



## Century Farm Applications

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PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Fred W. Halstad  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS Rt #1, Box 69 Detroit Lakes, Mn 56501  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER (218) 439-4458  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION 14 + 23 TOWNSHIP Lake Eynice COUNTY Becker

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 154 acres  
~~142~~

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1869

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) Sec. 14  
SW 1/4 Ex 5 acres A.C. - - - Sec. 23 W 1/2 of NW 1/4  
Less 1 Acre

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>John A. Halstad</u> first owner	FROM <u>1869</u> TO <u>1920</u>	<u>Grandfather</u>
<u>Albert J Halstad</u> next owner	<u>1920</u> <u>1970</u>	
<u>Fred W. Halstad</u> next owner	<u>1970</u>	
next owner		
next owner		

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Original Deed ( ) OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_  
(signature of present owner)

DATE 1980

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ST. PAUL MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Great Northern Railroad

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? ~~25~~ not known

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Sweden

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? Iowa

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? Lay Pastor  
+ Railroad employee

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? part of it.

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? ~~yes~~ no the house burned

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1884 (still live in remodeled home)

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Oats, alfalfa + corn

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

Grandpa Halstad (John) started the Lake Eunice Ev. Free Church. That is still active today. The one acre off sec. 23 is now the church cemetery. The 5 acres off sec. 14 belongs to our daughter & son-in-law. They are now building a home on it & will live there with their two children.

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PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Eugene Leo Brenny  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS Foley RR #3 MINN. 56329  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER (612) 3872826  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE Same as above

SECTION 26 TOWNSHIP ALBERTA COUNTY BENTON

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 340

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY March 29, 1880

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) The Southwest quarter (SW 1/4 of SW 1/4) of Section Twenty-three (23) and all of the Northwest Quarter (NW 1/4) of Section twenty-six (26), all in township thirty-eight (38) North, Range twenty-nine (29) west, Fourth principal meridian, Benton County, Minn.

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>peter Kujawa</u> first owner	FROM <u>March 29 1880</u> TO <u>April 29, 1901</u>	<u>Father of Joe Kujawa</u> <del>SON</del>
<u>Peter Kujawa</u> next owner	<u>April 29, 1901</u> <u>June 10, 1913</u>	<u>Brother to Andrew Kujawa</u>
<u>Joe Kujawa</u> next owner	<u>June 10, 1913</u> <u>November</u> <u>May 4, 1966</u>	<u>Uncle to Selmae Brenny</u>
<u>Andrew Kujawa</u> next owner	<u>May 4, 1966</u> <u>Feb. 3, 1967</u>	<u>Mother of Eugene Leo Brenny</u>
<u>Selmae Brenny</u> next owner	<u>Feb 3, 1967</u> <u>To present</u>	
<u>Eugene Leo Brenny</u>		

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Eugene Brenny  
(signature of present owner)

DATE June 10, 1980

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? \_\_\_\_\_

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE FARM THE LAND? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? \_\_\_\_\_

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL  
STANDING OR IN USE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? \_\_\_\_\_

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

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PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Clifford Jacgaemart  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS R#2 Box 37 Foley MN 56329  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER (612) 968-7451  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE Same

SECTION 8 TOWNSHIP St. George COUNTY Benton

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 230

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY Feb. 20, 1874

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

S.W. 1/4 of N.E. 1/4 and N.W. 1/4 of S.E. 1/4

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>Marie Landre</u> first owner	FROM <u>1874</u>	
<u>Marie Landre</u> next owner	TO <u>1914</u>	<u>Mother-in-Law</u>
<u>George Jacgaemart</u> next owner	<u>1914</u> <u>1942</u>	<u>Father</u>
<u>Gust Jacgaemart</u> next owner	<u>1942</u> <u>1958</u>	<u>Father</u>
<u>Clifford Jacgaemart</u> next owner	<u>1958</u>	

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Clifford Jacgaemart  
(signature of present owner)

DATE July 15, 1980

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? The government

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 80

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE FARM THE LAND? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? No

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1975

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Oats, Corn, Hay, beef, & pigs.

### ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

*The Homestead Certificate which we have in our possession was signed by Ulysses S. Grant.*

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER LEONARD MINNERS  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS RR BEARDSLEY MN 56211  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE  
PHONE NUMBER (612) 265-6269  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE SAME

SECTION 29 TOWNSHIP BROWNS VALLEY COUNTY BIG STONE

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 160

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY APRIL 1, 1878

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) NW 1/4  
of SECTION 29 TOWNSHIP 124 RANGE 48

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM 1878	
JOHANN JACOB MINNERS	TO 1915	FATHER OF J. GUSTAV
next owner	1915	
J. GUSTAV MINNERS	1962	FATHER OF LEONARD
next owner	1962	
LEONARD MINNERS	PRESENT	
next owner		
next owner		

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Land Patent (X) County Land Record (X)  
Original Deed (X) OTHER Book 33 of Deeds, p594, Ortonville, Mn.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION LISTED ABOVE IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

Leonard Minners  
(signature of present owner)

DATE 7/7/80

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? It was homesteaded, Land Office at Benson

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$1.25

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Kingdom of Hanover, Germany

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? Red Wing, Minn.

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? no

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? Only 1 building, built in 1890 - presently used for storage.

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? J. Gustav built it in 1914 as a wedding gift for his bride.

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Irrigated corn + wheat

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

Johann Jacob had 17 children, 8 boys, 9 girls.  
Only one of the Winners' had a son - :

J. Gustav .. fathered Leonard.

Leonard has 2 sons...

... one a farmer - and 2 grandsons.

In our knowledge, the family name  
would have ended, except for the  
birth of Leonard (who only weighed  
3 lbs at birth.)



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PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Marvin Schmeichel  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS

Odessa

CITY

MINN

STATE

56376

ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER

(612) 273-2274

area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION

34

TOWNSHIP

Odessa

COUNTY

Big Stone

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

248 acres

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

Nov 24 - 1880

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

Lots 1-5-6 Sec 34 Twp 121 Rang 45

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM	
<u>Heinrich Schmeichel</u>	<u>24 Nov 1880</u>	<u>Father of Max</u>
next owner	TO	
<u>MAX Schmeichel</u>	<u>Nov 13 - 1926</u>	<u>Father of Marvin</u>
next owner	TO	
<u>Marvin Schmeichel</u>	<u>Dec 28 - 1962</u>	<u>To Today</u>
next owner		
next owner		

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Court file in Registration Proceedings ( )

Land Patent ( )

County Land Record ( )

Original Deed (X)

OTHER

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Marvin Schmeichel

(signature of present owner)

DATE

June 18 1980

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Bertha Schmichl purchased it from  
HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? Hilhemina Hermann  
WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? 67 acres  
\$4.10 / acre  
WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? In Germany  
WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? Des Moines  
DID HE FARM THE LAND? Yes  
DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? No

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? No

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL  
STANDING OR IN USE? Yes

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1887

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Soybeans, wheat

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

Corn - beef

We have the original homestead  
papers signed by President Hayes  
in 1878 to Hermanns -

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PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Mrs. Edward (Lillian D.) Boehland  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS R # 5, Box 105 Mankato Mn. 56001

PHONE NUMBER ( 507 ) 625-8991 CITY STATE ZIP CODE

area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION 21 TOWNSHIP Lime COUNTY Blue Earth County

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT (80)

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY (1866)

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

SE 4 of NE 4 & NE4 of SE4

21 109 26

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <del>XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX</del>	FROM <del>XXXXXX</del> TO <del>XXXXXX</del>	<del>XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX</del> <del>XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX</del> <del>XXXXXX</del>
<del>owner</del> <u>Ernst</u> <u>Boh</u> — <u>6-6-66</u>	<del>XXXXXX</del>	
Ernst Boehland		Husband to Hattie
next owner Hattie Boehland	6-26-08	Mother of Edward
next owner Edward Boehland	11-25-32	Husband of Lillian
next owner Lillian Boehland		Present owner and living on farm age 89

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Harriet H. Silman  
(signature of present owner)

DATE April 25, 1980

(nee Boehland)

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1866- Charles, Carolina Philbrick

FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED?

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL?

80 acres

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE?

\$6.25

acre

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN?

Germany

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM?

Wisconsin then Min. farm

DID HE FARM THE LAND?

Yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING?

yes

Ernst

Boehland was a wagon maker

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD?

No

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE?

No

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT?

1923

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS?

soy beans and corn

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

THIS FARM

It has a family cemetery - which I would like to restore as there are so few of these left, if any, that I know of. Last year a storm destroyed all the cedar trees but one - all these had been planted by my grandfather, Ernst Boehland, and I want to replace with new cedar trees, fence it and reset the monuments. Do you know of any government aid for these projects - I am contacting Region 9 Development at the present time. Attached is write-up in Free Press last year.

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PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

ADDRESS R#1 LAKE CRYSTAL MN 56055  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER (507) 947-3164  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION 32 TOWNSHIP Cambria COUNTY Blue Earth

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 198

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1877

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

W-2 of SE 4 - 80 acres AUDITORS Plat #46 - Lat 3 - 36 acres  
E 2 of SE 4 - 80 acres

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner Hugh Roberts	FROM 1877 TO 1901	FATHER OF <del>BROTHER</del> ELIZABETH
next owner Elizabeth Lloyd	1901- to 1943	MOTHER } Emrys Willard
next owner Emrys Lloyd - Willard Lloyd	1943- 1952	BROTHERS
next owner Emrys Lloyd	1952- 1963	FATHER } Vera Bowen Mary Depp Edward Lloyd John Lloyd
next owner Bowen, Deopere, Lloyd Farm { Gordon + Vera Bowen Edward + Ruth Lloyd Mary + Dennis Depp } Gordon Bowen Operator	1963 to Present	TO

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Original Deed (X) OTHER Contract of Deed of Present Owners

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Vina E. Bowen

(signature of present owner)

DATE July 9, 1980

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? David E. Griffiths - 1877

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? Bought for 1500 bushels of wheat

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Wales

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? Wales - then Wisconsin - then to farm

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? no

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? no

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? Yes, original house - plus kitchen moved from another homestead on corner of farm.

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? ?

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn - Soybeans

### ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

The farm was originally bought on Contract for 1000 bushels of wheat per year. The price was 300 bushels of wheat per year. Less if the crop was bad, more if he could afford or when he paid 1500 bushels the farm was decided to him.

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PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Paul A. Evans  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS R. R. # 2 Box 218 Lake Crystal Minnesota 56055  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE  
PHONE NUMBER ( 507 ) 947-3687  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION 9 & 4 TOWNSHIP Judson COUNTY Blue Earth

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 160

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY Sept. 9, 1867

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) NW 4 of NW 4 and  
SW 4 of NW 4 & W 2 of SW 4 TOWNSHIP 108 RANGE 28

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <b>John J. Evans</b>	FROM <u>Sept 9, 1867</u> TO <u>JAN 26, 1874</u>	<b>Father of Evan T.</b>
next owner <b>Evan T. Evans</b>	<u>JAN 26, 1874</u> <u>Nov 11, 1918</u>	<b>Father of Edwin</b>
next owner <b>Edwin Evans</b>	<u>Nov 11, 1918</u> <u>Oct 27, 1955</u>	<b>Uncle of Paul</b>
next owner <b>Paul Evans</b>	<u>Oct 27, 1955</u>	
next owner		

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Paul A. Evans  
(signature of present owner)

DATE July 11, 1980

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? \_\_\_\_\_

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 240

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$5.00 per acre - Total \$1200.00 in 1867

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Wales

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? New York

DID HE FARM THE LAND? Yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? No

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? \_\_\_\_\_

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? Part of the original home

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Beans and Corn

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

*The original home is now our dining room in the central part of the house. It is built with ~~native~~ hand hewed native timber with mortice joints.*



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PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Herbert H. Kraus  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS

Rt. 1 Box 110 Garden City

Mn.

56034

PHONE NUMBER

(507) 549-3867

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION 6

TOWNSHIP

Vernon Center

COUNTY

Blue Earth

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

316 A.

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

1864

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

S 1/2 NW 1/4 & SW 1/4 Sec. 6, Twp. 106, Range 28

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>Dorade Kraus</u>	FROM <u>1864</u> TO <u>1927</u>	<u>Mother of Louis</u>
next owner <u>Louis P. Kraus</u>	<u>1927-</u> <u>1956</u>	<u>Husband of Blanche</u>
next owner <u>Blanche Kraus</u>	<u>1956-</u> <u>1960</u>	<u>Mother of Herbert</u>
next owner <u>Herbert H. Kraus</u>	<u>1960-</u> <u>Present</u>	
next owner		

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Abstract of Title (X)

Court file in Registration Proceedings ( )

Land Patent ( )

County Land Record ( )

Original Deed (X)

OTHER

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Herbert H. Kraus  
(signature of present owner)

DATE

July 8, 1980

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CENTURY FARMS  
MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Sheldon F. Barney & Benjamin F. Barney

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160 A.

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$6.25

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Germany

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? Wisconsin

DID HE FARM THE LAND? Yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? No

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? No

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? the barn

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1963

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn, soy beans, beef cattle

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Oliver H. Luhring  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS Rural Route 2, Box 26 Amboy MN 56010

PHONE NUMBER ( 507 ) 278-3556 CITY STATE ZIP CODE

area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION 32 TOWNSHIP Lyra COUNTY Blue Earth

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 160

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY April 7, 1873

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , Section 32, T-106, Range 27

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner William Hilke	FROM 1873 TO 1909	Father
next owner Clara Hilke	1909 1911	Wife to George
next owner Clara Hilke Luhring and George Luhring Husband/Wife	1911 1967	Mother and Father
next owner Oliver H. Luhring	1967 present	
next owner		

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Original Deed ☒ OTHER

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Oliver H. Luhring  
(signature of present owner)

DATE 5-13-80

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Jubez Ratcliffe

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$2.60

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Good Thunder

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? Good Thunder

DID HE FARM THE LAND? Yes - until retiring  
~~No, he worked in some sort of trade~~

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

yes, unknown exact trade

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL  
STANDING OR IN USE? no, present house was built in 1887, it replaced a log cabin  
which was original homestead building.

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1887

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? soybeans and corn

### ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

Jubez Ratcliffe originally got the land as a land grant from the government.

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Harlan L. Marble  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS Box 153 Rt 1 Good Thunder Mn 56037  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER (507) 278-3445  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION 32 TOWNSHIP Decoria (107) COUNTY Blue Earth

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 149.5

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY June 1865

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

E 1/2 of NE 1/4 & NE 1/2 of SE 1/4 & E 1/2 of W 1/2 & S 1/2 of  
SE 1/4

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM 1865	
<u>Alvin Marble</u>	TO 1868	<u>Brother of Wm</u>
next owner	1868	
<u>Wm Marble</u>	1875	<u>Father of Alden</u>
next owner	1875	
<u>Alden Marble</u>	1916	<u>Father of Claude</u>
next owner	1916	
<u>Claude Marble</u>	1957	<u>Father of Bruce</u>
next owner	1957	
<u>Bruce Marble</u>	1977	<u>Father of Harlan</u>
<u>Harlan Marble</u>	<u>Present</u>	

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Original Deed ( ) OTHER

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Harlan L. Marble  
(signature of present owner)

PLEASE RETURN TO:

DATE 5/14/80

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MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108



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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Alvin got a land Patent on one portion  
The North 80 of The present ground was land Patented by Jon Newman  
HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? Wm purchased 240A from These two,

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$2.75

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Alvin was born in Illinois in 1842-Dec 14  
Wm was born in Geana, Ohio Jan 11, 1826  
WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? Montrose Illinois

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

Not to our knowledge

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL  
STANDING OR IN USE? No

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Beef - hogs - Corn - small grain

### ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

Most of what we have heard has been about G.G. Gpa Wm Marble. He came to Minnesota in 1864 with his brothers Abraham JR. and Alvin, his parents Abraham SR & Catherine and two sisters, Mary Marble wife of James Larkins & Amanda Marble wife of Andrew Kingery.

Wm's wife and two of their 3 children had died so he left his only son Alden with kin in Illinois while he helped the rest of the family to settle in So. Mn. Then having seen them safely settled he returned to bring 12yr old Alden back with him. They stayed with his parents upon their return, until purchasing land of their own.

Alvin moved onto Montana in the early 90's as did Abe JR. The Larkins moved onto Oregon & Kingerys to Nebraska.

