



Century Farm Applications

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CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

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

Name of Centennial Farm owner Harold Bloomer
Name(s) to appear on certificate Harold Bloomer
Address Morristown Minn

Address of farm, if different from above _____

Section 34 Township Morristown County Rice

Number of acres in the farm at present 400

Date of original purchase by member of your family _____

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

N 1/2 NW 1/4 Section 34 - 109-22

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>Coleman Bloomer</u> (owner in 1876 or B4)	from <u>1861</u> to <u>1936</u>	<u>Father</u>
<u>Lloyd Bloomer</u> next owner	from <u>1936</u> to <u>1967</u>	<u>Father</u>
<u>Harold Bloomer</u> next owner	from <u>1967</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 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Court file in Registration
Land Patent <input type="checkbox"/>	Proceedings <input 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:

Paul Brown
(Witness sign here)

Harold Bloomer
(Signature of present owner)

Date 6-29-76

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1. From whom was the farm purchased? original owner Homesteaded
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? 160
3. What was the cost of land per acre? —
4. Where was the first owner born? OHio
5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? OHio
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? 1880 (Est.)
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? dairy - Hogs - corn - soybeans
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
Fairbault Daily or Morristown Press

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

this farm was one of the farms in Rice Co. to be in the same family at the time of the state Centennial 1958. Coleman Bloomer came & settled on the original 160 acres on July 4 1855 & 80 acres of the farm has been in the family & farmed by the family continuously since.

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CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Name of Centennial Farm owner Albert W and Delores Bultman

Name(s) to appear on certificate same

Address R 2 Kenyon, Minn 55946

Address of farm, if different from above _____

Section 25 Township Wheeling County Rice

Number of acres in the farm at present 200

Date of original purchase by member of your family 1861

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

S half of S half of Section 25-110-19

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>Wilhelm Bultman</u> (owner in 1876 or B4)	from <u>1861</u> to <u>1882</u>	<u>Father</u>
<u>Wilhelm Bultman Jr</u> next owner	from <u>1882</u> to <u>1936</u>	<u>Father</u>
<u>Leonard + Florence Bultman</u> next owner	from <u>1936</u> to <u>1961</u>	<u>Father</u>
<u>Albert W. + Delores Bultman</u> next owner	from <u>1961</u> thru <u>1976 (present)</u>	
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	

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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:

Florence Bultman
(Witness sign here)

Albert Bultman
(Signature of present owner)

Date June 30 1976

See reverse side for additional information.

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1. From whom was the farm purchased? USA
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? 160
3. What was the cost of land per acre? \$2.⁰⁰
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? yes
7. Did the first owner farm the land? yes
8. Did he engage in any trades or occupations other than farming?
wagon maker
9. Is the original home, or any portion of it or other original buildings, still standing or in use? yes
10. When was the present home built? 1875
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? _____
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
Faribault Daily News - Kenyon Leader

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

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CENTURY FARMS
ST. PAUL, MN 55108

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Name of Centennial Farm owner Daniel W. Dillon
Name(s) to appear on certificate Daniel & Janice Dillon
Address RR #5 Box 131 Faribault, Minn 55021
Address of farm, if different from above SE 1/4 + E 1/2 of SW 1/4

Section 2 Township 110 Wells County Rice
Number of acres in the farm at present 240
Date of original purchase by member of your family 1864

Legal description of the land (from deed, abstract, tax statement)
SE 1/4 + E 1/2 of SW 1/4 Section 2 Township Wells
County of Rice

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>John Dillon</u> (owner in 1876 or B4)	<u>from 1864 to 1919</u>	<u>Father</u>
<u>Daniel Dillon</u> next owner	<u>from 1919 to 1924</u>	<u>Father</u>
<u>William Dillon</u> next owner	<u>from 1924 to 1967</u>	<u>Father</u>
<u>Daniel Dillon</u> next owner	<u>from 1967 to 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 ()	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:

Ralph Brown
(Witness sign here)

x Daniel W. Dillon
(Signature of present owner)

Date 7-26-76

See reverse side for additional information.

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I went to Rice County Court House Register
of Deeds office to find out transfer dates.
John Dillons will made out in 1872
is on record there. Daniel Dillon
second owner recieved farm from father
John Dillon. But for some reason he ~~did not~~ did not
~~change~~ change the farm to his name
until 1919

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1. From whom was the farm purchased? Case
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? 160
3. What was the cost of land per acre? _____
4. Where was the first owner born? Ireland
5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? Rice County section 11
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
Brick house built in 1877 by second owner Daniel Dillon is still on the farm. It is no longer lived in but is used as a calf barn
10. When was the present home built? 1954
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? alfalfa, corn, oats
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
Faribault Daily News

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

John Dillon, first owner was born in Ireland. He came to America in 1853. He landed in Quebec then came to Ohio where he remained until the spring of 1857 then to Wisconsin and in 1860 moved to Minnesota, He located in Rice County, Wells township where he bought land in section eleven. In 1864 he sold that land and bought in section two where he remained until his death in July 1873, His wife dying the previous November,

(OVER)

~~He~~ Daniel Dillon second owner of farm. at age 21 went to La Crosse, Wisconsin and engaged on a steamboat running on the Mississippi River and followed that employment for eight years being mate the last four. In 1870 he married Bridget Dwyer. In 1874 he engaged in full time farming and purchased more land and added to his farm.

William Dillon third owner of Farm. did not marry until age 41 when he ~~he~~ married Susan Thom age 31 they lived on the farm until 1949 when they moved to there present home in Tabibault where they are living today in there Fifty Second year of married life.

Daniel Dillon present owner married Janice Schmidt in 1948, and is living^m and farming the farm

Tom Dillon son of present owner Dan Dillon has a mobil home parked on the farm where he lives with his wife and family. His son Billy age seven is the sixth generation Dillon to live on the farm

7/26/76

Dan Dillon

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Name of Centennial Farm owner Robert D. Dyrdahl and LaVonne M. Dyrdahl, his wife

Name(s) to appear on certificate Robert D. and LaVonne M. Dyrdahl

Address R#2 Kenyon, Minnesota 55946

Address of farm, if different from above (same)

Section 26 Township 109 County Rice

Number of acres in the farm at present 160

Date of original purchase by member of your family June 6, 1874

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

The NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 26, Township 109, Range 19 West of the Fifth Principal Meridian

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
Nils Anderson Dyrdahl (owner in 1876 or B4)	from 1874 to 1923	Father
Martin N. Dyrdahl next owner	from 1923 to 1957	Father
Robert D. Dyrdahl next owner	from 1957 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 (X)
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:

Mrs E. C. Coleman
(Witness sign here)

Robert D. Dyrdahl
(Signature of present owner)

Date 7-9-76

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1. From whom was the farm/purchased? originally from Charles Williams who had acquired it thru Military Land Bounty Act of 1855/Never farmed it.
1a. Purchased by Nils Anderson Dyrdaahl
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? 160
3. What was the cost of land per acre? \$12.44
4. Where was the first owner born? Sogn (Kirkebo) Norway
5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? He had worked as a hired hand in the area since coming from (Norway).
6. Was this a homestead? No - but Nils Dyrdaahl was first to farm the land.
7. Did the first owner farm the land? (Williams did not farm the land)
8. Did he engage in any trades or occupations other than farming?
Charles Williams was a Veteran.....never lived on farm.
Nils Anderson Dyrdaahl farmed...no other occupations.
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? In 1955 (Barn built in 1925)
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? Corn at present time. Has been diversified crop and dairy farm in past.
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
The Faribault Daily News - Faribault, Mn. 55021
The Kenyon Leader - Kenyon, Mn. 55946

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

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CENTURY FARMS
ST. PAUL, MN 55108

Century Farm Application

Re: Application of Robert D. & LaVonne M. Dyrdaahl/Kenyon, Mn. 55946

The original owner of the farm was Charles Williams, a Civil War Veteran who acquired the land thru the Military Bounty Act of 1855. He never farmed the land and in 1874, the land was purchased by a young newcomer from Norway by the name of Nils Anderson Dyrdaahl.

