



## Century Farm Applications

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PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

CLARENCE H. EILERS

(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS

2812-38 Ave. So. Mpls.

CITY

MN

STATE

55406

ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER

(612)

729-4849

area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

Clear Lake, mn.

SECTION

3

TOWNSHIP

Clear Lake, mn.

COUNTY

Sherburne

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

145

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

1880

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

E 1/2 of SW 1/4 AND SW 1/4 Sect 3 TOWN 34 RANGE 29

O.K.

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM 1880 -	
HARMAN (HERMAN) EILERS	TO 1913	FATHER OF HENRY
next owner	1913 -	
HENRY EILERS	1912	FATHER OF CLARENCE
next owner	1912 -	
CLARENCE EILERS	present	
next owner		
next owner		

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Abstract of Title (X)

Court file in Registration Proceedings ( )

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County Land Record ( )

Original Deed (X)

OTHER

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Clarence H. Eilers

(signature of present owner)

DATE

June 11, 1981

PLEASE RETURN TO:

CENTURY FARMS  
MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Charles P. Garbox

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 7

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? 3

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Germany

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

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? Home built 1883 still in use

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1883

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

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

O.K.

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER NORMAN & MARY IMHOLTE  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS RR 2 CLEAR LAKE MN 55319  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER (612) 743 2539  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE Same

SECTION 3 TOWNSHIP Clear Lake COUNTY Sherburne

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 350

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1881

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) S 1/2 SE 1/4  
SE 1/2 SW 1/4 + NE 1/4 SW 1/4 15 1/2 SW 1/4 of section 3  
Township 34 Range 30

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM TO	
next owner <u>Anthony J. Imholte</u>	<u>1881</u> <u>1916</u>	<u>Father of Fred</u>
next owner <u>FRED Imholte</u>	<u>1916</u> <u>1969</u>	<u>uncle of</u> <u>Harold &amp; NORMAN</u>
next owner <u>Harold Imholte</u> <u>NORMAN Imholte</u>	<u>1969</u> <u>1977</u>	<u>BROTHER</u>
next owner <u>NORMAN A Imholte</u> <u>MARY B. Imholte</u>	<u>1977</u> <u>Present</u>	

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

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Norman Imholte  
(signature of present owner)

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ST. PAUL MN 55108

DATE 7-15-1981



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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

E. JOHN BACH

(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS

HENDERSON

Minn

56044

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER

(612) 248-3522

area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION

33

TOWNSHIP

JESSEN LAND

COUNTY

SIBLEY

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

215

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

MAR 1, 1862

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

W 1/2 of NW 1/4 and W 1/2 of SW 1/4 of SEC 33, Twp. 113 Rge 26

NE 1/4 of NE 1/4 SEC. 32 TWP. 113 Rge 26 SE 1/4 of NE 1/4 SEC 32 TWP 113 Rge 26

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>JOHN BACH</u>	FROM <u>1862</u> TO <u>1896</u>	<u>FATHER OF MARTIN</u>
next owner <u>MARTIN BACH</u>	<u>1896</u> <u>1926</u>	<u>FATHER OF WILLIAM</u>
next owner <u>WILLIAM BACH</u>	<u>1926</u> <u>1948</u>	<u>BROTHER OF ERNEST</u>
next owner <u>ERNEST J. BACH</u>	<u>1948</u> <u>1978</u>	<u>FATHER OF E. JOHN</u>
next owner <u>E. JOHN BACH</u>	<u>1978</u> <u>PRESENT</u>	

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E. John Bach

(signature of present owner)

DATE

APRIL 21, 1981

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? United States of America

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? \_\_\_\_\_

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? 1883

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

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

DONALD H. Becke  
(this name will appear on certificate)

O.K.

ADDRESS

WINTHROP

CITY

MINN.

STATE

55396

ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER

(507) 647-5445

area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SAME

SECTION

19

TOWNSHIP

TRANSIT

COUNTY

Sibley

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

200

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

OCT 26 - 1878

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

NE 1/4 OF

SW 1/4 sec 19 Twp 113 Rge 29

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>Christian Becke</u>		
first owner	FROM <u>1878</u>	
<u>Christian Becke</u>	TO <u>1892</u>	<u>FATHER OF Frederick</u>
next owner	<u>1892</u>	
<u>Frederick Becke</u>	<u>1930</u>	<u>FATHER OF Herman</u>
next owner	<u>1930</u>	
<u>Herman Becke</u>	<u>1975</u>	<u>FATHER OF DONALD</u>
next owner	<u>1975</u>	
<u>DONALD H. Becke</u>	<u>NOW</u>	
next owner		

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County Land Record ( )

Original Deed ( )

OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

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

Donald H. Becke  
(signature of present owner)

DATE

May 26 1981

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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? 320

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? ~~200~~ \$5.00

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? \_\_\_\_\_

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? yes

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? CORN OATS Soybeans

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Thomas Fitzpatrick  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS

Green Isle

Minn

55338

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER

(612) 326-7472

area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION

12

TOWNSHIP

114

COUNTY

Range

27

Sibley

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

145.75

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

Dec. 30, 1868

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

E 1/2 of SW 1/4 of

Section 12-114-27 is Century farm, (homestead)

other land on attached

sheet was purchased in December 7, 1928.

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner		
<u>Thomas Fitzpatrick</u>	FROM 30 Dec. 1868 TO 4 Jan. 1907	Father
next owner		
<u>Robert Fitzpatrick</u>	From: 4 Jan 1907 To: 19 Sept 1960	Father
next owner		
<u>Thomas Fitzpatrick</u>	From: 4 Jan 1960 To: present	
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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Thomas Fitzpatrick

(signature of present owner)

DATE

April 23, 1981

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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:

*James F. ...*  
*1891, 53 high*

(B) Real property described as follows: The homestead of decedent situate in the County of Sibley, State of Minnesota, described as follows, to-wit:

The East Half of the Southwest Quarter ( $B\frac{1}{2}$  of  $SW\frac{1}{4}$ ) of Section Numbered Twelve (12), Township Numbered One Hundred Fourteen (114), North of Range Numbered Twenty-seven (27) West.

(C) Other tract..... of land lying and being in the County of Sibley, State of Minnesota, described as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at the Southwest corner of Government Lot 2 in Section Number Twelve (12), Township Number One Hundred Fourteen (114), Range Number Twenty-seven (27), thence running north on the Section line 627 feet to the meander corner of lake shore, thence North 23 degrees West 660 feet, thence running East 264 feet to a point on the west line of said section, which point is 1229 $\frac{1}{2}$  feet North of the point of beginning, and in the center of Lateral No. 1, of County Ditch No. 28, in Sibley County, Minnesota, thence running South 77 degrees east 500 feet following the center of said ditch, thence south 84 degrees East 924 feet, thence North 79 degrees East 96 feet, thence south 82 degrees East 580 feet, thence South 72 degrees East 600 feet to and intersecting the East line of the Northwest Quarter of said Section Number Twelve (12), at a point in the center of said ditch which is 746 feet North of the center of said Section Number Twelve (12), thence South 746 feet to the center of said Section, thence West 2640 feet to the point of beginning.



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Lloyd Charles Harrington  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS

RR 1 Box 33 Stewart Minn 55385

PHONE NUMBER

(612) 562-2293  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

Same

SECTION

NW 1/4 Sec 26

TOWNSHIP

Grafton

COUNTY

Sibley

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

319

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

Jan 15, 1875.

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

NW 1/4

Sec. 26, Twp 114, Range 31

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM 1875	
<u>Lloyd M. Harrington</u>	TO July 20, 1910	Father of Ray E.
next owner	July 20, 1910	
<u>Ray E. Harrington</u>	Dec 26, 1956	husband of Elizabeth
next owner	Dec 26, 1956	
<u>Elizabeth Harrington</u>	Sept 29, 1958	Mother of Lloyd
next owner	Sept 29, 1958	
<u>Lloyd Charles Harrington</u>	Present	
next owner		

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County Land Record ( )

Original Deed ☒

OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

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Lloyd (Charles) Harrington  
(signature of present owner)

DATE

May 23, 1981

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Homesteaded

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

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

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Vermont

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? Hastings, 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? 1956

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

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

Lloyd M. Harrington served in the Civil War. this farm was a land grant given veterans at that time. the original certificate was signed by U.S. Grant then President of U.S.A.



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Carol Anderson Meyer  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS Rt 2 Box 226 Gaylord, Minnesota 55334

PHONE NUMBER (612) 237-2601 CITY STATE ZIP CODE

area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION 12 TOWNSHIP Cornish COUNTY Sibley

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 135

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY Oct. 25, 1879

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) The SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section  
Number 12 in Twp. # 112 North, of Range # 30 West.

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM	
<b>Charles Anderson</b>	1879	Father of J. Ed
	TO	
	1923	
next owner		
<b>J. Ed Anderson</b>	1923	Husband of Aleda
	1961	Father of Carol
next owner		
<b>Aleda Anderson</b>	1961	Mother of Carol
<b>Carol Meyer</b>	1975	
next owner		
<b>Carol Meyer</b>	1975	
	Present	
next owner		

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

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Carol Meyer  
(signature of present owner)

DATE June 27, 1981

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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? Grandmother in 1842  
Sweden-Grandfather in 1838

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? Came to U.S. in 1868-Married at  
St Peter on Nov. 1869. Lived at

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes LeSueur, then at Eagle City (Was located 1/2 mile S of  
Winthrop.)

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? No

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

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

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: (Information taken from "My Saga" written about 1949-50  
for a H.S. English Class)

My Grandparents endured many of the hardships of the pioneer days. The closest trading post being New Ulm and means of transportation was a crude lumber wagon drawn by a pair of oxen. The winters were very severe sometimes a snowstorm would last a week and they were unable to get away from their home. For three successive years grasshoppers destroyed their crops and at times it seemed discouraging and almost hopeless. Mail was received once a week at the Post Office known as Eagle City which was located 1/2 mile South of the present site of Winthrop. Finally a rumor spread that surveyors were working in the neighborhood and it was good news when they learned that a railroad was to be built, this became a reality and the first train arrived on Christmas Eve in 1881.

# LAND SALE RECEIPT.

STATE OF MINNESOTA. COUNTY TREASURER'S OFFICE.