Abraham Sr. May 22, 1799 - 1880

Wm. Bateman Marble Jan 11, 1826 - Nov 17, 1908

Alden Gage Marble 1855 - March 16, 1916

Claude Wm Marble May 25, 1891 - Oct 11, 1975

Bruce Everett Marble Nov 1, 1915 -

Harlan Lee Marble Dec 13, 1940 -

The first four are all buried at the Decoria Cemetery off Hy #22 so; Abraham's stone the only one in the cemetery having a date in the 1700's.

I have been trying to discover which land around here was settled by each member and have discovered small portions of it. I have also discovered some other families that date back to settlers in the area. (Hickop - Truebenbach - Hanzel - Cramer & others)

Grandma Maggie (Mrs Claude) told many stories as had been told to them and I've been trying to get the stories from some of the others again so I can piece them together better.

Once when Wm & Alden were on the trail here the home near where they camped denied them the privilege of baking bread so Wm threw away the milk from his cows, the customary payment.

Alden returned to Ill. for his bride in March of 1875. They returned to Mantate by train but walked out to the farm (10 miles) the next day.

Elaine A. Marble

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

DELMAH C. PRESTON

(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS 200 WANNESCHICK CREEK MANKATO MINN 56001

PHONE NUMBER (507) 245-3365

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE RT 3 BOX 157 JAMESVILLE MN. 56048

SECTION 32 TOWNSHIP 107 McPHERSON COUNTY BLUE EARTH

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 160

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1-1-1866

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

SOUTH WEST QUARTER of SECTION 32 TOWNSHIP 107  
RANGE 25

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM TO	
<u>ASAHEL B. PRESTON</u>	<u>1866</u> <u>1936</u>	<del>GRAND FATHER</del> <u>FATHER OF George</u>
next owner		
<u>George B. PRESTON</u>	<u>1936</u> <u>1939</u>	<u>FATHER OF CLARK</u> <del>GRAND FATHER</del>
next owner		
<u>CLARK H. PRESTON</u>	<u>1939</u> <u>1962</u>	<u>FATHER OF DELMAH</u>
next owner		
<u>DELMAH C. PRESTON</u>	<u>1962</u> <u>PRESENT</u>	<u>MYSELF</u>
next owner		

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Original Deed ( ) OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

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Delmah C Preston  
(signature of present owner)

PLEASE RETURN TO:

DATE Apr. 20 1980

CENTURY FARMS  
MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? \_\_\_\_\_

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE FARM THE LAND? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? \_\_\_\_\_

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL  
STANDING OR IN USE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? \_\_\_\_\_

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Edgar J. Rabenhorst ✓  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS

MAPLETON

MINN.

56065

PHONE NUMBER

(507) 524-3965  
area code

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION

16

TOWNSHIP

MAPLETON

COUNTY

BLUE EARTH

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

120

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

Sept 16 - 1878

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

NW 1/4 & NW 1/4 and S 1/2 of NW 1/4 of section 16 - 105-26

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM	
<u>William Proehl</u>	TO <u>Sept 16 1878</u>	<u>4/1/85</u> husband
next owner		
<u>Annie Proehl (wife)</u>	<u>12/17/85</u>	<u>3/1/89</u> <sup>Wife</sup> husband
next owner		
<u>John Rabenhorst</u>	<u>3/1/89</u>	<u>5/28/90</u> son
next owner		
<u>J. Herman Rabenhorst</u>	<u>5/28/90</u>	<u>4/15/95</u> son
next owner		
<u>Edgar J. Rabenhorst</u>	<u>4/15/95</u>	<u>present</u>

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County Land Record ( )

Original Deed (X)

OTHER

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Edgar J. Rabenhorst  
(signature of present owner)

DATE

5/29/80

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ST. PAUL MN 55108



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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Patent (school section)

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 40 acres (additional purchased  
with the next couple of years)

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? 4.00

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Germany

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? Germany

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? no

\_\_\_\_\_

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? no

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL  
STANDING OR IN USE? no

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1906 (remodeled and addition 1953)

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? corn + soybeans

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

ARNOLD W. Schuster  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS

R1

MINNESOTA LAKE

MINNESOTA

56068

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER

(507)  
area code

462-3619

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SAME

SECTION

36

TOWNSHIP

DANVILLE

COUNTY

Blue Earth

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

240

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

1880

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

Northeast  
Quarter and North Half of the Southeast Quarter of Sec. 36,  
Township One Hundred Five (105) Range Twenty Five (25)  
Blue Earth County, Minn.

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	1874- FROM MAR 1880 TO 1889	FATHER OF HENRY JR.
next owner	1889- 1932	WIFE OF HENRY JR.
next owner	1932- 1932	MOTHER OF MARGARET ET AL.
next owner	1932- 1967	AUNTS + UNCLE
next owner	1967- PRESENT	

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OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

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Arnold Schuster

(signature of present owner)

DATE

June 26, 1980

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ST. PAUL MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Kremer & State of Minn.  
~~five acres & land~~

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 640 acres

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Germany

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? Wisconsin

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? don't think so

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? part of it was.

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? part of the house in original with additions

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? part of the original house was a school house  
& remodeling

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Hay Corn & soy beans

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

ROGER J. WILLIAMS  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS

RR 7

MANKATO

MN.

55601

PHONE NUMBER

(507)

625-8487

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SAME

SECTION

22 and 27

TOWNSHIP

SOUTH BEND

COUNTY

BLUE EARTH

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

222

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

1856

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

S 1/4 of SE 1/4 (Sect. 22) Township 108 Range 27

S 1/2 of SW 1/4 (Sect. 22) Township 108 Range 27

NW 1/4 of NE 1/4 (Sect. 27) Township 108 Range 27

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>HUGH W. WILLIAMS</u>	FROM <u>1856</u> - TO <u>1907</u>	<u>FATHER of DANIEL</u>
next owner <u>DANIEL WILLIAMS</u>	<u>1907</u> - <u>1970</u>	<u>FATHER of ROGER</u>
next owner <u>ROGER WILLIAMS</u>	<u>1970</u> - <u>PRESENT</u>	<u>SON of DANIEL</u>
next owner		
next owner		

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Court file in Registration Proceedings ☐

Land Patent ☐

County Land Record ☐

Original Deed ☒

OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

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Roger Williams  
(signature of present owner)

PLEASE RETURN TO:

DATE

7-7-80

CENTURY FARMS  
MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108



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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? \_\_\_\_\_

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? In Wales

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? Racine, Wisconsin

DID HE FARM THE LAND? Yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? \_\_\_\_\_

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? Yes

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? Main part was built in 1875

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn and Soy Beans

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: The first family owner, Hugh Williams was born in Wales.

He settled in Racine, Wis. with his parents, where his trade was that of a cabinet-maker. He was employed by the J.I Case Co. in Racine where he helped construct wooden machinery used in farming in the early days. After purchasing the farm near Mankato, he farmed the small parcel of land that was tillable and then proceeded to clear off much of the timber land to gain more tillable acres. He and his wife and children resided in a log cabin until Daniel (the next owner) was ten years of age. A new home was then built in 1875. It still stands although additions were made and remodeling has been done since. Roger and wife and two of their 7 children still reside in the original home. Dairying had been the principal source of income for both Daniel and Roger until 1979 when Roger sold his dairy herd and now raises corn and soybeans for cash crops.



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER CLARENCE WALL  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS R-1 Box 188 COMFREY Minn 56019  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER (507) 877-3623  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION 28 TOWNSHIP 108 COUNTY BROWN

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 80

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY Nov. 19, 1880

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) West half of Southwest quarter of Section 28, Twp. 108, Range 34, Brown County, Minnesota

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM 1880	
<u>PETER A. WALL</u>	TO 1930	<u>Father of Carl</u>
next owner	1930	
<u>CARL AUGUST WALL</u>	1946	<u>Father of Clarence</u>
next owner	1946	
<u>CLARENCE H. WALL</u>	present	
next owner		
next owner		

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Land Patent ( ) County Land Record ( )  
Original Deed ( ) OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

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Clarence Wall  
(signature of present owner)

DATE 4/20/80

PLEASE RETURN TO:

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MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? U.S. Govt. Homestead land.

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 80 acres

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? ??

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Sweden

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? ?

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? no

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? yes. The first house to be lived in

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? about 80 years ago

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn & Soybeans

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

We call it "the old house". We use it for storage and a home for our cats. It has worn quite well and perhaps after we retire we will restore it somewhat to its original looks. Grandpa Peter Homesteaded the 80 Nov. 19, 1880. Two weeks later Dec. 6 he mortgaged it for \$200<sup>00</sup>. We think the money was used to build the little house.

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Harlen Olson  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS

Comfrey

CITY

MN

STATE

56019

ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER

(507)

area code

375-5082

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

RR #2

SECTION

30

TOWNSHIP

108 N Albin

COUNTY

32 W Brown

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

279

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

1879 - March 13th - US Patent

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

W 1/2 NE 1/4 Sec 30 Twp 108 N Range 32 W.

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM 1879	
<u>Halvor Olsen</u>	TO 1886	<u>Husband of Caroline</u>
next owner	1886	
<u>Caroline Olsen</u>	1905	<u>Mother of Isaac</u>
next owner	1905	
<u>Isaac Olsen</u>	1928	<u>Brother of Hilmer</u>
next owner	1928	
<u>Hilmer Olson</u>	1943	<u>Father of Harlen</u>
next owner	1943	
<u>Harlen Olson</u>	Present	

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Abstract of Title ☒

Court file in Registration Proceedings ( )

Land Patent ( )

County Land Record ( )

Original Deed ☒

OTHER

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Harlen Olson

(signature of present owner)

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MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108

DATE

May 23, 1980

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? United States of America

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 80 acres

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? Homestead Cert. No 3343

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Ejenter, Norway

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? Goodhue County 1869

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? Not that

we know.

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL

STANDING OR IN USE? None

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1916

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Cattle, hogs, corn, soybeans,

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: hay.

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER WILBERT & CAROLINE HARDER  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS RR 1 Box 177 MORGAN MINNESOTA 56266  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER ( 507 ) 249-3972  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE SAME

SECTION 11 TOWNSHIP EDEN COUNTY BROWN

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 160

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1879

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

E $\frac{1}{2}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  TOWNSHIP 111 RANGE 33

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner WILLIAM HARDER	FROM 1879- TO 1911	FATHER OF HERMAN
next owner HERMAN HARDER	1911- <del>XXXXX</del> 1930	HUSBAND OF ESTHER <del>XXXXXX OF XXXXXX</del>
next owner ESTHER HARDER <del>XXXXXXXX XXXXXX</del>	1930- 1947	MOTHER OF WILBERT
next owner WILBERT HARDER	1947- PRESENT	
next owner		

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Abstract of Title (X) Court file in Registration Proceedings ( )  
Land Patent ( ) County Land Record ( )  
Original Deed ( ) OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

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Wilbert Harder  
(signature of present owner)

DATE May 7, 1980

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? SAMUEL J. & SARAH E. AUGER

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 80

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$ 11.25

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? GERMANY

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? I don't know.

DID HE FARM THE LAND? YES

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? NO

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? YES

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL  
STANDING OR IN USE? I don't know.

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? I don't know.

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? CORN & BEANS

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Alice L. Brown  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS

RR 1

Sleepy Eye

CITY

Mn

STATE

56085

ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER

(507)

7946578

area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION

1 and 12

TOWNSHIP

Stark

COUNTY

Brown

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

240

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

Sec 1 109 <sup>range</sup> 32 120a

Sec 12 109 32 120a

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner		
<u>Patent to John Turbes</u>	<u>7-10, 1868</u>	<u>none</u>
next owner		
<u>Anton Braun</u>	<u>6-7, 1869</u>	<u>Father</u>
next owner		
<u>Joseph Braun</u>	<u>3-4, 1913</u>	<u>Son</u>
next owner		
<u>Lorenz Braun</u>	<u>6-12, 1923</u>	<u>Son</u>
next owner		
<u>Norbert Braun</u>	<u>2-16, 1961</u>	<u>Son</u>

next owner Alice L. Braun 5-2, 1978 Wife

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Court file in Registration Proceedings ( )

Land Patent ( )

County Land Record ☒

Original Deed ☒

OTHER

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Alice L. Braun

(signature of present owner)

DATE

July 13, 1980

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ST. PAUL MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? John Turkes 1869

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160 A

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? unknown

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE FARM THE LAND? Yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? It was Homesteaded by John Turkes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Soybeans Corn Oats

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Percy Balbach  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS

R.R. 3 Springfield, Minnesota 56087  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER

(507) 723-8854  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

Same

SECTION

12

TOWNSHIP

Stately

COUNTY

Brown

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

160

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

1872

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

N.E. 1/4 - Section 12 - Township 108 Range 35

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM 1872	
<u>Conrad Balbach</u>	TO 1912	<u>Father of George</u>
next owner	1912 -	
<u>George Balbach</u>	1971	<u>Father of Percy</u>
next owner	1971 -	
<u>Percy Balbach</u>	Present	
next owner		
next owner		

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Abstract of Title ☒

Court file in Registration Proceedings ☐

Land Patent ☐

County Land Record ☐

Original Deed ☒

OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

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Percy Balbach  
(signature of present owner)

DATE

July 8, 1980

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ST. PAUL MN 55108



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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Homestead

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? Soldiers Claim

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Kurtenburg, Germany

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? Farmington, Minnesota

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? No

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? yes

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? Remodelled in 1971

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Beef Cattle and Corn

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

Conrad Balbach was a soldier engaged in the Civil War while still a teen ager.



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Kenelm Ahlness  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS

Box 23 Hanska

CITY

Minn.

STATE

56041

ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER

(507)

439-6462

area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

R.R.#1

Box 174

Hanska

SECTION

#13

TOWNSHIP

LAKE Hanska

COUNTY

Brown

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

160

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

1880

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

NW-4

13-108-31

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>Christian Ahlness</u>	<u>33</u>	<u>Father</u>
next owner <u>Alfred Ahlness</u>	<del>33</del> <u>33</u>	<del>Son</del> <u>Son</u>
next owner <u>Kenelm Ahlness</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>Son</u>
next owner		
next owner		

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County Land Record ☐

Original Deed ☐

OTHER                     

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Kenelm Ahlness

(signature of present owner)

DATE

June 31, 1980

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MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? \_\_\_\_\_

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$5.00 an acre

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Norway

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? Lake Harshaw township Brown Co. Wis.