Nils Dyrdaahl married a young norwegian newcomer and they settled on the farm in 1874. They had nine sons and two daughters, and one adopted daughter. One of the older boys homesteaded in Mayville, North Dakota and two boys homesteaded near Williams, Minnesota, and one at Malta, Montana. One daughter died at about 20 years and the other daughter married and homesteaded at Williston, North Dakota. One son died in infancy and another died from the flu at Camp Grant, Illinois while in process of being released after being in France in World War I. Martin Dyrdaahl remained at home and purchased the farm from his parents in 1923. The youngest son became a partner in the grocery business in Kenyon until his retirement. The adopted daughter married a mechanic/machinist. All are now deceased.

Martin Dyrdaahl married Olianna Gunderson whose parents were also immigrants from Norway. They purchased the farm in 1923 and continued to live with their family of three daughters and one son until retirement. Martin passed away in 1962 and Olianna died in 1972.

Robert is married to LaVonne M. Magee. They have five sons and two daughters. Richard who just completed his second year at University of Minnesota (Morris), Steven, first year at Willmar Vo-Tech, and Scott who just completed Kenyon High School and will attend Vo-Tech at Austin. Ross and Jaye are in Kenyon junior-senior high school, Kerri a first grader at Kenyon Elementary and Heidi, who will be two years in November.

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CENTURY FARMS
ST. PAUL, MN 55108

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Name of Centennial Farm owner

Lowell A. Gess ^{OK} Dewey E. Wolf 1958

Name(s) to appear on certificate

Lowell A. Gess

Address

716 NISSEN ST. ALEXANDRIA, MINN 56308

Address of farm, if different from above

Nerstrand

Section

14

Township

Wheeling

County

Rice

Number of acres in the farm at present

80 Acres

Date of original purchase by member of your family

1856

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

East 1/2 of Southwest 1/4 Section 14
Township 110 19

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>Paul George Wolf</u> (owner in 1876 or B4)	from <u>1856</u> to <u>1899</u> ^{not pure 100 years}	<u>Father</u>
<u>John B. Wolf</u> next owner	from to <u>1899</u>	<u>Father</u>
<u>Edw. J. Wolf</u> next owner	from <u>1899</u> to <u>1939</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>Dewey E. Wolf</u> next owner	from <u>1939</u> to <u>1972</u>	<u>Uncle</u>
<u>Lowell A. Gess</u> next owner	from <u>1972</u> to <u>1976</u>	<u>Uncle</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:

(Witness sign here)

Lowell A. Gess
(Signature of present owner)

Date _____

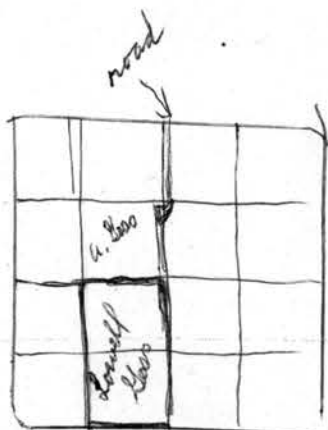
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1. From whom was the farm purchased? Heirs of Dewey E. Wolf
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? _____
3. What was the cost of land per acre? _____
4. Where was the first owner born? Ritzinger, Bavaria, Germany
5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? Wheeling, Illinois
6. Was this a homestead? Not exactly. The original was in what is now Minnesota State Park
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? Yes, the log barn but it is now covered with up & down slats
10. When was the present home built? 1899
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? Corn
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
Faribault Daily News Faribault, Minn 55021

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



Also Kenyon Leader
Kenyon, Minn 55946
and
Northfield Times
Northfield
Minn 55057

1955

WOLF HISTORY

Paul George Wolf was born in Kitzinger, Bavaria, Germany, in 1815. He married Elizabeth Vogel of Markstaft, Bavaria, Germany. They immigrated to the United States by way of Quebec and the Great Lakes, and settled in Wheeling, Lake County, Illinois, with their three oldest children.

Eight years later, with their seven children, they joined two other families in making the trip to Minnesota. These were the Adam Knopf Sr. and the Christian Erb families. These three families gave the name of Wheeling to this township since it was still unnamed when they arrived. They brought with them seventy-five head of cattle. These were made to ford the Mississippi River while the wagons and other supplies crossed on a ferry near Winona.

They all took homesteads in Rice County. The Wolf family put up a corral in what is now the Nerstrand State Park to hold their share of the cattle. Their cabin was erected west of the Waterfall Road.

It is of interest to know that this wooded area stayed in the family until it was sold back to the Federal Government. A change was later made whereby the State took this in exchange for other wooded areas in the northern part of the state.

The next year they settled on the farm, which is still in the family and operated by Dewey Wolf, a great grandson.

Paul G. Wolf, however, did not live long at this new home. Like the other pioneers he also had to clear the land. In doing this, at the age of forty-one, he was fatally injured when a falling tree hit a branch that snapped back. At the time of his death, Elizabeth, the youngest child, was only two years old. Since there were no cemeteries at that time, a burial was made in the grove near their home.

The task of helping care for the family fell to fifteen year old John B. It was with him and his family that the mother continued to make her home until her death in 1893.

Other members of the family were Barbara (Mrs. George Knopf); Mike, who died in the Civil War; Conrad; Sally (Mrs. John Bosshardt); Mary (Mrs. Martin Gagstetter); and Elizabeth (Mrs. Emil Rehnke). At the present time, a century after the arrival of the Paul Wolfs, there are thirteen surviving grandchildren of the original thirty-two. There are about seventy great-grandchildren, over one hundred great-great-grandchildren, and about sixty great-great-great-grandchildren among the descendants.

(Prepared by Mrs. Arthur Gess (Frances Wolf) of Nerstrand and read at the Centennial observance Sunday, July 17, 1955.)

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Name of Centennial Farm owner

MICHAEL HAGERTY

Name(s) to appear on certificate

MICHAEL & ANGELA HAGERTY

Address

ROUTE 1 KILKENNY, MINN.

Address of farm, if different from above

(same)

Section

20

Township

Shieldsville

County

RICE

Number of acres in the farm at present

234

Date of original purchase by member of your family

July 16, 1858

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

E2 W2 + SE4 S + W OF Rd. + W3/4 L2 + SW4NE4 20 110 22

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>DENNIS HAGERTY</u> (owner in 1876 or B4)	from 1858 to 1909	<u>FATHER</u>
<u>Wm. HAGERTY</u> next owner	from 1909 to 1959	<u>FATHER</u>
<u>DENIS et al HAGERTY</u> next owner	from <u>MAY 1959</u> to <u>JUNE 1959</u>	<u>BROTHERS</u>
<u>DENIS et al to Thos. HAGERTY</u> next owner	from <u>JUNE 1959</u> to 1966	<u>HUSBAND</u>
<u>Thos. to Veronica</u> next owner	from to	<u>MOTHER</u>
<u>MICHAEL HAGERTY</u> next owner	from 1967 to NOW	
next owner	from to	
next owner		

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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:

Angela Hagerty
 (Witness sign here)

Michael D. Hagerty
 (Signature of present owner)

Date

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1. From whom was the farm purchased? given by USA to Dennis Hagerty
for service in army (JULY 16, 1958)
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? 160
3. What was the cost of land per acre? _____
4. Where was the first owner born? Ireland
5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? was in the Virginia militia
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?
Not Known
9. Is the original home, or any portion of it or other original buildings, still standing or in use?
probably not
10. When was the present home built? early 1900's probably
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? dairy farm
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
Faribault Daily News

