

CFR 0003

Mr. and Mrs. E. Vernon Hayhurst

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--1973

(Rules attached)

Deadline for filing application: July 27, 1973.

PLEASE PRINT

and Mrs.

Your name (Mr., Mrs., Miss) Mr. E. Vernon HayhurstYour address: Route #1 Box 3 P.O. Box 3 Town HainesLocation of farm: Approximately 1 1/4 miles W of Haines Baker
(Address) (County)Acres in your farm today: 255 Acres in original farm: 160Does your farm comply with U.S. Census definition at top of page? YesName of founder of farm (please print): Peter PoulsonYear founder settled on farm? 1871 Where did he come from? DenmarkHow many families have farmed this land? we are third generationAre any of original buildings still in use? noWho farms land today? You? yes 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? GrandsonIf you know crops or livestock raised on farm 100 years ago, please list Wild hay, rye, oats,
horses, pasture, and cattle.What do you raise on farm today? Alfalfa hay, grain, and pasture.How many generations live on the farm today? (Names) one, Mr. & Mrs. Vernon HayhurstHas the farm ever been rented? no How many times has original farm been divided? once

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? yes

E. Vernon Hayhurst
Signature of Owner

Submitted by: Vernon Hayhurst Rt. #1 Box 3 Haines, Oregon 97833

(Name and Address)

My grandfather, Peter Poulson, was born May 5, 1843 in Denmark and came to America as a young man. He came west with a wagon train and worked in the freighting business. he freighted between the Umatilla Landing and Silver City, Idaho .

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

He passed through Baker valley often making deliveries to the mining camps in eastern Oregon.

In 1868 he decided to make his home here in the valley and worked on some of the ranches and farms saving his money. In June of 1871 he purchased a homestead grant of 160 acres of state school lands and in 1876 added 80 acres adjoining his farm purchased from a W. L. Jones who had homesteaded in 1872. My grandfather raised horses which he sold in Omaha and raised the wild hay on the meadow and also oats and rye to feed them.

His original dwelling had been box construction and in later years it had been added on to with double wall construction. This house was torn down by me in 1963 after we built a new home on the farm. The old part of the house was built with dimension lumber part of which had been hewn by hand with an axe and put together with square nails. The original barn was of logs but was replaced by him with a very large barn which is still standing. It is constructed of heavy timbers without knots and put together with mortised joints and wooden pegs.

In the late 1970's he purchased another grant in the Muddy Creek area now known as the Cleve McCullough farm. He built the home that is in use there today. He moved up there to live and used the lower farm to pasture his horses and cattle and to raise the oats and wild hay to feed them.

Early in the 1880's he married Jennie Rainey. To the union were born seven children of which three died in infancy or toddler age and were buried in the old Wingville cemetery. Of the remaining four my mother, Pearl Poulson, was the eldest followed by her brother Norris Poulson of Tustin, California, a sister, Ethyl Poulson, deceased, and a younger brother William Poulson, deceased. My mother passed away in 1970 after having spent the greater part of her life at Haines.

My grandfather had at various times had hired help live on his farms after he moved to Baker in 1900 where he operated a grain, feed and produce store on Center street (now known as Broadway) where he sold the crops from the farms in excess of what he needed for his own livestock..

After my mother's marriage to my father, R. B. Hayhurst, in 1906 he turned this farm over to them to operate. When I was still a young man my parents separated and my mother and I operated the farm. We milked cows, had a farm flock of sheep and raised alfalfa hay, oats and barley.

After my grandfather's death in 1928 his estate was divided with the lower farm going to my mother and her sister Ethyl. My mother inherited 140 acres of the original 160 acre homestead. My aunt later sold her 100 acres to Mr. and Mrs. Olaf Olsen and in 1946 my wife and I purchased it back from them. In later years we purchased my mother's interest in the 140 acres to bring the the total acres back to the 240 acres. In 1950 we purchased

(over)

15 acres across the road from John Schmalenberg making a complete total of 255 acres in the farm today. All of the ranch is irrigated with water from Rock Creek and the original homestead has the ~~widest~~ third oldest right on the creek, 1972, on a good part of it.

and I

My wife/have four children we have raised here on the farm. Our eldest, a son, Edward V. Hayhurst Jr. is a Captain of the Air Force, our next son, Michael Lewis Hayhurst, is a computer soft-ware analyst in Boise, Idaho. Our youngest son is with the Portland Chain Company of Tigard, Oregon. Our only daughter is Nancy Hayhurst Kingsford of Shoshone, Idaho.

ENCLOSURES.