DID HE FARM THE LAND? Yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? \_\_\_\_\_

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL  
STANDING OR IN USE? Yes

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1870

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? \_\_\_\_\_

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Frederic J. Beneke  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS R.R. 1, Box 53 Hamburg Minnesota 55339  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER (612) 467-2737  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION 32 TOWNSHIP Young America COUNTY Carver

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT (120)

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY (1867)

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) \_\_\_\_\_

PROOF	The southwest quarter (SW $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of Section Thirty-two (32), Township One Hundred Fifteen (115), Range Twenty-six (26) West, excepting therefrom the following described piece of land, Commencing at the southeast corner of said southwest quarter (SW $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of Section Thirty-two (32), running thence north sixty five (65) rods, thence west ninety eight and one half (98 $\frac{1}{2}$ ) rods, thence south sixty-five (65) rods, thence east ninety eight and one half (98 $\frac{1}{2}$ ) rods to place of beginning, said piece of land being formerly sold to Fr Christ Edward Beneke--the land to be conveyed herewith containing One hundred twenty (120) acres, more or less, according to the United States Survey thereof.	
NAME		
first		
John		
next		
J. Henry Beneke to Fred Beneke	FROM 1867 TO 1922	father
next owner		
Fred Beneke to Arthur Beneke	FROM 1922 TO 1959	father
next owner		
Arthur Beneke to Frederic J. Beneke	FROM 1959 TO present	father
next owner		

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Land Patent ( ) County Land Record ☒  
Original Deed ( ) OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

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X Frederic J. Beneke  
(signature of present owner)

DATE X July 12, 1980

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MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? \_\_\_\_\_

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE FARM THE LAND? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? \_\_\_\_\_

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL  
STANDING OR IN USE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? \_\_\_\_\_

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Peter J. Campbell  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS Rt. 1 Mayer Mn. 55360  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER (612) 955-1107  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION 10 TOWNSHIP Hollywood COUNTY Carver

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 115 1/2

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1861

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) \_\_\_\_\_

N 1/2 of SW 1/4 & NW 1/4 of SE 1/4 EXC R.R.  
Township 117 Range 26

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM 1861	
<u>Felix Campbell</u>	TO 1865	<u>father of George</u>
next owner	1865	
<u>George Campbell</u>	1922	<u>Father of Joseph</u>
next owner	1922	
<u>Joseph W. Campbell</u>	1951	<u>Father of Peter</u>
next owner	1951	
<u>Peter J. Campbell</u>	<u>Present</u>	
next owner		

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Land Patent ( ) County Land Record ( )  
Original Deed ( ) OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

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Peter J. Campbell  
(signature of present owner)

DATE 5/12/80

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? \_\_\_\_\_

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE FARM THE LAND? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? \_\_\_\_\_

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL  
STANDING OR IN USE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? \_\_\_\_\_

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

HAROLD AND GLADYS FELT  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS

RT. 1, Box 95 COLOGNE MN. 55322

PHONE NUMBER

(612)

466-5984

area code

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION

5

TOWNSHIP

SAN FRANCISCO

COUNTY

CARVER

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

160

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

1860

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

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

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM 1860	SAME AS A.P. FELT (CHANGED NAME) 1872
<u>ANDERS PEHRSON</u>	TO 1872	
next owner	1872	FATHER OF WILFRED
<u>A. P. FELT</u>	1932	
next owner	1932	FATHER OF HAROLD
<u>WILFRED FELT</u>	1978	
next owner	1978	
<u>HAROLD AND GLADYS FELT</u>	PRESENT	
next owner		

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Court file in Registration Proceedings ☐

Land Patent ☐

County Land Record ☐

Original Deed ☐

OTHER

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(signature of present owner)

DATE

7/11/80

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ST. PAUL MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? LEWIS MILDSTROM

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? SWEDEN

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? SWEDEN

DID HE FARM THE LAND? YES

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? No

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? YES

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL  
STANDING OR IN USE? YES

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? CORN, ALFALFA + DAIRYING

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

*Walfrid and his wife Florence are still living  
in the original home. He is 90 and she is  
83 and they were married 57 years last June.*

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Donald J. Forner  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS

KT 2 Box 105 Chaska Mn 55318

PHONE NUMBER

(612) 448-4573  
area code

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SAME

SECTION

13

TOWNSHIP

Dahlgren

COUNTY

Carver

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

217

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

Dec 4, 1879

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

24 115 24 217.32 22.69 A in N 1/2 of NW 1/4

13 115 24 5 1/2 of NE 1/4 of SW 1/4 EXC 16.37 A

SE 1/4 of NW 1/4 SW 1/4 of NE 1/4 N 7 A of NW 1/4 of SE 1/4

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM 1879	Father
<u>Joseph Forner</u>	TO 1890	of Joseph Jr.
next owner	1890.	Father of
<u>Joseph Forner Jr</u>	1940	Joseph F.
next owner	1940	Father of
<u>Joseph F. Forner</u>	1964	Donald
next owner	1964.	
<u>Donald J Forner</u>	present	
next owner		

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Original Deed ( )

OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

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Donald J Forner  
(signature of present owner)

DATE

July 12, 1980

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MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Sebastian Ohnsorg

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 308 Approximately

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Black Forest Area of Germany

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? on a farm near St Bonifacius

DID HE FARM THE LAND? Yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? Threshing

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? No

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? No

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1964

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Dairy Farm

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Richard Gallee  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS RR1 Box 97 Cologne mn 55322  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER (612) 466-5913  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE Same

SECTION 2 TOWNSHIP San Francisco COUNTY Carver

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT (98)

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY Nov 21 - 1867

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) 6-114-24  
3 A in SE 1/4 SW 1/4 of E 1/4 S 5/8 FNE 1/4 of  
NE 1/4 E 3/4 of NE 1/4 of W 1/4

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM	
<u>Samuel Anderson</u>	<u>Nov 21 - 1867</u>	
	TO	
	<u>3-27-1896</u>	<u>Grandfather</u>
next owner		
<u>Mary Anderson</u>	<u>3-27-1896</u>	
	<u>2-26-1897</u>	<u>Grandmother</u>
next owner		
<u>Lars John Anderson</u>	<u>2-26-1897</u>	
	<u>3-18-1942</u>	<u>Grandfather</u>
next owner		
<u>Anna Anderson</u>	<u>3-18-1942</u>	
	<u>3-16-1943</u>	<u>Grandmother</u>
next owner		
<u>Archie Anderson</u>	<u>3-16-1943</u>	<u>Uncle</u>
<u>Richard Gallee</u>	<u>10-3-1974</u>	

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Abstract of Title ( ) Court file in Registration Proceedings ( )  
Land Patent ( ) County Land Record (x)  
Original Deed ( ) OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

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Richard Gallee  
(signature of present owner)

DATE July 10 - 1980

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CENTURY FARMS  
MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? \_\_\_\_\_

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE FARM THE LAND? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? \_\_\_\_\_

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL  
STANDING OR IN USE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? \_\_\_\_\_

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

Century Farm Owner Roman and Betty Hesse

Address Rt 1 Box 31 Cologne Minn 55322

Address of farm, if different from above \_\_\_\_\_

Section 10 Township 115 Range 24 County Carver

Number of acres in the farm at present 160

Date of original purchase by member of your family 1859

Legal description of the land ( from deed, abstract or tax statement) \_\_\_\_\_  
E<sub>2</sub> of the NE<sub>4</sub> of Section 10-115-24.

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

Name	Years of ownership	Relation to owner
USA to Elizabeth Hesse	from 1859 to	
next owner		
USA to Elizabeth Hesse	from 1863 to 1871	
next owner		
Elizabeth Hesse to John E. Hesse	from 1871 to 1912	Mother of John
next owner		
John E. Hesse to Adolph Hesse	from 1912 to 1920	uncle of Adolph
next owner		
Adolph Hesse to Anton Hesse	from 1920 to 1966	Father of Anton
next owner		
Anton Hesse to Fahey		NOTE! These 2 deeds are making it
Fahey to Anton & Louise Hesse	from 1951 to	into Jt. Ten. Father Mother of Roman
next owner		
Louise Hesse to Roman & Betty Hesse	from 1966 to ----	mother of Roman

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Land Patent ( )	
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.

Carl W. Hanson  
(Witness sign here)

X Roman Hesse  
Signature of present owner

DATE: July 2, 1980

CARL W. HANSON, JR.  
County Recorder  
Carver County  
Chaska, MN 55318

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Minnesota State Fair  
St. Paul, Minn. 55108

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From whom was the farm purchased? \_\_\_\_\_

How many acres were in the original parcel? \_\_\_\_\_

What was the cost of land per acre? \_\_\_\_\_

Where was the first owner born? \_\_\_\_\_

Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? \_\_\_\_\_

Was this a homestead? \_\_\_\_\_

Did the first owner farm the land? \_\_\_\_\_

Did he engage in any trades or occupations other than farming? \_\_\_\_\_

Is the original home, or any portion of it or other original buildings, still standing or in use? \_\_\_\_\_

When was the present home built? \_\_\_\_\_

What are the farms major crops or products? \_\_\_\_\_

Related information (please attach additional sheets if necessary) \_\_\_\_\_



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

EUGENE KAMANN  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS R.R 1 NORWOOD MIN 55368  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER (612) 467-3987  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION 8 TOWNSHIP BENTON COUNTY CARVER

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 160

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 4, 1862

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) \_\_\_\_\_

SW 1/4 TOWNSHIP 115 RANGE 25

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>TILLMANN KAMMANN'S</u>	FROM <u>1862</u> - TO <u>1896</u>	<u>FATHER OF PETER</u>
next owner <u>Peter KAMANN'S</u>	<u>1896</u> - <u>1912</u>	<u>HUSBAND OF KATHARINA</u>
next owner <u>KATHARINA KAMANN</u>	<u>1912</u> - <u>1941</u>	<u>Mother of HENRY</u>
next owner <u>HENRY KAMANN</u>	<u>1941</u> - <u>1980</u>	<u>FATHER OF EUGENE</u>
next owner <u>EUGENE KAMANN</u>	<u>1980</u> - <u>PRESENT</u>	

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Original Deed ( ) OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

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Eugene Kamann  
(signature of present owner)

DATE 6-15-80

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MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108



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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? \_\_\_\_\_

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? GERMANY

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE FARM THE LAND? YES

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? No

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? YES

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL  
STANDING OR IN USE? YES

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1900

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? CORN, SOYBEANS, HOGS

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER DONALD F. NEATON ✓  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS RT. 1-B. 223 WATERTOWN, MN 55388  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER (612) 955-1183  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE SAME

SECTION # 2 TOWNSHIP HOLLYWOOD COUNTY CARVER

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT (77)

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY (1868)

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

E 1/2 OF SE 1/4 - TOWNSHIP 117-NORTH RANGE 26-WEST

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM	
<u>DENNIS NEATON</u>	TO <u>1868-1878</u>	<u>FATHER OF MARTIN</u>
next owner		
<u>MARTIN NEATON</u>	<u>1878-1929</u>	<u>FATHER OF PAUL</u>
next owner		
<u>PAUL NEATON</u>	<u>1929-1972</u>	<u>BROTHER OF ANNIE</u>
next owner		
<u>ANNIE NEATON</u>	<u>1972-1973</u>	<u>AUNT OF DONALD</u>
next owner		
<u>DONALD F. NEATON</u>	<u>1973</u> <u>PRESENT</u>	

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Land Patent ( ) County Land Record ( )  
Original Deed ( ) OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

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Donald F. Neaton  
(signature of present owner)

PLEASE RETURN TO:

DATE May 31-1980

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MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? JEREMIAH SPAIN

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 80

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$5.30

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? IRELAND

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? INDIANA

DID HE FARM THE LAND? YES

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

RAIL ROAD WORK

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? YES

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL  
STANDING OR IN USE? NO

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1977

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? CORN, SOY BEANS - ALFALFA

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

OATS

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Gene Pilgram  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS 1874 W. Shryer St. Paul Minn 55113

PHONE NUMBER (612) 633-8640  
area code CITY STATE ZIP CODE

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE R.R. Watertown, Minn

SECTION 6 TOWNSHIP Watertown COUNTY Carver

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 156

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY July 1, 1859

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

NW 1/4 of Sec 6 Twp 117 N Range 25 W

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner		
<u>James Ryan 2nd</u>	FROM <u>1859</u> TO <u>1862</u>	<u>Uncle</u>
next owner		
<u>Henry Pilgram</u>	<u>1862</u> <u>1898</u>	<u>Husband</u>
next owner		
<u>Jane Pilgram</u>	<u>1898</u> <u>1911</u>	<u>Mother</u>
next owner		
<u>Bridget Pilgram</u>	<u>1911</u> <u>1938</u>	<u>Aunt</u>
next owner		
<u>Eleanor Pilgram</u>	<u>1938</u> <u>1942</u>	<u>Sister</u>

Gene Pilgram

1942 to present

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Court file in Registration Proceedings ( )

Land Patent ( )

County Land Record ( )

Original Deed (X)

OTHER X Copy of Land Grant; Warranty Deed, Will, Warranty Deed

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Eugene J. Pilgram  
(signature of present owner)

DATE 6/3/80

Agnes J. Pilgram

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? \_\_\_\_\_

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE FARM THE LAND? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? \_\_\_\_\_

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL  
STANDING OR IN USE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? \_\_\_\_\_

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

ZIELSDORF, CLARA M

(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS De Graff Rte 1 Minn 56233

PHONE NUMBER (612) 875-3372 CITY STATE ZIP CODE  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE Same

SECTION 11412 TOWNSHIP Grace COUNTY Chippewa

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 120

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1879

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

216-000-123300  
UNPLATTED LAND  
S 1-2 SW 1-4

TOWN OF GRACE

216-000-111400  
UNPLATTED LAND

TOWN OF GRACE

12 119 39 80.00 CASE 1-4 NE 1-4

11 119 39

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>Carl A Narum</u>	FROM <u>1879</u> TO <u>1932</u>	<u>father of Clara</u>
next owner <u>Clara Narum Zielsdorf</u>	<u>1932</u> <u>1980</u>	<u>daughter</u>
next owner <u>Clara Narum Zielsdorf</u>		
next owner		
next owner		

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Court file in Registration Proceedings ( )

Land Patent ( )

County Land Record ( )

Original Deed ☒

OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

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Clara M Zielsdorf

(signature of present owner)

DATE May 6, 1980

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MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Bennim

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 240

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? 3 to \$5.00 an acre

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Norway

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? Norway

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? no

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? yes

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? house built in 1901 - lived in dug out first

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn beans and wheat & Oats

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

First Carl and Martha lived in a dug out. Then they build a small shack to live in 1888. and the still standing and useable <sup>house</sup> in 1901. They had 4 daughters. Minnie Narum born Nov 18 1880  
Anna Narum Mc Neil born Sept 24 1882  
Emma Narum Armstrong born May 16 1884  
Clara Narum Zielsdorf born June 20 1886

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Alfred Macheledt  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS

Rush City Mn 55069  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER

(612) 358-4849  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION

18

TOWNSHIP

Nessel

COUNTY

Chicago

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

160

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

1873

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

NE 1/4 NE 1/2 Sec 18 37 21  
NE 1/4 NE 1/4

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>first owner</u> <u>Laurence Hynes</u>	FROM <u>1873</u> TO <u>1884</u>	<u>Father of Thomas</u>
<u>next owner</u> <u>Thomas Hynes</u>	<u>1884-1934</u>	<u>Father of Catherine</u>
<u>next owner</u> <u>Catherine Hynes</u>	<u>1934-1952</u>	<u>Husband of Alfred</u>
<u>next owner</u> <u>Alfred Macheledt</u>	<u>1952-present</u>	
<u>next owner</u>		

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Court file in Registration Proceedings ( )

Land Patent ( )

County Land Record ( )

Original Deed ( )

OTHER

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Alfred Macheledt  
(signature of present owner)

DATE

July 12 - 1980

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MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Northern Pacific railway

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 40

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? 9

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Ireland

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? Hinckley

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? no

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? In a way. first owner but railroad land

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? 3rd house but built about 1880

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1880 & enlarged in 1913

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? grain, previously dairy

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

In legal description I have 80 A as that is how it is on tax receipt.

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Carroll E. Jr. and Sharalyn Olson  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS Route #2, Box 8, North Branch, Minnesota 55056

PHONE NUMBER ( 612 ) 674-4512 CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP CODE \_\_\_\_\_  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION 16 TOWNSHIP 35 COUNTY Chisago

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 66.70

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY \_\_\_\_\_

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) \_\_\_\_\_

N.E. 1/4 of N.E. 1/4

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM <u>1879</u>	
Frank and Johanna Olson	TO 1902	Father of A.W.
next owner	1902	
A.W. and Annette Olson	1951	Father of Carroll
next owner	1951	
Carroll and Ione Olson	1963	Father of Carroll Jr.
next owner	1963	
Carroll Jr. and Sharalyn Olson	-	
next owner		

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Original Deed ☐ OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

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Carroll Olson Jr.  
(signature of present owner)

DATE July 1, 1980

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? August Lofgren

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 117 1/2

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? ?