Received of *Chas. Anderson* *Minn., Oct 25 1899*

*Eighty* *32* Dollars, being  
100

amount of Principal and Interest required at sale for the following described Land:

Description: *N 8 SW 1/4 Sec 10*

Sec. *12* Tp. *112* R. *30* containing *80* acres.  
100

Principal paid, \$ *65*

Interest to June 1, 188 \$ *15 32*

Total \$ *80 32*

Certificates of Sale will be forwarded to the County Treasurer, who will deliver to purchaser on presentation of this receipt.

*John G. Cook*  
County Treasurer.

COUNTERSIGNED,  
*W. H. G. G. G.*  
County Auditor.

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER HARLAN H. QUAST  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS Route 2, Box 159 Gaylord MN 55334  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE  
PHONE NUMBER ( 612 ) 237-2750  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE same

SECTION 9 TOWNSHIP Sibley COUNTY Sibley

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 80

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1880

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

SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  and SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of SE $\frac{1}{4}$  TOWNSHIP 112 RANGE 28

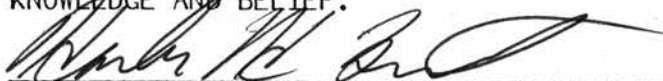
PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>first owner</u>	FROM 1880-	
AUGUST QUAST	TO 1907	Father of HENRY
<u>next owner</u>	1907-	
HENRY QUAST	1946	Father of MALAN H.
<u>next owner</u>	1946-	
MALAN H. QUAST	1975	Father of HARLAN H.
<u>next owner</u>	1975-	
HARLAN H. QUAST	PRESENT	
<u>next owner</u>		

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(signature of present owner)

DATE

6/30/81

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? St. Paul & Sioux City Railroad

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? Henderson, Mn

DID HE FARM THE LAND? Yes

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

Horse Doctoring (still have orig instruments)

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? Yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? Yes (House & Granary)

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1875 - remodelled early 1900, am now adding on

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

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: I ~~am~~ have some original photos (tin types & others) of house & people.

August Quast lived on farm several years before buying it.  
August Quast transported hay for soldiers horses during ~~the~~ Indian uprising.



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Alton Swanson  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS

Winthrop ~~Winthrop~~  
CITY

Mn  
STATE

55396  
ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER

(612) 237 2614  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION

26

TOWNSHIP

Alfsborg

COUNTY

Sibley

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

186

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

7-16-1866

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

NW 1/4 and 26 A of NE 1/4 26-112-29

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>John Erickson</u> first owner	FROM <u>7-16-1866</u>	<u>Father</u>
<u>John Erickson</u> next owner	TO <u>2-20-1893</u>	
<u>Christina Toren</u> next owner	<u>7-26-1946</u>	<u>Mother</u>
<u>Blanch Swanson</u> next owner		
<u>Robert Toren Roy Toren</u> next owner	<u>2-12-1947</u>	<u>Brother Sister</u>
<u>Robert Toren</u> next owner		
<u>Blanch Swanson</u> next owner	<u>7-31-1964</u>	<u>Mother Uncle</u>
<u>Alton Swanson</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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Alton Swanson  
(signature of present owner)

DATE

6-22-81

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CENTURY FARMS  
MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Blanche Swanson Robert Torner

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 1.86

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? 265

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Sweden

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? \_\_\_\_\_

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

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Raymond E. Uecker

(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS 909 9th St. R.R. 1 Box 20 Gaylord Minnesota 55334  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE  
PHONE NUMBER ( 612 ) 237-2652  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE R. R. 1 Gaylord, MN.

SECTION 6 TOWNSHIP 113 (Dryden) COUNTY Sibley

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 160

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 5 Aug. 1864

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 6-113-28

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner Julius Stelter	FROM 5 Aug. 1864 TO 18 Mar. 1898	Father
next owner Paul Stelter	From 18 Mar. 1898 TO 27 Feb. 1951	Father-in-Law
next owner Raymond E. Uecker	From 27 Feb. 1951 TO Present	
next owner		
next owner		

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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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Raymond E. Uecker  
(signature of present owner)

DATE 3/10/81

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ST. PAUL MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Frank A. Renz & Amelia

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160 acres

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$800.00 paid for 160 acres.

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? 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, Soybeans, Alfalfa, Dairy .

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

THOMAS M. WALDRON  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS

Glencoe

CITY

MN. RR#1

STATE

55334

ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER

(612)

864-4293

area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION

5

TOWNSHIP

GREEN ISLE

COUNTY

SIBLEY

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

147

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 11-4-1867

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

N.W. 1/4 Sec. 5

T-114-N

R-27-W

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM 1867	FATHER OF
MATTHEW WALDRON	TO 1879	JAMES
next owner	1879	SON OF
JAMES WALDRON	1895	MATTHEW
next owner	1903	SON OF
MICHAEL WALDRON	1950	MATTHEW
next owner	1950	SON OF
THOMAS M WALDRON	PRESENT	MICHAEL
next owner		

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County Land Record ☐

Original Deed ☐

OTHER

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Thomas M. Waldron  
(signature of present owner)

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ST. PAUL MN 55108

DATE

7-2-81



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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Main Valley RR

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 147

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

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Pennsylvania

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? log part 1890 - some added

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

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

JOSEPH ALOYS Athmann  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS Box 194 R#1 Melrose MN. 56352  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER (612) 987-3417  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE SAME

SECTION \_\_\_\_\_ TOWNSHIP Spring Hill COUNTY Stearns

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 283

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY Dec. 14 - 1965

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) The E $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$  and the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 23 and the W $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$  and the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$  and the W $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 24 all in T. 124, R. 33. Also the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 25 in T. 124 R. 33.

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>John Winter</u>	FROM 1864 TO 1898	Father of John J. Winter
next owner <u>John J. Winter</u>	1898 - 1940	Father-in-Law of Aloys Athmann
next owner <u>Aloys A. Athmann</u>	1940 - 1965	Father of Joseph Athmann <del>Joseph A. Athmann</del>
next owner <u>Joseph A. Athmann</u>	1965 - Present	
next owner		

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Joseph A. Athmann  
(signature of present owner)

DATE 5-28-81

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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 THOMAS + Dorothy ELFERING  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS FREEDPORT CITY MINN STATE 56331 ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER (612) 836-2192  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION 15 + 11 TOWNSHIP OAK COUNTY STEARNS

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) Section 15  
in Township 125 North of Range Thirty-two West,  
Stearns County Minn. + in Section 11.

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner Engelbent + Benedicta Elfering	FROM <u>March 12</u> <del>April 1</del> 1880 TO <u>1913 of Aug 18</u>	
next owner Ben ELfering	<u>Feb Aug 18 - 1913</u> To <u>Feb 7, 1938</u>	SON
next owner John + Mary ELfering	<u>Feb - 7 1938</u> Dec. 28 1949	SON
next owner ELMER + Rosalia ELFERING	Dec. 28 1949 To Oct 10, 1973	SON
next owner THOMAS + Dorothy ELFERING	Oct. 10 1973 To present	SON

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

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Thomas Elfering  
(signature of present owner)

DATE Aug, 20 1981

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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 Joseph A. Bechtold O.K.  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS Route 4 St. Cloud Mn. 56301  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER (612) 363-4483  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE SAME

SECTION 22 TOWNSHIP St. Joseph COUNTY Stearns

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 360

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

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

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>theresia Bechtold</u>	FROM <u>1879 -</u> TO <u>1913</u>	<u>Bechtold</u> mother of Frank X.
next owner <u>Frank X. Bechtold</u>	<u>1913 -</u> <u>1943</u>	<u>Bechtold</u> Father of John G.
next owner <u>John G. Bechtold</u>	<u>1943 May</u> (deceased) <u>Nov. 1944</u>	<u>Bechtold</u> Husband of Esther E.
next owner <u>Esther E. Bechtold</u>	<u>Nov. 1944</u> <u>Jan. 1975</u>	<u>Bechtold</u> Mother of Joseph A.
next owner <u>Joseph A. Bechtold</u>	<u>1975 -</u> <u>Present</u>	

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Joseph A. Bechtold  
(signature of present owner)

DATE 7-15-81

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MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Joseph Tschumperlin

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

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$1,350.00 Total

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? Corn and Dairy

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Cyril J Heid

(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS Rr I Box 65 Kimball Minn 55353

PHONE NUMBER ( 612 ) 252-3398 CITY STATE ZIP CODE

area code

Same

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION 31 & 32 TOWNSHIP St Augusta COUNTY Stearns

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 120

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY Sept 6 1880

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) Ne 1/4 NE 1/4 and  
N 1/2 NW 1/4 Twp 123 Range 28

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM	
<u>John Heid</u>	TO <u>1880</u> <u>1948</u>	<u>Father of Kilian</u>
next owner		
<u>Kilian Heid</u>	<u>1948</u> <u>1973</u>	<u>Father of Cyril</u>
next owner		
<u>Cyril J Heid</u>	<u>1973 To Present</u>	
next owner		
next owner		

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

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Cyril J Heid  
(signature of present owner)

DATE

5/26/81

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MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Henry Brauch, Sr.

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 120

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? 45.00

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Germany

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

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 and oats

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:



61

Warranty Deed

Fayette R. Huston, a single man

to

Fayette Huston, Jr. and Lidwina Huston,  
as joint tenants

Dated Apr. 17, 1963. Rec. May 12, 1964 at 10:04 AM  
Book 330 of Deeds, page 449

Cons: \$1.00 and other good and val. cons.

Signed Fayette Huston Witn. 2

Ack. May 11, 1964 before John W. Meyer, N.P.

Stearns Co., Minn. Seal exp. Oct. 15, 1965

Convey: The W 15 rods of the NW $\frac{1}{4}$  which lies S.  
of Sauk River, all in Sec. 6, T 125, R 33. Also  
the E $\frac{1}{2}$  of the SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 1, T 125, R 34.

Minn. Deed Tax \$1.10

Rev. \$.55

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

R.4 BOX 115

Fayette R. Huston  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS

SADOK CENTRE

MN.

56378

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER

(612)

352 3740

area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION

1

TOWNSHIP

Getty

COUNTY

Stearns

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

30.0

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

5/16/1873

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

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>BENJAMIN P. HUSTON</u>	FROM <u>MAY 15, 1873</u> TO <u>October 6, 1923</u>	<u>Grand FATHER</u>
next owner <u>FAYETTE HUSTON</u>	<u>OCTOBER 6, 1923</u> <u>APRIL 17, 1963</u> <u>APRIL 17, 1963</u>	<u>FATHER</u>
next owner <u>FAYETTE HUSTON</u>	<u>- JUNE 16, 1981 -</u>	<u>present OWNER</u>
next owner		
next owner		

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Abstract of Title ☒

Land Patent ☐

Original Deed ☒

Court file in Registration Proceedings ☐

County Land Record ☐

OTHER

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Fayette R. Huston  
(signature of present owner)

DATE

6/15/81

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Kell

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? 2

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Maine

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

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? 11 yrs ago

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Beef corn hogs

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

*Hoppe*  
Herbert and Lucille Meyer  
(this name will appear on certificate)

O.K.