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 HAROLD H. HOMEIER
Name(s) to appear on certificate HAROLD H. HOMEIER
Address KENYON, MINN RR#2
Address of farm, if different from above _____

Section 36 Township WHEELING County RICE

Number of acres in the farm at present 200

Date of original purchase by member of your family FEB, 26 1876

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

E 1/2 OF THE NE 1/4 and the NW 1/4 of the NE 1/4 in Sec 36
Twp. 110 N RGE 19W

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>HENRY HOMEIER</u> (owner in 1876 or B4)	from 1876 to 1929	^{SON} GRAND FATHER <u>EDWARD HOMEIER</u>
<u>EDWARD HOMEIER</u> next owner	from 1929 to 1949	<u>SON HAROLD H. HOMEIER</u>
<u>HAROLD H. HOMEIER</u> next owner	from 1949 to 1976	
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	

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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:

Duane Schaper
(Witness sign here)

Harold Homeier
(Signature of present owner)

Date 6-29-76

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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? 1958
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? Corn, beans, soybeans, milk & eggs
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
Kenyon Leader & Oaribault Daily News

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

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ST. PAUL, MN 55108

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Name of Centennial Farm owner Mr. & Mrs. Burney Johnson

Name(s) to appear on certificate Mr. & Mrs.

Address RT-1 Box 290

Address of farm, if different from above Faribault, Minn.

Section 23-28 Township Wheeling County Rice

Number of acres in the farm at present 200 acres

Date of original purchase by member of your family Mar. 30th, 1955

Legal description of the land (from deed, abstract, tax statement)
E 1/2 of NE 1/4, Sec. 33, Township 110 - Range 11

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>Ludwig Meese</u> (owner in 1876 or B4)	from 1860 to 1866	Wife <u>To Wilhelmina - July 1864</u>
son <u>Ernst Meese</u> next owner	from ¹⁸⁶⁶ 1864 to ¹⁹⁰⁹ Mar 19	son <u>Emil Meese - Mar 19 1909</u>
son <u>Emil Meese</u> next owner	from ¹⁹⁰⁹ 1866 to <u>Mar 30, 1955</u>	<u>Emil + Emma Meese - son</u>
daughter <u>Burney Evelyn</u> next owner	from 1955 to 1976	<u>Evelyn, daughter</u>
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:

Evelyn Meese Johnson
(Witness sign here)

Burney and Evelyn Johnson
(Signature of present owner)

Date June 29th, 1976

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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1. From whom was the farm purchased? Emil + Emma Meese
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? 160 acres
3. What was the cost of land per acre? \$125 dollars per acre
4. Where was the first owner born? Illinois or Germany
5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? P
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?
Not that we know off
9. Is the original home, or any portion of it or other original buildings, still standing or in use? none
10. When was the present home built? 1909
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? Dairy, Corn, Oat, Hay, Beans
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
Faribault Daily News

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

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

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Name of Centennial Farm owner Arnold + Elsie Keller
Name(s) to appear on certificate Arnold + Elsie Keller
Address Nerstrand, Minn. 55053
Address of farm, if different from above _____

Section 22-27 Township Wheeling County Rice
Number of acres in the farm at present 280

Date of original purchase by member of your family July 1855

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

E 1/2 of NE 1/4 and NW 1/4 of NE 1/4 and N 1/2 of NW 1/4 - Sec. 27-110-19
W 1/2 of SW 1/4 - Sec. 22-110-19

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>Jacob J. Bosshart</u> (owner in 1876 or B4)	from <u>1855</u> to <u>1917</u>	<u>Father</u>
<u>Frank J. Bosshart</u> next owner	from <u>1917</u> to <u>1954</u>	<u>Husband</u>
<u>Amanda M. Bosshart</u> next owner	from <u>1954</u> to <u>1975</u>	<u>Mother</u>
<u>Elsie Keller</u> next owner	from <u>1975</u> to <u>-</u>	<u>-</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 ()	Other (please explain _____)
County Land Record ()	

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

Craig A. Keller
(Witness sign here)

Mrs. Elsie Keller
(Signature of present owner)

Date June 30, 1976

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1. From whom was the farm purchased? Staked a claim
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? 160
3. What was the cost of land per acre? —
4. Where was the first owner born? Switzerland
5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? Iowa
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? 1867
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? Corn-hay-dairy
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
Faribault Daily News - Faribault, Minn.

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

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

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Name of Centennial Farm owner Joe & Eleanor Kenney
Name(s) to appear on certificate Joe & Eleanor Kenney
Address R2 Box 109 Faribault MN 55021
Address of farm, if different from above _____

Section 24-35 Walcott 19-Richland Township _____ County Rice

Number of acres in the farm at present 210

Date of original purchase by member of your family Early 1860'

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

W 1/2 of NE 1/4 - NW 1/4 of SE 1/4 of Section 24 and N 1/2 of W 1/2 of NW 1/4 of the NW 1/4
of Section 35 - (all in Township 109 N of Range 20 W. and N 1/2 of NW 1/4 Section 19 Township 109
N of Range 19 W)

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>John Kenney</u> (owner in 1876 or B4)	from <u>1860</u> to <u>1923</u>	<u>Grandfather</u>
<u>Michael H. Kenney</u> next owner	from <u>1923</u> to <u>1949</u>	<u>Uncle</u>
<u>Annie H. Kenney</u> next owner	from <u>1923</u> to <u>1949</u>	<u>Aunt</u>
<u>Joe & Eleanor Kenney</u> next owner	from <u>1949</u> 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 (x)
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:

Mary Ann Langeslag
(Witness sign here)

Date 6-27-78

Joe Kenney
(Signature of present owner)

Eleanor Kenney

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1. From whom was the farm purchased? Suman Beach (see below)
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? 160
3. What was the cost of land per acre? _____
4. Where was the first owner born? Ireland
5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? Minneapolis (1 year)
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?

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 1880
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? Corn & beans
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
Forbault Daily news

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

~~Max~~ Robert W. Maxwell returned land back to General Land office by the general surveyor the Chief Warrant having been assigned by the said Robert W. Maxwell to Suman Beach on the tenth day of April 1860, and as for as I know my granddod got the land in the mid sixties. Of the Kenney family all twelve children were born on the farm the first in 1849 my dad the youngest was born in 1886, myself in 1913 and am still on the land

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Name of Centennial Farm owner Leonard F. & Conilla Murphy
Name(s) to appear on certificate _____
Address R.R. 3, Faribault, Minn. Box 60
Address of farm, if different from above _____

Section 23 Township Warsaw County Rice
Number of acres in the farm at present 80
Date of original purchase by member of your family 1871
Legal description of the land (from deed, abstract, tax statement)
E 1/2 of SE 1/4 Section 23-109-21

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>James Murphy</u> (owner in 1876 or B4)	from <u>1871</u> to <u>1926</u>	<u>FaTher</u>
<u>Frank Murphy</u> next owner	from <u>1926</u> to <u>1949</u>	<u>FaTher</u>
<u>Leonard Murphy</u> next owner	from <u>1949</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 ()	Court file in Registration
Land Patent ()	Proceedings ()
Original Deed ()	Other (please explain _____)
County Land Record <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

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

Ralph Brown (Witness sign here) Leonard F. and Conilla Murphy (Signature of present owner)

Date 6-30-76

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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? \$ 6.00 + per acre
4. Where was the first owner born? Wexford County, Ireland
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? yes
10. When was the present home built? 1894
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? Corn and Beans
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
Saribault Daily News

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

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Name of Centennial Farm owner Margaret McDonald
Name(s) to appear on certificate Margaret McDonald
Address R.R. 2 Box 136 Faribault, Minn.
Address of farm, if different from above _____

Section 8 109 19 Township Richland County Rice
Number of acres in the farm at present 120 acres
Date of original purchase by member of your family Aug. 12, 1964
Legal description of the land (from deed, abstract, tax statement)
SW 4 NW 4 W 2 SW 4
8 109 19