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Sweden

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE FARM THE LAND? Yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? No

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? C.C. Patent School Lands

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL  
STANDING OR IN USE? No

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1895

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn and soybeans

### ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

*Original Family stayed with friends  
while constructing first dwelling*

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER MELVIN STEPHENSON  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS R.R. 2 BARNESVILLE MN. 56514  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER (218) 493-4222  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE SAME

SECTION 22 TOWNSHIP TANSEM COUNTY CLAY

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 280

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1943

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) E 1/2 S.W. 1/4  
W 1/2 S.E. 1/4 E.S. W. 1/4 N.E. 1/4 E.W. 1/2 S.W. 1/2 - LESS 8.27  
A. HWY. TOWNSHIP 137-44

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM	
<u>JOHN STEFFENSON</u>	<u>1871</u>	FATHER OF
	TO	<u>OSCAR</u>
next owner		
<u>OSCAR STEFFENSON</u>	<u>1898</u>	FATHER OF
	<u>1943</u>	<u>MELVIN</u>
next owner		
<u>MELVIN STEPHENSON</u>	<u>1943</u>	
next owner	<u>PRESENT</u>	
next owner		

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(signature of present owner)

DATE Melvin Stephenson

DATE June 5 - 1980

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? \_\_\_\_\_

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE FARM THE LAND? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? YES

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL  
STANDING OR IN USE? YES

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1872

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? \_\_\_\_\_

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Eugene Kronback  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS RR1 Westbrook Mn 56183  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER (507) 274-5162  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE SAME

SECTION 4 TOWNSHIP Westbrook COUNTY Cottonwood

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 160

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1880

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

NW 1/4 of Sec 4 Township 107 N Range 38 W

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM 1880	
Erick Medhus	TO 1921	Father-in-law of Lars
next owner	1921	
Lars Larson	1953	Father-in-law of Walter
next owner	1952	
Walter Kronback	1980	Father of Eugene
next owner	1980	
Eugene Kronback	Present	
next owner		

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Abstract of Title (X) Court file in Registration Proceedings ( )  
Land Patent ( ) County Land Record ( )  
Original Deed (X) OTHER Sorum Heritage

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION LISTED ABOVE IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

Eugene Kronback  
(signature of present owner)

DATE 7-2-80

PLEASE RETURN TO:

CENTURY FARMS  
MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Homesteaded by planting trees

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160 A

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? Homesteaded by planting trees

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Hallingdal Norway

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? Hallingdal Norway

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? No

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL  
STANDING OR IN USE? yes - the barn

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1959

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn, soybeans, hogs

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Roy H. Peterson  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS Westbrook CITY MINN. STATE 56183 ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER (507) 445-3376  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION 12 TOWNSHIP Westbrook COUNTY Leeton Wood

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT (200)

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 6-20-1880

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) 80A W<sub>2</sub>NW<sub>4</sub>  
Sec. 12, 80A E<sub>2</sub>N<sub>2</sub>W<sub>4</sub> Sec. 11, 40A SW<sub>4</sub> SW<sub>4</sub> Sec. 1

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM 1880	
<u>Syner Nielson</u>	TO 1918	Father
next owner <u>Bergitte Nielson</u>	1918	Mother
<u>Olaf S. Nielson</u>	1961	UNCLE
next owner	1961	
<u>Roy H. Peterson</u>	PRESENT	
next owner		
next owner		

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Original Deed ( ) OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

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Roy H. Peterson  
(signature of present owner)

DATE 4-12-80

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ST. PAUL MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Ole S. Wilson

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 80

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$250.

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Norway

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? Norway

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? no

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? yes

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? around 1890

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn Soybeans

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

*Grand Parents first lived in dugout near creek, before house was built. Nearest town was Newholm, which is fifty miles. which they had to go by oxen to get supplies.*

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER ABBIE AND Peter Blesener  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS RR3 NORTHFIELD MINN. 55057

PHONE NUMBER (507) 645-5938  
area code CITY STATE ZIP CODE

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE SAME

SECTION 30 TOWNSHIP GREENVALE COUNTY DAKOTA

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 152.31

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1857

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

NW 1/4 SECTION 30 TOWNSHIP 112 RANGE 20

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner THOMAS FINN	FROM 1857 TO 1911	FATHER of THOMAS-ELLEN ABBIE
next owner THOMAS FINN (ABBIE FINN) ELLEN FINN (BLESENER)	1911 1935	
next owner DOMINIC & ABBIE BLESENER	1935 1950	ABBIE MOTHER of Peter
next owner ABBIE and Peter Blesener	1950 PRESENT	
next owner		

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Land Patent ( ) County Land Record ( )  
Original Deed ( ) OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

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Peter Blesener  
(signature of present owner)

DATE July 10 - 1980

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MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? \_\_\_\_\_

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 152.31

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? IRELAND

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? ST. PAUL, MINN

DID HE FARM THE LAND? Yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? No

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? Yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL  
STANDING OR IN USE? No

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? PART OF Home is 100 years old

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? CORN - SOY BEANS - WHEAT

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

ABBIE (FINN) BLESENER WAS BORN ON  
SEPT. 21, 1879 AND STILL LIVES AT  
HOME ON THE FARM

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Hilman O. Leine  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS 24498 Cedar Ave Farmington Minn 55024  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER ( )  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE Same

SECTION 15 TOWNSHIP Eureka COUNTY Dakota

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 160

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1878

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

5 1/2 of NW 1/4 N 1/2 of SW 1/4 Sec 15  
Township 113 Range 20

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM 1878	
<u>Halvor T. Leine</u>	TO 1910	<u>Father of Oscar</u>
next owner	1910	
<u>Oscar T. Leine</u>	1978	<u>Father of Hilman</u>
next owner	1978	
<u>Hilman O. Leine</u>		
next owner		
next owner		

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Land Patent ( ) County Land Record (X)  
Original Deed ( ) OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

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Hilman O. Leine  
(signature of present owner)

DATE May 10 - 1980

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ST. PAUL MN 55108



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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED?

Joseph ~~Paul~~ Poal

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL?

160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE?

? maybe \$35.00

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN?

Norway

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM?

Wisconsin

DID HE FARM THE LAND?

yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING?

no

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD?

no

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE?

no

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT?

1890

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS?

Grain & livestock

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

*This farm may be split but it still will  
be in this family.*

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

James, Thomas & Patricia McCarthy  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS

1275 DEERWOOD-DR MINN 55123

PHONE NUMBER

(612) 454 1157  
area code

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

St. Paul

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION

22

TOWNSHIP

27

COUNTY

DAKOTA

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

80

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

1825 - 1855

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

NE 1/4 OF SECTION 22 Township 27 Range 23

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>John McCarthy</u> first owner	FROM <u>1855</u> TO <u>1905</u>	<u>GRAND FATHER</u>
<u>JAMES</u> next owner	<u>1905</u> <u>1939</u>	<u>GRAND FATHER</u>
<u>MICHAEL</u> next owner	<u>1939</u> <u>1966</u>	<u>FATHER</u> <u>Jim Tom Pat</u>
<u>Jim Tom Pat</u> next owner	<u>1966</u> <u>1980</u>	

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Abstract of Title ☒

Court file in Registration Proceedings ( )

Land Patent ( )

County Land Record ( )

Original Deed ( )

OTHER

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Patricia McCarthy  
(signature of present owner)

DATE

7-9-80

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MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? GEN SIBLEY

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? 1.25

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? IRELAND

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? CHICAGO

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? NO

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? \_\_\_\_\_

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? yes

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1855

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? GEN-HAY CORN

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

MC CARTHY  
LIVE-STOCK-FARM

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

George + Susan Sullivan  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS 9006 W-210<sup>th</sup> St. Lakerville Mn. 55044  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER (612) 469-2272  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

9950-210<sup>th</sup> St. W.

SECTION W $\frac{1}{2}$ -N.E $\frac{1}{2}$  Sec. 31 TOWNSHIP Lakerville Twp. 114 COUNTY Rakex  
Range 20

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

165

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

W $\frac{1}{2}$ -N.E $\frac{1}{2}$  Sec. 31. Twp. 114 Range 20

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>Daniel + Mary Sullivan</u> first owner	FROM <u>1868</u>	
<u>Daniel + Mary Sullivan</u> next owner	TO <u>1891</u>	<u>Father of Patrick</u>
<u>Patrick + Katherine Sullivan</u> next owner	<u>1891</u> <u>1943</u>	<u>Father of George</u>
<u>George + Susan Sullivan</u> next owner	<u>1943</u> <u>1980</u>	
<u>next owner</u>		
<u>next owner</u>		

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Abstract of Title ( ) Court file in Registration Proceedings ( )  
Land Patent ( ) County Land Record ( )  
Original Deed ( ) OTHER Warranty Deed.

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George Sullivan  
(signature of present owner)

PLEASE RETURN TO:

DATE May 17, 1980

CENTURY FARMS  
MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? \_\_\_\_\_

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 90 acres.

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$ 30

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Ireland

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? Bethlehem, Pennsylvania

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? no.

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? no.

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? present barn built 1904.

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1915

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? corn, beans,

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Adorphus Erdahl  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS RR#2 Blue Earth Minnesota 56013  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER (507) 526-5374  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION 15 TOWNSHIP 102 Emerald COUNTY Faribault

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

160

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

1878

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

NW 1/4 Sec 15 - 102 - 26

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM	
<u>Abraham Erdahl</u>	<u>1878</u>	
	TO	
	<u>1917</u>	<u>Father of Alfred</u>
next owner		
<u>Alfred Erdahl</u>	<u>1917 - 1953</u>	<u>Father of Adorphus</u>
next owner		
<u>Adorphus Erdahl</u>	<u>1953 to present</u>	<u>#</u>
next owner		
next owner		

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Land Patent ( ) County Land Record ☒  
Original Deed ( ) OTHER

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Adorphus Erdahl  
(signature of present owner)

DATE

6-23-80

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MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Iver Nelson

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$17.65

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Norway

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? Norway

DID HE FARM THE LAND? Yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? Not to our Knowledge

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? No

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? No

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1893

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn Soybeans

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

(→ to the U.S. govt)  
On Nov 24<sup>th</sup> Iver Nelson paid 4<sup>00</sup> for the farm.  
My grandfather paid 2,000<sup>00</sup> + mortgages of 600<sup>00</sup> and  
\$224.31 on Jan 11<sup>th</sup> 1878 for the farm. No record  
exists that Iver Nelson lived on the farm. My grand-  
father Absalon Edsall built a log Cabin west of our home  
and lived in it from 1878 to 1893 when he built  
our present house.

Absalon Edsall

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Leonard Kruger  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS

377-1st St. S.W.

Stella

Minn

56097

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER

(507)

553-5918

area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

Rd 2 - Stella, Minn

SECTION

23

TOWNSHIP

Sanborn

COUNTY

Faribault

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

160

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

Nov 5-1878

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

5 1/2 of NW 1/4 of Sec 23-104-24

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>Herman Kruger</u> first owner	FROM <u>United States</u> TO <u>1878</u>	<u>Patent</u>
<u>Robert Kruger</u> next owner	<u>1927</u> <u>1941</u>	<u>Son</u>
<u>Leonard Kruger</u> next owner	<u>1941</u> <u>Present</u>	<u>Son</u>
next owner		
next owner		

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Abstract of Title ☒

Court file in Registration Proceedings ☐

Land Patent ☐

County Land Record ☒

Original Deed ☐

OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

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Leonard Kruger

(signature of present owner)

DATE

6-2-80

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MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? \_\_\_\_\_

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE FARM THE LAND? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? \_\_\_\_\_

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL  
STANDING OR IN USE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? \_\_\_\_\_

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Leo M. Maland  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS Frost Minnesota 56033

CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER (507) 878-3205  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION 12 TOWNSHIP Rome COUNTY Faribault

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 160

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1875 (date of land grant)

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

1/4 south west quarter of Section twelve in township one hundred and one of  
range twenty six

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM 1875	
Tennis Mickleson	TO 1904	father
next owner	1904	
Michael Mikkelsen	1969	nephews
next owner	1969	
Leo M. Maland (80 acres) Mrs. Thilmer (Shirlee) Maland (80 acres)		
next owner		
next owner		

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Original Deed (x) OTHER

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Leo M. Maland  
(signature of present owner)

DATE June 6, 1980

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MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108



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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? United States

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Lund, Rogaland, Norway

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE FARM THE LAND? Yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? Carpenter

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? Yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL  
STANDING OR IN USE? Still standing

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn and soybeans

### ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

A copy of the original land grant is enclosed.



# THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

To all to whom these presents shall come, Greeting:

Homestead Certificate No. 3558  
APPLICATION 5277

**Whereas** There has been deposited in the General Land Office of the United States a Certificate of the Register of the Land Office at Worthington, Minnesota, whereby it appears that, pursuant to the Act of Congress approved 20th May, 1862, "To secure Homesteads to actual Settlers on the Public Domain," and the acts supplemental thereto, the claim of Tennis Mickleson has been established and duly consummated, in conformity to law, for the South West quarter of Section twelve, in Township one hundred and one, of Range twenty six, in the District of Lands subject to sale at Worthington, Minnesota, containing one hundred and sixty acres.

according to the Official Plat of the Survey of the said Land, returned to the General Land Office by the Surveyor General:

Now know ye, That there is, therefore, granted by the United States unto the said Tennis Mickleson the tract of Land above described: To have and to hold the said tract of Land, with the appurtenances thereof, unto the said Tennis Mickleson and to his heirs and assigns forever.

In testimony whereof, J. Mysser S. Grant, President of the United States of America, have caused these letters to be made Patent, and the Seal of the General Land Office to be hereunto affixed.

Given under my hand, at the City of Washington, the first day of July, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy five, and of the Independence of the United States the ninety ninth

BY THE PRESIDENT: U S Grant

By J D Williams, Secretary.

Recorded, Vol. 7, Page 365-

L. Lippincott, Recorder of the General Land Office.

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

SHERMAN E. MILLER  
 ROSAMOND MILLER  
 (this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS R. 2 BOX 28 WELLS MINN. 56097

PHONE NUMBER (507) 553-5139  
 area code CITY STATE ZIP CODE

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION 4 TOWNSHIP DUNBAR COUNTY FARIBAULTNUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 320DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1871

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) N 1/2 NE 1/4  
1873 W 1/2 NW 1/4

## PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM 1871	
JOHAN MILLER	TO 1884	FATHER OF FRED
next owner	1884	
FRED MILLER	1928	FATHER OF EDWARD
next owner	1928	
EDWARD F. MILLER	1949	FATHER OF SHERMAN
next owner	1949	
SHERMAN E. MILLER	1975	HUSBAND OF ROSAMOND
next owner	1975	
ROSAMOND MILLER	PRESENT	

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Abstract of Title ( ) Court file in Registration Proceedings ( )  
 Land Patent (X) County Land Record (X)  
 Original Deed ( ) OTHER

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION LISTED ABOVE IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

Sherman E. and Rosamond Miller  
 (signature of present owner)

PLEASE RETURN TO:

DATE

July 8, 1980

CENTURY FARMS  
 MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
 ST. PAUL MN 55108



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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? U. S. Patent

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 80

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Germany

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? Wisconsin

DID HE FARM THE LAND? YES

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? NO.

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? YES

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? Present is part of house built after the first cabin.

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? I don't know exact date it's close to 100 years

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? corn, soybeans.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

our son Michael is living in the old house at present. His children are the sixth generation living on the farm

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

Century Farm Owner Mildred Blair & Carol Ann Harcourt Raschke  
(this name will appear on certificate)

Address R.R. Winnebago, Minn. 56098

Address of farm, if different from above \_\_\_\_\_

Section 5 Township 104 County 27 Faribault

Number of acres in the farm at present (151)

Date of original purchase by member of your family October-1879

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

Sw 1/4 of Sec 5-104-27 & a 9 acw tract

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>Thomas B Blair</u> owner in 1877 or before	from <u>1879</u> to <u>1888</u>	<u>Father</u>
<u>John Blair</u> next owner	from <u>1888</u> to <u>1934</u>	<u>Husband &amp; Father</u>
<u>Mildred Blair &amp; Carol Ann Harcourt</u> next owner	from <u>1934</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	

The above evidence of continuous family ownership of this farm since 1877 is taken from one or more of the following records. DO NOT SEND IN RECORDS, just indicate by check marks those which apply.

