



Century Farm Applications

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CENTURY FARMS
ST. PAUL, MN 55108

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Name of Centennial Farm owner Chester J Boyum *ok*
 Name(s) to appear on certificate Chester J Boyum
 Address ntica, minn
 Address of farm, if different from above same

Section 29+30 Township Fremont County Winona

Number of acres in the farm at present 307

Date of original purchase by member of your family 1875

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

NE 1/4 of SW 1/4 and NW 1/4 of SE 1/4; NE 1/4 of SE 1/4 of section 30, NW 1/4 of SW 1/4;
 E 1/2 of SW 1/4 of SW 1/4 of section 29, all in Twp 10S, Rg 9, SE 1/4 of NW 1/4 of Section 30

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>Irma Larson</u> (owner in 1876 or B4)	from <u>1875</u> to <u>1881</u>	
<u>Lewis Larson</u> next owner	from <u>1881</u> to <u>1890</u>	<u>Lewis brother of Irma</u>
<u>Knut H Boyum</u> next owner	from <u>1890</u> to <u>1920</u>	<u>Lewis uncle of Knut</u>
<u>Martin K Boyum</u> next owner	from <u>1920</u> to <u>1948</u>	<u>Martin son of Knut</u>
<u>Chester J Boyum</u> next owner	from <u>1948</u> to <u>1976</u>	<u>Chester son of Martin</u>
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:

Orville Johnson
(Witness sign here)

Chester J Boyum
(Signature of present owner)

Date June 30, 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? 227
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? _____
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? _____
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? dairying & hogs *corn + oats + hay*
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
Winona daily news

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

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

CENTURY FARMS
ST. PAUL, MN 55108Name of Centennial Farm owner Mrs. Dorothy Gardner BromName(s) to appear on certificate Mrs. Dorothy Gardner BromAddress 3655 W. 6th St. Goodview, Winona, MN 55987Address of farm, if different from above Minnesota City, MN 55959Section 10 & 15 Township Rollingstone County WinonaNumber of acres in the farm at present 180 ADate of original purchase by member of your family Sept 28, 1869

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

E 120 A of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec. 15 and 60 A: E $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ & SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec 10 all in T107N R8W

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>Alexander Gardner</u> ^{40 A} <u>160A</u> (owner in 1876 or B4)	from <u>1869</u> to <u>1896</u>	<u>father-son</u>
<u>Richard Gardner</u> next owner	from <u>1896</u> to <u>1953</u>	<u>father-son</u>
<u>Blanchard Gardner</u> next owner	from <u>1953</u> to <u>1960</u>	<u>father-daughter</u>
<u>Dorothy Gardner Brom</u> next owner	from <u>1960</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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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:

Doris Chapinisk
(Witness sign here)

Dorothy Gardner Brom
(Signature of present owner)

Date June 28, 1976

See reverse side for additional information.

11. The practice of the early farmers was to clear the hillsides of trees and plant them into crops. This started a serious erosion problem with loss of top soil. Even when used as pasture land, the cattle trails would start erosion gullies. In 1957 we planted 18,000 red pine seedlings on about 40 A of the cleared hillsides. The erosion areas have healed and the hillsides are now reforested.

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1. From whom was the farm purchased? Morris W. Taylor and wife Almedia
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? 40
3. What was the cost of land per acre? \$12.50
4. Where was the first owner born? England
5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? Troy, MN
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, but the basement excavation of the house and the cistern remain. Three large Norway Spruce (Picea Abies) planted by Alex Gardner and until recently a producing apple orchard remain.
10. When was the present home built? see below
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? corn, soy beans, hay, woodland
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
Winona Daily News

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

10. When the territorial road was moved, Richard Gardner purchased an adjacent 70A and relocated the homestead on it, leaving no buildings on the original site. When Blanchard Gardner died in 1959, his widow Mrs Elsie Gardner and daughter Jean inherited the above 70 acres and continue to reside on it. His other daughter, Dorothy, who inherited the original land lives in Goodview, MN about 8 miles away. Please refer to the "Illustrated Historical Atlas of the State of Minnesota" by A.T. Andreas, 1874. On page 109, the upper right illustration is of the Jas. Monk farm. The 70 A. above is the land in the center of the drawing. The viewpoint is from the house of the original homestead. One of the men in the immediate foreground could be Alexander Gardner. The eastern line of the original 40 A would be a horizontal line in the illustration in the vicinity of the creek.

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

CENTURY FARMS
ST. PAUL, MN 55108

Name of Centennial Farm owner Frank and Margaret Brosig *ok*
 Name(s) to appear on certificate Frank and Margaret Brosig
 Address Altura, Mn. 55910

Address of farm, if different from above _____

Section 1 Township Elba County Winona

Number of acres in the farm at present 360

Date of original purchase by member of your family March 1, 1869

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

Southeast quarter of section 1, Township (107)
North, Range Ten West, Winona County

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
Christian Brosig (owner in 1876 or B4)	from 1869 to 1917	GROVER Brosig (son)
GROVER Brosig next owner	from 1917 to 1958	Frank Brosig (son)
Frank Brosig next owner	from 1958 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 ()

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

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

Cathy Brosig
 (Witness sign here)

Frank Brosig
 (Signature of present owner)

Date June 29, 1976

See reverse side for additional information.

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1. From whom was the farm purchased? _____
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? Germany
5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? Lewiston (6 mo.)
6. Was this a homestead? the first to live on it
7. Did the first owner farm the land? _____
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? 1929
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? dairy
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
Winona Daily News

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

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Name of Centennial Farm owner Russell T and Ried J. Church
Name(s) to appear on certificate Russell T and Ried J. Church
Address Hill-Roy Farms, Minn. City, Minn. 55959
Address of farm, if different from above _____

Section 14 + 15 Township 10 7 County Winona

Number of acres in the farm at present 360

Date of original purchase by member of your family 1860

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

N 1/2 of SW 1/4 of sec. 14 + S 1/2 of SW 1/4 of sec. 14 + E 1/2 of SE 1/4 of sec. 15

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>Octavina Church</u> (owner in 1876 or B4)	from 1860 to 1902	<u>Great Grandfather</u>
<u>Octavina George Church</u> next owner	from 1902 to 1919	<u>Grandfather</u>
<u>Raymond Church</u> next owner	from 1919 to 1958	<u>Father</u>
<u>Russell Church</u> next owner	from 1958 to - Present	-
<u>Ried Church</u> next owner	from to	<u>Son - bought 1/3 interest Jan. 1976</u>
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	

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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:

Edith S. Church
(Witness sign here)

Russell T Church
(Signature of present owner)

Date June 21, 1976

See reverse side for additional information.

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1. From whom was the farm purchased? Octavius Church purchased farm from Henry Davis - Land Agent
 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? England
 5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? Virginia or W. Virginia
 6. Was this a homestead? No
 7. Did the first owner farm the land? Octavius was a farmer
 8. Did he engage in any trades or occupations other than farming?
None
 9. Is the original home, or any portion of it or other original buildings, still standing or in use? I'm not sure. The present house (part of it) is at least 100 yrs. old but I'm not sure it is
 10. When was the present home built? About 1870-75 the original house
 11. What are the farm's major crops or products? Dairy - Hay
 12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
Winona Daily News - Lewiston Journal
Winona, Minn. Lewiston, Minn.
- Related information: (please feel free to use additional sheets of paper)

This 160 acres has been in the family for continuously. I also bought the adjoining farm of 200 acres that was homesteaded by my great grandfather ~~Sam~~ Bates (father of my grandmother) ^{Samuel} My great grandfather, Bates bought his farm in 1856 from U.S. Gov. ~~in~~ Sam Bates sold his land to various people (not related,) when the farm was put up for sale in 1956, I purchased it knowing I would also be purchasing the Church family farm. ~~the~~

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Name of Centennial Farm owner

Earl August Drunchahn

Name(s) to appear on certificate

Address

Minneiska, Minn. 55958

Address of farm, if different from above

Section

23/24/25

Township

Mt. Vernon

County

Winona

Number of acres in the farm at present

400

Date of original purchase by member of your family

July 27 / 1864

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

S.E. 1/4 Sec. 23, T.P. 108, Rg. 9 - 160 acres patent issued
April 10 - 1857 - + part of Sec. 24 & 25

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>Christian Drunchahn</u> (owner in 1876 or B4)	from <u>1864</u> to <u>1895</u>	<u>Father</u>
<u>August</u> next owner	from <u>1895</u> to <u>1953</u>	<u>Father</u>
<u>Earl A.</u> next owner	from <u>1953</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 ☒
 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:

Bernice Hayes
 (Witness sign here)

Earl A. Drunchahn
 (Signature of present owner)

Date June 30 / 76

See reverse side for additional information.