ADDRESS R#1 Box 73 Freeport Minnesota 56331

PHONE NUMBER (612) 837-5230  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE Same

SECTION 33 TOWNSHIP OAK COUNTY Stearns

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 360

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1865

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

N2SE4, N2SW4, SE4SW4, SW4SE4, E2NW4 and  
SW4NW4 Township 125 Section 33 - Range 32

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP		
NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>Henry Hoppe</u>	FROM <u>1865-</u> TO <u>1902</u>	<u>Father of William</u>
next owner <u>William Hoppe</u>	<u>1902-</u> <u>1937</u>	<u>Father of Frank</u>
next owner <u>Frank Hoppe</u>	<u>1937-</u> <u>1964</u>	<u>Mrs. Father of Herbert Meyer</u>
next owner <u>Herbert Meyer</u>	<u>1964-</u> <u>Present</u>	
next owner		

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

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Herbert Meyer - Mrs. Lucille (Hoppe) Meyer  
(signature of present owner)

PLEASE RETURN TO:

CENTURY FARMS  
MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108

DATE April 22, 1981



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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? original 160 was Homesteaded by Henry Hoppe

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160 acres

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? some was purchased in 1870's for \$20.<sup>00</sup> =  
an acre

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Germany

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? came to New York, then  
went to Cincinnati, then Minn.

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? No, he might  
have worked in factory for awhile in Cincinnati

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL  
STANDING OR IN USE? an old log barn is still standing - built about  
1868

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1895

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? corn, oats, alfalfa, It's a  
beef and hog operation, not a dairy farm.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

When they came everything was woods, with lots of  
wolves and deer. Sometimes they walked to St. Cloud for  
provisions.

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Robert J. Mueller  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS

RR 2, Box 77 Belgrade

MN

56312

PHONE NUMBER

(612) 243-3232

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION

28

TOWNSHIP

Lake Henry

COUNTY

Stearns

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

400

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 4-5-1881

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

S.E. 4

of Sec 28 Twp 123 Range 33

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM	
<u>JACOB MUELLER</u>	<u>1881</u>	<u>husband &amp;</u>
	TO	<u>Father</u>
next owner		
<u>anna marie,</u>	<u>1916</u>	<u>Sister &amp; mother</u>
<u>Jacob, Mary, Mueller</u>	<u>to</u>	
	<u>1918</u>	
next owner		
<u>Jacob Mueller</u>	<u>1918</u>	<u>Father</u>
	<u>1956</u>	
next owner		
<u>Robert J. Mueller</u>	<u>1956</u>	
	<u>Present</u>	
next owner		

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Land Patent ( )

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Original Deed ( )

OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

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Robert J. Mueller  
(signature of present owner)

DATE

4-21-81

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MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED?

Barney Vossberg

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL?

160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE?

4.06

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?

1964

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS?

Corn Oats Beans Hay

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Larry Rien  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS

RRI

Paynesville

MN

56362

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER

(612) 243-4231

area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SAME

SECTION

12

TOWNSHIP

Paynesville

COUNTY

Stearns

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

160

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

1868

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

N4 of Sec. 155 S1 Township 122 Range 32

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM	
<u>John C. Rien</u>	<u>1868-</u>	
	TO	
	<u>1876</u>	<u>Father of George</u>
next owner		
<u>George Rien</u>	<u>1876-</u>	
	<u>1885</u>	<u>Brother of A. Christian</u>
next owner		
<u>A. Christian Rien</u>	<u>1876-</u>	
	<u>1912</u>	<u>Father of Carl</u>
next owner		
<u>Carl Rien</u>	<u>1912-</u>	
	<u>1947</u>	<u>Father of Urban</u>
next owner		
<u>Urban Rien</u>	<u>1947-1980</u>	<u>Father of Larry</u>
NEXT OWNER		
<u>Larry Rien</u>	<u>1980-Present</u>	

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OTHER

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Larry Rien

(signature of present owner)

DATE

7/11/81

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? United States Government

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

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? \_\_\_\_\_

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

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1961

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

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Ludwig H. Borchert  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS

RR #1 Box 29 Ellendale Minn. 56026

PHONE NUMBER

(507) 451-4191  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

Same

SECTION

4

TOWNSHIP

SUMMIT

COUNTY

Steele

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

240

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

Sept. 4, 1875

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

N.W. 1/4 Township 105, Range 20

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM 1875-	
<u>August Borchert</u>	TO 1880	<u>Father of Henry C</u>
next owner	1880-	
<u>Henry C. Borchert</u>	1915	<u>Father of Henry W</u>
next owner	1915-	
<u>Henry W. Borchert</u>	1953	<u>Husband of Mary T</u>
next owner	1953-	
<u>Mary T. Borchert</u>	1956	<u>Mother of Ludwig H</u>
next owner	1956-	
<u>Ludwig H Borchert</u>	Present	

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Original Deed ( )

OTHER

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Ludwig H. Borchert  
(signature of present owner)

DATE

May 28, 1981

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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 Darrell R. Jacobson and Ramona K. Jacobson  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS RR 2 Blooming Prairie MN 55917  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER ( 507 ) 583-2488  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE same

SECTION 7 TOWNSHIP Blooming Prairie COUNTY Steele

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 80

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1881

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

E 1/2 of NE 1/4 Township 105 Range 19

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM 1881-	
Ole Jacobson	TO 1927	Father of Edmund
next owner	1927-	
Edmund H. Jacobson	1966	Father of Darrell
next owner	1966-	
Darrell R. Jacobson	Present	
next owner		
next owner		

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Darrell Jacobson  
(signature of present owner)

DATE June 2, 1981

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Winona and St. Peter Land Co.

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 80

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$10 per acre

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Sjaelland, Denmark

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

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, the home

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1888 and added on to in later years

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

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

MARLIN E. AND Reuben F. Kruckeberg  
(this name will appear on certificate)

O.K.

ADDRESS

Rt 1

Clatsop

MINN

55924

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER

(507)

528-2278

area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

Same

SECTION

23

TOWNSHIP

Auctora

COUNTY

Steele

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

200

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

1866

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

NE 1/4, NE 1/4 NW 1/4

Section 23 - 106 - 19

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM 1866	Father of
<u>Fredrick Kruckeberg</u>	TO 1889	<u>Fred. A.</u>
next owner	1889	Father of
<u>Fred A. Kruckeberg</u>	1941	<u>EWALD</u>
next owner	1941	Father of
<u>EWALD W. Kruckeberg</u>	1980	<u>MARLIN AND Reuben</u>
next owner	1980	
<u>MARLIN E. Kruckeberg</u>	<u>- Present</u>	
<u>Reuben F. Kruckeberg</u>		
next owner		

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Reuben F. Kruckeberg

Marlin E. Kruckeberg

(signature of present owner)

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MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108

DATE

7-7-81

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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? 1901

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? CORN Beans Hogs

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Henry J. Wesely  
(this name will appear on certificate)

O.K.

ADDRESS R#2 Box 205A Owatonna, Minn 55060  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER (507) 451-3108  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE Same

SECTION 17 TOWNSHIP Somerset COUNTY Steele

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 100

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1876 - July

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) SW 1/4 of NW 1/4 of  
Section 17-106-20 NW 1/4 of SW 1/4 - SW 1/4 of  
NW 1/4 of section 17-106-20

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM 1876	
<u>Frank Wesely</u>	TO 1902	<u>Henry's Grandfather</u>
next owner	1902	
<u>Joseph Wesely + Rosalia Wesely</u>	1922	<u>Henry's Uncle</u>
next owner	1922	
<u>Frances Wesely Joseph</u> widow of	1947	<u>Henry's Aunt</u>
next owner	1947	
<u>Forrest + Frances Wesely</u> <sup>Wesely</sup> <sub>Grass</sub>	1975	<u>Henry 1st cousin</u>
next owner	1975	
<u>Henry J. Wesely</u>	1981	

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Henry J. Wesely  
(signature of present owner)

PLEASE RETURN TO:

DATE 7-1-'81

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MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108



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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Henry W + Margaret Lamberton

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

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$1360.00

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Czechoslovakia

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? \_\_\_\_\_

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

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Michael H. Wesely  
(this name will appear on certificate)

O.K.

ADDRESS

R#2 Box 215 Owatonna, Minn 55060

PHONE NUMBER

(507) 451-3108  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

Same

SECTION

18

TOWNSHIP

Somerset

COUNTY

Steele

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

182

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

Feb 23, 1881

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

SE 1/4 of SW 1/4 - 40.00 acres SW 1/4 of SE 1/4 - 40.00 acres  
SE 1/4 of SE 1/4 ex R.R. 37.00 acres NE 1/4 of NE 1/4 ex R.R. 38.85 acres  
E of R.R. of N 1/2 of SE 1/4 26 acres

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM 1881	
Frank Wesely	TO 1902	Father of Adolph
next owner	1902	
Adolph E. Wesely	1963	Father of Henry
next owner	1963	
Henry J. Wesely	1980	Father of Michael
next owner		
Michael H. Wesely	present	
next owner		

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Michael H. Wesely  
(signature of present owner)

PLEASE RETURN TO:

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5-20-'81

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MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
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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? Czechoslovakia

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 old house is a shop

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1926

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

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: + Alfalfa hay

On June 14 we are celebrating with a family reunion. On Dec 4, 1965 The Farmer did an article on our Riding Stables which is no longer in use. A few years ago they did an alfalfa comparison article. Mike + Cindy were Menn. holstein girl + boy and both excelled in 4-H dairy judging and Mike was in F.F.A dairy judging

1881 - 1981

100 YEARS CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

JUNE 14, 1981

Relatives - Neighbors - Friends

We are celebrating the 100th anniversary of the family owned farm at the Henry J. Wesely home just  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile south of the Wesely home place, now owned by the third and fourth generation.

We think it would be fun if decendants of the Frank and Rose Wesely family would make a family tree poster of your family along with pictures of your family and home for a combined wall display.

Sunday, June 14, 1981

(Arrive anytime)

12:30 p.m. mass at our home

1:30 p.m. pot luck dinner

Please bring your own dishes and a dish to pass. Sloppy joes and beverages will be furnished. If you could bring a card table and chairs, it would be helpful.