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

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

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

Morris Stinson - Deputy Recorder  
(Witness sign here)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of present owner)

Date 8-22-79

Please return to: Century Farms  
Minnesota State Fair  
St. Paul, MN 55108



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From whom was the farm purchased? \_\_\_\_\_

How many acres were in the original parcel? \_\_\_\_\_

What was the cost of land per acre? \_\_\_\_\_

Where was the first owner born? \_\_\_\_\_

Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? \_\_\_\_\_

Was this a homestead? \_\_\_\_\_

Did the first owner farm the land? \_\_\_\_\_

Did he engage in any trades or occupations other than farming? \_\_\_\_\_

Is the original home, or any portion of it or other original buildings, still standing or in use? \_\_\_\_\_

When was the present home built? \_\_\_\_\_

What are the farm's major crops or products? \_\_\_\_\_

Related information (please attach additional sheets if necessary)

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

ERWIN G. RICHARDSON

(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS

ELMORE

MINN

56027

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER

(507) 943-3756

area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

Same

SECTION

16

TOWNSHIP

ELMORE

COUNTY

FAIRBAULT

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

117.94

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

1868

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

111 all E. of Highway of NW 1/4

16 section 101 - 27

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM	
<u>George S. McArthur</u>	<u>1868</u>	
	TO	
	<u>1915</u>	<u>Father</u>
next owner		
<u>Amey S. McArthur</u>	<u>1915</u>	
	<u>1968</u>	<u>Father</u>
next owner		
<u>Gertrude A. Richardson</u>	<u>1968</u>	
<u>Arthur E. Richardson</u>	<u>1974</u>	<u>Mother &amp; Father</u>
next owner		
<u>Erwin G. Richardson</u>	<u>1974</u>	
	<u>Present</u>	<u>-</u>
next owner		

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Abstract of Title ( )

Court file in Registration Proceedings ( )

Land Patent ( )

County Land Record (X)

Original Deed ( )

OTHER

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION LISTED ABOVE IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

Erwin G. Richardson

(signature of present owner)

DATE

June 25, 1980

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MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? State of Minnesota

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? don't know

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? New York, State

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? —

DID HE FARM THE LAND? no

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? He was a

state Senator

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? no

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL  
STANDING OR IN USE? no

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? —

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn + Soybeans.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Joseph R. Staloch  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS Rural Route #2 Box 119 Wells, Minnesota 56097  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE  
PHONE NUMBER ( ) NONE  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION 30 TOWNSHIP Dunbar COUNTY Faribault

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 87.09

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1876

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

NE 1/2 of the SW 1/4 of Section 30, Township 104-N, Range 24-W

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>Frank Staloch</u>	FROM <u>4-3-1876</u> TO <u>6-15-1903</u>	<u>Father of Joseph</u>
next owner <u>Joseph Staloch</u>	<u>6-15-1903</u> <u>present</u>	
next owner		
next owner		
next owner		

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Land Patent ( ) County Land Record ( )  
Original Deed ( ) OTHER

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Joseph R. Staloch  
(signature of present owner)

DATE July 1, 1980

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MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Albert Sonneck

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160 acres

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$1.60

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Poland

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? worked as a farm hand in Minnesota  
prior to purchasing the farm

DID HE FARM THE LAND? unknown

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? no

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL  
STANDING OR IN USE? house, barn, and many of the other out buildings are still in use

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? unknown (barn built around 1998-1999) house prior

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? barley, flax, oats, corn years ago  
corn and soybeans and oats

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Daniel Timm & Ruth Timm  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS RR1 Box 191 Brice lyn Minn. 56014

PHONE NUMBER (507) 653-4273  
area code CITY STATE ZIP CODE

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION 28 TOWNSHIP Brush Creek COUNTY Faribault

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 200 at present. 80 acres were originally purchased in 1874

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1874

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) \_\_\_\_\_

W 1/2 of NE 1/4 Sec. 28

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>Iver Iverson</u>	FROM <u>1874</u> TO <u>1916</u>	<u>Father of Iver I.</u>
next owner <u>Iver I. Iverson</u>	<u>1916</u> <u>1933</u>	<u>Husband of Belle</u>
next owner <u>Belle Iverson</u>	<u>1933</u> <u>1952</u>	<u>Iver &amp; Belle were parents of Ruth</u>
next owner <u>Alfred &amp; Ruth Timm</u> joint ownership	<u>1952</u> <u>1978</u>	<u>Mother of Daniel</u>
* next owner <u>Daniel Timm</u> <u>NW 1/4 of NE 1/4 Sec. 28</u>	<u>1978</u> <u>Present</u>	

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Land Patent ( ) County Land Record (X)  
Original Deed ( ) OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION LISTED ABOVE IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

Daniel Timm

(signature of present owner)

DATE 6/25/80

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MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108

\* In 1978 I purchased the NW 1/4 of NE 1/4 Sec. 28. The SW 1/4 of NE 1/4 Sec. 28 still belongs to Ruth Timm. So the 80 acres is still in the family. Daniel Timm

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? \_\_\_\_\_

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Norway

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? No

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL  
STANDING OR IN USE? NO

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1917

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? CORN & soybeans

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Name of Centennial Farm owner Russell Arneson  
Name(s) to appear on certificate Russell and Geneva Arneson  
Address Lime Springs, Iowa, R. 1  
Address of farm, if different from above 52155

Section 33 Township York County Fillmore  
Number of acres in the farm at present 120

Date of original purchase by member of your family \_\_\_\_\_

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

33 101 12 80 AL228 N1/2 of NE1/4  
33 101 12 40 AL228 N1/2 of S1/2 of NE1/4

Proof of 100 years of Continuous Family Ownership

Name	Dates (Years) of Ownership	Blood Relationship to Next owner
Jorge Dringson (owner in 1876 of B4)	from 1878 to May 7-1878	came to America July 29-1856 sold to Ole Arneson
next owner	from Dec 28 to 1901	Arne Arneson
next owner	Aug 1938	Ole Arneson
next owner	1966 Feb 2 - 1961	Russell Arneson
next owner		
next owner		
next owner		

The above evidence of continuous family ownership of this farm since 1878 is taken from one or more of the following records. DO NOT SEND IN RECORDS, just indicate by check marks those which apply.

Abstract of Title ( )  
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:

Mr. Russell Arneson  
(Witness sign here)

Russell Arneson  
(Signature of present owner)

Date July 5-1974  
Act 1

See reverse side for additional information.

Additional Information

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1. From whom was the farm purchased? Jorge Dringsen - 1878
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? 80 acres
3. What was the cost of land per acre? \_\_\_\_\_
4. Where was the first owner born? \_\_\_\_\_
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? 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? 1913 barn - 1895
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? corn, oats, hay, dairy
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation: Preston Republican, Preston, Minnesota

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



Publicity Department

# Minnesota State Fair

State Fairgrounds, Saint Paul, Minnesota 55108 (612) 645-2781



Mr. Russell Arneson  
RR 1  
Lime Springs, Iowa 52155

Oct. 19, 1979

Dear Mr. Arneson,

Thank you for your interest in the Minnesota State Fair's Century Farm program. The program, co-sponsored by The Farmer Magazine, is held every year with an application deadline of July 15.

Since the deadline for 1979 has long since passed, we will keep your application on file for 1980's program. You can expect to hear from us again in June or July of the coming year.

Thanks again for your interest. If you have any questions, please contact us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Jerry Hammer'. The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Jerry Hammer  
Publicity Supt.

JH:



Please put our farm in the  
Century program this year.

would appreciate a duplicate copy  
of the certificate as we have 2  
children whom are very interested  
in century material.

Thank you!

Mrs. Russell Ainson

Leino Springs, Ia.

52155-

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

TEMAN & GENEVA HALLUM

(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS RRL WHALAN MN. 55986  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER ( 507 ) 875-2407  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE SAME

SECTION 18 & 19 TOWNSHIP NORWAY COUNTY FILLMORE

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 135

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1873

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

SE $\frac{1}{4}$  SW $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec.18-103-8 & N $\frac{1}{2}$  NW $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec.19-103-8 &

Pt. SW $\frac{1}{4}$  SW $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec.18-103-8

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM 1873*	
ASLAK H. HALLUM	TO 1894	FATHER OF JOHN
next owner	1894-	
JOHN A. HALLUM	1946	FATHER OF HELMER
next owner	1946-	
HELMER HALLUM	1973	UNCLE OF TEMAN
next owner	1973-	
TEMAN & GENEVA HALLUM	Present	
next owner		

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Abstract of Title (x) Court file in Registration Proceedings ( )  
Land Patent (x) County Land Record ( )  
Original Deed ( ) OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

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Temman and Geneva Hallum  
(signature of present owner)

DATE 5-7-80

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MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED?

Southern Minnesota R.R. + a land grant

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL?

80 acres + 40 acres.

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE?

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN?

N. Norway

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM?

DID HE FARM THE LAND?

yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING?

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD?

part of it

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL  
STANDING OR IN USE?

No.

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT?

1894 - addition in 1920

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS?

Hay, Corn, oats, Milk

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

Leonard

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

LEONARD & LORETTA HALVERSON  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS

MABEL

MINN.

55954

PHONE NUMBER

(507) 493-5724

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION

26

TOWNSHIP

PREBLE

COUNTY

FILLMORE

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

(105)

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

(1854)

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

26-102-  
8-105-AL 238 E $\frac{1}{2}$  - SW $\frac{1}{4}$  & E $\frac{1}{2}$  SW $\frac{1}{4}$  SW $\frac{1}{4}$   
& 5A in SE cor of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  SW $\frac{1}{4}$ 

## PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	1854 FROM United States	
Andrew Halverson	TO Andrew Halverson	Father - Casper
next owner	1896 Andrew Halverson	
Casper Halverson	TO Casper Halverson	Father - Clifford
next owner	1951 Casper Halverson	
Clifford Halverson	TO Clifford Halverson	Father - Leonard
next owner	1964 Clifford Halverson	
Leonard & Loretta Halverson	TO Leonard & Loretta Halverson	Present.
next owner		

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Abstract of Title ☒

Court file in Registration Proceedings ( )

Land Patent ( )

County Land Record ( )

Original Deed ( )

OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION LISTED ABOVE IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

Leonard C. Halverson

(signature of present owner)

PLEASE RETURN TO:

DATE

11 July 1980

CENTURY FARMS  
MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108



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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? United States

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 80

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Norway

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? ~~Ill.~~ Ill.

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes.

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? 1

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? yes.

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL  
STANDING OR IN USE? No

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1869

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn, oats, Hogs & Beef cattle.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

CLARENCE R. HOUSKER  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS R.R. 2 SPRING GROVE MINN. 55974  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER (507) 493-5741  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE SAME

SECTION 25 TOWNSHIP PREBLE COUNTY 7ILLMORE  
~~493-5741~~

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT (200)

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY (1875)

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

E 1/2 of SE 1/4 TOWNSHIP 102 RANGE 8

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>RASMUS HOUSKER</u>	FROM <u>1875-</u> TO <u>1916</u>	<u>FATHER of CARL</u>
next owner <u>CARL HOUSKER</u>	<u>1916-</u> <u>1963</u>	<u>FATHER of CLARENCE</u>
next owner <u>CLARENCE HOUSKER</u>	<u>1963</u> <u>PRESENT</u>	
next owner		
next owner		

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Land Patent ( ) County Land Record ( )  
Original Deed ☒ OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

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Clarence R. Housker  
(signature of present owner)

DATE 7-10-80

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MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? \_\_\_\_\_

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE FARM THE LAND? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? \_\_\_\_\_

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1895

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Hay - Corn - Cattle - Soy Beans

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Owen Kidd  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS

RR 1

Wykoff

Mn.

55990

PHONE NUMBER

(507) 352-5351

area code

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

Same

SECTION

27

TOWNSHIP

Fillmore

COUNTY

Fillmore

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

118

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

1863

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

E 1/2 SW 1/4 & NW 1/4 SE 1/4 EX 16x70 RDS + W 1/2  
SW 1/4 S 1/4 Township 103 Range 12

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM	
<u>David Kidd</u>	TO <u>1863</u>	<u>Father of Louis</u>
next owner	<u>1913</u>	
<u>Louis Kidd</u>	<u>1947</u>	<u>Father of Owen</u>
next owner	<u>1947</u>	
<u>Owen Kidd</u>	<u>Present</u>	
next owner		
next owner		

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Court file in Registration Proceedings ☐

Land Patent ☐

County Land Record ☐

Original Deed ☒

OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

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Owen Kidd

(signature of present owner)

DATE

7-7-80

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? A. W. Sharp

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? ?

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? England

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? Ohio

DID HE FARM THE LAND? Yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? No

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? No

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL  
STANDING OR IN USE? one

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1890

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn, Beans, Oats

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Donne Tammel  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS RR2 Preston MN 55965  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER (507) 765-2269  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE Same

SECTION 9 TOWNSHIP Bristol COUNTY Fillmore

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 360

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1877

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

5 1/2 NW 1/4 Township 101 Range 11

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM	
<u>Jonathan Broadwater</u>	<u>1877-</u>	<u>Father of Jessie</u>
	TO	
	<u>1913</u>	
next owner		
<u>Jessie P. Tammel</u>	<u>1913-</u>	<u>Mother of Donne</u>
	<u>1959-</u>	
next owner		
<u>Donne Tammel</u>	<u>Present</u>	
next owner		
next owner		

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Land Patent ( ) County Land Record ( )  
Original Deed ( ) OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

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Donne Tammel  
(signature of present owner)

DATE 5/8/80

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? \_\_\_\_\_

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 80 acres

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Maryland

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? "

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? ?

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? ?

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1965

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Dairy, Steers alfalfa

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Clarence Ter Maat  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS

Route Preston  
CITY

Minn.  
STATE

55965  
ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER

(507) 937-3318  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

Same

SECTION

26

TOWNSHIP

Forestville

COUNTY

Fillmore

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

114 1/2

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

1878

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

S 1/2 of N.W. 1/4 township 102 Range 12

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>first owner</u> <u>G.W. Gussinklo &amp; Hattie Gussinklo</u>	<u>FROM 1878</u> <u>TO 1891</u>	<u>Aunt of William</u>
<u>next owner</u> <u>William Ter Maat</u>	<u>1891</u> <u>1943</u>	<u>Father of Clarence</u>
<u>next owner</u> <u>Clarence S. Ter Maat</u>	<u>1943</u> <u>Present</u>	
<u>next owner</u>		
<u>next owner</u>		

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Abstract of Title (X)

Court file in Registration Proceedings ( )

Land Patent ( )

County Land Record (X)

Original Deed (X)

OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

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Clarence Ter Maat  
(signature of present owner)

DATE

July 14, 1980

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? \_\_\_\_\_

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 80 acres

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? \_\_\_\_\_

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL  
STANDING OR IN USE? no

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1959

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? \_\_\_\_\_

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Name of Centennial Farm owner Eric Aussen  
Name(s) to appear on certificate Eric Aussen  
Address R#2, Alden, Minn. 56009  
Address of farm, if different from above \_\_\_\_\_

Section 9 Township MANCHESTER County FREEBORN

Number of acres in the farm at present 160

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

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

SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of the N W $\frac{1}{4}$  and the NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$  & SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of the N W $\frac{1}{4}$  & NE $\frac{1}{4}$

of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<b>Erik Olson (Aasen)</b> (owner in 1876 or B4)	from 5/1/61 to	Father
<b>John E. Aasen</b>	from 1/26/07 to	Father
next owner <b>Eric M. Aussen</b>	from 3/6/57 to <sup>'80</sup> present	Father
next owner <b>David Mark Aussen</b>	from 80 to present	father
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	

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

Abstract of Title <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:

J. M. Skaplaner  
(Witness sign here)

Eric M. Aussen  
(Signature of present owner)

Date 8/8/79

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? ~~88~~ 160
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? Northwood, Ia.
6. Was this a homestead? Yes
7. Did the first owner farm the land? Yes
8. Did he engage in any trades or occupations other than farming?  
NO
9. Is the original home, or any portion of it or other original buildings, still standing or in use? One - we call it a woodshed
10. When was the present home built? 1926
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? CORN SOY BEANS  
HAY GRAIN
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:  
THE EVENING TRIBUNE ALBERT LEA MN.  
56007

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



# Minnesota State Fair · Falcon Heights · Mn 55108 · 612-642-2200

Mr & Mrs. Eric M. Ausen  
R.R. 2  
Alden, MN 56009

March 24, 1980

Dear Century Farm Applicant,

The Minnesota State Fair will soon announce its Century Farm program for 1980. Your application, which was received after the 1980 deadline, will be included this year and you will receive further information in July.

If there have been any changes in the ownership or size of your farm since your application was submitted, please notify the State Fair publicity department at the above address no later than July 15, 1980.

Thank you for your interest.

Dear Sirs:

Alden, Minn  
7-10-80

Sincerely,

JERRY HAMMER  
Publicity Superintendent

This Farm has  
been sold (on contract)  
to my son David Mark Ausen

Signed Eric M. Ausen

ERIC M. AUSEN



The Great  
Minnesota  
Get-Together  
Aug. 21-  
Sept. 1  
1980

R2 Alden

Minn. 56009



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Anton C. Belshan  
(this name will appear on certificate)  
ADDRESS Rt. 1 Box 194 Glenville Minn. 56036  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE  
PHONE NUMBER (507) 448-2011  
area code  
ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_  
SECTION 1 TOWNSHIP Shellrock COUNTY Freeborn  
NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 80  
DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1878  
LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) E 1/2 NE 1/4 1-101-20

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM 1878	
<u>Albert Belshan Sr.</u>	TO 1910	<u>Father of Albert Jr.</u>
next owner	1910	
<u>Albert Belshan Jr.</u>	1936	<u>Father of Rudolf</u>
next owner	1936	
<u>Rudolf Belshan</u>	1954	<u>Cousin of Anton</u>
next owner	1954	
<u>Anton Belshan</u>	Present	
next owner		

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Original Deed ( ) OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

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Anton Belshan  
(signature of present owner)

DATE July 15, 1980

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Illinois Central R.R.

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 80

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? Not Available

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Czechoslovakia

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? with friends

DID HE FARM THE LAND? Yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? \_\_\_\_\_

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? Yes. The living room is the original house.