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1. From whom was the farm purchased? David Quackenbush
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? 520 Acres
3. What was the cost of land per acre? \$1600.00 for 160 acres
4. Where was the first owner born? Germany
5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? Settled by river at Whitman Dam
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? 1892
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? Dairy & grain
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:

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

CENTURY FARMS
ST. PAUL, MN 55108

Name of Centennial Farm owner

JAMES ELLSWORTH

Name(s) to appear on certificate

CECIL + JAMES ELLSWORTH

Address

UTICA MINN. 55979

Address of farm, if different from above

Section

18+19

Township

UTICA

County

WINONA

Number of acres in the farm at present

157+

Date of original purchase by member of your family

1860

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

SECT 19-18-TOWN 106 RANGE 9

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
BENJAMIN ELLSWORTH (owner in 1876 or B4)	from 1860 to 1890	GRANDFATHER
EMMA ELLSWORTH next owner	STATE from 1890 to 1930	GRANDMOTHER
OSMAN + CECIL next owner	from 1930 to 1955	FATHER + SON
CECIL M next owner	from 1955 to 1970	SON OF OSMAN
JAMES next owner	from 1970 to 1976	SON OF CECIL
	from to	JAMES HAS CONTRACT DEED.
	from to	IS BUYING THE FARM
	from to	

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

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

WINONA COUNTY HISTORY - 1883
WINONA COUNTY HISTORY - 1913
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I HEREBY CERTIFY that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief:

Cecil M. Ellsworth
(Witness sign here)

James Ellsworth
(Signature of present owner)

Date

June 24, 1976

See reverse side for additional information.

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

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Additional Information

8. Benjamin Ellsworth shipped the first bulk carload of wheat over the Winona St. Peter Railroad and continued for many years. He platted the Village of Utica in 1866 on a portion of his farm. He gave land to the church, cemetery, school and railroad. At one time he was one of the largest landowners in Winona County. As time went on he disposed or sold the other portion of land but the original amount purchased in 1860 is still in the hands of his descendants. Besides being a grain buyer he was also a stockraiser, having thoroughbred horses, cattle and swine.

9. The original home built in 1860 was replaced by a all brick home built in 1872 from bricks made on the farm. This house still stands and is lived in by the Ellsworths. Benjamin had it built on a knoll overlooking his town. It has 17 rooms and is in very good condition for its age. The hand grained doors and woodwork are a thing of beauty, no two doors are exactly the same. In one room the original wallpaper is still on. James family and his parents Cecil and Frances live there. Ten years ago the home was tuckpointed. This gave it a new look.

The barn burned when Utica had a fire in 1885. Over half the homes in town were lost. It was rebuilt with lumber bought with money from the sale of one horse. This 40 x 72 barn is still used to house young cattle and hay and grain.

Benjamin Ellsworths parents came from England. After he grew up, He and his brother left home, spent five years successfully engaged in gold mining, in Calif. They came home, once again wandered west as far as St. Paul. Then went back to Waukegan Wisc. In 1860 he purchased land in Utica Township, Minn. He brought his belongings with him. There being no Bridge at Winona he had to have it ferried acrossed the Mississippi. The St. Peter Ry. was making its way west, He built an elevator on his land to store grain and also used as a depot. This was in 1863. He was the first one to ship bulk wheat over the railroad and continued for many years. He platted the Village of Utica in 1866 on a portion of his farm. It didnt grow too big around 300 people, but it has been a busy place, pleasant and friendly.

Cecil Ellsworth, his grandson, born in this home and who lived here all his life is continuing in his footsteps. He thinks a great deal of his home town. He was school clerk for many years, is president of the cemetery board. and is its present Mayor a job he has held for the past 10 years.

James and his family ^{are buying} the farm now. He has a large dairy herd and raises hogs. On the land he raises corn, oats and hay. The soil is a rich black loam, is well kept up. It produces very good crops.

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Name of Centennial Farm Owner

Ray Faber

OK

Name (s) to appear on certificate

Ray Faber

Address

Rollingstone, Minn 55969

Address of farm, if different from above

Section 34 & 35 Township Mt VernonCounty WinonaNumber of acres in the farm at present 275

Date of original purchase by member of your family

Dec 20, 1869
April 9, 1952

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

*SE 1/2 of SE 1/4 and SW 1/4 of SE 1/4 and NE 1/4 of Sec 34 Township 108 Range 9 160 acres*Probably intended to read E 1/2 of SE 1/4 in lieu of S 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>John P Meyers</u>	<u>Dec 20 1869</u> from <u>1904</u> to	<u>Husband</u>
<u>Katie Meyers</u>	<u>1904</u> from <u>1907</u> to	<u>mother</u>
<u>Lizzie Faber</u>	<u>1907</u> from <u>1952</u> to	<u>mother</u>
<u>Ray Faber</u>	<u>1952</u> from <u>1976</u> to	<u>present owner</u>
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	

This farm is scheduled to be sold or passed on to Peter Faber, son of Ray Faber

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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:

Thomas D Jaszywak
 Witness (sign here)

7/12/76
 Date

Ray Faber
 (Signature of present owner)

Deputy Register of Deeds
Winona County

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1. From whom was the farm purchased? John Kinstorfer and wife Catherine
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? 160
3. What was the cost of land per acre? \$5.00 \$8.00
4. Where was the first owner born? Gobringen Luxembourg
5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? " ?
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? yes, small part of house, and a portion of the barn.
10. When was the present home built? Three additions put on to original house over the years.
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? Hay, Corn, Oats &
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation: Dairyming Minn. Daily News, Minn. Minn.

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 ELMER W. & DORIS L. GIRTLE

Name(s) to appear on certificate ELMER W & DORIS L. GIRTLE

Address R#2 WINONA, MINN. 55987

Address of farm, if different from above SAME AS ABOVE

Section 16 Township WILSON County WINONA

Number of acres in the farm at present 160

Date of original purchase by member of your family AUGUST 15, 1871

Legal description of the land (from deed, abstract, tax statement)
NE 1/4, Section 16, Twp. 106, Rg. 7, CONTAINING 160 acres.

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<i>MATHILDE GIRTLE (wife)</i>		
<i>FREDERICK GIRTLE</i> (owner in 1876 or B4)	from 1871 to 1917	Mother + father
<i>WILLIAM + FREDERICK GIRTLE JR.</i> next owner	from 1917 to 1943	UNCLE + father
<i>ELMER W. + DORIS GIRTLE</i> next owner	from 1943 to now	
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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	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:

DORIS L. GIRTLE
(Witness sign here)

Elmer W. Girtle
(Signature of present owner)

Date 6/10/76

See reverse side for additional information.

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1. From whom was the farm purchased? The State of Minnesota
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? 160
3. What was the cost of land per acre? DON'T KNOW.
4. Where was the first owner born? GERMANY
5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? DON'T KNOW.
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 Log House WAS TORN DOWN in 1966. Prior to this, it was used as a shop.
10. When was the present home built? The House in 1896, The barn in 1909
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? DAIRY + Beef.
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
WINONA DAILY NEWS

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

The brick house was remodeled in 1952, the barn was remodeled in 1966 as well as a milk house and new machine shed built the same year.

I am in partnership with my son, Dennis. He purchased an additional 80 acre farm in 1967 a mile away, where Dennis, his wife, Sherry + son, Brett live.

He maintain a herd of 28 Holstein milk cows, plus

we have replacement heifers and a beef herd consisting of 100 head. We sell Grade "A" milk to Meadowland Dairies in Preston, Minn.

Our farm is located 6 miles south of Hinona on Trwp. road 17. We do have the original Land Patent No. 855. Certificate No. ⁴⁰⁹⁶. It is signed by the Governor of Minn., Horace Austin and witnessed by Chas. Mc Allreck, Commissioner of State Land Office. The old log house contained only 3 rooms but it housed 11 children, plus Mathilde and Frederick Girtler.

Tennis is our only child. Tennis and Sherry have one son, Brett, who is five years old. Hopefully, Tennis & Brett will continue to keep this farm in the Girtler family.

