>
next owner		
<u>Adeline O Engan & Shirley M Engan</u>	from <u>Dec 18, 1967</u> to <u>present</u>	
next owner		
	from to	
next owner		
	from to	
next owner		

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Abstract of Title (✓)	Court file in Registration
Land Patent ()	Proceedings ()
Original Deed (✓)	Other (please explain _____)
County Land Record ()	

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief:

Mrs Sylvia N. Reese
 (Witness sign here)

Mrs Adeline Engan
 (Signature of present owner)

Date August 3, 1976

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1. From whom was the farm purchased? IT WAS A HOMESTEAD
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? 80
3. What was the cost of land per acre? _____
4. Where was the first owner born? NORWAY
5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? NORWAY
6. Was this a homestead? YES
7. Did the first owner farm the land? YES
8. Did he engage in any trades or occupations other than farming?
NO
9. Is the original home, or any portion of it or other original buildings, still standing or in use? HOME WAS IN A DUG OUT THE FIRST YEAR. A LOG HOUSE WAS BUILT THE SECOND YEAR. A FRAME HOUSE WAS BUILT IN THE 1870'S OR 1880'S. THIS IS STILL IN USE.
10. When was the present home built? _____
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? CORN, OATS, WHEAT
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
ATWATER HERALD, WILLMAR - WEST CENTRAL DAILY TRIBUNE.

Related information: (please feel free to use additional sheets of paper)

Old Oleson or Oleson originally came to this place in 1866. As I understand the dugout was made in '67 when the mother and father moved in with two little girls. Another child was born in the dugout that December.

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Name of Centennial Farm owner Marilyn A. Hafstad

Name(s) to appear on certificate Lillian A. Nelson, Marilyn Hafstad, Carolyn Draxten

Mail to - Lillian A. Nelson Address 619 East 2nd. St. Litchfield, Minn. 55355

Address of farm, if different from above Route 1, Atwater, Minn. 56209

Section 8 Township Danielson County Meeker

Number of acres in the farm at present 240

Date of original purchase by member of your family June 1, 1874

Legal description of the land (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

S ½ of SE ¼ of Section 8 in Township 118 of Range 32 containing 80 acres.

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
Karen K. Madsen (owner in 1876 or B4)	from 1874 to 1879	Mother
Emelius Nelson next owner	from 1879 to 1928	Father
Arthur H. Nelson next owner	from 1928 to 1972	Husband & Father
Lillian A. Nelson next owner	from 1972 to 1976	Mother
Marilyn Hafstad next owner	from to	
Carolyn Draxten next owner	from to	Sister
Marilyn Hafstad next owner	from 1976 to	

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Abstract of Title (X)	Court file in Registration
Land Patent ()	Proceedings ()
Original Deed ()	Other (please explain X)
County Land Record ()	Homestead Certificate

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief:

Jaime W. Johnson
(Witness sign here)

Marilyn A. Hafstad
(Signature of present owner)

Date June 28, 1976

See reverse side for additional information.

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1. From whom was the farm purchased? United States of America
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? 80
3. What was the cost of land per acre? do not know
4. Where was the first owner born? Luland, Denmark
5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? Waseca County
6. Was this a homestead? Yes
7. Did the first owner farm the land? Yes
8. Did he engage in any trades or occupations other than farming?
No
9. Is the original home, or any portion of it or other original buildings, still standing or in use? Part of the house is original.
10. When was the present home built? Added to the original at different times.
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? Corn, beans, wheat, oats.
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
Litchfield Independent Review, Litchfield, Minn. 55355

Related information: (please feel free to use additional sheets of paper)

The Niels Madsen family came to America in 1865. I have a Citizenship Certificate dated March 25, 1867, for Nies Madsen, from Wilton in Waseca County. They came to Danielson Township, Section 8 in 1867. But the first record of land ownership, is the Homestead Certificate signed by U.S. Grant, dated June 1, 1874 to Karen Madsen (wife of Niels Madsen), also the abstract dated the same.