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
Francis and Jane McDonald (owner in 1876 or B4)	from 8/12/64 to 7/24/66	Father
Frank McDonald next owner	from 7/24/66 to 12/27/87	Husband
Norah McDonald next owner	from 12/27/87 to 9/14/35	Mother
Ed + John McDonald next owner	from 9/14/35 to 5/6/1946	Brother
Henry + John McDonald next owner	from 5/6/1946 to 4/17/53	Brother
Henry McDonald next owner	from 4/17/53 to 4/12/1955	Father
Francis + Margaret McDonald next owner McDonald	from 4/12/1955 to 4/12/1956	

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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:

Daniel W. Donald
(Witness sign here)

Margaret McDonald
(Signature of present owner)

Date June 28, 1976

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1. From whom was the farm purchased? William and Hester Clark
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? 160 acres
3. What was the cost of land per acre? 160 acres - \$975
4. Where was the first owner born? _____
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? _____

10. When was the present home built? 1966
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? Livestock, Corn, Soy Beans, Hay
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
Fairbault Daily News

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

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Name of Centennial Farm owner Ruth Mc Kenna
Name(s) to appear on certificate Ruth Mc Kenna
Address R 4 Box 80 Faribault, Minn
Address of farm, if different from above _____

Section 6 Township Wells County Rice

Number of acres in the farm at present 94

Date of original purchase by member of your family 1969

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

SW 4 SE 4 and L 3 and E 1/2 . 25 A L 4 EX NW 10 A
and EX 6 110 21

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>Cornelius & Catherine Curran</u> (owner in 1876 or B4)	from 1861 to 1869	<u>None</u>
<u>Patsch Mc Kenna, S</u> next owner	from 1869 to 1872	<u>Son Father</u>
<u>James Mc Kenna</u> next owner	from 1872 to 1901	<u>Wife Husband</u>
<u>Catherine Mc Kenna</u> next owner	from 1901 to 1942	<u>Mother</u>
<u>James Mc Kenna</u> next owner	from 1942 to 1969	<u>Husband</u>
<u>Ruth Mc Kenna</u> next owner	from 1969 to 1976	
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 ☐ _____

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

Bernadette Buchta (Witness sign here) Ruth Mc Kenna (Signature of present owner)
Notary Public, Rice County, Minn.
My Commission Expires May 13, 1977

Date 6-30-76

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1. From whom was the farm purchased? "Granny" Curran, Catherine Cornellius
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? 97
3. What was the cost of land per acre? \$800 total
4. Where was the first owner born? Dynase, Ireland
5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? Stratford, Canada
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? yes, home and grainery
10. When was the present home built? about 1895
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? soy beans & corn & hay
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
Garbault Daily News

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

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

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Name of Centennial Farm owner Mr & Mrs Walter Meyer

Name(s) to appear on certificate Mr & Mrs Walter Meyer

Address Rt 1 Box 288

Address of farm, if different from above same

Section 28 Township Wheeling County Rice

Number of acres in the farm at present 177.08

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
<u>Fredric K A Helberg</u> (owner in 1876 or B4)	from <u>7/1/56</u> to <u>1890</u>	<u>Homestead</u>
<u>Herman H Helberg</u> next owner	from <u>1890</u> to <u>1920</u>	<u>Son</u>
<u>Anton F. Helberg</u> next owner	from <u>1920</u> to <u>1960</u>	<u>Son</u>
<u>Walter Helberg</u> next owner	from <u>8/1/60</u> to	<u>Son-in-Law & Daughter</u>
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:

Ralph Brown
(Witness sign here)

Walter Meyer
(Signature of present owner)

Date 7-9-76

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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? Germany
5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? New York & Illinois
6. Was this a homestead? he worked as a farm hand
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? first home was a log house. Five years latter replaced with present home.
10. When was the present home built? 1877
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? corn, beans, oats, wheat
and dairy
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
Hartland Daily News.

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

*small portions of land were added which are on
recorded at the Rice County Court house.*

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CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Name of Centennial Farm owner MYRTLE RIPPLE
Name(s) to appear on certificate MYRTLE RIPPLE
Address RR. 2 Northfield, Minn 55057
Address of farm, if different from above _____

Section 33 Township Bridgewater County Rice
Number of acres in the farm at present 79
Date of original purchase by member of your family 1867, May 8
Legal description of the land (from deed, abstract, tax statement)
W 1/2 of N.E 1/4 Section 33 - 112 - 20

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>Alfred Severance</u> (owner in 1876 or B4)	from <u>1867</u> to <u>1874</u>	
<u>Rufus Severance</u> next owner	from <u>1874</u> to <u>1914</u>	<u>brother</u>
<u>J. Stanley Ripple</u> next owner	from <u>1914</u> to <u>1970</u>	<u>great nephew</u>
<u>Myrtle Ripple</u> next owner	from <u>1970</u> to	<u>daughter</u>
	from to	
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	

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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 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:

Harold J. Cody
(Witness sign here)

Myrtle Ripple
(Signature of present owner)

Date July 10, 1976

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1. From whom was the farm purchased? R. V. Smith & Mary J
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? 80
3. What was the cost of land per acre? \$17.50
4. Where was the first owner born? Vermont
5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? No known
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? grains
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
Northfield News

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 Elsie M Rustad

Name(s) to appear on certificate Elsie M Rustad

Address 419 S. W. 9th Ave, Faribault, Minn. 55021

Address of farm, if different from above R.R. 1 Faribault Minn.

Section 27 Township Wheeling County Rice

Number of acres in the farm at present 158 to 160 acres

Date of original purchase by member of your family March 5, 1868

Legal description of the land (from deed, abstract, tax statement)
160 acres - Sec. 27 Township 110 - Range 19

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>Wm Kiel</u> (owner in 1876 or B4)	from <u>1868</u> to <u>1902</u>	<u>My Grand father (Paternal)</u>
<u>Charles Kiel</u> next owner	from <u>1902</u> to <u>1941</u>	<u>My Father</u>
<u>Elsie M Rustad</u> next owner	<u>joint tenancy</u> from to	<u>with Chas Kiel from 1941 to 1951</u>
<u>Elsie M Rustad</u> next owner	from <u>1951</u> to <u>the present</u>	<u>(daughter of Chas Kiel)</u>
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 <u>Quit claim Deed</u>)
County Land Record (X)	<u>Warranty Deed</u>

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

Rev. G. L. Rustad
(Witness sign here)

Elsie M Rustad
(Signature of present owner)

Date June 24, 1976

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1. From whom was the farm purchased? Mr Christian Schroeder
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? 160
3. What was the cost of land per acre? between \$16 & \$17
4. Where was the first owner born? Germany
5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? Palentine, Ill. Farmer
6. Was this a homestead? ~~no~~ yes
7. Did the first owner farm the land? yes
8. Did he engage in any trades or occupations other than farming?
Cabinet maker & carpenter
9. Is the original home, or any portion of it or other original buildings, still standing or in use? yes
Barn & 2 Story Brick House
10. When was the present home built? 1870
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? corn & Soybeans
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
Faribault Daily news

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

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Name of Centennial Farm owner HAROLD H. SANDAGER
Name(s) to appear on certificate MR & MRS. HAROLD H. SANDAGER
Address ROUTE 1 NORTHFIELD, MINN 55057
Address of farm, if different from above ROUTE 1

NELSTRAND, MINN. 55053
Section 14 Township WHEELING County RICE

Number of acres in the farm at present 80

Date of original purchase by member of your family MAR. 27, 1856

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

SW 1/4 OF NW 1/4 AND NW 1/4 OF SW 1/4 ALL IN SECTION
14 TOWNSHIP 110 NORTH, RANGE 19 W OF THE 5TH PRINCIPAL
MERIDIAN

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
PAUL WOLF (owner in 1876 or B4)	from 1856 to 1875	
JOHN B. WOLF next owner	from 1875 to 1899	SON
EDWARD J. WOLF next owner	from 1899 to 1961	SON
MRS. SADIE M. FISHER next owner	from 1961 to 1975	DAUGHTER
HAROLD H. SANDAGER next owner	from 1975 to PRESENT	SON-IN-LAW
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 (✓)	