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1879

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn - Soy beans

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

JOHN Robert FREEMAN

(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS

1528 N. Columbus Ave Glendale Cal 91202

PHONE NUMBER

(213) 243-9076

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

R. Rout 2 Glenville, Minn 56036

SECTION

11 & 14

TOWNSHIP

#101 FREEMAN

COUNTY

Freeborn

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

160

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

1860

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

NV2 SE 1/4 E 1/2 SW 1/4 SW 1/4 SE 1/4 NW 1/4 NE 1/4  
11 101 21 (80) 11 101 21 (80) 11-101 21 (40) 14 101 21 (40)

RANGE 21 West of Fifth Principal Meridian - Freeborn County  
Minnesota

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM	
	TO	
next owner	1860	
Robert FREEMAN	1926	Father of JOHN PETER
next owner	1926	
JOHN Peter FREEMAN	1967	Father of JOHN Robert
next owner	1967	
JOHN Peter FREEMAN Estate	1969	Father of JOHN Robert
next owner	1969	
JOHN Robert FREEMAN	Present	

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Land Patent ( )

County Land Record ( )

Original Deed ( )

OTHER

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John Robert Freeman  
(signature of present owner)

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DATE 5-10-80



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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? \_\_\_\_\_

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE FARM THE LAND? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? \_\_\_\_\_

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL  
STANDING OR IN USE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? \_\_\_\_\_

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:



# ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

5/11/80

J. R. FREEMAN  
1528 N COLUMBUS AV  
GLENDALE, CAL.  
91202



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FROM WHOM WAS THE <sup>ORIGINAL</sup> FARM PURCHASED? Joseph L. Chavis  
HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160  
WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? Bounty land assigned cost unknown  
WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? ENGLAND, (Sutton)  
WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? Chicago, ILL  
DID HE FARM THE LAND? Yes  
DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? No

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? Yes  
IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? Portion of Home, Grainery, Tool Shed & Well House  
WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? About 1875  
WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn, Soybeans

## ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

Note (A) Attached copy of Assignment of Land to Robert A. Freeman Signed by James Buchanan President of the United States. 1860

(B) Copy of Department of Interior General Land Office memo. dated April 14, 1884

(C) Farm is located in FREEMAN Township near and stone marking Historical Site 1900-1922 Pioneer Village of Knatvold - named in honor of SENATOR T.V. Knatvold. The town site had a Creamery ~~town~~ Hall, Postoffice and store. The General store with living quarters on second floor -  
OVER

Historical Site is Approx 1 mile West from Farm

lent was operated by H.G. Nagel.  
First Post Office was called "OSLO" later  
changed to FREEMAN. T.E. Knutvold  
and E.K. FLASKERUD were Postmasters.  
Creamery was operated from 1900-1914 by Buttumakers  
W. J. Nagel, Nick Sivorling, Jen Hagen and Ole  
Rusley.  
SARAH White was the First School Teacher  
in 1859 in Freeman Township.

\* FREEMAN Township ORGANIZED in 1861  
WAS NAMED AFTER JOHN FREEMAN

*J. R. Freeman*

J. R. (Bob) Freeman  
Phone: (213) 243-9076  
1528 N. Columbus Ave.  
Glendale, Calif. 91202

Appreciate your acknowledging receipt of information for any  
questions you may have. *JRF*

Please advise State Fair Dates also.

\* Additional info may well be available <sup>also</sup> from our son  
Terry P. Freeman who lives at 17200 Millwood Rd  
in Minnetonka, Minn Tel 934-2466 (612 area)

Refer in reply to  
this initial:

B.

Warrant.

Department of the Interior,  
1884  
38,200 General Land Office,

Washington, D. C. April 14, 1884.

Mr. E. C. Stacy.

Albert Lea.

Freeborn County. Minn.

Sir:

In reply to your letter of the 2<sup>nd</sup> inst, you are informed that the patent founded on the location made with Warrant No. 82,881 for 160 acres, Act of 1855, at Chatfield, Minn. for the N $\frac{1}{2}$  of N $\frac{1}{2}$  of Sec. 14, and S $\frac{1}{2}$  of S $\frac{1}{2}$  of Sec. 11. Town, 101 N. Range 21 W. issued Sep. 1<sup>st</sup> 1860, in the name of Robert Freeman, and was transmitted Jan. 12<sup>th</sup> 1861, to the Register of the Chatfield Land Office, who acknowledged the receipt of the same Feby. 4<sup>th</sup> 1861.

Said patent cannot be found, a certified copy from the record of the same, in this Office, will be furnished upon receipt of \$1.<sup>60</sup>/<sub>100</sub>, that being the legal fee. One postage stamp is herewith returned.

Very respectfully.

R. C. McFarland

Commissioner.

E. K. U.

one

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PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

*Foley* **NOTE**  
Mrs. Leon (Alice) Lageson on back ✓  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS 210 So. 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave. Albert Lea, Mn. 56007  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER (507) 373-2079  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE Manchester

SECTION E 1/2 of NE 1/4 sec 3 TOWNSHIP Manchester COUNTY Freeborn  
*Sup 103N Range 22 et al*

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT (320)

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1874

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) E 1/2 of the  
NE 1/4 of section 3-103-22

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>Helge N. Foley</u> first owner		
<u>Helge W. Foley</u> next owner	FROM <u>1874</u> TO <u>1881</u>	<u>Father of Iver</u> <i>Nels and</i>
<u>Nels Foley</u> next owner	<u>1881 - 1895</u>	<u>brother of Iver</u>
<u>Iver H. Foley</u> next owner	<u>1895 - 1940</u>	<u>Father of Joseph</u>
<u>Joseph B. Foley</u> next owner	<u>1940 - 1977</u>	<u>brother + uncle</u> <i>of Alice</i>
<u>Alice Lageson LaVonne Wendt</u> <u>Le Ann Hanson Ronald Lageson</u>	<u>1977 -</u>	<i>of LeAnn LaVonne Ronald</i>

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Original Deed (X) OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

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Alice Foley Lageson  
(signature of present owner)

DATE 6/16/80

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ST. PAUL MN 55108



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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Peter Gilbertson

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 79.89

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$1200<sup>total</sup> \$400 per acre for 4 yrs. plus interest

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Norway - Vik i Sogn

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? Norway

DID HE FARM THE LAND? Yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? No

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? Yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? No Not unless the addition to the present house was the original

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1895

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn & soybeans

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

Although I put my name and address as the present owner, actually it is jointly owned by four of us - myself and our 3 children namely Mrs. David A. Hanson (Lelann Lageson) Ellendale, Mn. Rt. 2. She & her husband are operating the land now. Mrs. Terry Windt (Laloune Lageson) 1643 W. Elshire Dr. N.E. Rochester, Mn. Mr. Ronald Lageson Manchester, Mn. Box 58. Ronald is at present residing on the farm. Actually all these names should be on the Certificate.



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER CLAIR Adrian Loken  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS RR1 Box 198 EMMONS MINN 56029  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER (507) 297-5915  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE SAME

SECTION 34 and 35 TOWNSHIP Nunda COUNTY Freeborn

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 240

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY OCT 30, 1865

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) E 1/2 NE 1/4

section 34 101 22 (80 Acres) and NW 1/4 section 35 101 22 (160 acres)

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner OLE BJORNSEN LOKEN (used BY OLE BJORNSEN AND FIRST named as	FROM OCT 30, 1865 OLE BENSON ON ABSTRACT TO HIS death in OCT 1868	Husband of FNGEBORG
next owner FNGEBORG BJORNSEN LOKEN	1868 TO 1883	Mother of Peter
next owner PETER BJORNSEN LOKEN (used ONLY PETER O. LOKEN AFTER 1891	1883 TO 1946	Father of Lewis
next owner Lewis B. LOKEN	1946 TO 1977	Father of CLAIR
next owner CLAIR A. LOKEN	1977 to present	

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Abstract of Title (X) Court file in Registration Proceedings ( )  
Land Patent ( ) County Land Record ( )  
Original Deed ( ) OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION LISTED ABOVE IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

Clair Loken  
(signature of present owner)

DATE may 28, 1980

PLEASE RETURN TO:

CENTURY FARMS  
MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Silas White (120 Acres) and Phoebe Fisher (40 Acres)

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$ 1000.00 for the 160 Acres

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Norway

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? Decorah, Iowa

DID HE FARM THE LAND? Yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? No

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? No

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? Yes, They lived in the Basement until 1895 when

they built the first part of the house, and then added on in 1914, my Dad,  
WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? Lewis did extensive Remodeling in 1949

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn Alfalfa Milk

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER AUSTIN T. & EMOGENE S. BREKKEN  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS R.R. 1 DENNISON MINN. 55018  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER (507) 778-3358  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION 22 TOWNSHIP WARSAN COUNTY GOOD HUE.

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 120

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY JULY 15, 1865

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) SW 1/4 of SW 1/4  
SEC 22 111 18 N 1/2 OF SW 1/4 EX 10 RDS IN NW 1/4 COR AN EX 87/100 AC  
TO TWP PROP 8.19 AC HWY EAS

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>EMOGENE S. BREKKEN</u>	FROM <u>JULY 1875</u> TO <u>JULY 1927</u>	<u>FATHER OF AUSTIN B.</u>
next owner <u>AUSTIN B. BREKKEN</u>	<u>1927 to 1967</u>	<u>FATHER OF AUSTIN T.</u>
next owner <u>AUSTIN T. &amp; EMOGENE S. BREKKEN</u>	<u>1967 - 1980</u> <u>PRESENT</u>	<u>FATHER.</u>
next owner		
next owner		

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Land Patent ( ) County Land Record ( )  
Original Deed ☒ OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

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Austin Brekken, Emogene S. Brekken  
(signature of present owner)

DATE July 12 1980

PLEASE RETURN TO:

CENTURY FARMS  
MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? \_\_\_\_\_

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 120

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE FARM THE LAND? YES

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? \_\_\_\_\_

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL  
STANDING OR IN USE? YES

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? HAY, CORN, BEANS

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

LEROY AND EVELYN FLOM  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS 29394 SUNDRESS WAY CANNON FALLS MN 55009

CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER (507) 263-4395  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE R.T.#1 DENNISON, MN

SECTION 13 TOWNSHIP WARSAW COUNTY GOODHUE

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)

S.E. 1/4 OF N.E. 1/4 Sect. 13 TOWNSHIP 111 RANGE 18  
S.E. 1/4 OF Sect 13 TWP 111 R. 18 - S.W. 1/4 OF N.E. 1/4 Sect 13 - R-18  
ALSO OTHER ADJOINING PARCELS

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM 1866	
LARS A LEWIS FLOM	TO 1904	HUSBAND
next owner	1904	
INGEBORG FLOM	1917	MOTHER
next owner	1917	
IVER L. FLOM	1931	HUSBAND
next owner	1931	
ANNA C. FLOM	1957	MOTHER
next owner	1957	
LEROY G + Evelyn R. FLOM		

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Land Patent ( ) County Land Record ( )  
Original Deed ( ) OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

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Leroy G. Flom  
(signature of present owner)

DATE July 6, 1980

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MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108



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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? \_\_\_\_\_

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? NORWAY

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? FLÅM NORWAY

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? NOT TO

MY KNOWLEDGE

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? NO

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL  
STANDING OR IN USE? I BELIEVE THE REMODELED HOUSE + BARN + GRANARY

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? I THINK ABOUT 1878 <sup>TO BE OVER 100 YRS</sup>

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? CORN + SOY BEANS

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

(Forsell)

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Robert Arthur Forsell  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS

Hoodhue, Minn.

CITY

STATE

55027

PHONE NUMBER

(612)

area code

258-4130

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION

8

TOWNSHIP

Belle Creek

COUNTY

Hoodhue

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

278.6

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

1873

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

S/2 of NW 1/4 Sec 8 111 16Ex 1 12/100 ac EA 61/100 AC

## PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>Ceter Forsell</u> first owner	FROM <u>1873</u> TO <u>1940</u>	<u>Grandfather of Robert</u>
<u>Ceter Forsell</u> next owner	<u>1940</u>	<u>mother of Robert</u>
<u>Art Sholing</u> next owner	<u>1964</u>	<u>Son of Mrs. Art Sholing</u>
<u>Robert Forsell</u> next owner	<u>1964</u>	
	<u>present</u>	

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Abstract of Title ☒

Court file in Registration Proceedings ( )

Land Patent ( )

County Land Record ( )

Original Deed ☒

OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

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Robert Forsell

(signature of present owner)

DATE

7-9-80

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MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? John Johnson + Marvin Johnson

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? ~~25.27~~ 240.

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Sweden

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? hose trading

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? no

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? harn

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1973

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? oats, corn, milk, hay

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

*Handwritten notes at bottom of page:*  
11-20-80 to 11-20-81  
11-20-81 to 11-20-82

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Joyce Clifford Johnson ✓  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS

Rt 1

Wanamingo

Minn

55983

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER

(507)

824-2397

area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION

19

TOWNSHIP

Roscoe

COUNTY

Goodhue

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

120

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

1880

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

S 1/2 of NE 1/4 and NE 1/4 of NE 1/4

township 109 Range 16

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>Gunder Halverson (Nodvig)</u>	FROM <u>1880</u> - TO <u>1925</u>	<u>husband of Anna</u> <u>Cousin of Albin wife</u> <u>Uncle of Albin</u>
next owner <u>Anna Nodvig [widow]</u>	<u>1925</u> - <u>1936</u>	<u>Aunt of Albin</u>
next owner <u>Albin Johnson</u>	<u>1936</u> - <u>1960</u>	<u>father of Joyce</u>
next owner <u>Joyce C. Johnson</u>	<u>1960</u> - <u>Present</u>	
next owner		

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Abstract of Title ☒

Court file in Registration Proceedings ( )

Land Patent ( )

County Land Record ( )

Original Deed ( )

OTHER

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION LISTED ABOVE IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

Joyce C. Johnson  
(signature of present owner)

DATE

July 8, 1980

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CENTURY FARMS  
MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108



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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? parents Albin & Selma Johnson

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 120

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$22.50

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Norway

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? Minnesota

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? carpentry

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? barn built in 1898 by original owner

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1968

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Hogs, corn, soy beans

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

original owner was first known as Gunder Halvorson on abstract but later added his surname Nordvig, sometimes spelled Nordvig or Notvik. He sponsored four nephews who came over to U.S. as ~~young~~ teenagers, one of them being Albin Johnson, whose surname in Norway was Nordaunet. Milk cows were the main animals until 1977 when they were sold. The barn was remodeled inside for complete farrowing & nursery. Other buildings were added and it is now a complete farrow to finish operation.



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER MISS RUTH E. KETTNER  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS 704-EAST CENTER UNIT 303 ROCHESTER, MINNESOTA 55901

PHONE NUMBER (507) 289-1449  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE ROUTE 1

SECTION 15 TOWNSHIP Pine Island COUNTY Goodhue

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT .80

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY July 1-1876

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) the north  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the southeast quarter (SE  $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of section fifteen (15) in Township one hundred nine (109) north, of range fifteen (15) west of the fifth principal meridian, in the County of Goodhue and State of Minnesota

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM 1876	
CARL F. KETTNER SR.	TO <del>2</del> 1915	FATHER
next owner	1915	<del>HUSBAND</del>
CARL F. KETTNER JR.	1952	FATHER
next owner	1952	<del>GEORGE - BROTHER</del>
<del>GEORGE KETTNER</del> GEORGE KETTNER RUTH E. KETTNER		RUTH - myself
next owner	<del>1952</del>	
RUTH E. KETTNER	<del>1952</del> present	
next owner		

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Land Patent ( ) County Land Record ( )  
Original Deed ☒ OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

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Miss Ruth E. Kettner  
(signature of present owner)

DATE May 4, 1980

PLEASE RETURN TO:

CENTURY FARMS  
MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? \_\_\_\_\_

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE FARM THE LAND? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? \_\_\_\_\_

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL  
STANDING OR IN USE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? \_\_\_\_\_

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Norton M. Ronning  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS

Rt #2 - Box 175 Kenyon Mn. 55946

PHONE NUMBER

(507) 789-5365

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION

27

TOWNSHIP

Kenyon

COUNTY

Goodhue

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

80

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

1-1-1875

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

SE 1/4 Sec 27 109 18

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM 1-1-1875	
<u>Nils Olson Rodning</u>	TO Aug-1-1906	<u>Father</u>
next owner	Aug 1-1906	
<u>Norman Ronning</u>	May 10-1916	<u>Brother-in-Law</u>
next owner	May 10-1916	
<u>Ola C. Neseth</u>	Oct 27-1919	<u>Brother-in-Law</u>
next owner	Oct 27-1919	
<u>Norman Ronning</u>	Aug-12-1948	<u>Father</u>
next owner	Aug 12-1948	
<u>Norman F Ronning Jr</u>		
<u>Norton M. Ronning</u>	Aug 25-1954	<u>Brother</u>

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Abstract of Title ☒

Court file in Registration Proceedings ☐

Land Patent ☐

County Land Record ☐

Original Deed ☐

OTHER

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Norton M. Ronning

(signature of present owner)

DATE

7-3-80

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CENTURY FARMS  
MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? \_\_\_\_\_

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE FARM THE LAND? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? \_\_\_\_\_

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? \_\_\_\_\_

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

*Morton M. Korman*  
7-3-80



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

Century Farm Owner

(this name will appear on certificate)

Address

Kenyon, Minn 55946 R.R. 3

Address of farm, if different from above

Section

5 + 8

Township

Wanamingo

County

Goodhue

Number of acres in the farm at present

220

Date of original purchase by member of your family

1858

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

Patent record

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME

YEARS OF OWNERSHIP

BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT  
OWNER

John Swenson

from 1858 to 1905

Father

owner in 1877 or  
before

Joseph Swenson

from 1905 to 1933

Son

next owner

next owner

from to

next owner

Wife Emma Swenson

from 1933 to 1945

Estate

next owner

from to

next owner

Kermit Swenson

from 1945 to

Grandson

next owner

from to

next owner

The above evidence of continuous family ownership of this farm since 1877 is taken from one or more of the following records. DO NOT SEND IN RECORDS, just indicate by check marks those which apply.