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Name of Centennial Farm owner

Hendrickson Bros. OK

Name(s) to appear on certificate

Chester & Orville Hendrickson

Address

R.R. #2 Grove City, Minn. 56243

Address of farm, if different from above _____

Section

30

Township

Union Grove

County

Meeker

Number of acres in the farm at present

400

Date of original purchase by member of your family

1869

Legal description of the land (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

SE 1/4, NE 1/4 3/4 E 1/2 SE 1/430 121 32(40A)NW 1/4 NE 1/429 12132(40A)

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>Ole J. Hendrickson</u> (owner in 1876 or B4)	from <u>1869</u> to <u>approx 1915</u>	<u>approx 1915 father</u>
<u>Oluf Hendrickson</u> next owner	from <u>1915</u> to <u>1946</u>	<u>father</u>
<u>Orville Hendrickson</u> next owner	from <u>1946</u> to <u>present</u>	
<u>Chester Hendrickson</u> next owner	from <u>1946</u> to <u>present</u>	
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	

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Abstract of Title ()
 Land Patent ()
 Original Deed (X)
 County Land Record (X)

Court file in Registration Proceedings ()
 Other (please explain _____)

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief:

Larthy Hendrickson
 (Witness sign here)

Chester E. Hendrickson
 (Signature of present owner)

Date

7-9-76

See reverse side for additional information.

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1. From whom was the farm purchased? A Railroad Company
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? at least 30 acres (30)
3. What was the cost of land per acre? ?
4. Where was the first owner born? Norway
5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? Norway
6. Was this a homestead? Yes
7. Did the first owner farm the land? Yes
8. Did he engage in any trades or occupations other than farming?
No
9. Is the original home, or any portion of it or other original buildings, still standing or in use? One small storehouse is still in use.
10. When was the present home built? 1948
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? Corn, Soy Beans, Alfalfa, Cattle and Hogs
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
Paynesville Press and Litchfield Independent

Related information: (please feel free to use additional sheets of paper)

PLEASE RETURN TO: MINNESOTA STATE FAIR
CENTURY FARMS
ST. PAUL, MN 55108

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Name of Centennial Farm owner Donald and Esther Hegg
Name(s) to appear on certificate Donald AND ESTHER HEGG
Address PAYNESVILLE
Address of farm, if different from above _____

Section 32 Township UNION GROVE County MEEKER

Number of acres in the farm at present 160

Date of original purchase by member of your family _____

Legal description of the land (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

The Southeast quarter of Section Twenty-three (23) in
Township One hundred twenty-one (121) north of Range thirty-two
(32) west

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>James Nelson</u> (owner in 1876 or B4)	from <u>1868</u> to <u>1877</u>	<u>W. E. Elizabeth Nelson wife</u>
<u>James Nelson Jr.</u> next owner	from <u>1901</u> to <u>1906</u>	<u>Margaret Nelson wife</u>
<u>Alfred Hegg</u> next owner	from <u>1906</u> to <u>1944</u>	<u>\$6000</u>
<u>Donald Hegg</u> next owner	from <u>1944</u> to <u>1976</u>	<u>\$10,500</u>
next owner	from _____ to _____	
next owner	from _____ to _____	
next owner	from _____ to _____	
next owner	from _____ to _____	

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Abstract of Title (X)	Court file in Registration
Land Patent ()	Proceedings ()
Original Deed (X)	Other (please explain _____)
County Land Record (X)	

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief:

This is where Zella Hegg should sign
(Witness sign here) sister-in-law

Donald Hegg & Esther
(Signature of present owner)

Date July 23, 1976

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1. From whom was the farm purchased? _____
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? _____
3. What was the cost of land per acre? 75.4 - 4.50
4. Where was the first owner born? _____
5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? _____
6. Was this a homestead? _____
7. Did the first owner farm the land? _____
8. Did he engage in any trades or occupations other than farming?
trapping
9. Is the original home, or any portion of it or other original buildings, still standing or in use? Original home burned
10. When was the present home built? 1897
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? Corn & soybeans
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
The Litchfield Independent Review

Related information: (please feel free to use additional sheets of paper)

3 letter says I'm sure can find in more information
for local history, but ^{or newspaper} due to lateness of this
information & my sickness am unable to find out more
at this time.

Paynesville, Minn.
July 23, 1976

Dear Sir:

I realize the deadline for these applications were June 30. I had my blanks, but landed in hospital for 2 weeks with problems, so am only now feeling like making out the papers, after getting our old debt & papers out of safe deposit box.

If I'm too late I'll understand. My husband had a stroke 6 yrs. ago & lost his speech & use of his right hand and vision is impaired so can't drive. One of all this all the business has to be done thru me.