Please pass the word along to your families and if you can let me know the approximate count of the number coming, it would be greatly appreciated.

Hope you can come visit on the 14th of June. Stay as long as you wish! Be seeing you - rain or shine!

The Henry J. Wesely Family

HJW:cw

*We would be happy to have you join us.*

*Please send another application for Century Farm*

*Thank you -*



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Raymond and Beverly Murphy  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS

MORRIS

CITY

MN.

STATE

56267

ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER

(612)

392-5638

area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION

30

TOWNSHIP

HORTON

COUNTY

STEVENS

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

~~275~~ 130

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

Homestead 1881

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

W 1/2 NE 1/4 Sec. 30 Township 123 North Range 42

West

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM 1881	
<u>DENNIS MURPHY</u>	TO 1922	<u>FATHER OF WILLIAM</u>
next owner	1922	
<u>WILLIAM MURPHY</u>	1967	<u>FATHER OF RAYMOND</u>
next owner	1967	
<u>RAYMOND MURPHY</u>	present	
next owner		
next owner		

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Raymond Murphy  
(signature of present owner)

DATE

6/3/81

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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? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Ireland

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? Duluth Minn.

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? He was a railroad man before homesteading here.

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? 1937

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Crops are Corn, Wheat, Soybeans.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

According to family records the Murphys came here in 1878 & believe they had to live on the property for a time before the homestead was granted in 1881. Our farm is located 12 miles from Morris which is the closest town. My Grandmother and two of her children spent the first winter here alone, as Grandfather continued to work on the railroad near Duluth. They had a small wooden house. This was all prairie land with only a few homestead between here and Morris at the time. Prairie fires and blizzards were their biggest hazards. My Grandfather and father were both active in the community, serving on the township board, school board etc.

## DENNIS MURPHY

whose fine farm home may be found on section 30, Horton township, in Stevens county, Minnesota, is a native of Ireland, born in the County Cork. His parents were Jeremiah and Ellen (Murphy) Murphy. The father was a laboring man, and died in his native land. The mother came to Canada in later years, and died at her son's, in 1869. They belonged to the Roman Catholic Church. Their children were - John, Dennis, Ellen and Mary. Two are in the United States and two in Canada.

Our subject came to America in 1849, landing at the city of Quebec, Canada, remained there until 1861, then came to the United States, stopping in Michigan eight years, engaged at mining. From there he went to Duluth, Minnesota, where he followed railroading for eight years. From the last named point he came to Stevens county, taking up a homestead of 160 acres, on section 30, as before described. He has since added another quarter section, making a half section in all. He does a large farming and graded stock-raising business. Mr. Murphy obtained his education in Ireland, leaving school when he was only twelve years of age, after which he was compelled to labor by the day and month, until he came to this country.

Mr. Murphy was married in May, 1855, to Miss Honora Murphy a native of County Kerry, Ireland, coming to America with her people. She married Mr. Murphy at Stratford, Canada. Her father died in his native place, but her mother died in Minnesota. Our subject's family comprises the following twelve children - Ellen, Maggie, Mary Ann, Kittie, Alice, Emma, Rosa, John, Patrick, James and *Michael* William. All are still unmarried, and three are away from home. The family are all believers in the faith of the Roman Catholic Church. He belongs to the Sons of Temperance, at Morris, Minnesota. Politically Mr. Murphy is a democrat. He has been township supervisor since 1885, and was elected to the office of clerk of school district No. 41, in 1887.



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

THOMAS CLAIR ROLLINGS  
(this name will appear on certificate)

O.K. ✓

ADDRESS

307 VINCENT AVE No. MPLS, MINN 55405

PHONE NUMBER

(612) 377 9893  
area code

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

RR. #2 BENSON, MINN. 56215

SECTION

21 AND 27

TOWNSHIP

SIX MILE GROVE

COUNTY

SWIFT

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

160

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

FEB 2, 1876

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

NW 1/4 NW 1/4 SEC. 27, T121W, R40N

S 1/2 SE 1/4 AND SE 1/4 SW 1/4 SEC. 21, T121W, R40N

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM	
OLE CORNELIUS (CORNELIUSEN)	FEB 2, 1876	FATHER OF CARL
next owner	TO	
	NOV 28, 1916	
CARL CORNELIUSEN	NOV. 28, 1916	FATHER OF ALMA
next owner	MAY 31, 1949	
CLAIR T. ROLLINGS AND	MAY 31, 1949	
ALMA J. ROLLINGS (CORNELIUSEN)	DEC 1, 1976	MOTHER OF THOMAS
next owner	DEC. 1, 1976	
THOMAS C. ROLLINGS	PRESENT TIME	
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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Thomas Clair Rollings  
(signature of present owner)

PLEASE RETURN TO:

DATE

7-6-81

CENTURY FARMS  
MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108



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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? ST PAUL, MPLS & MANITOBA R. R.

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

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? SOLDIER IN UNION ARMY

DID HE FARM THE LAND? YES

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

HARNESS MAKING

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? ORIGINAL 160 ACRES - YES

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

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1890?

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

### ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

OLE CORNELIUS (CHANGED TO CORNELIUSEN), THE ORIGINAL OWNER AFTER BEING DISCHARGED FROM THE UNION ARMY, WALKED UP THE MISSISSIPPI, MINNESOTA AND CHIPPEWA RIVERS, STOPPING TO SETTLE ON WHAT BECAME SIX MILE GROVE TWP. THE GOOD TIMBER AND FERTILE SOIL LOOKED GOOD TO OLE. HE TALKED WITH A FRENCH TRAPPER WHO ADVISED AGAINST SETTLING WEST OF THE CHIPPEWA RIVER BECAUSE NOBODY HAD OR EVER WOULD SETTLE WEST OF THE CHIPPEWA, OLE WAS THE FIRST ON THE WEST BANK. OLE LIVED IN A DUGOUT ON THE WEST BANK OF THE RIVER THE FIRST FALL AND WINTER. OLE WALKED OR DROVE A HORSE 65 MILES TO ST. CLOUD FOR SUPPLIES FOR SEVERAL YEARS. HE SOLD MUSKRAT PELTS FOR 10¢ EACH TO HELP PAY FOR SUPPLIES.

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Gynther and Lenora Strand (this name will appear on certificate) O.K.

ADDRESS Benson Minnesota 56215  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER (612) 843-2284  
area code

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

SECTION 28 TOWNSHIP Camp Lake COUNTY Swift

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 280

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1966

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

from deed

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME <del>Rasmus Strand</del>	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER <del>FATHER</del>
first owner	FROM 1872	
<u>Rasmus Strand</u>	TO 1901	<u>FATHER</u>
next owner	From 1901	
<u>Isaac Strand</u>	To 1947	<u>SON</u>
next owner	From 1947	
<u>Gynther Strand</u>	To 1981	<u>SON</u>
next owner		
next owner		

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

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Gynther and Lenora Strand  
(signature of present owner)

DATE 5-26-81

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MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Gynther bought it in 1947 from his mother

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 280

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? for Gynther it was \$45<sup>00</sup> 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? 1915

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

## ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

When Rasmus and Lyda Strand came from Norway they lived in a log house, they had 4 children living, of their 9 children born here, these children died of diphtheria. In 1901 Rasmus died. Isaac then worked the fields and married. "his mother living with them". he married in 1908 to Martha Johnson they having 5 children. Gynther was always home with them Isaac passed away in 1947. Gynther married in 1942 to Lenora Johnson, they had 4 children. Gynther's mother lived with them till 1970. when she went to live with her sister, in 1974 she became a resident of the meadow Lane Health Care Center in Benson, and still is there she is 93 now in June. Gynther bought the farm in 1966. the granery and barn are still on the place. granery is poor, barn has been remodelled and moved on new foundation in 1941. still in fairly good shape.



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Joseph C. Johnson  
(this name will appear on certificate)

O.K.

ADDRESS

Osakis

Minn.

56360

PHONE NUMBER

(612) 859-2396  
area code

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION

34

TOWNSHIP

Gordon

COUNTY

Todd

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

160 acres

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

1906 1868

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

Northwest quarter N.W. 1/4 of section Thirty Four (34)

Township one Hundred Twenty Eight (128) North, Range (35)

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM	
<u>Johannes Holmlie</u>	<u>1868</u>	
next owner	TO	
<u>John A. Johnson</u>	<u>1906</u>	<u>Grandfather</u>
next owner	<u>1906</u>	
<u>John A. Johnson</u>	<u>1940</u>	<u>Father</u>
next owner	<u>1940</u>	
<u>Ed &amp; Martin Johnson</u>	<u>1950</u>	<u>Brothers</u>
next owner	<u>1950</u>	
<u>Joseph C. Johnson</u>	<u>1981</u>	<u>Present owner</u>
next owner		

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Original Deed ☒

OTHER

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Joseph C. Johnson  
(signature of present owner)

DATE

July 3, 1981

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Ed & Martin Johnson.

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

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$1.00 & 100. for claim of Deed.

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Norway.

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

DID HE FARM THE LAND? He farmed the land and settled on farm.

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? 2 yrs in  
St cloud quarry.

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? 1888. Brick House.

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn, Soybean, Grain & Hay.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:  
Dairy farm.

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My Grandfather Johannes Holmlie who was the first owner, came to America in 1862

He left his wife and 3 children in Norway, But in the fall of 1868 he had word from Norway that his father had drowned, so he went back to Norway, and came back with his wife Maria and son John and 2 daughters Bergite and Mette, and his Mother Berit Paulson.

He cleared most of the land, and used horses, and a walking plow and horse drawn equipment, and his own hand work.

He built a large brick house in 1888 which is the present home yet. The bricks and Material was bought in Melrose, Minn, and he brought it here with horses and lumber wagons

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and worked the farm many years.

His son John who lived on a farm west of here, moved home with his wife Mary and three sons Ed, Martin & Joseph and a daughter Martha was born later.

His son John changed his name to John A. Johnson.

After the death of my Grandparents my father bought the place.

My father raised horses, had some milk cows, sheep and Chickens and the crops consisted of corn, grain and hay.

My father built the barn in 1915 and a silo.

After my parents death my two brothers Ed & Martin farmed the place. Then my brother Eds health was so he could not continue, and my other brother Martin had a

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Black Smith shop in North Dakota  
In 1950 I took over the  
place and wife Pearl and I  
live on the place, and we have  
1 son Joel and four daughters  
Ina, Elaine, Judith and Annella  
They are married and have  
homes of their own.