Abstract of Title ( )

Land Patent (X)

Original Deed ( )

County Land

Record (X)

Court file in Registration

Proceedings ( )

Other (please explain)

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

Mrs Evelyn Pedvold  
(Witness sign here)

Kermit Swenson  
(Signature of present owner)

Date Jan 9 1980

Please return to: Century Farms  
Minnesota State Fair  
St. Paul, MN 55108



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From whom was the farm purchased? \_\_\_\_\_

How many acres were in the original parcel? 160

What was the cost of land per acre? dont know that

Where was the first owner born? Norway

Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? Illinois

Was this a homestead? yes

Did the first owner farm the land? yes

Did he engage in any trades or occupations other than farming? no

Is the original home, or any portion of it or other original buildings, still standing or in use? The granary might be it was built

using square nails

When was the present home built? 1920

What are the farm's major crops or products? Corn, soy beans, oats + hay

Related information (please attach additional sheets if necessary)

Some time between 1877  
1894 Oliver Larson  
changed his name  
to Voxland.

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Wallace Voxland  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS

R. 3

Kenyon

Minn.

55946

PHONE NUMBER

(507)

789-5864

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

Same

SECTION

25

TOWNSHIP

Holden

COUNTY

Goodhue

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

267

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

1867

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

5 1/2 of NW 1/4

Section 25 Township 110 North

Range 18 west

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM 1867	
Oliver Larson	TO 1894	Husband of Clara
next owner	From 1895	
Clara Voxland	To 1898	Mother of George
next owner	From 1898	
George Voxland	To 1947	Father of Walter
next owner	From 1947	
Walter Voxland	To 1975	Father of George
next owner	From 1975	
George Voxland	To 1977	Brother of Wallace
Wallace Voxland	From 1977 to Present	

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Abstract of Title ☒

Court file in Registration Proceedings ( )

Land Patent ( )

County Land Record ( )

Original Deed ( )

OTHER

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(signature of present owner)

DATE

7/14/80

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CENTURY FARMS  
MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Christine Olson

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 80 acres

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$16.25 per acre

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? at Tordal in Telemark, Norway

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? Came to Illinois, one year at Albert Lea then to Kenyon

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? no

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? part of the original house is used as part of the granary, now used

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1909

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn, soybeans, hay

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Mrs. Anne Fuglie Jensen  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS

ASHBY

Mn.

56309

PHONE NUMBER

(218) - 747-2903

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION

9 & 16

TOWNSHIP

Pelican Lake

COUNTY

Grant

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

237.30

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

June 17, 1879

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

SE 1/4 Section 9 Township 130 Range 41 - 157.30 Acres  
NW 1/4 NE 1/4 " " " " - 80 Acres

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner: <u>+ Annie Fuglie, wife of Knut Knutson Fuglie</u>	FROM <u>1879</u> TO <u>1919</u>	<u>Father of Albert E. Fuglie</u>
next owner: <u>ALBERT Edwin Fuglie</u>	<u>1919 - 1962</u>	<u>Father of Anne F. Jensen</u>
next owner: <u>Mrs. Anne Fuglie Jensen (Mrs. Emmet Jensen)</u>	<u>1962 - Present</u>	
next owner:		
next owner:		

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Abstract of Title ☒

Court file in Registration Proceedings ☐

Land Patent ☐

County Land Record ☐

Original Deed ☒

OTHER

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Mrs. Anne F. Jensen

(signature of present owner)

DATE

May 31, 1980

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ST. PAUL MN 55108



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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Knut Bakke

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 80 acres

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Valdres, Norway

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? Goodhue County, Minn.

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? Original log home - (what is left of it still here)

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1890

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn, small grains, livestock

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Clarence H. Mobraaten  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS Elbow Lake Minnesota 56537  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER ( 218 ) 458-2245  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION 10 TOWNSHIP ELBOW LAKE COUNTY GRANT

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 160

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1871

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

SW 1/4 - 10 - 129 - 43

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM 1871	
CHRISTOPHER TORGERSON	TO 1889	FATHER
next owner	1889	SON
TORGER C. TORGERSON aka	1953	FATHER OF CHRISTOPHER
TORGER C. MOBRAATEN	1953	
next owner	PRESENT	SON OF TORGER
CLARENCE H. MOBRAATEN		
next owner		
next owner		

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Abstract of Title (X) Court file in Registration Proceedings ( )  
Land Patent (X) County Land Record (X)  
Original Deed ( ) OTHER

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Clarence H. Mobraaten  
(signature of present owner)

DATE

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? ~~Railroad~~ U.S. OF AMERICA

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? UNKNOWN

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? NORWAY

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? SPRING GROVE, MN.

DID HE FARM THE LAND? YES

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? CARPENTER

CARPENTER

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? YES

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL  
STANDING OR IN USE? No

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1900

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? WHEAT, SOYBEANS, BARLEY

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Emil F. Bethke  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS RR 1 Loretto MN 55357  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER (612) 498-8553  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE Same

SECTION 13 TOWNSHIP Greenfield Village COUNTY Hennepin

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT (90)

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY (1874)

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

W 1/2 of SW 1/4 Township 119 Range 34

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM 1874 -	
<u>Carl Sieloff</u>	TO 1918	<u>Father of Charles</u>
next owner	1918 -	
<u>Charles Sieloff</u>	1935	<u>Husband of Alvina</u>
next owner	1935 -	
<u>Alvina Sieloff</u>	1946	<u>Mother of Dolores</u>
next owner	1946 -	<u>Son-in-law of Alvina</u>
<u>Emil F. Bethke and</u> <u>Dolores (Sieloff) Bethke</u>	Present	<u>Daughter of Alvina</u>
next owner		

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Abstract of Title (X) Court file in Registration Proceedings ( )  
Land Patent ( ) County Land Record ( )  
Original Deed ( ) OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

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Emil F. Bethke  
(signature of present owner)

DATE 7-14-80

Dolores (Sieloff) Bethke

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? August Westphal

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 80 Acres

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$17.25 / Acre

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Germany

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? —

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? no

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? no

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? no

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1951

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn, Oats, Alfalfa

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER LEWIS COX  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS 2225  
COUNTY ROAD #6, LONG LAKE, MINN. 55356  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER (612) 473-7097  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE SAME

SECTION 27 <sup>(CITY)</sup> TOWNSHIP ORONO COUNTY HENNEPIN

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 60

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1861

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

~~SECTION 27~~ SECTION 27, TOWNSHIP 118, RANGE 23.

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>VINCENT COX</u>	FROM <u>1861</u> TO <u>1886</u>	<u>FATHER OF HENRY</u>
next owner <u>HENRY COX</u>	<u>1886</u> <u>1955</u>	<u>FATHER OF LEWIS</u>
next owner <u>LEWIS COX</u>	<u>1955</u> <u>PRESENT</u>	
next owner		
next owner		

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Abstract of Title ( ) Court file in Registration Proceedings ( )  
Land Patent ( ) County Land Record ( )  
Original Deed ☒ OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

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Lewis Cox  
(signature of present owner)

DATE JULY 14, 1980

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? THOMAS WALTERS, WHO ACQUIRED IT AS BOUNTY LAND FOR MILITARY SERVICE.

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160 ACRES

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$1.25 / ACRE

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? SUGAR CREEK (NEAR BLOOMINGDALE) PARK COUNTY, INDIANA.

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE FARM THE LAND? YES

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? YES (1855)

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? HOUSE, BARN + GRAINERY ARE ORIGINAL

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? SOY BEANS, HAY.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Cyril + Bernadine Scherber  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS 8501-Hwy 52 Osseo Minn 55369  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER (612) 425-2427  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE 15881 Rush Creek Road, Osseo, Mn 55369

SECTION 33 TOWNSHIP Dayton COUNTY Hennepin

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 78#

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 9-7-1859

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

S 1/2, SW 1/4, SEC 33, T 120, R 22 W

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>Abraham Trombley +</u> <u>Rosalie His wife</u>	FROM <u>9-7-1859</u> TO <u>11-7-1866</u>	<u>Father + Mother</u> <u>of Amable</u>
next owner <u>Amable Trombley +</u> <u>Mary His wife</u>	<u>11-7-1866</u> <u>9-25-1901</u>	<u>Father + Mother</u> <u>of Louis</u>
next owner <u>Louis Trombley +</u> <u>Adeline His wife</u>	<u>9-25-1901</u> <u>8-25-1954</u>	<u>Father + Mother</u> <u>of Bernadine</u>
next owner <u>Cyril Scherber +</u> <u>Bernadine His wife</u>		
next owner		

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Land Patent ( ) County Land Record ( )  
Original Deed ( ) OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

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Cyril + Bernadine Scherber  
(signature of present owner)

DATE June 9, 1980

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MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? United States

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Province of Ontario, Canada

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? Lived at Botteneau Prairie (Osseo) a short time

DID HE FARM THE LAND? Yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? Yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? No

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1878

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn & Soybeans

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER HOWARD & JANICE STAGGEMEYER  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS Box 33 RR#1 New Albin Iowa 52160  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER (507) 495-3296  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION 34 TOWNSHIP 101 WINNEBAGO COUNTY HOUSTON

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 160

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY FEB. 12, 1868

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) \_\_\_\_\_

THE SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of 34-101-5.

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>HENRICK MEYER</u>	FROM <u>FEB. 12, 1868</u> TO <u>NOV. 30, 1895</u>	<u>Father of Alvine</u>
next owner <u>ALVINE MEYER</u>	<u>NOV. 30, 1895</u>	<u>Ella Hannah</u> <u>Louis Lili</u> <u>Mother of Alma</u>
next owner <u>Alvina Staggemeyer Estate</u>	<u>Feb 5, 1921</u> <u>Feb 5, 1921</u> <u>Oct 8, 1945</u>	<u>sisters of Louis</u>
next owner <u>Louis Staggemeyer</u>	<u>Oct 8, 1945</u>	
next owner <u>Howard &amp; Janice Staggemeyer</u>	<u>Mar 1, 1973</u>	<u>Father of Howard</u>
next owner <u>Howard &amp; Janice Staggemeyer</u>	<u>Mar 1, 1973</u> <u>Present</u>	

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Land Patent ( ) County Land Record ☒  
Original Deed ( ) OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

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Howard & Janice Staggemeyer  
(signature of present owner)

DATE July 14, 1980

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ST. PAUL MN 55108



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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Simon Waller  
Freeman Graves

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 80

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Germany

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? no

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL  
STANDING OR IN USE? yes - portion of house, and machine shed

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? around 1868

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn, Hay, oats, & dairy

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: Original part of house is log, clay & straw

Alvina Meyer married Henry Staggmeyer  
but the farm stayed in her name and  
was passed on to the children with  
Henry operating the farm until Louis bought  
out his sisters shares.

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Name of Centennial Farm owner Leland N. Svehaug

Name(s) to appear on certificate Leland Svehaug

Address Caledonia, Minnesota 55921

Address of farm, if different from above \_\_\_\_\_

Section 7

Township Caledonia

County Houston

Number of acres in the farm at present (225)

Date of original purchase by member of your family Jan. 26, 1874

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

Sec 7 W 1/2 SE 1/4 + SE 1/4 and SE 1/4

East 1/2 of S.W. 1/4 Section 8 W. 1/2 of S.W. 1/4 of S.W. 1/4

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>John Johnson</u> (owner in 1876 or B4)	from <u>1874</u> to <u>1891</u>	<u>Great Grandfather</u>
<u>Nels Johnson</u> next owner	from <u>1891</u> to <u>1939</u>	<u>Grandfather</u>
<u>Selma Svehaug</u> next owner	from <u>1939</u> to <u>1973</u>	<u>Mother &amp; Father</u>
<u>Leland Svehaug</u> next owner	from <u>1973</u> to <u>1980</u>	<u>Son</u>
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	

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

Abstract of Title ☒ (X)  
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:

Rita L. Svehaug  
(Witness sign here)

Leland Svehaug  
(Signature of present owner)

Date July 14, 1980

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? \_\_\_\_\_
3. What was the cost of land per acre? \_\_\_\_\_
4. Where was the first owner born? \_\_\_\_\_
5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? \_\_\_\_\_
6. Was this a homestead? \_\_\_\_\_
7. Did the first owner farm the land? \_\_\_\_\_
8. Did he engage in any trades or occupations other than farming?  
\_\_\_\_\_
9. Is the original home, or any portion of it or other original buildings, still standing or in use? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
10. When was the present home built? \_\_\_\_\_
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? \_\_\_\_\_
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:  
\_\_\_\_\_

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

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Gordon L. W.H.  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS 88 2 Box 125 Houston Ma. 55943  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER (507) 896-3730  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE Same

SECTION 4, 5, 8, 9 TOWNSHIP Mound Prairie COUNTY Houston

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 256

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1878

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) SW 1/4 of the  
NW 1/4 of Section 9, and the SE 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of Section 8, all in  
Township 104, Range 5

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM 1878 -	
<u>Albert W.H.</u>	TO 1898	<u>Father of C.B.</u>
next owner	1898 -	
<u>C.B. W.H.</u>	1926	<u>Father of Clarence</u>
next owner	1926 -	
<u>Clarence W.H.</u>	1961	<u>Father of Gordon</u>
next owner	1961 -	
<u>Gordon W.H.</u>	Present	
next owner		

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Abstract of Title (X) Court file in Registration Proceedings ( )  
Land Patent ( ) County Land Record ( )  
Original Deed (X) OTHER contract for deed

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION LISTED ABOVE IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

Gordon L. W.H.  
(signature of present owner)

DATE 7/10/80

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Susan Brochman

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 80

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$18.12

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Germany (first two owners)

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? Nearby farm

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? yes

cabinet maker

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? no

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? yes granary Smokehouse

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1888

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? hay, corn, oats, beef cattle

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Charles T. Calander  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS Route 5 Box 516 Cambridge, Minnesota 55008  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER ( 612 ) 689 1907  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION 11 & 12 TOWNSHIP Isanti COUNTY Isanti

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 114

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1880

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

SE 1/4 of NE 1/4 & NE 1/4 of SE 1/4 Fct. 11 35 23 74 Acres

SW 1/4 of NW 1/4 12 35 23 40 Acres

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM 1880	
Carl A. Calander	TO 1942	Father of Charles
next owner	1942	
Charles T. Calander	Present	
next owner		
next owner		
next owner		

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Abstract of Title ☒ Court file in Registration Proceedings ( )  
Land Patent ( ) County Land Record ( )  
Original Deed ( ) OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION LISTED ABOVE IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

Charles T. Calander  
(signature of present owner)

DATE 7-10-80

PLEASE RETURN TO:

CENTURY FARMS  
MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Peter Grant

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 40

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$ 10.00

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Sweden

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? Sweden

DID HE FARM THE LAND? Yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? Yes

He was the community Blacksmith

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? \_\_\_\_\_

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? Yes- House(Added on to), Barn, and Blacksmith Shop

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1880 and additions all prior to 1900

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn, soybeans, clover & sheep

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

Mr. Calander, now 88 years old, still does some farming- growing clover and oats. He also raises over 100 sheep at the present time. Until this year he has farmed most of the land himself. His grandson, Wayne Calander, is renting and farming much of the land this year.