Our farm is interesting in fact that it borders the old Indian trail followed

by Indians on way from Mpls.
to Lake Superior across country.
We lived only about miles from
where the Manannak massacre
happened & where Manannak
Cemetery is located & monument
put up for the whites that
were murdered during the
Indian outbreak. Our homestead
was one of the places these
white men or early settlers
(James Nelson) stopped at to pick
up supplies, blankets, food &
horses when they had come
back from Forest City stockade
& were returning there with
their supplies, when Indians
attacked them & those now
honored by monument were
killed.

Sincerely,

Donald & Esther Gogg

Taken from writing on back of
the original house that was
burned on March 1, 1897

This was the original house built
on the James Nelson farm.

Grandpa Nelson bought this land
160 acres first after our government
bought it from the Indians

The land was sold to new settlers
from 75 cents to \$1.50 an acre.

Grandpa perhaps paid for his
land with money he made
by trapping. He came here to
Minn. in year 1856 and after
buying the farm married Elizabeth
Caswell Apr. 7, 1857. This picture
was taken when the three younger
boys were still at home, Orrin,
Albert and Jim. Jim (James)
later bought the farm from Grandpa
and later sold it to Alfred Hegg 1907

The present owner is I ended by
buying it in 1944

There were five boys and one
girl in the Nelson family.

at the time of the Indian outbreak
in August 1862 Grandpa Nelson
went with his wife & two children
Will & Frank to Saint City for
protection. Later he left the
wife & two boys at Monticello
with relatives and joined the
Army. as the Civil War was in
progress, Mother was born in
Monticello on May 25 1863
after the war Grandpa moved
his family back to the farm
near Manassas. Here he
lived until about 1900 when
his son Jim farmed the land.
The present house where

Donald Hegg Lides was built
that same year 1897

This story was written by
our sister-in-law Zella Hegg
she was wife of Lloyd Hegg
brother of Donald Hegg.

Lloyd Hegg passed away just
one year ago & Zella Hegg is
living at the Emmaus Home
in Litchfield, Conn.

I think this writing answers
most of the questions on back
of the application form.

You may contact
Zella Hegg at Emmaus
Home, Litchfield, Conn.

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CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Name of Centennial Farm owner Peter Lund
 Name(s) to appear on certificate Ruben Lund
 Address Brown City, Minn
 Address of farm, if different from above _____

Section 4 Township Acton County Meeker

Number of acres in the farm at present 383

Date of original purchase by member of your family 1857

Legal description of the land (from deed, abstract, tax statement)
Sold farm in 1974 on Contract for deed
to Lois Schmalz

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>Peter Lund</u> (owner in 1876 or B4)	from 1857 to 1895	daughter & son in law
<u>Lois Silseth</u> next owner	from 1895 to 1941	Son or Grandson of Peter Lund
<u>Ruben Lund</u> next owner	from 1941 to 1974	none
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	

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Abstract of Title ()	Court file in Registration
Land Patent ()	Proceedings ()
Original Deed (X)	Other (please explain)
County Land Record ()	<u>Land was not surveyed but</u> <u>Peter Lund lost land after Surveyed</u>

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief:

Lois Lund
 (Witness sign here)
 Peter Lund
 (Signature of present owner)

Date August 15 - 1976

See reverse side for additional information.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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1. From whom was the farm purchased? _____
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? _____
3. What was the cost of land per acre? _____
4. Where was the first owner born? _____
5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? _____
6. Was this a homestead? _____
7. Did the first owner farm the land? _____
8. Did he engage in any trades or occupations other than farming?

9. Is the original home, or any portion of it or other original buildings, still standing or in use? _____

10. When was the present home built? _____
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? _____
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:

Related information: (please feel free to use additional sheets of paper)

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CENTURY FARMS
ST. PAUL, MN 55108

2. *Reuben*
PLEASE COMPLETE THESE BRIEF QUESTIONS AND SEND BACK TO ME IMMEDIATELY!

Names to appear on 1976 Certificate

Reuben Lund

ADDRESS

Brown City, Minn

FIRST YEAR OF OPERATION BY THE FAMILY

1857

PLEASE RETURN THIS BY AUGUST 17, so we may fill out the certificate for you to have ready on September 4. The sign the FARMER Magazine is giving you will be mailed after the State Fair.

PLEASE MAIL THE ENCLOSED APPLICATION BLANK SEPERATELY or bring it with you to the Fair. The information on this sheet is most important for fairtime.