I just grain farm now.

Joseph C. Johnson  
Present Owner.



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Raymond L. and Nora A. Mikkelsen  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS OSAKIS CITY MINNESOTA STATE 56360 ZIP CODE  
PHONE NUMBER ( 612 ) 859-2422  
area code

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

SECTION 26 TOWNSHIP 128 (Gordon) COUNTY Todd

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 120

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY July 20, 1881

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

NW $\frac{1}{2}$  SW $\frac{1}{4}$

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

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>first owner</u> Lars Olsen Kleppen	FROM July 20, 1881 TO August 3, 1938	Father
<u>next owner</u> Carl I. & Delia A. Kleppen	August 3, 1938 March 7, 1957	Father
<u>next owner</u> Raymond L. & Nora A. Mikkelsen	March 7, 1957 to present	
<u>next owner</u>		
<u>next owner</u>		

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

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

Raymond L. Mikkelsen  
(signature of present owner)

DATE June 26, 1981

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MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108

10/7/83 - They received CF certificate & sign

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Carl I. & Delia A. Kleppen

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? Verdalen, 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? 1973

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

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

WALTER C. JOHNSON  
(this name will appear on certificate)

O.K.

ADDRESS RR 2 Box 32 WHEATON MN 56296  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER (612) 563-4769  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE SAME

SECTION 6 TOWNSHIP MONSON COUNTY TRAVERSE

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)

SE 1/4 SEC 6 TOWNSHIP 128 RANGE 46

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM TO	
PETER JOHNSON	1880 1917	HUSBAND OF BENA
next owner	1917 1932	BENA ESTATE
next owner	1932 1946	PETER & BENA FATHER & MOTHER OF WALTER
next owner	1946	
WALTER C. JOHNSON		
next owner		

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County Land Record ( )

Original Deed ( )

OTHER HOMESTEAD CERTIFICATE NO. 5349

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

Walter C. Johnson  
(signature of present owner)

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ST. PAUL MN 55108

DATE

July 10, 1981



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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? SWEEDEN

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? ILLINOIS & REDWING 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? YES

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? IN THE 1880 SOMEWHERE

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? WHEAT. CATS CORN BEANS

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

My Father Homesteaded in 1880 and was a single man for 15 years. He married lat. He was 49 years old when I was born. so This is the second generation. I'm now 83 it was all open prairie. I have seen a great deal of change. If there is information I can give you I would be glad to do so

Walter E. Johnson



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

NANCY C. + Delmar L. Holst  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS R4B0+58 Lake City MN 55041  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER ( 612 ) 345-2245  
area code

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

SECTION 34 TOWNSHIP 111-12 COUNTY Wabasha

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 160

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY June 14, 1875

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

NE 1/4 Section 34 range 111-12 160 Acres

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>Christian Pruter</u>	FROM <u>June 11, 1875</u> TO <u>May 2, 1922</u>	<u>Father</u>
next owner <u>Christian W. Pruter</u>	<u>May 2, 1922</u>	<u>FATHER</u>
next owner <u>Ise Adorn H. Hoelt</u>	<u>December 28, 1944</u>	<u>Mother of NANCY C. Hoelt Holst</u>
next owner <u>Delmar + NANCY C. Holst</u>	<u>December 29, 1972</u>	
next owner		

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

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Nancy C. Holst  
(signature of present owner)

DATE May 22, 1981

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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 BERNARD (BEN) OR SHIRLEY ROEMER  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS R.R. 2 BOX 107 WABASHA MINN. 55981  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER ( 612 ) 565-4265  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE SAME

SECTION 26, 27, & 34 TOWNSHIP PEPIN COUNTY WABASHA

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 200

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 4-12-1881

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) The east half of  
SE quarter (E $\frac{1}{2}$  of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of Section 27: the N. half of SW quarter (N $\frac{1}{2}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of Section 26:  
and the Northeast quarter of NE quarter (NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of Section 34, all in Twp. 111 N. range  
11W.

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM 1881	
CHARLES ROEMER	TO 1909	HUSBAND OF CAROLINE
next owner	1909	
CAROLINE ROEMER	1925	MOTHER OF MARY & FRANK
next owner	1925 - 1951	SISTER OF FRANK
MARY ROEMER	1951 - 1955	UNCLE OF LLOYD
next owner	1955	
LLOYD ROEMER	1971	FATHER OF BERNARD
next owner	1971	
BERNARD & SHIRLEY ROEMER	PRESENT	

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

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Bernard (Ben) Roemer  
(signature of present owner)

PLEASE RETURN TO:

DATE MAY 5, 1981

CENTURY FARMS  
MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Anna Elisabeth Helmich ER

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 200

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$18.00

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? 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, OATS, WHEAT

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Mr. & Mrs. Theodore J. Lorentz  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS

Rt. #1

Hadena

Minnesota

56482

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER 1 (218) 631-1410  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

no

SECTION

22

TOWNSHIP

Hadena

COUNTY

Hadena

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

160

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

1981

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

NW 1/4 Sec. 22 Twp 134 Range 35

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM 1881	
<u>John Lorentz</u>	TO 1896	<u>Father of Joseph</u>
next owner	1896	
<u>Joseph Lorentz</u>	1936	<u>Uncle of Theodore</u>
next owner	1936-	
<u>Theodore J. &amp; Margaret J. Lorentz</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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X Theo J. Lorentz  
(signature of present owner)

DATE

April 30, 1981

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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? Theodore T. + Nettie Ostrander  
HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160 acres  
WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$1500.00 for 160 acres (Less than \$10 per acre.)  
WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Luxemburg - Europe  
WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? Hastings, Minnesota  
DID HE FARM THE LAND? NO  
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? 1911

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn, oats and Alfalfa

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

Present Owner will have lived 50 years on this farm on December 6, 1981.  
Present Owner purchased this farm on August 24, 1936 for \$4000.00 or \$25 per acre.

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Harold M. Amley  
(this name will appear on certificate)

O.K.

ADDRESS RR 1, Box 211, Ellendale Mn CITY STATE ZIP CODE 56026

PHONE NUMBER (507) 465-8317  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE Same

SECTION 24 TOWNSHIP Otisco COUNTY Waseca

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 200

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY Dec. 7, 1872

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) W 1/2 of SE 1/4, Sec 24  
E 1/2 of SE 1/4 of NE 1/4, Sec 25, E 1/2 of NE 1/4 of NE 1/4 Sec 25,  
W 1/2 of E 1/2 of NE 1/4 + W 1/2 of W 1/2 of NE 1/4 Sec 25

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM Dec. 7, 1872	
<u>Ole Christianson Amley</u>	TO Nov. 27, 1907	<u>Father of Martin</u>
next owner	<u>Nov. 27, 1907</u>	
<u>Martin O. Amley</u>	<u>Feb. 10, 1966</u>	<u>Father of Harold</u>
next owner	<u>Feb. 10, 1966</u>	
<u>Harold M. + Jean S. Amley</u>	<u>Til date</u>	
next owner		
next owner		

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

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Harold M. Amley  
(signature of present owner)

DATE May 26, 1981

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CENTURY FARMS  
MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Winona + St. Peter Railroad

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160 acres

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$10/acre

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Norway

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? Came directly from farm in 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

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1890

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

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

LEO AND MARJORIE CHRISTENSON  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS Rt. 1 - Box 4 New Richland Minnesota 56072  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER ( 507 ) 465-3283  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE Same

SECTION 21 TOWNSHIP New Richland COUNTY Waseca

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)

E 1/2 of NE 1/4 and W 1/2 of NE 1/4 Township 105 Range 22

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>first owner</u> OLE SHURSON	FROM 1873 - TO 1879	FATHER OF SHUR O.
<u>next owner</u> SHUR O. SHURSON	1879 - 1934	FATHER OF CHRISTOPHER
<u>next owner</u> CHRISTOPHER SHURSON	1934 - 1959	UNCLE OF MARJORIE (SHURSON) CHRISTENSON
<u>next owner</u> LEO AND MARJORIE CHRISTENSON	1959 - PRESENT	
<u>next owner</u>		

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

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Leo and Marjorie Christenson  
(signature of present owner)

DATE July 8, 1981

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ST. PAUL MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? W. and St. Peter R.R. Company

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 80 acres

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$11.00 an acre

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Norway

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

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? ~~1896~~ 1896

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

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Joseph D. + Rosella R. Jewison O.K.  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS R.R. 1 Box 70 JANESVILLE MINN 56048  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER (507) 234-5122  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE SAME

SECTION 14 + 15 TOWNSHIP JANESVILLE COUNTY WASECA

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 123

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1868

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

Lot 3 - Section 15 - Township 108 - Range 24 - SE 1/4 of NE 1/4  
W 1/2 of NW 1/2 of SE 1/4 - Section 14 - Township 108 - Range 24

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM 1868	
William Jewison	TO 1906	FATHER of ARTHUR
next owner	1906	
Arthur W. Jewison	1906 - 1963	FATHER of Joseph
next owner	1963 -	
Joseph D. + Rosella Jewison	PRESENT	
next owner		
next owner		

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

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Joseph D. Jewison Rosella R. Jewison  
(signature of present owner)

PLEASE RETURN TO:

DATE June 23, 1981

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MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108

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*Purchased* May 28-1857 - United States of America ~~By Samuel Plumer~~  
by Saml Plumer Register to James Coledge  
FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Military Land Warrant NO 41807

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? Military Bounty Land Act of March 3 1855

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

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? in district lands subject to sale

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? at Fairbault ~~now~~ St. Peter, MN

then to William Jewison Nov 19, 1868  
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? \_\_\_\_\_

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

Glenn C. Koplen  
(this name will appear on certificate)

O.K.

ADDRESS RR # 1 Pemberton Minn 56078  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER (507) 234-6397  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE SAME

SECTION 9 TOWNSHIP FREEDOM COUNTY WASECA

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 80

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1865

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) SW 1/4 of  
Sec. 9 Twp 106 North of Range 24 West

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>Milton H BORGES</u>	FROM <u>1865</u> TO <u>1891</u>	<u>FATHER OF BUTLER</u> <u>WOODBURY (FATHER OF</u> <u>CHARLOTTE)</u>
next owner <u>CHARLOTTE Koplen</u>	<u>1891</u> <u>1915</u>	<u>GRAND DAUGHTER</u> <u>OF MILTON</u>
next owner <u>FRED C. Koplen</u>	<u>1915</u> <u>1951</u>	<u>FATHER OF</u> <u>CARL</u>
next owner <u>CARL F &amp; CLARA</u> <u>KOPLIN</u>	<u>1951</u> <u>1959</u>	<u>FATHER OF</u> <u>Glenn</u>
next owner <u>Glenn &amp; Delsie</u> <u>Koplen</u>	<u>1959</u> <u>PRESENT</u>	

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Glenn C. Koplen  
(signature of present owner)

DATE 7-11-81

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? U.S. GOVT. ANDREW JOHNSON PRES.