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Name of Centennial Farm owner LARRY GREDEN *OK*
Name(s) to appear on certificate PONDEROSA FARMS
Address MINNEISKA, MINNESOTA
Address of farm, if different from above _____

Section 28 Township MT. VERNON County WINONA
Number of acres in the farm at present 240
Date of original purchase by member of your family 1866
Legal description of the land (from deed, abstract, tax statement)
Section 28 - Township 108 - Range 9

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
FRANK GREDEN (owner in 1876 or B4)	from 1866 to 1904	LARRY'S Great Grandfather
Peter GREDEN next owner	from 1904 to 1948	LARRY'S Grandfather
LEONARD GREDEN next owner	from 1948 to 1976	LARRY'S Father
LARRY GREDEN next owner	from 1976 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 (✓)

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

Margaret Reshon
(Witness sign here)

Larry Greden
(Signature of present owner)

Date 6/23/76

See reverse side for additional information.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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1. From whom was the farm purchased? FRANK GREDEN - Homesteaded
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? 240
3. What was the cost of land per acre? \$2.00 - 1866
4. Where was the first owner born? Belguim
5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? Reads Landing, Minn.
6. Was this a homestead? Yes in 1866
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? Log cabin no longer Standing - present Brick & Stucco house, Built in 1879
10. When was the present home built? 1879
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? Dairy - 120 cows. CORN - oats - Alfalfa
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
WINONA Daily News, WINONA, MINN. 55987

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

LARRY and his wife have four children, 2 girls AND 2 boys. They ARE At present operating 480 Acres AND milking 120 holstein cows, in A milking parlor Set-up.

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Name of Centennial Farm owner Edna I. Harris
 Name(s) to appear on certificate Edna I. Harris - Gladys H. Anderson
 Address 66-E-King St. Winona, Minn.
 Address of farm, if different from above Pleasant Valley
Route 3, Winona
 Section 12 Township 106 Range 7 ^(Wilson) County Winona
 Number of acres in the farm at present 208.82 acres
 Date of original purchase by member of your family 1858
 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>Nathan Harris</u> (owner in 1876 or B4),	from <u>1858</u> to <u>1894</u>	<u>Grand father of owner</u>
<u>Orlando H. Harris</u> next owner	from <u>1894</u> to <u>1939</u>	<u>Father of owner</u>
<u>Edna I. Harris</u> next owner	from <u>1939</u> to <u>1976</u>	<u>Owner</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 <u>Father was 4 yrs</u>
County Land Record <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>when moved here - died 1939 - 85 yrs.</u>

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

Mrs. D. J. De Lano
 (Witness sign here)

Edna I. Harris
 (Signature of present owner)

Date Sept. 1, 1976

See reverse side for additional information.

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1. From whom was the farm purchased? Sam Hurlbut + John Netill
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? 220 acres
3. What was the cost of land per acre? _____
4. Where was the first owner born? Isle of Man (near NH)
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? After living in a log house he built a large home which still stands - over 100 yrs old, present owner born here
10. When was the present home built? 1904
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? corn - hay
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
Winona 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 Deane Hassig
Name(s) to appear on certificate Deane & Margaret Hassig
Address Rd 1 Plainview Minn 55964
Address of farm, if different from above _____

Section 30 Township White Water County Winona
Number of acres in the farm at present 340
Date of original purchase by member of your family 1862 - 1866 - 1872
Legal description of the land (from deed, abstract, tax statement)
W 1/2 of S W 1/4 & S 1/2 of E 1/2 of N W 1/4 & S 1/2 of N E 1/4
& E 1/2 of S W 1/4 Section 30

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>Napoleon Hassig</u> (owner in 1876 or BLS)	¹⁸⁶² from ⁷² to 1919	<u>Father</u>
<u>Willie D Hassig</u> next owner	from 1919 to 1953	<u>Father</u>
<u>Deane Hassig</u> next owner	from 1953 to	
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 ()	_____

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

William C. Johns
(Witness sign here)

Deane Hassig
(Signature of present owner)

Date 10-18-76

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1. From whom was the farm purchased? J.F. Ingalls, John H. Foster
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? 120
3. What was the cost of land per acre? \$3.50
4. Where was the first owner born? Indiana
5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? Indiana
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? The original log house burned in 1873. The present home was then built
10. When was the present home built? 1873
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? Dairy
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
Plainville News

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

*The farm was purchased in 3 parcels
I have the original deeds & abstracts to
trace back to government grant in 1855 & 58*

Winona

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

Names to appear on 1976 Certificate Isabelle & Lloyd Haxton

ADDRESS Rollingstone

Minn

FIRST YEAR OF OPERATION BY THE FAMILY 1941

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.

*I filled in an application about
2 weeks ago.*

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Name of Centennial Farm owner

Adelaide Haxton - Mrs Lloyd Haxton

ADELAIDE S HAXTON

ROLLINGSTONE, MN 55969

icate

Adelaide Haxton

ress

Rollingstone, Minn

nt 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
	from	to	
(owner in 1876 or B4)			
next owner	from	to	
next owner	from	to	
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:

(Witness sign here)

Adelaide Haxton
 (Signature of present owner)

Date _____

See reverse side for additional information.

Dear Sir:
We were on the 1958 list of Century
farms and still are farming it now.
Sincerely
Adelaide Haston

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1. From whom was the farm purchased? U.S. - Land Patent
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? Luxemburg,
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? 1873
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? Dairying
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
Winona Daily News, Winona, Minn

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 Bernard Hennessy Sr

Name(s) to appear on certificate Bernard Hennessy Sr

Address Lewiston, MN Rt 11 55952

Address of farm, if different from above _____

Section 17 Township 105 Hart County Winona

Number of acres in the farm at present 159

Date of original purchase by member of your family 1865

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

120 ac NE 1/4 NW 1/4 + W 1/2 NW 1/4 SE C 17
EX RD .68 AC + HWY EAS 1 AC T 105 R 8

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>Patrick Hennessy</u> (owner in 1876 or B4)	from <u>1865</u> to <u>1900</u>	<u>father</u>
<u>John Hennessy</u> next owner	from <u>1900</u> to <u>1939</u>	<u>father</u>
<u>Bernard Hennessy</u> next owner	from <u>1939</u> to <u>1976</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:

August D. Kuchowski
(Witness sign here)

Bernard Hennessy Sr
(Signature of present owner)

Date June 19, 1976

See reverse side for additional information

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1. From whom was the farm purchased? John Hennessy
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? 120
3. What was the cost of land per acre? \$75
4. Where was the first owner born? Ireland
5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? Missouri
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? 1916
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? corn, oats, hay
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
Winona Daily News Winona, MN 55987

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

My grandfather, Patrick Hennessy was born in Ireland. He bought the farm from a man named Stahl. I don't think the land was farmed before Grandfather bought it. My father, John Hennessy, bought it from my grandfather in 1900 and I bought it from my father in 1939. It has been farmed by my grandfather, my father & myself continuously and I am still farming it. My father & I were born here and have lived here all our lives. I am 74 years old.

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Name of Centennial Farm owner THEODORE A. HUMFELD

Name(s) to appear on certificate THEODORE A & LINDA L. HUMFELD

Address ROUTE 2, LACRESCENT, MINNESOTA

Address of farm, if different from above SAME

X Sections 23 and 26 Township _____ County WINONA

Number of acres in the farm at present 478

Date of original purchase by member of your family July 14, 1870

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

attached as Exhibit "A"

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>Theodore HUMFELD</u> (owner in 1876 or B4)	from <u>1870</u> to <u>1895</u>	<u>FATHER</u>
<u>BENJAMIN HUMFELD</u> next owner	from <u>1895</u> to <u>1948</u>	<u>FATHER</u>
<u>Theodore W. HUMFELD</u> next owner	from <u>1948</u> to <u>1975</u>	<u>FATHER</u>
<u>Theodore A. HUMFELD</u> next owner	from <u>1975</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 <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:

Charles A. Bird, Atty at Law
(Witness sign here)

Theodore A. Humfeld
(Signature of present owner)

Date June 29, 1976

See reverse side for additional information.