RETURN TO:

Karen A. Humphrey
Minnesota State Fair
St. Paul, Mn. 55108

thank you for your immediate attention.

*Farm sold
In 1974 on contract
for seed to Alvin Schmalz
Signed Reuben Lund*

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Name of Centennial Farm owner Frank F. + Mary Ann Marshall

Name(s) to appear on certificate Frank F. + Mary Ann Marshall

Address R.R. #2, Grove City, Minn. 56243

Address of farm, if different from above same

Section 33 Township Union Grove County Meeker

Number of acres in the farm at present 158

Date of original purchase by member of your family 2/26/1866

Legal description of the land (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

E 1/2 of NE 1/4 + E 1/2 of SE 1/4 Sec. 33

Township 121 N Range 32 W

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>Joseph Hubbard</u> (owner in 1876 or B4.)	<u>2/26/1866</u> to <u>11/29/1899</u>	<u>Father</u>
<u>Edward Hubbard</u> next owner	<u>11/29/1899</u> to <u>6/9/1902</u>	<u>Uncle</u>
<u>Frank F. Marshall</u> next owner	<u>6/9/1902</u> to <u>5/4/1945</u>	<u>Father</u>
<u>Fred J. Marshall</u> next owner	<u>5/4/1945</u> to <u>4/17/1964</u>	<u>Father</u>
<u>Frank F. + Mary Ann Marshall</u> next owner	<u>4/17/1964</u> to	
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	

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Abstract of Title ()	Court file in Registration
Land Patent ()	Proceedings ()
Original Deed ()	Other (please explain _____)
County Land Record (X)	

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief:

Audrey Nordquist
(Witness sign here)

Frank F. Marshall
(Signature of present owner)

Date 6/29/76

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1. From whom was the farm purchased? Thomas Kennedy
 2. How many acres were in the original parcel? 160 Acres
 3. What was the cost of land per acre? \$4.50
 4. Where was the first owner born? Brimfield, Mass.
 5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? Prior Lake, Minn
 6. Was this a homestead? No
 7. Did the first owner farm the land? Yes
 8. Did he engage in any trades or occupations other than farming?
Store Keeper on land
 9. Is the original home, or any portion of it or other original buildings, still standing or in use? No
 10. When was the present home built? 1974
 11. What are the farm's major crops or products? Hogs, Corn, Soybeans, and Oats
 12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
Litchfield Independent Review
Litchfield, Minnesota 55355
- Related information: (please feel free to use additional sheets of paper)

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

RETURN TO: MN. STATE FAIR
CENTURY FARMS
ST. PAUL, MN 55108

Name of Centennial Farm owner Oscar Ness

Name(s) to appear on certificate Oscar Ness

Address Route 2, Litchfield, Minn. 55355

Address of farm, if different from above _____

Section 32 Township Litchfield County Meeker

Number of acres in the farm at present 301

Date of original purchase by member of your family Feb. 1, 1873

Legal description of the land (from deed, abstract, tax statement)
SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$; SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ and NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 32, Township 119 N, Range 31 West.

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
Ole Halverson Ness (owner in 1876 or B4)	from <u>2/1/1873</u> to <u>4/16/1881</u>	Father
Martin O. Ness	from <u>4/16/1881</u> to <u>4/25/1930</u>	Father
next owner Oscar Ness	from <u>4/25/1930</u> to present	
next owner	from _____ to _____	
next owner	from _____ to _____	
next owner	from _____ to _____	
next owner	from _____ to _____	
next owner	from _____ to _____	

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Abstract of Title ()
Land Patent ()
Original Deed ()
County Land Record (X)

Court file in Registration Proceedings ()
Other (please explain _____)

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief:

Kenneth B. Ness
(Witness sign here)

* Oscar Ness
(Signature of present owner)

Date June 29, 1976

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1. From whom was the farm purchased? Father
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? 80 acres
3. What was the cost of land per acre? \$80.00
4. Where was the first owner born? Norway
5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? Wisconsin
6. Was this a homestead? no
7. Did the first owner farm the land? yes
8. Did he engage in any trades or occupations other than farming?
no
9. Is the original home, or any portion of it or other original buildings, still standing or in use? Barnery
10. When was the present home built? 1897
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? _____
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
the Litchfield Independent Review

Related information: (please feel free to use additional sheets of paper)

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Name of Centennial Farm owner NORBERT AND ROSELLA RILEY
Name(s) to appear on certificate NORBERT AND ROSELLA RILEY
Address HAMMOND, MINNESOTA-53438
Address of farm, if different from above SAME
P.O. Box 537
Section 15 Township HYDE PARK County WABASHA
Number of acres in the farm at present 250
Date of original purchase by member of your family August 10, 1859
Legal description of the land (from deed, abstract, tax statement)
W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$, N $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$,
all in section 15, Twp 109, Range 13.