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

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$ 2.25 / ACRE

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? GERMANY

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

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

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

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? 1970

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

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Robert & Luella Slattery  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS Rt. 4 Box 168 WASECA MINN 56093  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER (507) 835-3449  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE Same

SECTION 22 TOWNSHIP Iosco COUNTY WASECA

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 160

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1865

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

NE 1/4 Township 108 N Range 23 W Section 22

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM 1865	
John Slattery	TO 1907	Father
next owner	1900	
John Slattery	1957	Father
next owner	1957	
Robert Slattery	Present	
next owner		
next owner		

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Original Deed ☒ OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

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Robert Slattery  
(signature of present owner)

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Don't Know

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? Montreal, Canada

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

DID HE FARM THE LAND? Yes.

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

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? 1927

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

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

WALLACE A PETERSON

(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS 12727 North Arcola Trail Stillwater Minn 55082  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER ( 612 ) 439 7116  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE Same

SECTION 31 & 32 TOWNSHIP May COUNTY Washington

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 110

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1877

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

SE 1/4 OF NE 1/4 OF SEC 31 and LOT 6 OF SEC 32 TP 31 RANGE 19 W

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>first owner</u> Charles J Smith	FROM 1877 TO 1930	Father of Jennie
<u>next owner</u> Jennie L Peterson	1930 1964	Mother of Wallace
<u>next owner</u> Wallace A Peterson	1964 Present	
<u>next owner</u>		
<u>next owner</u>		

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

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Wallace A Peterson  
(signature of present owner)

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ST. PAUL MN 55108

DATE June 4, 1981

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Joseph Remillard

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 92

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$17.39

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Sweden

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? at Arcola on the St Croix

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 as well as the granary

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? Late 1877 and added to and remodel~~ed~~ from time to time

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn Hay Small grain

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: The land was wooded and was cleared and broken by my grandfather by hand with the aid of a borrowed old mule. He lived in a little cabin down by the river while the original part of the house was being built

In the earlier years of this century it was known as the Arcola Farm.

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

O.K.

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER LEHART J. FRIEDRICH  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS 9524 Stillwater Blvd N. Lake Elmo, Minn 55042  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER (612) 777-2255  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE NO

SECTION 15 TOWNSHIP East Oakdale COUNTY Washington

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 91

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY June 21 - 1880

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) SE 1/4 of Sec 15

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM	
<u>Cord Sander</u>	<u>1880</u>	
	TO	
next owner	<u>1955</u>	<u>Father of John H Sander</u>
<u>John H Sander</u>	<u>1965</u>	<u>Brother of Wm J Sander</u>
next owner	<u>1965</u>	
<u>Wm J Sander</u>	<u>1966</u>	<u>uncle of Lehart J. Friedrich</u>
next owner	<u>1966</u>	
<u>Lehart J. Friedrich</u>	<u>Present</u>	
next owner		

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Lehart J. Friedrich  
(signature of present owner)

DATE July 14 - 1981

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MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Hollis R Murdock June 21 - 1880

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 84.33

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? around 19<sup>00</sup> per acre

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Germany

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? Washington County Minn

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? 1882

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

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: cord Sander, clear the land for Farming.

This Farm is known at Lake Elmo "as the Buffalo Ranch"  
Raised Buffalo here for 12 years, also First Lake Elmo  
Pioneer steam days. by the Lake Elmo Lions club.  
June 4, 1981 - 7 acres of alf land was plowed by  
a steam Plow & bottom and 1917 Steam Engine



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

John and Harriet Edstrom O.K. /  
18329 MANNING Tr. No. (this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS

Maring-on-st. - Croix

CITY

Minn.

STATE

55047

ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER

(612) 433-3411

area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION

31

TOWNSHIP

32

New

Scandia

COUNTY

Washington

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

135

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

1870

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

Gov't lot 1 - Gov't lot 2 - 5 1/2 of N.W. 1/4 of S.E. 1/4  
20 A. N 1/2 of N.W. 1/2 of S.E. 1/4 - 40 A. S.W. 1/4 of S.E. 1/4  
Sec. 31 Twp. 32 Range 20

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>John Edstrom</u>	FROM <u>1870</u> TO <u>1917</u>	<u>Father of</u> <u>Carl</u>
next owner <u>Carl Edstrom</u>	<u>1917</u> <u>1949</u>	<u>Father of</u> <u>John</u>
next owner <u>John Edstrom</u>	<u>1949</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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John Edstrom  
(signature of present owner)

DATE

7-14-81

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MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? From my Father and Mother

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 70

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? With a Neighbor - John Palin

DID HE FARM THE LAND? Yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? Yes - Worked in Logging Camp and Sawmill at Marine

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? About 1880 Remodeled in 1957

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

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

Bees Cattle

The original home on this farm was a log house. It is still in use on a neighboring farm. It has been remodeled and added to so the logs are not visible. The land on this farm was all Timber when my grand Parents settled here so he had to have other employment for a few years. We are located on the west shore of Big Marine Lake.

John Edstrom

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Roger E. Bothe  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS 8180 65<sup>th</sup>/St. So., Cottage Grove, Mn. 55016  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER (612) 459-0886  
area code

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

SECTION 4 + 33 TOWNSHIP Cottage Grove COUNTY Washington  
and Woodbury

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 166

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1881

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

NW 1/4 Township 27 Range 21

SW 1/4 Township 28 Range 21

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner Fredrick Bothe	FROM 1881 TO 1900	Father of Henry
next owner J. Henry Bothe	1900 1923	Father of Earl
next owner Earl C. Bothe	1923 1977	Father of Roger
next owner Roger E. Bothe	1977 to present	
next owner		

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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.

Roger E. Bothe  
(signature of present owner)

DATE 6-15-81

PLEASE RETURN TO:

CENTURY FARMS  
MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? John Connly

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 146

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? P

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Germany

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

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? 1899

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

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

When it was bought it was mainly woodland,  
today it is all farmable.



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

PHILIP FLOGSTAD

(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS 814½ Armstrong Blvd. So. St. James, Minnesota 56081

PHONE NUMBER ( 375 ) 5936  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE Route 3 St. James, Minnesota

SECTION 4 TOWNSHIP Nelson COUNTY Watsonwan

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 160

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY May 15, 1876

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

.S½ SE¼ Section 4, Township 107, Range 32

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner Martha Halverson	FROM 1876 TO 1883	Mother of Martin
next owner Martin H. Flagstad	1883- 1933	Father of Philip
next owner Philip Flogstad	1933- PRESENT	
next owner		
next owner		

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

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Philip Flogstad  
(signature of present owner)

DATE July 13, 1981

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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? Yes \_\_\_\_\_

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

SIDNEY MATT BARGE O.K.  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS

BUTTERFIELD MINNESOTA 56120

PHONE NUMBER

(507) 956-3613  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION

6

TOWNSHIP

SOUTH BRANCH COUNTY

WATONWAN

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

74 ACRES

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

1875

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

LOTS 11 & 12

IN 6-105-31

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>EDWARD J HEWIT</u>	FROM <u>1874</u> TO <u>1875</u>	<u>SON-IN-LAW</u>
next owner <u>DANIAL BARGE</u>	<u>1875</u> <u>1881</u>	<u>FATHER-IN-LAW</u> <u>of HEWIT</u>
next owner <u>SAMUEL BARGE</u>	<u>1881</u> <u>1936</u>	<u>SON OF DANIAL</u>
next owner <u>SIDNEY BARGE (EST)</u>	<u>1936</u> <u>1973</u>	<u>SON OF SAMUEL</u>
next owner <u>SIDNEY BARGE</u>	<u>1973</u> <u>PRESENT</u>	

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Original Deed ☒

Court file in Registration Proceedings ☒  
County Land Record ☒  
OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

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SIDNEY MATT BARGE  
(signature of present owner)

DATE

June 30 1981

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CENTURY FARMS  
MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? HOME Stead land for service rendered

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160 ACRES

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

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Penn.

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? NO

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

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

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Charles O. Bolin  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS RR2 St. James Minnesota 56081  
PHONE NUMBER ( 507 ) 642-3783 CITY STATE ZIP CODE  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE Same

SECTION 21 & 22 TOWNSHIP Riverdale COUNTY Watsonwan

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 185

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY July 30, 1869 1869

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

S  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the NE  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 21, Township 107, Range 31 and

W  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the NW  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 22, Township 107, Range 31

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>Charles Anderson Bolin</u> first owner	FROM <u>1869</u> TO <u>1925</u>	Father of Nels
<u>Nels Bolin</u> next owner	<u>1925 - 1973</u>	Uncle of Charles O.
<u>Charles O. Bolin</u> next owner	<u>1973 - Present</u>	
next owner		
next owner		

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

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Charles O. Bolin

(signature of present owner)

DATE

7/5/81

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CENTURY FARMS  
MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? It was a grant

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? He emigrated to America in 1866. Lived in RedWing, Mn & Wisconsin before coming to Watonwan Co., Mn. in 1869

DID HE FARM THE LAND? Yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? He did railroad construction work when the railroad was built from Mankato to Lake Crystal. He also helped lay out many of the wagon roads in Riverdale township.

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 present pump house was original home. A house built in 1889 and later added to, is still in use at present time, by tenant farmer. The barn built in 1889x 1905 is still in use.  
WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? Present owner built home in 1975

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

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: Original owner, Charles Anderson Bolin, assisted in capturing the Younger Brothers and their gang - the Northfield bank robbers.