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1. From whom was the farm purchased? Originally Purchased From Southern Minn Ry Co.
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? 40 acres
3. What was the cost of land per acre? \$6.50 per acre
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? SOME
8. Did he engage in any trades or occupations other than farming?
Cut FIREWOOD AND RAILROAD TIES
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? 1923
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? CORN, HAY, DAIRY
SILAGE
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
WINONA DAILY NEWS OR HOUSTON COUNTY NEWS
WINONA, MINNESOTA LACRESCENT EDITION

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

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

The $S\frac{1}{2}NE\frac{1}{4}$;

also the $SE\frac{1}{4}$ except commencing

at the Southeast corner of the $SW\frac{1}{4}SE\frac{1}{4}$, thence West on the South line of said $SW\frac{1}{4}SE\frac{1}{4}$ 385 feet to the center of highway, thence at a deflection angle to right of 111 degrees 50 minutes and along said center 334.7 feet to the point of beginning, thence at a deflection angle to the right of 86 degrees 15 minutes 210.1 feet, thence at a deflection angle to the left of 108 degrees 269.4 feet to the center of said highway, thence at a deflection angle to the left of 135 degrees 37 minutes and in the center of said highway 285.75 feet to the point of beginning,

all in Sec. 23;

Also the $SW\frac{1}{4}$, except commencing at the Northwest corner of the $NE\frac{1}{4}SW\frac{1}{4}$; thence proceed 237 feet East along the North line of said $NE\frac{1}{4}SW\frac{1}{4}$ to the point of beginning; thence continuing East along said North line a distance of 69 feet; thence South parallel to the West line of the Section a distance of 114 feet to point "A"; thence returning to the point of beginning, proceed in a Westerly direction along the centerline of the Township Road 208.7 feet; thence South parallel to the West line of the Section a distance of 200 feet to point "B"; thence on a straight line from point "B" to point "A"; containing 1 acre more or less, exclusive of the Right of Way of the aforementioned Township Road, Sec. 24;

Also the $NW\frac{1}{4}NE\frac{1}{4}$,

also the $NE\frac{1}{4}NW\frac{1}{4}$,

all in Sec. 26;

all in T105N, R5W.

Subject to rights of way of record.

The above described premises contain 478 acres, more or less.

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Name of Centennial Farm owner

Sylvester G Kammeier

Name(s) to appear on certificate

Sylvester G Kammeier

Address

Winona RI Minn

Address of farm, if different from above

Section

13

Township

Warren

County

Winona

Number of acres in the farm at present

160

Date of original purchase by member of your family

1866

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

160 a.c. in S E 1/4 of sec. 13 Township 106 R 8

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME

DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP

BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER

Adam Kammeier
(owner in 1876 or B4)from 1866 to 1935FatherEdward Kammeier, Jr.
next ownerfrom 1935 to 1962FatherSylvester Kammeier
next ownerfrom 1962 to

next owner

from to

next owner

from to

next owner

from to

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:

M. Laontine Kammeier
(Witness sign here)

Sylvester G. Kammeier
(Signature of present owner)

Date June 19, 1976

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1. From whom was the farm purchased? Mary E. Trainor, Heratio Train
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? 80 A.
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? _____
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? yes
10. When was the present home built? 1970
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? grain, Hay, Milk
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
Winona Daily News Winona Mirror

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

CENTURY FARMS
ST. PAUL, MN 55108Name of Centennial Farm owner MR. & MRS. George E. KryzerName(s) to appear on certificate George & Elizabeth KryzerAddress Rte. #1, Rushford, MN. 55971Address of farm, if different from above - Same -Section 14 Township 105 County WinonaNumber of acres in the farm at present 160Date of original purchase by member of your family April 11, 1868

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

NW 1/4 of Section 14, Township 105, N of Range 8,
West of 5th Principal Meridian, Winona County, MN.

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>Adalbert Kryzer</u> (owner in 1876 or B4)	from <u>1868</u> to <u>1878</u>	<u>Great Grandfather</u>
John Kryzer next owner	estate from to	
<u>John Kryzer</u> next owner	from <u>1878</u> to <u>1941</u>	<u>Gr. Father</u>
John Kryzer next owner	estate from to	
<u>John Kryzer</u> next owner	from <u>1942</u> to <u>1975</u>	<u>Father</u>
<u>George E. Kryzer</u> next owner	from <u>1975</u> to <u>present</u>	<u>Son</u>
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:

Mrs. Esther Hanger
 (Witness sign here)

George E. Kryzer
 (Signature of present owner)

Date 6/29/76

See reverse side for additional information.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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1. From whom was the farm purchased? George + Elvira Bissett
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? 160
3. What was the cost of land per acre? \$21.88
4. Where was the first owner born? Czechoslovakia
5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? Czechoslovakia
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?
Tailor
9. Is the original home, or any portion of it or other original buildings, still standing or in use? ~~No~~ Yes - Granary
10. When was the present home built? 1897
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? Grain + Dairy
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
Winona Daily News

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

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

OK

Name of Centennial Farm Owner Elmer A. Matzke

Name (s) to appear on certificate Elmer & Henrietta Matzke

Address Rollingstone, MN 55969

Address of farm, if different from above _____

Section 27 Township Norton County Winona

Number of acres in the farm at present 160 acres

Date of original purchase by member of your family June 19, 1865

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

The East one-half (E½) of the Northwest Quarter (N.W.¼), and the East one-half

(E½) of the Northeast Quarter (N.E.¼) of Section 27, Township 107, North of Range 9, Winona County.

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
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Gottfried Matzke	6/19/1865- 1/21/1875	Father
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(owner in 1876 or B4)	from to	
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Gottfried Matzke, Jr.	1/21/1875- 6/23/1938	Father
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next owner	from to	
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Edward Matzke	6/23/1938- 6/19/1965	Father
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next owner	from to	
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Elmer A. Matzke	6/19/1965- Present	
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next owner	from to	
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next owner	from to	
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next owner	from to	
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 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:

Wayne F. Schauble 7/13/76
 Witness (sign here) Date

Elmer Matzke
 (signature of present owner)

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Box 124
Rollingstone, Minnesota 55969

1 August 1976

Ms. Mary Tofstad
Museum Educator
The Winona County Historical Society
160 Johnson Street
Winona, Minnesota 55987

Dear Ms. Tofstad,

Thank you very much for your letter to the Nilles family dated 27 May 1976 in which you asked us to complete the enclosed application.

Due to a clerical oversight this material was completed and then laid aside; I do hope that it can still be considered and sent on to the State Fair office. As you likely know, the Nilles family is one of the oldest in this area, the first parcel of land having been acquired in 1856, the next in 1872.

Thank you for forwarding these materials. We hope to hear from you or the State Fair officials in the near future.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dr. Mary E. Nilles". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Dr. Mary E. Nilles
for the Arnold Nilles Family

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Name of Centennial Farm owner Arnold P. Nilles Family
Name(s) to appear on certificate Arnold P. Nilles Family
Address Rollingstone, Minnesota
Address of farm, if different from above _____

Section 5 & 6 & 8 Township Rollingstone County Winona
Number of acres in the farm at present 240
Date of original purchase by member of your family 1 July 1856

Legal description of the land (from deed, abstract, tax statement)
1856-6-107-8; 5-107-8--on 12/7/1872
(from 1976 tax statement: 71.2 ac in Sec 5/ 15.09 ac
in SE 1/4/ 37.09 ac in Lot 34 & 19.02 ac in Lot 35 ex th 248 17.87 ac
ex .37 ac T 107 R 8; 140 ac in NW 1/4 Sec. 8 N 60 ac of W 1/2 NW 1/4
& E 1/2 NW 1/4 Sec 8 T 107 R 8; 48 ac NE 1/4 SW 1/4 Sec 1 T 107 R 8; Pt
of Lot 33 ex CSAH 25 .68 ac ex Road Kohner & Walch ex .7 ac ex 155'x165
PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP sub sec 5 Rllgstn)

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
Jean-Baptiste Nilles (owner in 1876 or B4)	from 1856 to 1876	
same	from 1876 to 1907	father
next owner John H. & Nick Nilles	from 1907 to 1923	same & husband
next owner John H. & Anna Nilles	from 1923 to 1934	same & nephew (Arnold is son of Nick & Anna)
next owner John H. & Arnold P. Nilles	from 1934 to 1951	same
next owner Arnold P. Nilles	from 1951 to present	
next owner	from to	
next owner		

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Abstract of Title (x)	Court file in Registration
Land Patent ()	Proceedings ()
Original Deed ()	Other (please explain. <u>Our family his</u>
County Land Record (x)	<u>history has been carefully researched,</u>
	<u>documented and defined in articles in</u>
	<u>America and the homeland, Luxembourg</u>

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

Dr. Mary E. Nilles (Witness sign here)
Arnold P. Nilles (Signature of present owner)
Date 15 June 1976
Nilles

See reverse side for additional information.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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1. From whom was the farm purchased? Sec 6-107-8, 1856 from Frederick L Sargeant et ux; Sec 5-107-8, 1872, from Peter Stoos et ux
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? 1856-40 acres
3. What was the cost of land per acre? \$2-5/acre 1872-120 acres
4. Where was the first owner born? Kodango, Community Fischbach, Luxembourg
5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? Luxembourg, Grand Duchy, Europe
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? Yes. It is one of the oddest log structures of its type in the area, and, likely, in the state. See enclosure on attempts to have cabin become an historical landmark.
10. When was the present home built? c. 1852-3 new house built 1961
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? Hay, corn, oats
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
Winona Daily News, Winona

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



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PROPOSAL TO RESTORE AND PRESERVE NILLES LOG CABIN, ROLLINGSTONE, MN.