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
EDMUND RILEY (owner in 1876 or B4)	from 1859 to 1876	FATHER
JOHN RILEY next owner	from 1876 to 1922	FATHER
EDWARD RILEY next owner	from 1922 to 1923	BROTHER
WILLIAM G. RILEY next owner	from 1923 to 1938	FATHER
NORBERT C. RILEY next owner	from 1938 to	NORBERT AND SON, EDWARD ARE
next owner	from to	PRESENTLY FARMING, JOINTLY.
next owner	from to	
next owner		

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Abstract of Title <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Court file in Registration
Land Patent <input type="checkbox"/>	Proceedings <input type="checkbox"/>
Original Deed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other (please explain _____)
County Land Record <input type="checkbox"/>	

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief:

Owner of Sec. State Bank of Hammond, Minn.
(Witness sign here)

Marshall C. Riley
(Signature of present owner)

Date 6-28-76

See reverse side for additional information.

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1. From whom was the farm purchased? James Emerson (SOLDIER) WHO WAS GIVEN THE LAND BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? 80
3. What was the cost of land per acre? \$ 2.50 per acre
4. Where was the first owner born? Edmund - County Cork, Ireland
5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? Ireland
6. Was this a homestead? Yes.
7. Did the first owner farm the land? Yes
8. Did he engage in any trades or occupations other than farming?
No.
9. Is the original home, or any portion of it or other original buildings, still standing or in use?
No.
10. When was the present home built? Early 1800's + 1899.
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? Corn, oats, hay - cattle
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
Rochester Post Bulletin. Roch. Minn. 55901
or Lake City Graphic or Plainview News.

Related information: (please feel free to use additional sheets of paper)

Indians lived in the area. Would sneak up to homes and look, out of curiosity.

Cattle and hogs were sold by rail, from Hammond to Chicago.

Wheat was ground in Jarrett, Minn. to be used in home baking.

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Name of Centennial Farm owner Allen J. Rumsey
Name(s) to appear on certificate Allen J. Rumsey
Address Kimball, Minn. R#2 55353
Address of farm, if different from above _____

Section 8 Township Bridgeport 20-29 County Wisher

Number of acres in the farm at present 120

Date of original purchase by member of your family 1876

Legal description of the land (from deed, abstract, tax statement)
1/2 of S E 1/4 Section 8, Township 120 N, Range 29 W,

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>William V. Rumsey</u> (owner in 1876 or B4)	<u>4/1/1876 to 2/26/1902</u>	<u>Father</u>
<u>Ellen K. Rumsey</u> next owner	<u>2/26/1902 to 1/21/1943</u>	<u>Son</u>
<u>Allen J. Rumsey</u> next owner	<u>1/21/43 to Present</u>	<u>Son</u>
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	

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Abstract of Title ()	Court file in Registration
Land Patent ()	Proceedings ()
Original Deed ()	Other (please explain _____)
County Land Record (X)	

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief:

William V. Rumsey
(Witness sign here)

Allen J. Rumsey
(Signature of present owner)

Date June 30, 1976

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1. From whom was the farm purchased? patent from U.S.
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? 80
3. What was the cost of land per acre? _____
4. Where was the first owner born? New York
5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? Wis.
6. Was this a homestead? yes
7. Did the first owner farm the land? yes
8. Did he engage in any trades or occupations other than farming?
Doc lumber
9. Is the original home, or any portion of it or other original buildings, still standing or in use? _____
10. When was the present home built? 1951
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? Corn, beans, oats
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
Litchfield Independent Litchfield, Mo. 55355
Review

Related information: (please feel free to use additional sheets of paper)

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Name of Centennial Farm owner Arthur and Marie West
Name(s) to appear on certificate Arthur and Marie West and Carl Martens
Address Box 101 - Darwin, Minn.
Address of farm, if different from above _____

Section 10 Township 118 County Meeker

Number of acres in the farm at present 118

Date of original purchase by member of your family 1896

Legal description of the land (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