State Department of Agriculture
Oregon Historical Society

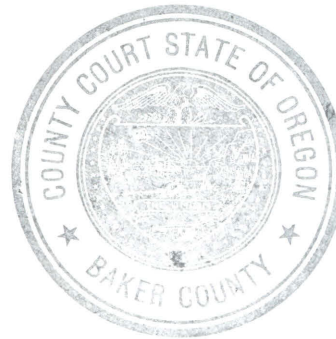
CERTIFICATION OF OWNERSHIP OF CENTURY FARM

I hereby certify that the farm for which Mr Mrs E Vernon Hayhurst
Owner's name and address
Rt. #1 Box 3 Haines, Oregon 97833 is applying for Century Farm honors,

has been in his family continuously for 100 or more years.

Dennis L Fuller
~~*County Commissioner~~ Recorder

Date: July 27, 1973



*Please strike office not applicable

STATE OF OREGON.

In consideration of Two hundred and Two $\frac{25}{100}$ Dollars,
paid to the Board of Commissioners for the sale of School Lands, the State
of Oregon doth grant, bargain, sell and convey unto P. Poulson
his Heirs and Assigns, the following described
premises, to wit:

North East quarter of the North West
quarter and the north West quarter of the north
East quarter Section Five Township Eight South
of Range Thirty Nine East and South East
quarter of the South West quarter and the
South West quarter of the South East quarter
Section Thity Two In Township Seven South
of Range Thirty Nine East. In Baker
County Oregon

Containing one Hundred
and Sixty one $\frac{87}{100}$ acres Approved State
Lands

To have and to hold the said premises, with their appurtenances, unto the
said P. Poulson his Heirs and Assigns forever; and
that the State will warrant and defend the same from all lawful claims
whatsoever.

Witness the Seal of the State, affixed this 15th day of June
1871

L. Brown

Governor.

S. F. Claiborn

Secretary.

L. Fleischer

Treasurer.



School Land Deed

FROM
THE STATE OF OREGON

TO

J. Poulson

STATE OF OREGON,

County of

Baker } ss.

I certify that the within was received and duly
recorded by me in *Baker*
County Records, Book of Deeds, Vol. "C"
page 105 on the *11* day of *August*
1883

Arthur Nelson

Recorder.

County Clerk

State of Oregon. to P. Paulson.

Release.

Filed for record, - 1 P.M.

Dec. 29th 1896.

J. H. McCord,
Recorder.

Mg. in "C" page 130.

Know all Men by these Presents:
That we, the undersigned Board of Commissioners for the sale of School and University Lands and for the Investment of the Funds arising therefrom, of the State of Oregon, do hereby certify that we have received full and complete satisfaction of a certain mortgage executed by P. Paulson to said Board on the 27th day of April 1871, to secure the sum of One hundred thirty three ³³/₁₀₀ Dollars and recorded on the 25 day of January 1873; on page 130 of record of State Land Mortgages for Baker County, in the State of Oregon.

And we hereby acknowledge satisfaction in full of said Mortgage. Witness our hands and the seal of the Board affixed this 21 day of November, A. D. 1896.

(State Seal.)

Wm. S. Lord, Governor.

H. R. Kincaid, Secretary of State.

Chas. Seltschman, State Treasurer.

Filed for record

Dec. 29th 1896.
at 1 P.M.

J. H. McCord
Recorder.

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This Indenture, Made the Eight day of July A. D. One Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventy-Six

BETWEEN W. L. Jones party of the first part of Butter County Oregon and Peter Gousson of same place the party of the second part.

WITNESSETH, that the said party of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum of Fifty Dollars, lawful money of the United States of America, to him in hand paid by the said party of the second part, at or before the ensembling and delivery of these presents, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, has granted, bargained, sold, conveyed and ~~conveyed~~ ^{quit claimed} and ~~conveyed~~ ^{quit claimed}, and by these presents do grant, bargain, sell, convey and ~~convey~~ ^{quit claim} unto the said party of the second part, and to his heirs and assigns forever, ALL

That certain piece or parcel of land described as follows to wit:
South West quarter of South West quarter Section Fifty two. Township Seven S. R. 39. E. and the North West quarter of North West quarter Section Fifty Township Eight S. R. 39 E. containing all together 80 and 7/100 -ths acres, all in Butter County, Oregon

TOGETHER with all and singular the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining, and the reversion and reversions remainder and remainders, rents, issues and profits thereof; and also, all the estate, right, title, interest, Homestead property, possession, claim and demand whatsoever, as well in law as in equity, of the said party of the first part, of, in or to the above described premises, and every part and parcel thereof, with the appurtenances.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD, all and singular, the above mentioned and described premises, together with the appurtenances, unto the said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns forever.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the said party of the first part has hereunto set his hand and seal the day and year first above written.

Signed, Sealed and Delivered in the presence of

Arthur S. Shaw

W. L. Jones
J. S. Hinshaw

DEED.

