

CFR 0221

Darrel C. Montgomery

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Albany, Oregon.  
July 17, 1958.

I, Darrell C. Montgomery, first being duly sworn, depose and say that my grandfather, William G. Montgomery, took up a D.L.C. with his wife, Mary L. Montgomery, each taking up 160 acres, making a total of 320 acres in all. He filing the said application with the Register & Receiver at the Salem, Oregon land office his notification (No. 2671) in November 14, 1855. Said property being located in T. 9 Sec. 35 S.R. 1W of the W.M.

I further certify that upon the death of my grandfather, William G. Montgomery, my father, Howard Montgomery, heired a portion of said claim. The remainder of said claim going to the widow of William G. Montgomery and to brothers and sisters of the said Howard Montgomery, namely: Mary L. Montgomery, widow of William G. Montgomery, Amanda Montgomery Ground, Mary I. Montgomery, Anna Montgomery Munkers, W. O. Montgomery, Roger S. Montgomery, Elva Montgomery, Lena J. Montgomery Caspell, Frank Montgomery, Ollie M. Montgomery Ward.

I further certify that in the year 1910 the said Howard Montgomery purchased the above described from the above named heirs.

I further state upon oath that in the year 1918, the said Howard Montgomery purchased the 160 acres which the said Mary L. Montgomery took up as a D.L.C.

I further certify that I, Darrell C. Montgomery, the son of Howard Montgomery, purchased 170 acres of the original D.L.C. The remaining 150 being purchased by my sister, Maysel Montgomery Lyon.

I further certify that the above described property has been in the family possession for more than 100 years, continually, and I am now operating, living and managing the said farm at Rt. 1, Box 26, Scio, Oregon.

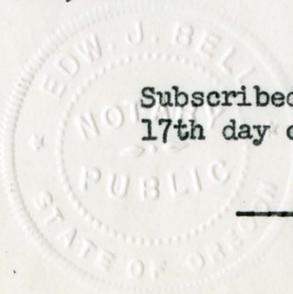
OK by 26  
Scio, Ore.

Darrell C. Montgomery  
Owner.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this  
17th day of July, 1958.

Edw J Bee  
Notary Public for Oregon.  
My Commission Expires Sept. 16, 1961.

July 18, 1958.  
Accepted this date  
of Amarel Co judge  
Lin Co Oregon



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## Century-Old Scio Area Farm Once Yielded Fireplace Stone

By JOSEPHINE SOMMER

Democrat-Herald Correspondent  
SCIO — Foresight or luck in his choice of land, back in 1885, resulted in an additional source of income for William G. Montgomery and his wife, Mary Custick Montgomery.

Close to 30 large holes in a hillside rock quarry on the place, and many stone fireplaces throughout the valley, and as far away as Oregon City, give evidence of his prowess in cutting the huge slabs of stone, ready to fit together when they reached their destination. When an order was placed with him, he got the measurements for the size fireplace desired, then cut all the necessary stone for the sides, top, hearth, etc., so the finishing task of putting it together was a simple matter. The present owner of one of his fireplaces came back just a few years ago to cut a new hearthstone out of the quarry and was pleased to find ledgework in the slab he cut. "My grandfather had evidently learned this trade in his native Kentucky," said Mrs. Maysel Lyon, and he taught it to my father. Some of the fireplaces they built are still in use."

She and her husband, Carl, now own half of the original 320 acres claim. Her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Darrel Montgomery, own the other half. The Montgomery home is near the location of the house built by their grandparents, and the spring which supplied water for the first homestead is still the only water supply needed. Now, of course, an electric pump simplifies getting the water to the house.

Samuel Montgomery and his family, which included four sons, Jack, William, Frank and John, and one daughter, Jane, first came across the plains to the Oregon Territory in covered wagons in 1847, the year of the Whitman Massacre. Samuel went back to Kentucky, making the trip "around the horn," to persuade other settlers to come to Oregon. In 1851, he again made the trek across the plains.

Donation certificate No. 2671 states that William G. Montgomery was born in Ballard County, Ky., on May 20, 1834. He married Mary L. Custick in Linn county on Oct. 18, 1855. They began residence on their claim on Nov. 6, 1855.

Twelve children were born to the William Montgomerys during their years of "proving up" on their land. During those years they planted a large orchard, but all that remains of it are three apple trees and a few pear trees.

One of the 12 children, Howard, married Minnie Leffler in 1894 and he began farming the place of his father. His children continued the unbroken family ownership of the farm. Two of four children of the Howard Montgomery family, Darrel and Maysel, live on the place.

Darrel married Ora Bates in 1917 and took over farming part of the land in 1919. His mother and the Lyons and Darrel Montgomerys have owned the place since 1899, continuing family ownership of a farm which is nearing its 103rd anniversary.



CENTURY FARM. Descendants' Snow Quarry