1/2 of SW 1/4 Section 10, Township 118 North
Range 30 West

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME (JOHN MARTENS) DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER

<u>John Martens</u> owner in 1876 or B4)	from 1856 to 1889	orig. Homestead
<u>Lewis Martens</u> next owner	from 1889 to 1916	Son of John
<u>Emma Martens</u> next owner	from 1916 to 1947	Wife of Lewis
<u>Carl Martens</u> next owner	from 1947 to 1967	Son of Lewis + Emma
<u>ART + MARIE WEST</u> next owner	from 1967 to Present	Daughter of Carl
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	

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Abstract of Title ()	Court file in Registration
Land Patent ()	Proceedings ()
Original Deed ()	Other (please explain _____)
County Land Record (X)	

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief:

Andrey Nordquist (Witness sign here) (Reg. of Deeds) Arthur West (Signature of present owner)

Date 6-22-76 Meeker County

See reverse side for additional information.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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1. From whom was the farm purchased? Homestead
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? 80
3. What was the cost of land per acre? Homesteaded
4. Where was the first owner born? Germany
5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? Illinois
6. Was this a homestead? yes
7. Did the first owner farm the land? yes
8. Did he engage in any trades or occupations other than farming?
No
9. Is the original home, or any portion of it or other original buildings, still standing or in use? No
10. When was the present home built? 1906
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? grain - dairy and beef cattle
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
Independent Review - Litchfield, Minn. 55355

Related information: (please feel free to use additional sheets of paper)

John Martens died at the age of only 39 of a ruptured appendix. His son rode to Litchfield for a veterinarian for help (no Dr. available) but he died before he could be helped. He was the first man (person) to be interred in the Ellsworth cemetery. It was not unusual to see many Indians in the area at that time.

He planted 6 maple trees along the driveway (at that time) of the building site...of which one still stands.

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Name of Centennial Farm owner BURTON P. Thorp
Name(s) to appear on certificate MR & MRS. BURTON P. Thorp
Address ATWATER, Minnesota 56209
RA 2
Address of farm, if different from above _____

Section 8 Township ACTon County Meeker

Number of acres in the farm at present 240 A.

Date of original purchase by member of your family October 1943

Legal description of the land (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

E 1/2 of SW 1/4, Section 8, Township 119 North,
Range 32 West.

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>Bersvend Thorp</u> (owner in 1876 or B4)	<u>from 1867 to 1922</u>	<u>FATHER</u>
<u>SIVERT B. Thorp</u> next owner	<u>from 1922 to 1943</u>	<u>FATHER</u>
<u>BURTON P. Thorp</u> next owner	<u>from 1943 to Present</u> <u>Time</u>	
next owner	from _____ to _____	
next owner	from _____ to _____	
next owner	from _____ to _____	
next owner	from _____ to _____	
next owner	from _____ to _____	

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Abstract of Title ()	Court file in Registration
Land Patent ()	Proceedings ()
Original Deed ()	Other (please explain _____)
County Land Record <u>X</u>	

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief:

Donna Wakefield
(Witness sign here)

Burton P. Thorp
(Signature of present owner)

Date 7/20/76

See reverse side for additional information.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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1. From whom was the farm purchased? Homesteaded
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? 80 acres
3. What was the cost of land per acre? _____
4. Where was the first owner born? Norway
5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? Redwing, Minn.
6. Was this a homestead? Yes
7. Did the first owner farm the land? Yes
8. Did he engage in any trades or occupations other than farming?
Tailor
9. Is the original home, or any portion of it or other original buildings, still standing or in use? Granary
10. When was the present home built? 1902
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? Corn, Beans, Wheat
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
The Litchfield Independent Review
Litchfield, Minn.

Related information: (please feel free to use additional sheets of paper)

We are sure that our son, Richard, will soon take possession of this farm. He will be the 4th generation to own it.

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Name of Centennial Farm owner

Lloyd A. Turck

Name(s) to appear on certificate

Lloyd and Phyllis Turck

Address

Rt. 3 Litchfield, Minn.