A. L. Jones

TO

Peter Paulson

Dated July 5th 1876

Recorded at request of

P. S. Paulson

July 18 A. D. 1873

at ~~min. past~~ 3 o'clock,

P. M. and recorded at
Page 413 Vol "V" Record
of Deeds for Balto. County, Md.

W. S. Powers,

This Indenture Witnesseth, That M. E. Jones

wife of W.L. Jones and his wife, for the consideration of the sum

of One DOLLARS,

to paid, habargained and sold, and by these presents do bargain; sell and

quit-claim unto Peter Poulson the following

described premises, to-wit: the Southwest quarter of the Southwest quarter

of Section 32 Tp. 7. S. R. 39. E. W. M. and the Northwest quarter of

the Northwest quarter of Section 5 Tp. 8. S. R. 39. E. W. M. con

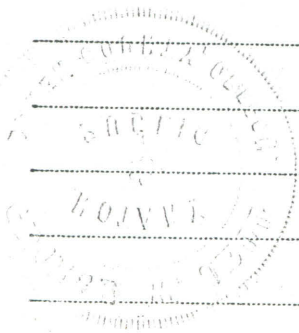
taining in all 30 and 77/100 acres in Baker County State of

Oregon. Given to correct a certain deed of date July 8th 1876

from W.L. Jones to Peter Poulson, covering the same ground,

which I., the said M. E. Jones, wife of said W.L. Jones should

have signed.



TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said premises, with their appurtenances, unto the said Peter Poulson and to his heirs and assigns forever.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set

hand and seal this 1st

November A. D., 18 76

Done in presence of

W. J. H.
W. W. Jones

} M. E. Jones
} Peter Poulson

STATE OF OREGON,
County of Baker. } ss.

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On this 1st day of November A. D. 1893

a Notary Public in and for said County, the within:

M. E. Jones and wife of W. L. Jones

his wife, to me personally known to be the identical person described in, and within instrument, and acknowledged to me that she executed the same freely for and purposes therein named. And the said on execution separate and apart from her said husband, acknowledged to me that she executed the same freely, and without fear or compulsion from any one.

WITNESS my hand and seal this 1st day of November A. D. 1893



Geo W Jett
Notary Public
for Oregon

QUIT-CLAIM DEED.

Mrs James W Jett

W. L. Jones

TO

Peter Paulsen

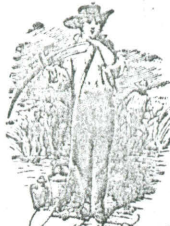
STATE OF OREGON,
County of Baker. } ss.

I certify that the within instrument of writing was received for record on the 13 day of Nov at 8 o'clock P. M., 1893, and recorded on page 68 in book 27 Records of Deeds of said County.

Witness my hand and seal of County affixed.

W. H. Bourne
County Clerk

By Deputy.



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OFFICE OF REGISTER OF STATE LANDS FOR LA GRANDE DISTRICT,

La Grande, Oregon, *Nov 3* 1872

This Certifies That *W L Goues* has this day paid me the sum of *Thirty Seven 66* Dollars, in U. S. Gold Coin, upon his

application to purchase from the State of Oregon the following described tract of land, situated of *Oaker* and State of Oregon, and more particularly described as follows:

DESCRIPTION	S	T	RANGE	ACRES
<i>S 1/4 of S 1/4</i>	<i>32</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>SR 39 E</i>	<i>40</i>
<i>N 1/4 of N 1/4</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>" " "</i>	<i>40 77</i>

ACRES

Being a portion of the Five Hundred Thousand Acre Tract granted the State by Act approved September 14th, 1844.

C. J. McE

REGISTER OF STATE LANDS FOR LA GRANDE DISTRICT

Baker County Oregon 3000

This is to certify that I the
undersigned for
have this day assigned
transferred and set over
all my right title and interest
of me and to this receipt
and certificate to Peter Paulson
of Baker County - Oregon
giving and granting unto the
said Paulson all interest
I may have had or now
have of me or to the same
either in law or in equity
in and to the same and the
lands therein mentioned
Witness my hand and seal
this July 8th 1876

In presence of me
J. S. Jones
W. L. Jones

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Poulson farm celebrates 100th birthday

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Vernon Hayhurst stands along his split-rail fence, which is still just as sturdy as the day it was put in, over 100 years ago.

By TED CARLSON
Of the Democrat-Herald

On April 24, 1871, Peter Skovo Poulson, a Danish emigrant, purchased 160 acres of rich farm land one mile west of what is presently Haines.

This Friday, over 100 years since the land was bought, Vernon Hayhurst, the only grandson of Poulson, and his wife, Leona, will be at the State Fair in Salem to be honored in a special program for their Century Farm.

The Century Farm program, co-sponsored by the Oregon Department of Agriculture and the Oregon Historical Society, will be honoring 36 other new century farm owners throughout the state, as well.