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Avis H. Hesse

(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS

Rt. 3

St. James

Minnesota

56081

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER

(507)

375-7131

area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION

4

TOWNSHIP

107

COUNTY

WATOWAN

32

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

80

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

3-13-1879

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

5 1/2 SW 1/4

4-107-32

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM	
<u>Thorsten Thorstensen</u>	<u>3-13-1879</u>	
next owner	TO	
<u>Halvor T. Skrabek</u>	<u>7-15-1897</u>	<u>Father of Halver</u>
<u>Theodore O. Skrabek (1/2 int)</u>	<u>7-15-1897</u>	<u>Father of Theodore O.</u>
<u>Albert J. Skrabek (1/2 int)</u>	<u>3-4-1925</u>	<u>+ Albert J. Skrabek</u>
next owner		
<u>Theodore O. Skrabek (1/2 int)</u>	<u>3-4-1925</u>	<u>Husband of Adella</u>
<u>Adella Skrabek (1/2 int)</u>	<u>8-16-1943</u>	<u>Father of Avis</u>
<u>Ethel Skrabek (1/2 int)</u>	<u>3-4-1925</u>	<u>Husband of Ethel</u>
next owner		
<u>Adella Skrabek (1/2 int)</u>	<u>8-16-1943</u>	<u>Sister of Ethel</u>
<u>Ethel Skrabek (1/2 int)</u>	<u>10-3-1947</u>	<u>Mother of Avis</u>
next owner		
<u>Avis H. Hesse</u>	<u>6-28-1972</u>	
	<u>Present</u>	

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Court file in Registration Proceedings ( )

Land Patent ( )

County Land Record (X)

Original Deed (X)

OTHER Mr. Art. Markson

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

Avis H. Skrabek Hesse  
(signature of present owner)

PLEASE RETURN TO:

DATE

April 25, 1981

CENTURY FARMS  
MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
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? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Norway, Garv

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? Rio, Wisconsin (Columbia County)

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? The kitchen of the present house was the newest addition of the original house.

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? in 1910

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

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: Thorsten Thorstensen came to the U.S. on 6-23-1868. As was common at that time, he took his father's name for his last name so that Thorstensen meant Thorsten's son. In Norway his last name was Skrabek. He came to Rio, Wisconsin by steamboat. He worked as a farm hand and then rented some land and farmed on his own. He acquired a covered wagon, a yoke of oxen and a cookstove. In 1871, he joined the stream of immigrants and came to settle in Minnesota. He homesteaded 80 acres, planted a grove and brought it under cultivation. He farmed until retirement in 1893 and died in 1897.

His son, Halver, bought one of the 1st tractors in the area in 1915. He invented what he called a "steering device" so that the tractor would continue to go straight while he adjusted the plow (example). A man from International came out to look at it and a short time later International came out with the same device.



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Jo Everett Balch and Lillian A. Balch  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS

Route 2, Box 239 Winona, Minn. 55987

PHONE NUMBER

(507) 454-5667  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION

27

TOWNSHIP

Wilson

COUNTY

Winona

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

6.3

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

1869

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

6.5 AC in N  $\frac{1}{2}$  sec 27, 15 AC in SW  $\frac{1}{4}$  NE  $\frac{1}{4}$   
and E 50 AC of NW  $\frac{1}{4}$  EX Belter 2.20 AC.  
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PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM	
John Edwin Balch	1869	Father of John Edward
	TO	
	1924	
next owner		
John Edward Balch	1924 -	Father of John Everett
	1957	
next owner		
John Everett Balch	1957 -	
	Present	
next owner		
next owner		

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County Land Record ( )

Original Deed ☒

OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

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Jo Everett Balch  
(signature of present owner)

DATE

7/7/81

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ST. PAUL MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Christian Michel in 1869

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 50 acres

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$36. per acre

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? New Hampshire

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? Dodge County, Mn.

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? 1869 with additions

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn, oats, hay + remodeling later

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Donald R. Kaehler

(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS R. R. 2 Box 239 St. Charles Minn. 55972

PHONE NUMBER ( 507 ) 932-3175  
area code CITY STATE ZIP CODE

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE same

SECTION 6 TOWNSHIP St. Charles COUNTY Winona

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 163

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1880

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

163 ac. in Sec. 6 South 5 acres of W $\frac{1}{2}$  of NE $\frac{1}{4}$  and 158 acres in  
SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Township 106 Range 10

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM 1880	
Henry Kaehler	TO 1919	Son of Henry
next owner	1919	
Ben Kaehler	1927	Son of Ben
next owner	1927-1963	
Rudolph H. Kaehler		Brother of Rudolph
next owner	1963-present	
Donald R. Kaehler		
next owner		

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

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Donald R. Kaehler  
(signature of present owner)

DATE May 9, 1981

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MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? William Fluegel

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 320 acres

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$18.75

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Born in Germany (Henry Kaehler)

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? City of Winona

DID HE FARM THE LAND? Bought for his son Ben-but he moved to the farm in 1880

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

Was raiser of Championship breeding stock

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? no

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? House is still standing.

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? Prior to 1880

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? corn, hay, purebred stock

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

**Ben Kaehler**

B en Kaehler raised ten children on this farm. Son Donald Kaehler has raised seven children on this farm. Looks like there will be Kaehler's here for awhile.



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Delbert F. Smith  
(this name will appear on certificate)

O.K.

ADDRESS

Route #1

Houston

Minn.

55943

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER

(507)  
area code

896-3277

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION

20-28-29

TOWNSHIP

Pleasant Hill

COUNTY

Winona

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

112

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

sect. 20 - dated 1/27/1876 -

40 ACRE

sect. 29 - dated 10/6/1879 -

40 ACRE

sect. 28 - dated 9/8/1917 -

32 ACRE

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

SW 1/4 of SE 1/4 of sect. 20 - NE 1/4 of NE 1/4 of sect 29

NW 1/4 of NW 1/4 of sect 28 - township 105 Range 6

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>Frederick Smith</u>	FROM 1876 - 1879 TO June 14 - 1919	Father of Delbert R.
next owner <u>Delbert R.</u>	1919 1958	Father of Delbert F.
next owner <u>Delbert F.</u>	1958 Present	
next owner		
next owner		

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Original Deed ☐

Court file in Registration Proceedings ☐  
County Land Record ☐  
OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

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Delbert F. Smith  
(signature of present owner)

DATE

4/29/81

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MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? sect 20- Philip Brown  
sect 29- James Armstrong  
sect 28- John Morecomb

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 40 acres

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? \_\_\_\_\_

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? \_\_\_\_\_

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

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn, oats, hay

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER W Lyle Swanson & Elsa C.  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS Plainview CITY Minn STATE 55964 ZIP CODE O.k.

PHONE NUMBER (507) 534-2169  
area code

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

SECTION 6-17 TOWNSHIP Whitewater COUNTY Winona

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) Whitewater Twp  
40 AC SW 1/4, NW 1/4 Sec 16 T 108 R 10

200 AC in Sec 17 Being NE 1/4 + NE 1/4 SE 1/4 ex Hwy East T 108 R 10

this starts out in Dec 15 1855 From U. States

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM <u>Sept 3, 1880</u>	
<u>August Swanson</u>	TO <u>Jan 16, 1906</u>	<u>father of walter</u>
next owner	<u>1906</u>	
<u>walter Swanson</u>	<u>1959</u>	<u>father of w lyle</u>
next owner	<u>1939</u>	
<u>W. Lyle Swanson</u>	<u>till now</u>	
next owner		
next owner		

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

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Lyle Swanson  
(signature of present owner)

DATE June 6-1981

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MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? my Father

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? ?

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? think so

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? Corn Oat Hay

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Clarence Doering  
(this name will appear on certificate)

O.K.

ADDRESS

RT 1 Box 226 Waverly Minn 55390  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER

(612) 658-4254  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION

21

TOWNSHIP

Woodland

COUNTY

Wright

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

157

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

1869 But has been in family since 1858

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

Southwest quarter of section 21

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>Fred Doering</u> first owner		<u>Father</u>
<u>Fred Doering</u> next owner	FROM <u>1869</u> TO <u>1896</u>	<u>Father</u>
<u>Henry</u> next owner	<u>1896</u> <u>1912</u>	<u>Father's son</u>
<u>Arnold</u> next owner	<u>1912</u> <u>1943</u>	<u>Son</u>
<u>Clarence Doering</u> next owner	<u>1943</u>	<u>Father's son</u>
<u>Clarence</u> next owner	<u>1943 to</u> <u>1967-19</u>	<u>Clarence took over in 1947 now his sons are running it</u>

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Abstract of Title (X)

Court file in Registration Proceedings (X)

Land Patent ( )

County Land Record ( )

Original Deed (X)

OTHER

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Clarence Doering

(signature of present owner)

DATE

6/30-81

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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

Hannah Hultgren  
(this name will appear on certificate)

O.K.

ADDRESS

RI

Cokato

MINNESOTA

55321

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER

(612)

286-5602

area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

No

SECTION

30

TOWNSHIP

Cokato

COUNTY

Wright

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)

(copy) Abstract of Title  
enclosed

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM 1880 - 1918	SON TO (CLAUSS HULTGREN)
CLAUSS HULTGREN	TO	CARL E. HULTGREN & WIFE HANNAH
next owner	1918 -	
CARL E. HULTGREN & WIFE HANNAH HULTGREN		
next owner	Present <del>owner</del>	
HANNAH HULTGREN -	still living on farm - wife	
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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Mrs. Chas. Hultgren  
(signature of present owner)

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DATE

1-23-1981

CENTURY FARMS  
MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? School Land, E. Moberg

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? ?

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? Minneapolis 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? yes

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? It's part log and built onto later?

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? grains & animals

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

Mother still lives on the farm in the  
Summer and fall months

dad has been dead since Feb. 1948

Mother has good sight, reads well,  
enjoys visiting and doing many things.

Makes very delicious bread & chicken  
will be 90 yrs in June 1981.

Thank you

Mrs. Marion Pearson (daughter)  
Cokato, Minn.

R2 55321



Jan 23-1981

Dear Sirs:

Mother still lives  
on the farm during  
the summer and fall months.

She will be 90 yrs  
in June of 1981. Her  
mind is very alert,  
and enjoys visiting and  
doing many things.

She has 2 daughters.

Mrs. Joyce <sup>Nelson</sup> at Mankato, Minn.  
316 Harrison St.

Mrs. Marion Pearson Cohato, Minn. R2.

Thank you,

Mrs. Marion Pearson

Cohato, Minnesota

R2. 55321

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ABSTRACT OF TITLE

to the following described real property in

WRIGHT COUNTY, MINNESOTA

The Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter and West Thirty Acres of Southeast Quarter of Northeast Quarter and West One-half of Northeast Quarter of Northwest Quarter and Southeast of Northwest Quarter, excepting Ten Acres therefrom described as follows: Commencing at the SouthWest corner of the said Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, running thence East Forty Rods, thence Northwesterly to the Northwest corner of the said Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, thence South to the place of beginning, all in Section Thirty in Township One Hundred Nineteen of Range Twenty Eight, containing One hundred Twenty Acres, according to the Government survey thereof.