Prepared by

Ronald E. Bloom, Son-in-law of  
Mr. Calander

6542 Oakley DR.

Fridley, Mn 55432

(612) 571 2956

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

RICHARD & ARLINE NYBERG  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS 4104 WEST 62ND ST. MPIS, MINN. 55424

PHONE NUMBER (612) 927-9225  
area code CITY STATE ZIP CODE

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE NORTH BRANCH, MINN.

SECTION 14 TOWNSHIP NORTH BRANCH COUNTY ISANTI

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 138

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY AUG. 6 - 1878

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

SW 1/2 of SW 1/4 - NW 1/4 of SW 1/4 - SE 1/4 of SW 1/4  
TOWN 35 RANGE 22

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>JACOB DAHL</u>	FROM <u>1878</u> TO <u>1880</u>	<u>FATHER of</u> <u>EVA LOUISE DAHL</u>
next owner <u>JOHN &amp; EVA LOUISE NORDIN</u>	<u>1880</u> <u>1939</u>	<u>DAUGHT of JACOB DAHL</u>
next owner <u>JOHN WILLIAM NORDIN</u>	<u>1939</u> <u>1971</u>	<u>SON of JOHN &amp;</u> <u>EVA LOUISE NORDIN</u>
next owner <u>RICHARD &amp; ARLINE NYBERG</u>	<u>1971</u> <u>PRESENT</u>	<u>NIECE &amp; HUSBAND</u> <u>of JOHN W. NORDIN</u>
next owner		

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Land Patent ( ) County Land Record ( )  
Original Deed ( ) OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

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Mr & Mrs Richard & Nyberg  
(signature of present owner)  
DATE July 13, 1980

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ST. PAUL MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? U.S. Government

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 80 acres

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? unknown

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Sweden

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? New York

DID HE FARM THE LAND? Yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? Ass. County assessor

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? No

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? Yes, portion of house, Chicken Coop

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1896

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? grain products

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER IRENE STENZEL  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS RR2 Box 100 HERON LAKE MN 56137  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER (507) 7932680  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE SAME

SECTION 8 TOWNSHIP WEIMER COUNTY JACKSON

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 160

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1878

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

NW 1/4 TOWNSHIP 104 RANGE 37

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM TO	
FRANZ STENZEL	1878 1916	SON OF FRANZ
next owner		
JOHN STENZEL	1916 1919	BRO OF JOHN
next owner		
FRANK STENZEL	1919 1929	SONS OF FRANK
next owner		
ELMER & WM	1929 1941	BRO OF WM
next owner		
ELMER STENZEL	1941	
IRENE STENZEL	1976	WIFE OF ELMER

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Abstract of Title (X) Court file in Registration Proceedings ( )  
Land Patent ( ) County Land Record ( )  
Original Deed (X) OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

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Irene Stenzel  
(signature of present owner)

DATE 6-24-80

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Charles Krause

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$11.00

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? AUSTRIA GERMANY

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE FARM THE LAND? YES

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? NO

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? ~~YES~~ NO

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL  
STANDING OR IN USE? BARN

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1929

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? BEANS + CORN

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

VIRGIL ANDERSON

(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS

R.R. 1

Belgrade

Mn.

56312

PHONE NUMBER

(612) 254-3145

area code

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SAME

SECTION

1

TOWNSHIP

Colfax

COUNTY

KANDIYOHI

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

(432)

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

1870

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

E 1/2 of the NE 1/4  
and the E 1/2 of the South East 1/4 of Sec. 1 in Twp 122  
of Range 35

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM	
<u>Mathias Johnson</u>	<u>1870</u>	
	TO	
	<u>1889</u>	<u>Father of Anne</u>
next owner		
<u>Anne Carrie Jacobson</u>	<u>1889</u>	
	<u>1939</u>	<u>Mother of Helen</u>
next owner		
<u>Helen Anderson</u>	<u>1939</u>	
	<u>1960</u>	<u>Mother of Virgil</u>
next owner		
<u>Virgil Anderson</u>	<u>1960</u>	
next owner		

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Abstract of Title ☒

Court file in Registration Proceedings ( )

Land Patent ( )

County Land Record ☒

Original Deed ☒

OTHER

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Virgil D. Anderson

(signature of present owner)

DATE

7-13-80

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED?

Homestead from U.S. Government

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL?

159.98 Acres

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE?

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN?

Norway.

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM?

He lived with Levin Thorsen farm southwest of present farm, about 2 miles away.

DID HE FARM THE LAND?

Yes.

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING?

carpentry & soldier

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD?

Yes.

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE?

No

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT?

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS?

Corn Pats Forage / Eggs / Dairy / Sheep

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Elroy H. Swenson and Marlin D. Bergeson  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS Spicer Minn. 56288  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER (612) 796-5354 and 796-5353  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION 11 & 12 TOWNSHIP Dovre COUNTY Kandiyohi

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 210

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY Claim in 1861  
Homesteaded 1873

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) Original Homestead  
description — Lots # 344 of Section 12 in Twp. 120 of  
Range 35 in the District of lands

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>first owner</u>	FROM <u>1861</u>	
* <u>John Swenson</u>	TO <u>1913</u>	<u>Father</u>
<u>next owner</u>	<u>1913 -</u>	
<u>David Swenson</u>	<u>1945</u>	<u>Father</u>
<u>next owner</u>	<u>1945 -</u>	
<u>Harold J. Swenson</u>	<u>1968</u>	<u>Father</u>
<u>next owner</u>	<u>1968</u>	<u>Father and</u>
<u>Elroy H. Swenson and</u> <u>Marlin D. Bergeson</u>		<u>Son-in-law</u>
<u>next owner</u>		

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Abstract of Title ( ) Court file in Registration Proceedings ( )  
Land Patent ( ) County Land Record ( )  
Original Deed ( ) OTHER Homestead Certificate # 1552

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION LISTED ABOVE IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

Elroy H. Swenson  
(signature of present owner)

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DATE 7-14-80

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ST. PAUL MN 55108

\* David Swenson purchased the farm Anna  
Swenson (widow of John Swenson) who died in  
1902.)

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Claim made on public domain in 1861

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 9.3 <sup>15</sup>/<sub>100</sub> Acres

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? 7

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? 50 mi west of Gottenberg, Sweden in 1833

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? Sweden - Came to Carver County in <sup>spring</sup> 1861 - Then went to Grove City where he left his family, then came to Kandiyohi County summer of 1861

DID HE FARM THE LAND? Yes - Farmed 2 seasons before ~~Swedish~~ Indians drove him out -

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? Bee keeping

Breeder and lover of Fine horses.

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? Became a homestead 12 years later in 1873

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? A basement hole is still visible where the first dugout home was made - The dugout faced Ringo lake, between Long Lake & Ringo Lake.

\* WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? Sometime during the 1880's  
Addition built in 1890's

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Reg. Holstein Cattle

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: Crops - Corn & Alfalfa

\* At the present time there are 5 ~~farms~~ residences on this farm.

All are descendants of the original owner, John Swenson & wife Anna.

They are as follows:

Mr & Mrs. Elroy Swenson - great grandson of John & Anna Swenson  
Mr & Mrs. Marlin Bergeson - great granddaughter of John & Anna  
Mrs. Evelyn Swenson - widow of Harold Swenson - grandson of John & Anna  
Mrs. Jodi Swenson Thompson - great great granddaughter of "  
(Mrs. Mrs) Toni & Sylvia Bergeson Johannetk - great great granddaughter of J. & A.



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Leuverne E. Danielson  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS Route 1 Pennock Minnesota 56279  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER (612) 599-4728  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION 10 TOWNSHIP Mamre COUNTY Kandiyohi

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 170

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY March 1, 1876

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

10 120 36 80.6  
NE 1/4 Sec. Part 6

United States of America

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM	
<u>Daniel Nelson</u>	<u>March 1, 1876</u>	<u>Father of Gustaf Danielson - the next owner</u>
next owner	TO	
<u>Gustaf Danielson</u>	<u>Dec 21, 1943</u>	<u>Father of Evald</u>
next owner	<u>Dec. 21, 1943</u>	
<u>Evald B. Danielson</u>	<u>March 11, 1955</u>	<u>Father of Leuverne</u>
next owner	<u>March 11, 1955 -</u>	
<u>Leuverne E. Danielson</u>	<u>Present</u>	
next owner		

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Land Patent (✓) County Land Record (✓)  
Original Deed ( ) OTHER

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Leuverne E. Danielson  
(signature of present owner)

DATE July 15, 1980

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? United States

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 80

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Sweden

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? Sweden

DID HE FARM THE LAND? Yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? Not that I  
Know of

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? Yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL  
STANDING OR IN USE? Part of the original house is used as  
a shed

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? about 1900

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Dairy - corn - oats used  
For feed.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER ELDON AND EUNICE HOLMBERG  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS RTE. 1 PENNOCK MN. 56279  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER (612) 599-4407  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE SAME

SECTION 16 TOWNSHIP MAMRE COUNTY KANDIYOHI

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 200

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1880

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) N. 1/2 of S.E. 1/4  
S.E. 1/4 of N.E. 1/4 S.E. 1/4 of S.E. 1/4 N.E. 1/4 of S.W. 1/4

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>AUGUST HOLMGREN SR.</u>	FROM <u>1880-</u> TO <u>1906</u>	<u>FATHER OF OTTO</u>
next owner <u>OTTO HOLMGREN</u>	<u>1906-</u> <u>1941</u>	<u>FATHER OF EUNICE</u>
next owner <u>OTTO HOLMGREN ESTATE</u>	<u>1941-</u> <u>1944</u>	<u>FATHER OF EUNICE</u>
next owner <u>ELDON AND EUNICE HOLMBERG</u>	<u>1944-</u> <u>PRESENT</u>	
next owner		

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Abstract of Title (V)  
Land Patent (V)  
Original Deed ( )

Court file in Registration Proceedings ( )  
County Land Record ( )

OTHER AUGUST HOLMGREN SR. OBTAINED PRE-EMPTION ON ORIGINAL TRACT OR HOMESTEAD.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION LISTED ABOVE IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

Eldon + Eunice Holmberg  
(signature of present owner)

DATE 5/12/80

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ST. PAUL MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? STATE OF MINNESOTA

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 80

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? DO NOT KNOW

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? VÄRMLAND, SWEDEN

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? VÄRMLAND, SWEDEN

DID HE FARM THE LAND? YES

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? No

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? YES

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? YES

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? <sup>1880</sup> WE ARE LIVING IN ORIGINAL. ADDITIONS HAVE BEEN BUILT.

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? CORN, SOY BEANS, WHEAT

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: One interesting part of this farm is that it has a flowing well that was dug in 1887 and is still flowing. The water raises to about 6 feet above ground level. It has supplied the household and livestock with water these many years. It was also used to cool milk and cream and keep foods cool before electricity and refrigeration. It is between 40 and 45 degrees.

Four rooms of the house were built in 1880 and are still used with some additions and remodeling.

The first fall the Holmgrens lived here, they were caught by an exceptionally early snowstorm and had to bring their one cow into the house as they had not had time to build a stable, by the time the storm came.

The Holmgren Descendents are planning a Centennial this summer at our farm where August Holmgren Sr. settled with his family when arriving from Sweden.

Some of the trees they planted are now giant Cottonwoods and there is also an apple tree which is at least 75 years old.



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Joseph E. + Elsie D. Larson  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS Pennock Minnesota 56279  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER (612) 599-4285  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE Same

SECTION 2 TOWNSHIP Mamre COUNTY Kandiyohi

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT (200)

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY (1878)

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> of S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> Sec 2, NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> 3 W<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> of NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> Sec 11, Twp 120  
Rge 36.

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	1878- 1913 YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>John Larson</u> first owner	FROM 1913	
<u>John J. Larson</u> next owner	TO 1963	Father of Joseph
<u>Joseph E. + Elsie Larson</u> next owner	1963 1980	Father of Vernell
<u>Vernell Larson</u> next owner	1980	

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Abstract of Title ( ) Court file in Registration Proceedings (✓)  
Land Patent ( ) County Land Record ( )  
Original Deed ( ) OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

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Joseph E. Larson  
(signature of present owner)

DATE July 10-1980

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Bought Feb 8, 1878 80 acres.

FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? John <sup>\*wife</sup> Spicer + Andrew <sup>\*wife</sup> Larson <sup>Nov</sup> Bought 1877

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 80 acres

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$10.50

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Norway

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE FARM THE LAND? Yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? Yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? Yes

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Oats, Corn, soy beans, Alfalfa

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

raise hog + dairy cattle

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

ADDRESS

PHONE NUMBER

area code

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

Res. 2  
SECTION

Sec. 27

sec. 34

TOWNSHIP  
(40 Acres)

Dovre

COUNTY

Kandiyohi

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 7/1/1874

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

120, range 35, (see back side of sheet (Copied from Abstract of title

## PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	PROBATION RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>first owner</u> E. O. Otterness	FROM 1874	Father of Christen
<u>next owner</u> Christen Otterness	TO 1896	
<u>next owner</u> Alpha (Otterness) Miner	From 1896	Father of Alpha
<u>next owner</u> Floyd K. Miner	TO 1930	
<u>next owner</u> Floyd K. Miner	1930	Mother of Floyd
<u>next owner</u> Floyd K. Miner	1953	
<u>next owner</u> Floyd K. Miner	1953	Present
<u>next owner</u> Floyd K. Miner	Present	

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# Abstract of Title

## Land Patent

Original Deed

Court file in Registration Proceedings ( )

County Land Record ( )

OTHER

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION LISTED ABOVE IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

Lloyd K. Miner

(signature of present owner)

PLEASE RETURN TO:

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

7/3/80

CENTURY FARMS  
MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? \_\_\_\_\_

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Wisconsin

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE FARM THE LAND? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? \_\_\_\_\_

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL  
STANDING OR IN USE? (Part of) orig home, now a grainery

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1939

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn, beans, oats, Wheat

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: Abstract of title, all situated in Kandoyohi County, Minn. The South (1/2 of the S.W. 1/4, of Section 27; part of the S.E. 1/4 of the S.E. 1/4, & part of the S.W. 1/4 of the S.E. 1/4, of Sec. 28, & described at entry No. 44; & the N.E. 1/4 of the N.W. 1/4, of section 34, all in twp. one hundred twenty I20, range thirty five (35).  
Township I20 Range 35

P.S. Our Son Mark 21, plans to purchase the farm with in the next several years, he is the 5th generation, Wade Preston Earley of Bayard, Nebr. North Star route Box 37, = 89334 is the 6th generation, (at age 3), a child of our Daut Meredith, +++++ Wades (Grand Father) & great Uncle (Bob) & Jim Earley (of Preston) & Chatfield have had a century farm for several years !!

Thanks so very much for all you have done to make all this possible !!!! we plan to have copies of century farms certificate made for our Twin gals 23, & our Youngest Daut I7.

*As Ever,  
Floyd*

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

James T. Mohr  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS R.R. 2 Atwater CITY Minneapolis STATE 56209  
ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER ( 612 ) 974-8453  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION 80 acres in Sec. 11 TOWNSHIP Harrison COUNTY Wendish  
120 N in Sec. 2

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 2002 I bought 40 acres in Sec. 2  
SE 1/4 of SW 1/4 in 1968

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

W 1/2 of SE 1/4 section 2 and W 1/2 of NE 1/4 sec 11  
all in township 120 N Range 33 W.

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM	
<u>August Mohr Sr.</u>	TO <u>12-15-1875</u>	<u>Father</u>
next owners <u>Henry, Ernst, Mathilda, August + Caroline Mohr</u>	<u>12-16-1889</u>	<u>Brothers + Sisters</u>
next owner		
<u>August Mohr Jr.</u>	<u>12-27-1889</u>	<u>Brothers</u>
next owner		
<u>Jimmie T. Mohr</u>	<u>4-13, 1944</u>	<u>Son</u>
next owner		
<u>Now owner</u>		

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Jimmie T. Mohr  
(signature of present owner)

DATE 6-30-80

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WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1957

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? beans, corn, wheat, & oats

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

*This farm has always been 160 acres  
untill I bought 40 acres in 1968  
so its now 200 acres*

*Jim Mohr*