The Century Farm program was started in 1958. It was held yearly through 1960, then placed on a five year basis.

This year it is being held as a special feature of the Oregon Historical Society's one hundredth anniversary observance.

The Hayhurst farm is the only farm in Baker County this year to meet the qualifications set by the Department of Agriculture and the Society for a Century Farm.

To qualify, the land must be farmed continuously by the same family for 100 years or more. The family must also live on or actively manage the farm and cannot rent the land to an outside party.

Peter Skovo Poulson's story is an interesting one.

He was born May 5, 1843, in Denmark. As a young man he left his native land and came to the United States.

Upon reaching this country he went west with a wagon train and began work in a freighting operation. His route stretched from Umatilla Landing on the Columbia River to mining camps in eastern Oregon and in Silver City, Idaho.

As he passed through the Baker Valley, his eye was caught by its fine land, cottonwood trees, water, and pasture.

So in 1868, at the age of 25, he gave up his freighting business and turned to ranch work in the valley.

After saving up his money, Poulson bought 160 acres of school grant land in 1871.

In late 1872 he purchased 120 more

acres and in 1876, he bought 40 more, not all in the same location, bringing the total up to 240 acres.

On this land, Poulson raised wild hay, oats, barley, rye, cattle and horses, which he shipped to Omaha, Neb., by railway in the 1880's.

In the early 1880's he married, and had seven children, three of whom died in infancy or early in life.

Of the four surviving children, Pearl, (Vernon's mother), Norris, (destined to become a California congressman and mayor of Los Angeles), Ethyl and William, only Norris is alive today.

The father, Peter Poulson, died in Portland in 1928 and Vernon's mother died in Haines in 1970.

In 1952 Vernon bought an additional 15 acres, for a total of 255 acres. This is the size of the Hayhurst farm today.

After 100 years of farming, is the land still in good shape today?

"You betcha," Vernon replies. "It's getting better every year. I've raised as good a crop of hay as anyone," he notes.

Since the farm is so old, naturally there are a good many antiques lying around—like his split rails.

"I imagine we have a mile and half of them now," Vernon says.

He adds that some fellows from Reno "wanted to haul them down to California," and sell them as antique items, but he wouldn't sell.

Even though the split rails are over 100 years old, (in 1871 it was necessary to have a fence and certain improvements before the land could be purchased) they are still very strong and solid. "They harden with age," notes Vernon.

Both he and his wife claim they feel strong ties to their land.

"You just get this feeling about the land," Leona states. "You just want to stay on the land. You worry about what it will be like in the future.

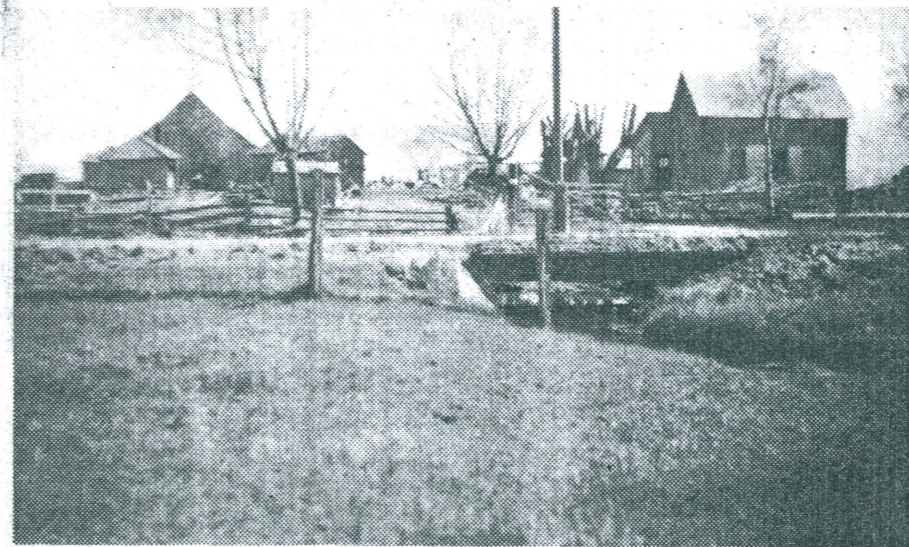
"It means more than just money. We could double our money and subdivide," she says, "but I wouldn't do it for a million dollars. I want to keep it in the family."

One of their sons, Edward, a captain in the Air Force, is buying the land now (it is currently in escrow) and will take it over in 1985.

"He's sentimental about it, too," Leona says.

"We don't know what his kids are going to do, but we do know what he plans on doing," says Vernon.

And that is to farm it, just like it has been farmed for over the past 100 years.



A view of the Hayhurst farm taken in the 1940's.

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