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

Sadie M. Fisher
(Witness sign here)

Harold H. Sandager
(Signature of present owner)

Date June 30, 1976

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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1. From whom was the farm purchased? MRS. SADIE M. FISHER
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? 160
3. What was the cost of land per acre? WE DONT KNOW THE ORIGINAL COST BUT IN 1899 EDW. J. WOLF PAID 50 PER ACRE
4. Where was the first owner born? MARKSTREET, KITZINGER, GERMANY
5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? WHEELING, 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? YES. THE ORIGINAL BARN BUILT IN 1860 OF LOGS WITH MATCHED BOARDS PUT OVER IT IS STILL STANDING AS A CHICKEN KOOP. THE NEXT LARGE BARN WAS BUILT IN 1878 USING HUGE TIMBERS* AND AT LEAST 2' THICK STONE WALLS AND IS STILL IN USE.
10. When was the present home built? 1927
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? CORN, SOY BEANS & ALFALFA
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
NORTHFIELD NEWS AND FARIBAUT DAILY NEWS

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

* THESE TIMBERS WERE 32' & 36' PEGGED

OUR ANCESTORS HAVE MANY STORIES TOLD DOWN THROUGH THE YEARS OF HAVING CONTACT WITH INDIANS WHO HAD A PATH THROUGH THE WOODED AREA PROBABLY LEADING TOWARD MANKATO. THEY WERE FRIENDLY BUT NOT EVERYONE TRUSTED THEM WHEN THEY WANTED TO TRADE DEER MEAT FOR BREAD OR OTHER TYPES OF FOOD. A LITTLE INDIAN GIRL WAS BROKENHEARTED WHEN SHE COULDN'T OBTAIN A PUPPY FROM PAUL G. WOLF.

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THERE HAVE ALWAYS BEEN AT LEAST 2
INDIAN MOUNDS (WE PRESUME THE MANNER IN WHICH
THE INDIANS BURY THEIR DEAD,) THESE WERE
LOCATED IN A CORNER OF PERMANENT PASTURE LAND
WHICH WE AS THE PRESENT OWNERS PLOWED
OVER FOR THE FIRST TIME IN THE FALL OF
1975.

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

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Name of Centennial Farm owner James C. Simon
Name(s) to appear on certificate " "
Address RR 2 Box 488 New Prague 56071

Address of farm, if different from above _____

Section 7 Township 112 Wheatland County Rice

Number of acres in the farm at present 120

Date of original purchase by member of your family 1864

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

E 1/2 of SE 1/4 + E 1/2 of W 1/2 of SE 1/4

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>James Wilson</u> (owner in 1876 or B4)	<u>from 1860 to 1864</u>	<u>Thomas Simon</u>
<u>Thomas Simon</u> next owner	<u>from 1864 to 1883</u>	<u>John Simon</u>
<u>John Simon</u> next owner	<u>from 1883 to 1927</u>	<u>James Simon</u>
<u>James Simon</u> next owner	<u>from 1927 to 1964</u>	
<u>James C. Simon</u> next owner	<u>from 1964 to Present</u>	
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	

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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 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:

Ralph Brown
(Witness sign here)

James C. Simon
(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 Wilson
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? 120
3. What was the cost of land per acre? around 8⁰⁰ an acre.
4. Where was the first owner born? Don't know
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?
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? corn alfalfa & Cattle
Exhibit.
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
New Prague Times

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

FOR REFERENCE

I still reside and make my home on premises described in the attached application. However I do not operate the farm as my age does not permit it any more. The land is operated by my son Rudolph Skluzacek who lives nearby.

I live in a newer homewhich I built some years ago. The home that was built in about 1890 is still in good condition and is leased to younger people.

Signed

Frank J. Skluzacek
Frank J. Skluzacek

... LORD bless and keep you ...

MR. FRANK J SKLUZACEK
BOX 412
LONSDALE, MN 55046

Additional Information

Be it understood that I don't want to brag about myself. But when I took over this farm in 1923 I set certain goals which I made in my mind to perform and carry thru.

I think I've accomplished those goals. Almost every year I have replaced an old building with a new one until I replaced all the old buildings except the house which I completely remodeled.

The fields were cleared of timber by my dad except several acres of marsh land with heavy growth of willows. I have laid about $\frac{3}{4}$ mile of drain tiles to drain those acres which now produce bumper crops of corn.

This winter I went to work and drew a picture of my farm as it was in 1923. I think I made a pretty good job of it. And I also have a airplane picture of the farm taken lately.

If you care for more information about my farm and myself I'd be glad to oblige I show my farm.

Sincerely Frank J. Skelzycek / Over please

I Am now 83 years. I Had only grade school education. But I done pretty well
I wrote many letters to the Editor
and were all published

When I was of school age had needed
me at the farm to take care of a pair
of mares and a walking plow.

There were no bicycles at that time
like today for boys.

I could go on and on for ever.
When I was about 13 years I worked on
roads with a team of horses making
\$3.⁵⁰ per 10 hour day.

As I said I'd be glad to tell
you more. My farm is only $\frac{1}{2}$ mile
out of Soudaie
Thank you

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Name of Centennial Farm owner Frank J. Skluzacek

Name(s) to appear on certificate Frank J. Skluzacek

P.O.Box 412

Address Lonsdale, Minn. 55046

Address of farm, if different from above Same as above

Section 22 Township 112 County Rice

Number of acres in the farm at present 120 acres

Date of original purchase by member of your family October 29, 1874

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

The South One-half (S $\frac{1}{2}$) of the Southeast Quarter (SE $\frac{1}{4}$) Section 22 Township 112

(Wheatland) Range 22 West. Rice County, Minnesota.

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
Cyrill & Mary Pieton (owner in 1876 or B4)	from 1873 to 1874	None
next owner	from to	
Jacob Skluzacek	from 1874 to 1877	Father
next owner		
Thomas Skluzacek	from 1877 to 1923	Son
next owner		
Frank J. Skluzacek	from 1923 to Present time	Son Present owner
next owner	from to	(Thomas Skluzacek was the father of
next owner	from to	Frank J. Skluzacek and Jacob Skluzacek
next owner	from to	was the Grand-father

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

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

John J. Jirik
(Witness sign here)

Frank J. Skluzacek
(Signature of present owner)

Date June 25, 1976

See reverse side for additional information.

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1. From whom was the farm purchased? Cyrille & Mary Pieton
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? Eighty (80) acres
3. What was the cost of land per acre? \$5.94 per acre
4. Where was the first owner born? Czechoslovakia, Europe
5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? New Prague, Minn.
6. Was this a homestead? Yes
7. Did the first owner farm the land? Yes Only about eight acres was tillable, balance was in heavy timber
8. Did he engage in any trades or occupations other than farming?
He did some Blacksmith work
9. Is the original home, or any portion of it or other original buildings, still standing or in use? None
10. When was the present home built? About 1890
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? Corn, Soy beans, Hay and Cattle
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
Faribault Daily News, Faribault, Minn. 55021 Also New Prague Times
New Prague Mn.

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

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

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

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Name of Centennial Farm owner Clarence J. Smisek
Name(s) to appear on certificate Clarence J. Smisek & Janice M. Smisek
Address Rural Route #1 Box 11 Lonsdale, Minn.
55046
Address of farm, if different from above _____

Section Fifteen (15) Township (112) One Hundred Twelve County Rice
Number of acres in the farm at present Eighty (80)
Date of original purchase by member of your family October 13, 1869
Legal description of the land (from deed, abstract, tax statement)
Southwest Quarter (SW $\frac{1}{4}$) of Section 15, Township 112 Range 22, Rice Co.

