

Oregon State Fair
Salem, Oregon.

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*Tom I don't like
this story! Besides
your name isn't
spelled correctly
Ben*

SALEM (Special)- Century Farms will be honored again this year when Oregon State Fair observes its own century run, Aug. 29- Sept. 6.

Announcement was made jointly today by J.F.Short, director of agriculture, and Howard Maple, manager of the Oregon State Fair. Thomas Vaughn, Oregon Historical Society director will assist in the program.

Century Farms were honored at the 1958 through 1960 Oregon State Fairs.

Eligible to the Century Farm program- a farm must have been owned and operated continuously in the same family for 100 years or more. By the end of the 1960 program 416 Century Farms had been recognized.

Application blanks and rules for Century Farm honors can be had from the State Department of Agriculture at Salem.

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RULES FOR 1965 CENTURY FARM PROGRAM

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OREGON HISTORICAL SOCIETY AND STATE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Application blanks are available from the State Department of Agriculture, Agriculture Building, Salem, Oregon, 97310, and must be returned, with verification, to the Department at Salem.

To qualify, these requirements must be met:

1. Your farm must have been operated continuously in the same family for one hundred years or more (since 1865). If the farm has ever been rented it will not qualify.
2. You must own the farm and must reside in Oregon.
3. You must live on the farm and farm the land or, if you live off the historic farm, you must actively manage and direct the farming of the land.
4. The line of ownership from the original settler or buyer may be through children, brothers and sisters, nephews and nieces. Adopted children will be recognized equally with blood children.
5. Only one person--the 1965 owner of record--will receive the coveted Century Farm Award. If husband and wife own, the award will be made to them jointly.
6. A farm settled any time in the year 1865 (or earlier) will be eligible if it meets the other requirements.
7. Deadline for filing applications is June 15, 1965. All applications bearing postmark by midnight of that date will be considered.
8. Application must be on blanks provided by the Department, with all questions answered. The applicant may submit as much additional information as he or she desires. (All information will eventually be deposited with the Oregon Historical Society, which provides the beautiful Century Farm document.)
9. Print all names and addresses appearing on the application blank.
10. Applicants must submit with their completed application blanks a verification of their claims to continuous ownership. This may be in the form of the signature of one of your county commissioners or your county recorder on the form "A" which is supplied with the application blank.
11. No notary is required. Submission of supporting documents to substantiate the application is encouraged and will, if you wish, be filed with Oregon Historical Society for preservation.
12. A farm (U.S. Census definition) must have 10 or more acres with crop or livestock sales of \$50 or more a year; or, if less than 10 acres, sales of at least \$250 a year.

Any farm in process of being sold to a non-relative is ineligible.

U.S. Census Definition of a Farm: 10 acres or more with agricultural sales of \$50 or more a year; or, if less than 10 acres, sales of at least \$250 a year.

APPLICATION FOR CENTURY FARM HONORS--1965
(Rules attached)
Deadline for filing application: June 15, 1965

PLEASE PRINT

Your name (Mr., Mrs., Miss) _____

Your address: Route _____ P.O. Box _____ Town _____

Location of farm: _____ (Address) _____ (County)

Acres in your farm today _____ . Acres in original farm _____ .

Does your farm comply with U.S. Census definition at top of page? _____

Name of founder of farm (please print): _____

Year founder settled on farm? _____ . Where did he come from? _____

How many families have farmed this land? _____

Are any of original buildings still in use? _____

Who farms land today? You _____ ? A renter _____ ? A manager _____ ? Other _____

If you own the farm but live in town, do you manage the farming operation? _____

What relation are you to the original owner? _____

If you know crops or livestock raised on farm 100 years ago, please list _____

What do you raise on farm today? _____

How many generations live on the farm today? (Names) _____

Has the farm ever been rented? _____ . How many times has original farm been divided? _____

PLEASE list on separate page attached other historical facts you know about this farm.

Do you declare that the statements made above are accurate and correct to the best of your knowledge? _____ .

Signature of Owner

Mail to: State Dept. of Agriculture
158 12th St., N.E., Salem, Oregon

SUBMITTED BY:

_____ (Name and address)

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Century Farm

February 8, 1965

Genevieve Morgan, Head
Information Service
State Dept. of Agriculture
Salem, Oregon

Dear Miss Morgan:

Thank you for the two copies of the application forms
and rules for the Century Farm program.

Re your comment concerning the story issued by the Oregon
State Fair, we are not in accord with the news release that
was sent out by the State Fair. I talked with Sam Sinclair
of the Grant Thuemmel Agency expressing concern with the
material that was sent out and told him that releases
on the program were approved by the State Department of
Agriculture and the Oregon Historical Society before being
disseminated. He was not aware that you had already sent
a release; perhaps you had better call Howard Maple.

Very truly yours,

Robert C. Scott
Chief Public Services

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