I. Name of Structure

This structure is a two-story log cabin (actually a house), built by unknown persons or a person, likely about 1852-5, inhabited by Luxemburger settlers after 1865, and owned by the Nilles family of Rollingstone, Minnesota, Winona County since 1865, that is, as far back as existing records prove such ownership. Present owner: Arnold P. Nilles and family, Rollingstone.

II. Location of Structure

The Nilles cabin stands in the township of Rollingstone, almost at the border of the Rollingstone village, about 150 feet south of the modern home of the Nilles family. It is situated in U. S. Government Lot 34 of the northeast quarter of the southwest quarter of Section 5, Township 107, range 8, Winona County. From its beginning, this cabin, along with the village near it, was situated on a plateau, between the two streams which establish, roughly, the north and south borders of the village. The cabin rests at the edge of the south side of this plateau, overlooking and about 300 feet from the stream which gives Rollingstone its name. Undoubtedly, this style of construction allowed the cabin's builder(s) relatively easy access to water from the nearby stream, and left open a maximum acreage on the plateau and nearby in the stream basin for farming and other cabins.

III. Pictures: Enclosed and Labelled

IV. Historical Significance of the Structure

The condensed history of the cabin follows. Included, too, are supporting items: an article which emphasizes the relationship of the cabin and the Luxemburgers, research sponsored by the Luxemburger Ministry of Culture ("Das Tal der rollenden Steine," Mary E. Nilles, Luxemburger Revue, No. 46, 16 November 1974, 38-41); and a note on the cabin which appeared in the "Winona County historical Society Today" Bulletin, March, 1976, 2.

In short, this cabin is historically valuable for these reasons:

A. It is perhaps one of the only remaining pioneer log structures of its type, size, and age in Rollingstone, in Winona County, in the state.

B. Its origins are shrouded in uncertainty which begs to be dispelled by solid historical fact. Briefly: Winona County land records reveal that Jean-Baptiste Nilles acquired land near the site of the cabin in 1856 and the land on which the house stands in 1865.



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However, exactly when he found, bought or moved into this dwelling is unknown. It is very unlikely that he built it. The official Minnesota territory survey map of 1852 reveals no structures in the area of the Rollingsstone village. This survey was supposedly carefully made. In this year the western farm and village group was arriving three miles to the east, but records indicate that they settled primarily the present Minnesota City plateau area. In the summer of 1855, when the Winona land claim office first opened, the Luxemburgers began to register land they claimed in the Rollingsstone valley. And in this same year, rotary saws seem to have been introduced into the region. Yet, since the Nilles cabin appears to have been hacked not by a rotary saw, but by the earlier, vertical saw, it appears unlikely that Luxemburgers built the building. Thus, between 1852 and 1856, some one, or some group, erected this cabin. But who? Did some members of the western farm organization decide to build up the valley? Was it the work of roving land speculators? Did some Luxemburgers arrive early and ready it for others to follow? No one yet knows. But the cabin stands as an embodiment of one of the mysteries surrounding the early history of the Rollingsstone valley, of southeastern Minnesota.

C. Socially, the cabin's history as Luxemburger-owned is tightly interwoven with the more clearly documented history of the Luxemburgers in Minnesota and the mid-nineteenth century mass exodus from Europe which brought them to the Rollingsstone area. After 1865 the cabin's story can be studied with that of the Luxemburgers in America and the legacies they left us. This saga, which is just now beginning to be researched and written, is incomplete without the preservation of structures which these pioneers used, especially in the areas of their heaviest settlements. Perhaps by studying further the history of the Luxemburger colony in Rollingsstone, one of America's largest, clues to the cabin's age and builder will appear.

D. Since this structure's life is in part interwoven with the Luxemburger immigration, as well as with some mysteries in Minnesota history, its further study, restoration and maintenance could serve to enrich the history of a particular village and section of the state; it could also become the focal point around which to cohere even more firmly the people of Luxembourg and America, and Luxemburgers everywhere. Since Luxemburgers themselves have already visited and studied the cabin and its history, and have expressed interest in further study here and abroad, and even plan to visit and photograph and write about the structure and its connection to Luxemburgers during this Bicentennial year, it seems fitting and beneficial to all concerned with Minnesota regional history to unite with them in their worthy efforts.



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V. Present Condition of the Structure

The cabin consists of four rooms, two upstairs and two down. The building is approximately 18.5 x 22 feet, and is 17 feet high at the ridgepole, with well-notched corners. The rooms are 7 feet high. All of the walls have been plastered and papered; the thin plaster has begun to crumble badly, especially on the ground floor. There is a full basement under the house. However, over the last decade the cellar has often filled with water; therefore, the boards of the ground floor, that is, the roof of the basement --rough, unhewn oak timbers-- are badly rotted. The other logs in the structure are only a bit sounder, but, since these are also slowly suffering the ravages of the seasons and being slowly exposed to rain, they too will soon rot. The entire house yet stands only because for many years the rooms once added on around the cabin core served as protection to it. Since 1961, when the Nilles family moved from this old home into one more modern, these rooms have also fallen into ruin, and, slowly, have been removed from the core. Minnesota Historical Society cabin experts have told the Nilleses that unless the entire cabin is aired soon, and the logs afflicted with dry rot removed, and solid replacements for these logs immediately provided, the structure may cave in without warning. This old dwelling simply cannot weather many more seasons.

VI. Proposed Use of the Site

When restored fully to its original state, this cabin could serve the following purposes:

A. It would reflect the type of crude dwellings built by presently unknown pioneer forefathers of the area, thereby serving as a tangible history lesson, one likely to be found nowhere else in the region and, perhaps, in the state.

B. It could be used as a repository of research on its earliest days, and of Luxemburgiana. That is, the many papers, books, photos, journals and Bicentennial documents which Luxemburgers and various Americans, including the Nilleses, have gathered on the contact of Luxemburgers with the cabin, and the related history of Luxemburgers in Rollingstone and the area--all these materials could be housed therein. Future research projects might refer to materials located here and scholars might visit the cabin to photograph a remnant of a bygone era.

C. If one wished to emphasize the relationship of the Luxemburgers or the Western Farm and Village group, or, if ever discovered, the builders of this cabin to its history, this center for Luxemburger papers could, with the permission of the Nilles owners, be opened occasionally to the public and to scholars of Minnesota and Luxemburger history.

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1. From whom was the farm purchased? Henry M. Sheppard & Ernst Radue
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? 160 acres
3. What was the cost of land per acre? Average between two parcels \$6.25/acre
4. Where was the first owner born? Germany
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? yes
10. When was the present home built? _____
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? Dairy & Hay
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
Lewiston Journal, Lewiston-Mn.

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

Christian Oech

ok

Name (s) to appear on certificate

Chris Oech

Address

R.R. 2 Winona, Minn 55987

Address of farm, if different from above

Section

28

Township

WilsonCounty Winona

Number of acres in the farm at present

125Date of original purchase by member of your family Dec. 9, 1871

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

TO, The North Half (N $\frac{1}{2}$) of the South West Quarter (SW $\frac{1}{4}$) of Section Twenty Eight (28) Township one hundred six (106) North of Range Seven (7) West of the Fifth (5th) Principal Meridian, Winona County, Minnesota.