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>Vaclav Smisek</u> (owner in 1876 or B4)	<u>from 1869 to 1876</u>	<u>father</u>
<u>Vencel Smisek Jr.</u> next owner	<u>from 1876 to 1913</u>	<u>father</u>
<u>Frederick A. Smisek</u> next owner	<u>from 1913 to 1948</u>	<u>father</u>
<u>Clarence Smisek</u> next owner	<u>from 1948 to present day</u>	<u>father</u>
next owner	<u>from to</u>	
next owner	<u>from to</u>	
next owner	<u>from to</u>	
next owner	<u>from to</u>	

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Abstract of Title (X)	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:

Donald B. Gold
(Witness sign here)

Clarence J. Smisek
(Signature of present owner)

Date June 28, 1976

See reverse side for additional information.

Copy of abstract entries enclosed

(Hyp of S.W. 1/4 Sec 15 Twp 112 R 22)

GRANTOR	WIFE	GRANTEE	INSTRUMENT	DATE OF INSTRUMENT			DATE OF RECORD				RECORDED		No. Acres	Wit- nesses	CONSIDER- ATION		
				Year	Month	Day	Year	Month	Day	A.M.	P.M.	Book					Page
1 Plat-Book of U.S. Survey of Public Lands		Anson Benjamin	Plat-Book Entry	(This entry made from plat-book said to have been made at U.S. Land Office showing S.W. 1/4 of Sec 15 Twp 112 R 22)													
2 Anson Benjamin & Bridget wife		Samuel S. Smoot & William B. Wood	Warranty Deed	1868	May	13	1868	May	15	7	-	8	436	-	2	200 ⁰⁰	S.W. 1/4 Sec 15 Twp 112 R 22
3 County Auditor of Rice Co.		Danforth Patterson	Tax Deed	1863	July	8	1863	July	18	-	2	H	720	-	2	26 ⁷⁶	S.W. 1/4 Sec 15 Twp 112 R 22
4 Samuel S. Smoot & W. B. Wood & Annie wife		Clud B. Darling	Warranty Deed	1860	Aug.	20	1860	Oct	22	10	-	H	786	-	2	300 ⁰⁰	S.W. 1/4 Sec 15 Twp 112 R 22
5 County Treasurer of Rice Co.		E. N. Darling	Deed of Redemption	1863	Oct	21	1863	Oct	22	10	-	Jefferys	207	-	2	29 ¹²	Redemption of S.W. 1/4 Sec 15 Twp 112 R 22
6 Christopher Briggs & Clark A. Patterson		Harlan Smisek	Warranty Deed	1869	Oct	13	1869	Dec	14	-	4	J	615	-	0	650 ⁰⁰	S.W. 1/4 Sec 15 Twp 112 R 22
7 Executors of last will & Testament of Danforth Patterson deceased & Clark A. Patterson & Helen his wife their own right																	
8 Danforth Patterson by Surrogate Court																	
9 Surrogate Court of Franklin Co. N.Y.		Clark A. Patterson & Christopher Briggs	Will & Proofs	1867	June	17	1869	Dec	14	-	4	Blair	458	-	2	-	Devising all real estate to
10 Vaclav Smisek & Elizabeth wife		Clark A. Patterson & Christopher Briggs	Certificate	1869	Nov	4	1869	Dec	14	-	4	Blair	491	-	-	-	Certificate that Clark A. Patterson
11 Anson Benjamin		Vaclav Smisek Jr	Warranty Deed	1876	March	6	1876	March	18	10	-	ES	168	50	2	500 ⁰⁰	Hyp of S.W. 1/4 Sec 15 Twp 112 R 22
12 Anson Benjamin		Clark A. Patterson	Mortgage Deed	1857	Sept	23	1857	Sept	24	10	-	3	163	-	2	200 ⁰⁰	S.W. 1/4 Sec 15 Twp 112 R 22
13 Anson Benjamin		Clark A. Patterson	Warranty Deed	1864	March	24	1864	March	26	7	-	1	277	-	2	399 ⁷⁶	Foreclosure of mortgage
14 Anson Benjamin		Christopher Briggs	Mortgage Deed	1868	Nov	17	1868	Dec	14	-	4	10	405	-	2	400 ⁰⁰	S.W. 1/4 Sec 15 Twp 112 R 22
15 Anson Benjamin		Harlan Smisek	Warranty Deed	1878	Feb	10	1878	Sept	12	-	17	17	116	-	2	-	Satisfaction of mortgage
16 Anson Benjamin		Harlan Smisek	Mortgage Deed	1874	Dec	11	1874	Dec	18	-	4	3	252	-	2	300 ⁰⁰	S.W. 1/4 Sec 15 Twp 112 R 22
17 Anson Benjamin		Vaclav Smisek	Satisfaction	1880	Feb	28	1880	Feb	28	-	-	5	252	-	2	-	Satisfaction of mortgage
18 Anson Benjamin		Michael Fitzpatrick	Mortgage Deed	1878	Nov	4	1878	Sept	2	-	4	7	357	-	2	300 ⁰⁰	Hyp of S.W. 1/4 Sec 15 Twp 112 R 22
19 Anson Benjamin		Albert Smisek & others	Satisfaction	1886	May	22	1886	May	22	-	-	7	357	-	2	-	Satisfaction of mortgage
20 Anson Benjamin		W. W. Kucera	Mortgage Deed	1900	Nov	1	1901	July	11	9 3/4	-	53	135	-	2	1500 ⁰⁰	W 1/2 SW 1/4 of Sec 15-112-22
21 Anson Benjamin		Wm. Smisek & Catherine, his wife	Satisfaction	1910	Nov	21	1910	Dec	3	11	-	57	632	-	2	-	Satisfaction of the mortgage
22 Anson Benjamin		Thomas F. Vanacek	Power of Atty	1892	July	10	1902	Sept	6	10 1/2	-	A.P.A.	360	-	2	-	Power of Atty to
23 Anson Benjamin		Frank Soukup	Mortgage	1910	Nov	30	1910	Dec	3	11	-	65	173	-	2	1500 ⁰⁰	W 1/2 of SW 1/4 of Sec 15-112-22
24 Anson Benjamin		Vaclav Smisek & Catherine, his wife	Satisfaction	1917	Oct	31	1917	Nov	6	10 1/4	-	72	357	-	2	-	Satisfaction of mortgage
25 Anson Benjamin		Frederick A. Smisek	Warranty Deed	1913	March	7	1913	March	10	-	3	99	268	-	2	100	W 1/2 SW 1/4 of Sec 15-112