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PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER RALPH & MARJORIE ZLUTICKY  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS 215 OAK ST. BRECKENRIDGE MN. 56520  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE  
PHONE NUMBER (218) 643 6884  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE RURAL ROUTE BRECKENRIDGE, MN.

SECTION 23 & 26 TOWNSHIP BRECKENRIDGE COUNTY WILKIN

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 400

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1878

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

NE 1/4 OF SECTION 26 TOWNSHIP 132 RANGE 47

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM 1878	GRAND FATHER OF
JAN SEDIVY	TO 1928	WENZEL
next owner	1928	FATHER IN LAW OF MARJORIE
WENZEL ZLUTICKY	1973	FATHER OF RALPH
next owner	1973	
RALPH & MARJORIE ZLUTICKY	PRESENT	
next owner		
next owner		

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Land Patent (X) County Land Record (X)  
Original Deed ( ) OTHER WENZEL'S AUTO BIOGRAPHY

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

Ralph Zluticky  
(signature of present owner)

DATE 7-8-81

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ST. PAUL MN 55108

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

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 320

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? NO

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? yes

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

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? ?

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

### ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

Wenzel wrote a wonderful autobiography.  
Copies are available, if some historians would  
be interested.



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

*O.K.*

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER LYNETTE FAYE STORLIE FULTZ  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS RR#1 Box 195A GRANITE FALLS Minn. 56241  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER (612) 269-6741  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE SAME

SECTION 13 TOWNSHIP LISBON COUNTY YELLOW MEDICINE

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 80

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 12/9/1875

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

W 1/2 NE 1/4 13-116-41

section 13- township 116- Range 41

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>United States</u> <u>Sioux Indian Lands</u>		
first owner <u>Ole A. Amundson</u> changed his name <u>Ole A. Storlie</u>	FROM <u>1875</u> TO <u>1914</u>	<u>Father &amp; Husband</u>
next owner <u>MAREN STORLIE (wife)</u> <u>John STORLIE</u> <u>CARL STORLIE</u> <u>Rudolph STORLIE</u> <u>EMMA STORLIE</u> <u>ALL</u> <u>JULIA STORLIE</u> <u>Schildren</u>	<u>1914 -</u> <u>1956</u>	<u>Father &amp; Aunts - Uncles</u>
next owner <u>John's children:</u> <u>Victor STORLIE</u> <u>Eddie STORLIE</u> <u>James STORLIE</u> <u>MILDRED STORLIE</u> <u>Lloyd STORLIE</u> <u>KENNETH STORLIE</u>	<u>1956 -</u> <u>1966 - During this time</u> <u>my father Kenneth</u>	<u>Husband</u>
next owner <u>CLARICE STORLIE</u>	<u>bought out ALL THE OTHERS</u> <u>And was sole owner</u> <u>1966 - 1978</u>	<u>mother</u>
next owner <u>Lynette Faye Storlie Fultz</u>	<u>1978 -</u> <u>present</u>	

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

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Lynette F. Fultz  
(signature of present owner)

DATE 6/24/81

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ST. PAUL MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? It was a Sioux Indian Lands Parcel Certificate #401 signed by PRESIDENT Ulysses GRANT.

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? it was to be homesteaded for 5 yrs. trees planted house built. Ground broke

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? no.

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? in 1978

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

### ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

At the first town meeting, Sept. 20, 1873, Ole A. Amundson and Paul Iverson were elected constables. They both ARE my GREAT GRAND FATHERS. PAUL WAS my mother's grandfather.

Ole Amundson's wife, MAREN Thompson Amundson, had a brother, Nels Thompson, who was homesteading nearby. Nels fought off Indians with a pitch fork from his dugout door.

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Curtis O. Knutson  
(this name will appear on certificate)

O.K.

ADDRESS R<sup>#</sup> 1 Box 89 Porter MN 56280  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER (507) 296-4571  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE —

SECTION 34 TOWNSHIP Wergeland COUNTY yellow medicine

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 320

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY Aug. 23, 1881

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

E<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> 34-114-44

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP		
NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>Ole Knutson</u>	FROM <u>1881 -</u> TO <u>1915</u>	<u>husband of Bessie</u> <u>father</u>
next owner <u>Bessie Knutson</u> <u>4 children</u>	<u>by inheritance</u> <u>1915 - 1962</u>	<u>Grandmother of Curtis</u> <u>Aunts &amp; Uncles of Curtis</u>
next owner <u>Curtis Knutson</u>	<u>from the Ole Knutson Estate</u> <u>1962 - Present</u>	
next owner		
next owner		

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

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Curtis Knutson  
(signature of present owner)

DATE June 1, 1981

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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? 80 A.

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? homesteaded (total cost \$4)

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Trondhjem, Norway (1845)

Came to America in 1869

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? Goodhue County, MN.

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? 1959

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

### ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

The original farm of 80 acres was homesteaded <sup>(1881)</sup> In ~~1869~~ <sup>1896</sup>  
Ole purchased adjoining 80 A. for \$10 per A.  
Ole Knutson was one of the ~~late~~ <sup>early</sup> homesteaders in Wergeland Township.  
He and wife Bessie were parents of nine children. They traveled  
from their home to New Ulm for their supplies and mail. At first  
travel was with oxen and covered wagon, later horses were used.  
The flour mill was in Lynd, MN. this was where they took their  
wheat to be ground. After Ole's death a son, Henry,  
farmed the land, renting it from his brothers and sisters until  
Curtis (son of Henry) bought it in 1962. In 1968 an additional  
160 adjoining acres were purchased. Curtis is planning to sell the  
original land to his son, Stanley, in the next year or two.



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER THELMEER OLSON O.K.  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS ECHO MINN. 56237  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER (507) - 925 - 4412  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE Same

SECTION 2 TOWNSHIP Sioux Agency COUNTY Yellow Medicine

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 144

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1881

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) 280-000-071301  
Town of Sioux Agency  
Unplatted lands 114-38

Sec. lot 3 lots A+B of and Sub Div of PT

Lot 2, SW 1/4 NW 1/4, Lots 1+2 - Lot 4

02 114 38 104.31A.

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM <del>1881</del> 1881	
<u>Ole C. Olson</u>	TO 1908	<u>Father of Martha</u>
next owner		
<u>widow of Martha Olson - Ole C. Olson</u>	1908	
	1926	<u>Mother of Peder Olaf</u>
next owner		
<u>Peder Olaf Olson</u>	1926	
	1976	<u>Father of Thelmer</u>
next owner		
<u>Thelmer Olson</u>	1976	
	Present	
next owner		

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Abstract of Title ( ) Court file in Registration Proceedings ( )  
Land Patent ☒ County Land Record ( )  
Original Deed ( ) OTHER Sioux Indian Lands Certificate No. 178

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Thelmer Olson  
(signature of present owner)

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ST. PAUL MN 55108

DATE July 2, 1981

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? For Ole C. Olson & his family

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

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

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? in Norway

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? Came to Hillmar Minn from Norway

DID HE FARM THE LAND? Yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? He was in the Civil War & was a tailor in that war

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 old house is standing as a granery

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? in 1928

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn, soybeans, wheat  
Cattle farm

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

LEONARD G. SWENSON  
(this name will appear on certificate)

O.K.

ADDRESS Rte #1, Box 36, CANBY, MN. 56220  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER (507) 224-2149  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE SAME

SECTION 14 TOWNSHIP OSHKOSH COUNTY YELLOW MEDICINE

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 400

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1879 RECEIVERS RECEIPT DATED JULY 8, 1884  
(5 YEARS RESIDENCE BEFORE ISSUE)

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

NW 1/4, SECTION 14, T-115-N, R-44-W

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner (NAME CHANGED) <u>GUSTAV SWANSON (SWENSON)</u>	FROM <u>1879</u> TO <u>1903</u>	FATHER of <u>SAM, LUDWIG + RUDOLPH</u>
next owner <u>MARY SWENSON</u>	<u>1903 -</u> <u>1932</u>	WIFE of <u>GUSTAV</u>
next owner <u>SAM, LUDWIG + RUDOLPH SWENSON</u>	<u>1932 -</u> <u>1946</u>	SONS of GUSTAV + MARY
next owner <u>RUDOLPH SWENSON</u>	<u>1946 -</u> <u>1964</u>	SON of GUSTAV + MARY and UNCLE of LEONARD
next owner <u>LEONARD G. SWENSON</u>	<u>1964 -</u> <u>PRESENT</u>	

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

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Leonard G. Swenson  
(signature of present owner)

DATE June 15, 1981

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ST. PAUL MN 55108



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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? UNITED STATES GOV't ~~Ag. B.~~

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? ?

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? VASTJALAND, SMAALAND, SWEDEN

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

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? 1891

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? CORN, SOYBEAN, WHEAT

### ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

*The original house was of logs + sod. This burned, in 1891 as recalled by the oldest daughter, destroying many personal records and pictures, etc.*

*A number of children were born to Gustav & Mary, 5 of whom lived to be 80 years old or more.*



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Woodrow A. Wilson

(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS

RR 1

Clarkfield

Mn.

56223

PHONE NUMBER

(612)

669-4865

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

Same

SECTION

36

TOWNSHIP

Lisbon

COUNTY

Yellow Medicine

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

280

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

1876

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

E 1/2 of NE 1/4 (80) Township 116 Range 41

NW 1/4 of NE 1/4 (40)

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"

NE 1/4 of NW 1/4 (40)

"

"

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM 1876 - TO 1897	Father of 7 children
next owner	1897 - 1920	nieces and nephews of Hans Wilson
next owner	1920 - 1930	Father of Sam and Henry
next owner	1930 - 1961	Uncles of Woodrow
next owner	1961 - Present	

The above evidence of continuous family ownership is taken from one or more of the following records. Indicate by check marks those that apply. DO NOT SEND RECORDS.

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.

Paul Wilson (son of Woodrow)  
(signature of present owner)

PLEASE RETURN TO:

DATE

5/17/81

CENTURY FARMS  
MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108

we want to surprise my father with this certificate, so I signed it.

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Any information you can add to this form will be most valuable to future historians. The questions below are only a guide. Feel free to add other data, especially family or pioneer stories concerning the farm and the area around it. This is not a requirement for Century Farm certification.

FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? United State Government

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? Wisconsin

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? No

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? No buildings remain

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

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

Ole G. Wilson was actually a 1/2 brother of Hans Wilson