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
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Frederick K Oech Jr	Dec 9, 1871 - 1940	father
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(owner in 1876 or B4)	from	to
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Anna Louise Oech	March 1913	Wife
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next owner	from	to
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Christian Oech	1940 - Present	
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next owner	from	to
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next owner	from	to
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next owner	from	to
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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:

Thomas D. Jaszewski 7/2/76
 Witness (sign here) Date

Chris Oech
 (Signature of present owner)

Deputy Register of Deeds next page
Winona County

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1. From whom was the farm purchased? Levi Winget
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? 80
3. What was the cost of land per acre? \$12.50
4. Where was the first owner born? Germany
5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? Akron, Ohio
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? bee keeping
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? 1905
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? corn, grain + hay
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
Winona Daily News

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 Arthur A. Redig *ok*
 Name (s) to appear on certificate Arthur A. ~~Red~~ Lorraine Redig
 Address R # 1 Winona, Minn. 55987

Address of farm, if different from above _____

Section 17 Township Wilson County Winona

Number of acres in the farm at present 160

Date of original purchase by member of your family May 28, 1866

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

(1866) W 1/2 of SW 1/4 and SW 1/4 of NW 1/4 of Sec 17, Tp 106, R 7

(1880) W 1/2 of NW 1/4 and W 1/2 of SW 1/4 of Sec 17 - Tp 106, R 7

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 PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP
 NAME DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER

Nicholas Kilian and Michael Lambert	May 28, 1866	to	March 6, 1878	
(owner in 1876 or B4)	from	to		
Michael Lambert	1878	to	Feb 28, 1905	Father-in-law
next owner	from	to		
John Redig	Feb 28, 1905	to	Oct 26, 1924	Father
next owner	from	to		
Michael Redig and Anna Redig	1924	to	April 17, 1964	Parents
next owner	from	to		
Arthur A and Lorraine	1964	to	present	
next owner	from	to		
next owner	from	to		

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 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:

JUL 7 1976

Arthur A. Redig
 (Signature of present owner)

Witness (sign here)
 ROLLIE D. TUST
 NOTARY PUBLIC - MINNESOTA
 WINONA COUNTY
 My Comm. Expires Jan. 4, 1978

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1. From whom was the farm purchased? Nelson H. Gray to Michael Lambert and Nicholas Hillman in 1866
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? 80 acres
3. What was the cost of land per acre? \$25.00 per acre in 1866
4. Where was the first owner born? do not know grandfather Fredig born in Germany
5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? ? grandfather lived in Norway
6. Was this a homestead? no, but great grand parents cleared most of the land
7. Did the first owner farm the land? yes
8. Did he engage in any trades or occupations other than farming? grandfather was a carpenter
9. Is the original home, or any portion of it or other original buildings, still standing or in use? no, first home was a log cabin replaced about 1874
10. When was the present home built? 1874 remodeled and added on in 1970
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? Alfalfa, Corn and oats
Milk and fed Holstein steers
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
Winona 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 Erwin P. Richter
 Name (s) to appear on certificate Erwin & Elizabeth J. Richter
 Address Lewiston, Minn. 55952

Address of farm, if different from above _____

Section 35 Township Norton County Winona
 Number of acres in the farm at present 150

Date of original purchase by member of your family June 7, 1873

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

Sec 35 S 1/2 SE 1/4 NE 1/4 N 1/2 SE 1/4 SE 1/4
SE 1/4 NW 1/4 NE 1/4 SW 1/4 Twp 107 R9

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
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<u>Henrick Schott</u> <u>and Jacob</u>	<u>in June 7, 1873</u>	<u>to William Richter Sr.</u>
<u>William Richter Sr.</u>	<u>1873</u>	<u>to 1880 to William Richter Jr.</u>
<u>William Richter Jr.</u>	<u>1880</u>	<u>to 1918 to Herman and Auguste Richter</u>
<u>Herman & Auguste Richter</u>	<u>1918</u>	<u>to 1951 to Erwin and Elizabeth Richter</u>
<u>Erwin and Elizabeth Richter</u>	<u>to present</u>	

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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:

Salencia Gaddis 6-30-76
 Witness (sign here) Date

Erwin P. Richter
 (Signature of present owner)

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1. From whom was the farm purchased? part of it from J. Henrik Scott
part from a Jacobi
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? unknown
3. What was the cost of land per acre? 14⁰⁰ / acre
4. Where was the first owner born? Germany
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? there is a log cabin part but it has been covered by boards, planks and plaster
10. When was the present home built? About 65 years ago
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? Corn, oats, hay
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
Lewiston Journal and Winona 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 William G. & Helen J. RobertsonName(s) to appear on certificate William G. & Helen J. RobertsonAddress RR # 1 Lewiston, Minnesota

Address of farm, if different from above _____

Section 20 + 29 Township 105 County WinonaNumber of acres in the farm at present 320Date of original purchase by member of your family 1861

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

160 AC IN SE 1/4 Sec. 20 T 105 R9160 AC IN NE 1/4 Sec. 29 T 105 R9

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
Thomas Robertson Sr. (owner in 1876 or B4)	from 1861 to 1869	FATHER
Thomas Robertson Jr. next owner	from 1869 to 1899	FATHER
Agnes Robertson next owner	from 1899 to 1912	Wife of Thomas Jr.
William B. Robertson next owner	from 1912 to 1964	FATHER
Elsie Robertson next owner	from 1964 to 1967	Wife of William B.
William G. Robertson next owner	from 1967 to 1976	
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:

Elsie E. Robertson
 (Witness sign here)

William G. Robertson
 (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? U.S. Government
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? 320
3. What was the cost of land per acre? _____
4. Where was the first owner born? Scotland
5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? 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 part of The Original home is still used.
10. When was the present home built? first part about 1861
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? Corn, beef - Hogs
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
Winona Daily News - Winona, Mn.
Lewiston Journal - Lewiston Mn.

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 Glenn & Agnes Schultz
Name(s) to appear on certificate Mr. & Mrs. Glenn Schultz
Address Rt. #2 Houston, Minn. 55943
Address of farm, if different from above _____

Section 35 Township 105 (Pleasant Hill) County Winona
Number of acres in the farm at present 178
Date of original purchase by member of your family 1863

Legal description of the land (from deed, abstract, tax statement)
The East Half of the West Half (E 1/2 W 1/2) and the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter (NW 1/4 SE 1/4) and the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter (SW 1/4 NE 1/4) of Section Thirty-Five (35), Township One Hundred Five (105) North, of Range Six (6), West of the Fifth Principal Meridian, Winona, County, Minnesota

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
Andrew B. Sather (owner in 1876 or B4)	from 1863 to 1911	Father
H. Ludwig Sather next owner	from 1911 to 1952	Father - in - law
Glenn W. Schultz next owner	from 1952 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)	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:

Louie Thomas
(Witness sign here)

Glenn Schultz
(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? State of Minnesota Winona Co.
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? 120 acres
3. What was the cost of land per acre? 8½ cents an acre
4. Where was the first owner born? Norway
5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? unknown
6. Was this a homestead? No
7. Did the first owner farm the land? No (see below)
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 original granary is still being used.
10. When was the present home built? 1931
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? Registered Brown Swiss cattle
Grain, hay & corn
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
Winona Daily News Winona, Minn. 55987