Address of farm, if different from above

Section

25

Township

Harvey

County

Mucker

Number of acres in the farm at present

140

Date of original purchase by member of your family

1949

Legal description of the land (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

S. 1/4, sec 25, Twp 120, Range 31

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME

DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP

BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER

Jurgen & Mary Lohsefrom 1859 to 1934father & father-in-lawannie, Jacob Turckfrom 1934 to 1949son-in-lawLloyd & Phyllis Turckfrom 1949 to 1976son-in-law

next owner

from to

next owner

from to

next owner

from to

next owner

from to

next owner

from to

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Abstract of Title ☒
 Land Patent ()
 Original Deed ()
 County Land Record ()

Court file in Registration Proceedings ()
 Other (please explain)

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief:

Ed Everle
 (Witness sign here)

Lloyd Turck
 (Signature of present owner)

Date

8/17/76

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- annie TURCK*
1. From whom was the farm purchased? *Jacob Turck*
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? *160*
3. What was the cost of land per acre? *\$37.1934 \$110.1949*
4. Where was the first owner born? *Germany*
5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? *Germany*
6. Was this a homestead? *40 acres homestead remainder purchased from the govt. at 2.50 PER ACRE*
7. Did the first owner farm the land? *yes*
8. Did he engage in any trades or occupations other than farming?
no
9. Is the original home, or any portion of it or other original buildings, still standing or in use? *no*
10. When was the present home built? *about 1894*
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? *Corn, beans, dairying*
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
Litchfield Independent

Related information: (please feel free to use additional sheets of paper)

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CENTURY FARMS
ST. PAUL, MN 55108

Meeker

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Names to appear on 1976 Certificate

Lloyd and Phyllis Turck
Rt 3 Litchfield, Minn

ADDRESS

FIRST YEAR OF OPERATION BY THE FAMILY

1946

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RETURN TO:

Karen A. Humphrey
Minnesota State Fair
St. Paul, Mn. 55108

thank you for your immediate attention.

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Name of Centennial Farm owner Leo Vossen

Name(s) to appear on certificate Leo Vossen

Address Watkins Minn. 55389

Address of farm, if different from above Same

Section 10 Township 121, Forest Prairie Range 30 County Meeker

Number of acres in the farm at present 160.80 Acres

Date of original purchase by member of your family June 10, 1874

Legal description of the land (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

1/2 of SW 1/4 of Section 10, Township 121, Range 30

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
The United States of America (owner in 1876 of B4)	from 1874 to 1880	Christian D. Vossen and Nellie Vossen, his wife
Christian D. Vossen next owner	from 1880 to 1900	Frank Louis Vossen son -
Frank Louis Vossen next owner	from 1900 to 1910	Henry L. Vossen, John R. Vossen & Anna M. Vossen sons & daughter
Henry, John & Anna Vossen next owner	from 1910 to 1914	John R. Vossen
John R. Vossen next owner	from 1914 to 1954	Leo Vossen son -
Leo Vossen next owner	from 1954 to	(son)
next owner	from to	Steven L. Vossen 15 Now sharing Farming with US

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Land Patent <input type="checkbox"/>	Proceedings <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Original Deed <input type="checkbox"/>	Other (please explain _____)
County Land Record <input type="checkbox"/>	

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief:

Mrs. Leo Vossen
(Witness sign here)

Leo Vossen
(Signature of present owner)

Date Aug. 16, 1976

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Land Values

1874	Value at	\$685 ⁰⁰	Total 80 Acres
1880	"	\$500 ⁰⁰	" "
1910	"	\$2000 ⁰⁰	" "
1919	"	\$6000 ⁰⁰	" "
1936	"	\$3700 ⁰⁰	" "
1954	"	\$12000 ⁰⁰	" "
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION		\$41,094 ⁰⁶	Est. Market Value
Today Estimated			

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1. From whom was the farm purchased? Homestead
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? 80 Acres
3. What was the cost of land per acre? \$8.56 Per Acres
4. Where was the first owner born? Holland
5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? _____
6. Was this a homestead? Yes
7. Did the first owner farm the land? Yes
8. Did he engage in any trades or occupations other than farming? _____
9. Is the original home, or any portion of it or other original buildings, still standing or in use? Log Hog Barn is where John R Vossen was Born in. (My Father)
10. When was the present home built? 1912
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? Corn & Hog
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation: The Patro The Patriot (Watkins, Minn) 55389

Related information: (please feel free to use additional sheets of paper)

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Names to appear on 1976 Certificate

Leo Vossler

ADDRESS

Watkins Minn. 55389

Box 128

FIRST YEAR OF OPERATION BY THE FAMILY

Begone 1874

Meeker Co

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