DOCUMENT	DATE OF INSTRUMENT			DATE OF RECORD			RECORDED		No. Acres	Wt. Acres	CONSIDERATION	DESCRIPTION AND REMARKS
	Year	Month	Day	Year	Month	Day	A.M.	P.M.	Book	Page		
Entry (This entry made from plat book said to have been made at US Land Office showing 8 1/4 Sec 15 Twp 112 R 22 entered by Anson Benjamin Sept 13 th 1857 (Not a record in this office)												
Deed 1858 May 13 1858 May 15 7 - 8 436 - 2 200 ⁰⁰ 8 1/4 Sec 15 Twp 112 R 22	1858	May	13	1858	May	15	7	-	8	436	- 2	200 ⁰⁰ 8 1/4 Sec 15 Twp 112 R 22
Deed 1863 July 8 1863 July 18 - 2 8 720 - 2 26 ²⁶ 8 1/4 Sec 15 Twp 112 R 22	1863	July	8	1863	July	18	-	2	8	720	- 2	26 ²⁶ 8 1/4 Sec 15 Twp 112 R 22
Deed 1860 Aug. 20 1860 Oct- 22 10 - 8 786 - 2 300 ⁰⁰ 8 1/4 Sec 15 Twp 112 R 22	1860	Aug.	20	1860	Oct-	22	10	-	8	786	- 2	300 ⁰⁰ 8 1/4 Sec 15 Twp 112 R 22
Redemption 1863 Oct- 21 1863 Oct- 22 10 - 8 207 - 2 29 ¹⁴ Redemption of 8 1/4 Sec 15 Twp 112 R 22 from tax sale on line 3	1863	Oct-	21	1863	Oct-	22	10	-	8	207	- 2	29 ¹⁴ Redemption of 8 1/4 Sec 15 Twp 112 R 22 from tax sale on line 3
Deed 1869 Oct- 13 1869 Dec 14 - 4 8 615 - 0 650 ⁰⁰ 8 1/4 Sec 15 Twp 112 R 22	1869	Oct-	13	1869	Dec	14	-	4	8	615	- 0	650 ⁰⁰ 8 1/4 Sec 15 Twp 112 R 22
Proofs 1867 June 17 1869 Dec 14 - 4 BMR 488 - 2 - - Devising all real estate to executors in trust - with power to dispose of same & distribute proceeds among legatees	1867	June	17	1869	Dec	14	-	4	BMR	488	- 2	- - Devising all real estate to executors in trust - with power to dispose of same & distribute proceeds among legatees
Certificate 1869 Nov 4 1869 Dec 14 - 4 BMR 491 - - - Certificate that Clark Patterson & Christopher Briggs have qualified as executors of J. D. Patterson Dec 14 th 1869	1869	Nov	4	1869	Dec	14	-	4	BMR	491	- -	- - Certificate that Clark Patterson & Christopher Briggs have qualified as executors of J. D. Patterson Dec 14 th 1869
Deed 1876 March 6 1876 March 18 10 - 85- 168 80 2 500 ⁰⁰ Twp of 8 1/4 Sec 15 Twp 112 R 22	1876	March	6	1876	March	18	10	-	85-	168	80 2	500 ⁰⁰ Twp of 8 1/4 Sec 15 Twp 112 R 22
Deed 1857 Sept 20 1857 Sept 29 10 - 8 163 - 2 200 ⁰⁰ 8 1/4 Sec 15 Twp 112 R 22	1857	Sept	20	1857	Sept	29	10	-	8	163	- 2	200 ⁰⁰ 8 1/4 Sec 15 Twp 112 R 22
Deed 1864 March 26 7 - 8 247 - 2 399 ⁷⁴ Foreclosure of mortgage	1864	March	26	7	-	8	247	- 2	399 ⁷⁴	Foreclosure of mortgage		
Deed 1867 Dec 14 1867 Dec 14 - 4 M 505 - 2 400 ⁰⁰ 8 1/4 Sec 15 Twp 112 R 22	1867	Dec	14	1867	Dec	14	-	4	M	505	- 2	400 ⁰⁰ 8 1/4 Sec 15 Twp 112 R 22
Deed 1878 Sept 12 1878 Sept 12 - 4 1/2 8 186 - 2 - Satisfaction of mortgage last above (Mortgage of J. D. Patterson Dec 14 th 1869)	1878	Sept	12	1878	Sept	12	-	4 1/2	8	186	- 2	- Satisfaction of mortgage last above (Mortgage of J. D. Patterson Dec 14 th 1869)
Deed 1874 Dec 18 1874 Dec 18 - 4 8 252 - 2 300 ⁰⁰ 8 1/4 Sec 15 Twp 112 R 22	1874	Dec	18	1874	Dec	18	-	4	8	252	- 2	300 ⁰⁰ 8 1/4 Sec 15 Twp 112 R 22
Deed 1880 July 25 1880 July 25 - 8 252 - 2 - Satisfaction of mortgage last above on margin	1880	July	25	1880	July	25	-	8	252	- 2	-	Satisfaction of mortgage last above on margin
Deed 1878 Nov 4 1878 Sept 2 - 4 8 359 - 2 300 ⁰⁰ 8 1/4 Sec 15 Twp 112 R 22	1878	Nov	4	1878	Sept	2	-	4	8	359	- 2	300 ⁰⁰ 8 1/4 Sec 15 Twp 112 R 22
Deed 1886 May 22 1886 May 22 - 8 357 - 2 - Satisfaction of mortgage last above on margin	1886	May	22	1886	May	22	-	8	357	- 2	-	Satisfaction of mortgage last above on margin
Deed 1900 Nov 1 1901 July 11 9 3/4 - 58 135 - 2 1500 00 W 1/2 SW 1/4 of Sec 15-112-22, Due as of one note at 6% per annum. Signed as, Wm. L. Smith & Catherine Smith	1900	Nov	1	1901	July	11	9 3/4	-	58	135	- 2	1500 00 W 1/2 SW 1/4 of Sec 15-112-22, Due as of one note at 6% per annum. Signed as, Wm. L. Smith & Catherine Smith
Deed 1910 Nov 21 1910 Dec 3 11 - 57 632 - 2 - Satisfaction of the mortgage in Book 58 page 135	1910	Nov	21	1910	Dec	3	11	-	57	632	- 2	- Satisfaction of the mortgage in Book 58 page 135
Deed 1892 July 10 1902 Sept 6 10 1/2 - 65 173 - 2 - Power of Atty to J. D. Patterson & Christopher Briggs Mortgages in the County of Rice & others of Minnesota	1892	July	10	1902	Sept	6	10 1/2	-	65	173	- 2	- Power of Atty to J. D. Patterson & Christopher Briggs Mortgages in the County of Rice & others of Minnesota
Deed 1910 Nov 30 1910 Dec 3 11 - 65 173 - 2 1500 00 W 1/2 SW 1/4 of Sec 15-112-22, Due 5 years after date at 5%	1910	Nov	30	1910	Dec	3	11	-	65	173	- 2	1500 00 W 1/2 SW 1/4 of Sec 15-112-22, Due 5 years after date at 5%
Deed 1917 Oct 31 1917 Nov 6 10 1/4 - 72 357 - 2 - Satisfaction of mortgage in Book 65 page 173	1917	Oct	31	1917	Nov	6	10 1/4	-	72	357	- 2	- Satisfaction of mortgage in Book 65 page 173
Deed 1913 March 7 1913 March 10 - 3 99 268 - 2 100 W 1/2 SW 1/4 of Sec 15-112-22	1913	March	7	1913	March	10	-	3	99	268	- 2	100 W 1/2 SW 1/4 of Sec 15-112-22

No. 32.

Fredrick A°Smisek and Emma Smisek,
husband and wife.

To Joint Tenancy Warranty Deed.

Clarence J.Smisek and Janice M.
Smisek,husband and wife.

Dated June 3rd,1948.

Filed August 7th,1948 at 10 A.M.

Recorded in book 168 of deeds on page
\$1.00 for: The West Half($W\frac{1}{2}$)of the South
Quarter($SW\frac{1}{4}$)of Section Fifteen(15) Town
Hundred Twelve (112)Range Twenty Two(22)

\$5.50 Revenue Stamps Cancelled.

Acknowledged June 3rd,1948 by Fredrick
and Emma Smisek,husband and wife,before
Jirik,Notary Public,Rice County,Minnesota
Notarial Seal. Two Witnesses.