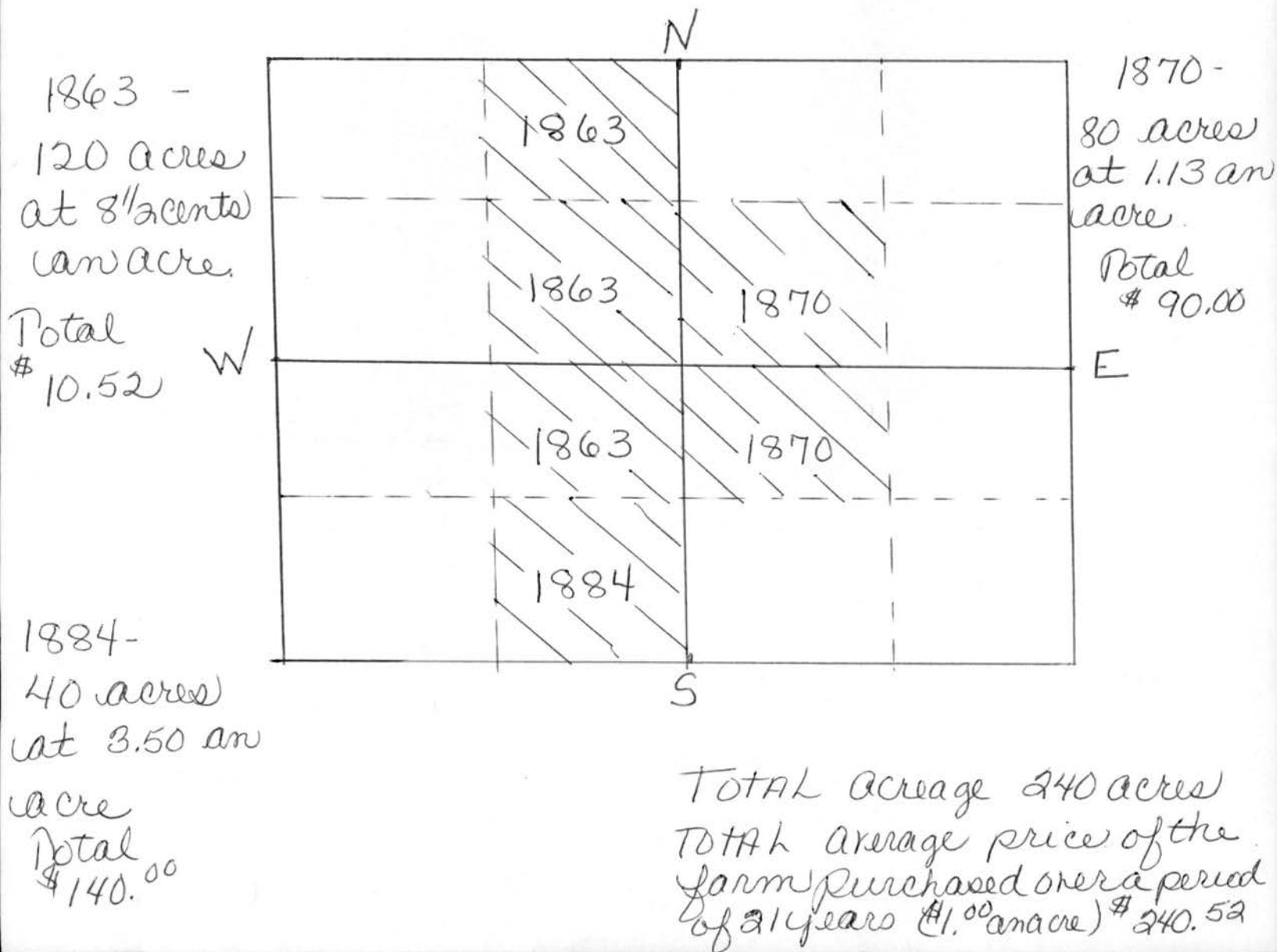
Related information: (please feel free to use additional sheets of paper)

The original 120 acres of this farm was purchased in 1863 by Andrew Sather from the State of Minnesota, Winona County on a Tax Deed in the amount of \$10.52. This makes the price per acre equal 8½ cents. Mr. Sather was the first person to actually live on and farm this land. According to records prior to this, the land changed hands many times through land offices in New York, Cook County Illinois, Fillmore and Winona Counties in Minnesota, but no one ever lived here. These transactions took place from the years 1857 to 1859 when it reverted

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back to the state for delinquent taxes and was left until Mr. Sather purchased it in 1863. He added 80 acres in 1870 for \$1.13 an acre. In 1884 he added another 40 acres for which he paid \$3.50 an acre. This 40 acres was given to the Territory of Minnesota in 1857 to be used for railroad construction. The railroad never used it and sold it to a land office to pay debts. Mr. Sather purchased it from the land office.

At the present time Mr. & Mrs. Schultz live in a second home on the farm and their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Loren Thomas and family live in the farm home and operate the farm. Their children Laura, Michael, and Kristine Thomas are the fifth generation of the same family to live here.



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)

N. 270 ac E $\frac{1}{2}$ Sec 13 T 108 R 10

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME

DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP

BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER

Michael Walch
(owner in 1876 or B4)

from 1870 to 1916

Father

next owner

from to

Lous J. Walch
next owner

from 1916 to 1942

Daughter & husband Joseph

next owner

from to

Joseph passed away 1962

next owner

from 1942 to 1976

next owner

from to

next owner

from to

next owner

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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:

Phil Speltz

(Witness sign here)

Mrs Dorothy E. Speltz

(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? Joseph Rankin
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? 110-45 broke
3. What was the cost of land per acre? _____
4. Where was the first owner born? Luxemburg Germany
5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? 3 yrs at Dubuque Iowa
6. Was this a homestead? yes
7. Did the first owner farm the land? yes & cleared the trees
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, house, barn is used every

day as Grade A standard barn for 45 cows granary and hog barn

10. When was the present home built? 1880
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? general farming and dairy
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:

Winona Daily News Winona Minn

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 Alta L. Steffen
Name(s) to appear on certificate Alta L. Steffen & Kenneth S. Steffen
Address Plainview Minn R #1 Box 167
Address of farm, if different from above _____

Section 25 Township Plainview County Wabasha
30 White Water Winona
Number of acres in the farm at present 1.88 1/2
Date of original purchase by member of your family 1864
Legal description of the land (from deed, abstract, tax statement)
E 1/2 E 1/4 - see 25-108-11 Wabasha Co Part of Sec 30 Winona Co.

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
(owner in 1876 or B4)	from to	
Thomas Marquardt	1864 - 1864	great uncle & grandfather
next owner	from to	
Har	1866 - 1902	grandfather
next owner	from to	
Mary Ventur	1902 - 1903	uncle & mother
next owner	from to	
Elizabeth Steffen	1903 - 1927	mother
next owner	from to	
Alta L. Steffen	1927 - 1944	Present owner
next owner	from to	
Alta Steffen & Kenneth	1944 - 1976	joint owners
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:

Kenneth S. Steffen (Witness sign here) Alta L. Steffen (Signature of present owner)

Date June 25, 1976
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1. From whom was the farm purchased? Johnathan Longalls
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? ~~188 1/2~~ 188 1/2
3. What was the cost of land per acre? \$100 for the farm
4. Where was the first owner born? Luxemburg
5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? Halfbreed tract
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?
Clock maker
9. Is the original home, or any portion of it or other original buildings, still standing or in use? part of present farm
10. When was the present home built? 1927
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? Crops ^{corn} wheat ^{oats} & hay
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
Plainview News

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

My grandfather, Felix Har, with his brother-in-law purchased 160 a. which included this farm. Har put the log house & barn under some very large oaks on the present building site. A spring was close by. This partnership separated, Har's daughter got the farm upon his death. Elizabeth, my mother, purchased her sister's share when she married August Steinkamp, a German man who worked for a neighbor. The house burned in 1927. When I married I purchased the farm from my brother & sister & built the present house - We bought the 2 acre woodlot joining on the north later. My husband & I have lived here all our married life, raised our 4 children, & made many improvements - We hope to reside here many more years -

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Name of Centennial Farm owner Walter J. Wachholz - Lewiston
Name(s) to appear on certificate Walter J. Wachholz
Address Lewiston, Minn. 55972
Address of farm, if different from above _____

Section 6 Township Warren County Winona

Number of acres in the farm at present 118

Date of original purchase by member of your family May 5, 1863

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

93.48 ac. Sec. 6 W 30 ac. of S.E. 1/4 NW. 1/4 W. 30 ac. of N.E. 1/4 S.W. 1/4 & Frac. N.W. 1/4 S.W. 1/4 T106 & E. 25.14 N.E. 1/4 Sec. 6 T106 R. 8

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>John Mullen</u> (owner in 1876 or B ₄)	from <u>1863</u> to <u>1903</u>	<u>Grandfather</u>
<u>Carl John Wachholz</u> next owner	from <u>1903</u> to <u>1923</u>	<u>father</u>
<u>Walter J. Wachholz</u> next owner	from <u>1923</u> to <u>Present</u>	<u>above centennial farm owner</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 ☒

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

Thomas D. Jasowski
(Witness sign here)

Walter J. Wachholz
(Signature of present owner)

Date 6/25/76

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1. From whom was the farm purchased? Carl John Wachholz - Lewiston
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? 118 acres
3. What was the cost of land per acre? 35⁰⁰
4. Where was the first owner born? Germany
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?
served on Town Board
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? 1872
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? has
corn, oats, (dairy)
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
Lewiston Journal - Winona Daily News

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

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

ok

Name of Centennial Farm owner Charles J. Waldo
 Name(s) to appear on certificate CHARLES J. and FRENIE WALDO
 Address WINONA MINN. R.#3 55987
 Address of farm, if different from above SAME

Section 1 and 2 Township WISCOY County WINONA
 Number of acres in the farm at present 190
 Date of original purchase by member of your family Oct. 12 1872 40 acres
Oct. 16 1867 40 acres
 Legal description of the land (from deed, abstract, tax statement)
From abstract Oct. 16 1867 40 acres the NE 1/4 of the SE 1/4 Section 2
TP. 105 Rg. 7
" " Oct. 12 1872 40 acres the NW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 Section 1
TP. 105 Rg. 7

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
CHARLES WALDO	from 1876 to 1929	FATHER
(owner in 1876 or B4)	1872	
CHARLES WALDO I	from 1867 to 1929	FATHER
next owner		
CHARLES V. WALDO	from 1929 to 1952	FATHER
next owner		
CHARLES J. WALDO	from 1952 to PRESENT TIME	
next owner		
	from to	
next owner		
	from to	
next owner		
	from to	
next owner		

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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:

Ivan P. Albrecht
 (Witness sign here)

Charles J. Waldo
 (Signature of present owner)

Date June 24 1976

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1. From whom was the farm purchased? John Young Father in law to Charles I
Waldo
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? 40 acres
3. What was the cost of land per acre? \$20
4. Where was the first owner born? Herkimer County New York
5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? Same as above
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?
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? 1898
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? Dairy Farm
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
Winona Daily News Winona Minn.