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1. From whom was the farm purchased? Danforth Patterson, Deceased & Clark Patterson & Helen, his wife, by
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? Christopher Briggs, executor (160 acres)
3. What was the cost of land per acre? \$650.00 total purchase price
4. Where was the first owner born? Vaclav Smisek (owner on March 6, 1876 immigrated from Czechoslovakia)
5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? Czechoslovakia
6. Was this a homestead? We think it was. The grandfather (Vaclav) came to this country with his father as a young man. We know nothing of his dad.
7. Did the first owner farm the land? Vaclav Smisek Farmed the land
8. Did he engage in any trades or occupations other than farming?
Yes, he was a very famous musician, which also is still in existence.
9. Is the original home, or any portion of it or other original buildings, still standing or in use? This generation built every building on the farm (We own 80 acres of the original purchase) The first house on this farm was a log house. The front door step is still a part of our lawn. The second house on this farm was torn down in 1968. Steps also remain.
10. When was the present home built? 1967
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? Jersey dairy farm
Our main crops are corn, oats and alfalfa
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
New Prague Times at New Prague or Faribault Daily News at Faribault

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

This farm was a popular place since there was a large family of boys and all played in the Smisek Band (this was originally the Smisek Bohemian Band with Vaclav the father and the sons all members of the band) Frederick was a son of Vaclav and he carried on with the band (He is now 86 years old and a resident of Mala Strana at New Prague). The next generation to carry on with the band was Bohumil Smisek (nephew of Fred) and he carried on with it until his death in 1967 and since that time, Bohumil's sons-in-law have continued to play the beautiful music. Most of the music is still the favorite old-time music.

This farm was one of few Jersey farms in the area - Fred had Jersey cows as long as Clarence can remember.

WE like it on this farm and I guess it will never leave the family since our son, Francis, has also promised to keep it in our family.



FALCON HEIGHTS, MINNESOTA 55103 (612) 645-2781

August 24, 1976

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Wille
R.R. 2
Kenyon, Mn. 55946

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Wille,

Please accept my apologies for the wrong spelling of your name in the various newspapers and THE FARMER magazine. I had interpreted the e of your last name as an e in the original application. I have no idea why, but I do know that there are so many people who have sent in applications that have very poor penmanship. Yours, Mrs. Wille, is very nice. I suppose that I had been trying so hard to read all the others, that I mistook yours the way I did.

Please be assured that on the certificate now in the Governor's hands for signing, and for the map and list of names hanging in the Heritage Square Museum, that your name is spelled correctly. I don't know if there is any way that I can correct the FARMER Magazine's article, but I shall try.

Looking forward to meeting you at the Fair on September 4th.

Sincerely,

Karen A. Humphrey

Karen Annexstad Humphrey
Bicentennial Coordinator



AUGUST 26 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 6

PREPARATION DAY AUGUST 25

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R. R. 2 Box 44

Kenyon, Minn. 55946

July 11, 1976

Dear Mrs. Humphrey,

Since I returned the Century Farm application I have been doing a more extensive research on the history of our farm.

The Abstract of Title was hard to find through and in my notes of the information I sent you, I find that William H. Muller was married to Ernestine. This is correct but something tells me that I put down Henry A. Muller. He was one of the heirs who signed off. (a brother)

Please make this correction if it is wrong on the form.

Also Muller was also spelled Mueller and Miller on the abstract.

If you need any more detailed information please write. We really hope that we qualify because Ernestine's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Selberg were one of the first three colonists

to settle here in 1855. I wish we had
looked this up in 1958.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Donald Kille

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Name of Centennial Farm owner Roger M. Wilkowske
Name(s) to appear on certificate Mr. + Mrs. ROGER WILKOWSKE
Address Rt. 1, Box 158, Morristown,
Address of farm, if different from above Minn. 55052

Sections 25 + 36 Township Morristown County Rice
Number of acres in the farm at present 240
Date of original purchase by member of your family Homesteaded in 1869
Legal description of the land (from deed, abstract, tax statement)
SW 1/4 of Section 25, Township 109 North, Range 22 West (160 A.)
N. 1/2 of NW 1/4 of Section 36 " " " " " " (80 A.)

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
Rudolph Wilkowske (owner in 1876 or B4)	from 1869 to 1930	Father
William B. Wilkowske next owner	from 1930 to 1953	Son
Herbert C. Wilkowske next owner	from 1953 to 1972	Son
Roger M. Wilkowske next owner	from 1972 to present	Son
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	

The above evidence of continuous family ownership of this farm since 1876 is taken from one or more of the following records. DO NOT SEND IN RECORDS, just indicate by check marks those which apply.

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

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

Harry Galtz (Witness sign here) Roger Wilkowske (Signature of present owner)

Date 6-18-76

See reverse side for additional information.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Information you may be able to add to this form, while not essential to Century Farm certification, will be most valuable to future historians. The questions below are offered only as a guide, so please feel free to add any other data, especially family or pioneer stories concerning the farm and the area around it.

1. From whom was the farm purchased? Homesteaded
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? Posen, Germany
5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? Manitowoc Wisc
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? Yes - old house
barn
10. When was the present home built? 1927
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? Corn, soybeans, wheat
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
Morri'stown Life (Lake Region Times-Waterville Minn.)

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

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Name of Centennial Farm owner Mr. and Mrs. Donald E. Wille

Name(s) to appear on certificate Mr. and Mrs. Donald E. Wille

Address R.R. 2 Kenyon, Minn. 55946

Address of farm, if different from above _____

Section 35 Township 110 (Whaling) County Rice

Number of acres in the farm at present 160

Date of original purchase by member of your family January 1, 1947

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

The Northwest Quarter (24 1/4) of Section Thirty-Five (35) Township One Hundred Ten (110) North Range Nineteen (19) West of the Fifth Principal Meridian.

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>Friederick and Sophia Muller</u> (owner in 1876 or B4)	from 1856 to 1886	<u>father and mother</u>
<u>Henry and Ernestine Muller</u> next owner	from 1886 to 1895	<u>(their) son and daughter - in - law</u>
<u>Ernestine Muller Wille</u> next owner	from to	
<u>and Henry W. Wille</u> next owner	from 1895 to 1910	<u>(their) daughter - in - law and husband (second marriages)</u>
<u>Henry H. and Winnie Wille</u> next owner	from 1910 to 1947	<u>(their) son and daughter - in - law</u>
<u>Donald and Ardell Wille</u> next owner	from 1947 to —	<u>(their) son and daughter - in - law</u>
next owner	from to	

The above evidence of continuous family ownership of this farm since 1876 is taken from one or more of the following records. DO NOT SEND IN RECORDS, just indicate by check marks those which apply.

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:

Lebra J. Munson
(Witness sign here)

Mr. and Mrs. Donald E. Wille
(Signature of present owner)

Date June 22, 1976

See reverse side for additional information.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Information you may be able to add to this form, while not essential to Century Farm certification, will be most valuable to future historians. The questions below are offered only as a guide, so please feel free to add any other data, especially family or pioneer stories concerning the farm and the area around it.

1. From whom was the farm purchased? Henry and Minnie Kille
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? 160 acres
3. What was the cost of land per acre? (Confidential)
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? 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? The barn is still standing and in use. The center part of the house is the original.
10. When was the present home built? It was added on to in 1929.
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? Corn, wheat, alfalfa, soy beans, beef and hogs.
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
The Kenyon Leader and The Faribault Daily News

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

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

June 22, 1976

On June 14, 1856 Frederick W. Muller entered the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 35, Township 110, Range 19 in the Plat Book Entry. James Buchanan was the President and J. N. Granger was the Recorder of the General Land Office. (Land Office Seal.)

This was high land, mostly wooded, with rich black soil which has continued to produce good crops to the present day. One hundred fifty five acres is under plow.

Donald E. Kille, the present owner, was born on this farm on October 6, 1917 in the original part of the house. He has grown up, worked and lived here his entire 59 years. On June 19, 1940 he married Ardell Olstad. They have two children, both married. They are Jerry Kille and Jan Kille Hoisser. The children are interested in keeping it a family farm.

Henry H. Kille and his wife, Minnie, retired from farming in 1941 and moved to Kenyon that year. Minnie Kille passed away in 1967. Henry H. Kille is now 89 years of age and has been a resident of the Kenyon Sunset Home for several years.