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

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CENTURY FARMS
ST. PAUL, MN 55108

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

CENTURY FARMS
ST. PAUL, MN 55108Name of Centennial Farm owner Donald R. Wilson *OK*Name(s) to appear on certificate sameAddress 40 Harrison St., Lewiston, MN 55952Address of farm, if different from above Utica, MNSection 20 Township 106 (Utica) County WinonaNumber of acres in the farm at present 120Date of original purchase by member of your family 1862

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 of Sec. 20, Twp. 106, R. 9W

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>David H. Wilson</u> (owner in 1876 or B4)	from <u>1862</u> to <u>1917</u>	<u>father</u>
<u>Edson W. Wilson</u> next owner	from <u>1917</u> to <u>1953</u>	<u>father</u>
<u>Donald R. Wilson</u> next owner	from <u>1953</u> to <u>1976</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 ☐
 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:

Kate L. Hanson Wilson
 (Witness sign here)

Donald R. Wilson
 (Signature of present owner)

Date June 29, 1976

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1. From whom was the farm purchased? James Taylor + Henderson D. Morse
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? 120
3. What was the cost of land per acre? _____
4. Where was the first owner born? Kentucky
5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? Illinois
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? part of it in 1866
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? corn - soybeans
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
Winona Daily News, Winona, MN; Lewiston Journal, Lewiston, MN

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

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Name of Centennial Farm owner

Robert J. Walter

Name(s) to appear on certificate

Robert & Charlotte Walter

Address

Dalota, MN 55925

Address of farm, if different from above

Section

17

Township

New Hartford

County

Winona

Number of acres in the farm at present

77

Date of original purchase by member of your family

Feb 21, 1873

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

S.W. quarter of Section 17 township 105 north of Range 5

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>Abraham Hess</u> (owner in 1876 or B4)	from to <u>1873</u>	
<u>AUGUST WALTER</u> next owner	from <u>1873</u> to <u>1913</u>	<u>father of Julius Walter</u>
<u>Julius B. Walter</u> next owner	from <u>1913</u> to <u>1950</u>	<u>son of August Walter</u>
<u>Robert J. Walter</u> next owner	from <u>1950</u> to	<u>son of Julius Walter</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 ()

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

recorded in Montgomery Co Ohio
Feb 21, 1873

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

John K. Olson
 (Witness sign here)

Date 7/9/76

Robert Walter
 (Signature of present owner)

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1. From whom was the farm purchased? Abraham & Maria Heff
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? 80
3. What was the cost of land per acre? 5.88
4. Where was the first owner born? Germany
5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? Moand Prairie, T.W.P
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?
Blacksmith, town board supervisor, also Charter member of St John's Evangelical Church Modene MN
9. Is the original home, or any portion of it or other original buildings, still standing or in use? None in use, fitcher log also other part added in 1898. Porches added 1926, ^{added} Garage & living room enlarged in 1972, stone and stone building built 1895
10. When was the present home built? 1873
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? Corn, alfalfa, oats, dairy farm
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
Winona Daily News

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

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CENTURY FARMS
ST. PAUL, MN 55108

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CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Name of Centennial Farm owner MRS RAY H. JOHNS
 Name(s) to appear on certificate _____
 Address LEWISTON RT #1
 Address of farm, if different from above _____

Section 20 Township HART County WINONA

Number of acres in the farm at present 137

Date of original purchase by member of your family _____

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

40 AC SE 1/4 SW 1/4 SEC 20 T 105 R-8
101.25 AC IN SEC 29 79.25 AC IN N 1/2 NW 1/4 & N 22 AC OF
SE 1/4 NW 1/4 EX RD 1 AC IN SE 1/4 NW 1/4 T 105 RB
 PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
JACOB JOHNS (owner in 1876 or B4)	from <u>1856</u> to <u>1878</u>	FATHER
next owner	from _____ to _____	
CHARLES JOHNS	from <u>1878</u> to <u>1931</u>	FATHER
next owner		
CARL JOHNS	from <u>1931</u> to <u>1951</u>	BROTHER
next owner		
RAY JOHNS	from <u>1951</u> to <u>1973</u>	
next owner		
MRS RAY JOHNS	from <u>1973</u> to <u>—</u>	WIFE
next owner		
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 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:

Marelda T. Johns
 (Witness sign here)

Curtis R. Johns
 (Signature of present owner)

Date 8-17-76

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1. From whom was the farm purchased? THE SOUTHERN MINN. RAILROAD CO.
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? ST LOUIS
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? 1890
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? CORN
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
WINONA DAILY NEWS

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

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CENTURY FARMS
ST. PAUL, MN 55108

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

Names to appear on 1976 Certificate MRS RAY JOHNS

ADDRESS LEWISTON

ROUTE #1

FIRST YEAR OF OPERATION BY THE FAMILY 1856

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.

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

thank you for your immediate attention.

Winona

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

Names to appear on 1976 Certificate Edna I. Harris and Mrs.

ADDRESS 66-E-King St., Gladys Harris
Anderson

Winona, Minn. 55987

FIRST YEAR OF OPERATION BY THE FAMILY 1858

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Minnesota State Fair
St. Paul, Mn. 55108

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CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

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Name of Centennial Farm owner ~~Ervin~~ Haedtke BrothersName(s) to appear on certificate Haedtke BrothersAddress R#2 Winona, MN 55987

Address of farm, if different from above _____

Section 24 Township 106 Range 8 County WinonaNumber of acres in the farm at present 205 acresDate of original purchase by member of your family December 17, 1874

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

E 1/2 of SE 1/4 of Section 24, T. 106 R. 8, containing 80 acres of land more or less.

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>William Haedtke</u> (owner in 1876 or B4)	^{Dec 17} from 1874 to 1907	<u>Great-Grandfather</u>
<u>ERNESTINA HAEDTKE</u> next owner	from 1907 to 1916	<u>Great-Grandmother</u>
<u>THEODORE F. HAEDTKE</u> next owner	from 1916 to 1941	<u>Grandfather</u>
<u>ANNA T. HAEDTKE</u> next owner	from 1941 to ¹⁹⁵² 1946	<u>Grandmother</u>
<u>MARTIN + GERTRUDE ERDMAN</u> next owner	from 1952 to 1961	<u>GERTRUDE ERDMAN</u> (DAU OF THEO + ANNA HAEDTKE) (AUNT TO PRESENT OWNERS)
<u>WILLARD + ERVIN HAEDTKE</u> next owner	from 1961 to PRESENT	<u>GREAT GRANDSONS OF WILLIAM HAEDTKE</u>
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:

Harold Burcalow, Winona County Extension Director
(Witness sign here)

Ervin Haedtke for Haedtke Bros.
(Signature of present owner)

Date June 21, 1976

See reverse side for additional information.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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1. From whom was the farm purchased? Michael Locker
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? 80
3. What was the cost of land per acre? \$12.50
4. Where was the first owner born? William Haedtke - first owner of present family ownership
Germany } Information on Michael Locker is not known - He is not a member of present family.
5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? _____
6. Was this a homestead? _____
7. Did the first owner farm the land? yes
8. Did he engage in any trades or occupations other than farming?
Unknown
9. Is the original home, or any portion of it or other original buildings, still standing or in use? portion of present house is
thought to be original home - built with square nails
10. When was the present home built? Unknown
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? corn, alfalfa, oats
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
Winona Daily News, Winona, MN 55987

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

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ST. PAUL, MN 55108