

CFR 0039

Glen and Ellie Rickard

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--1970  
(Rules attached)

Deadline for filing application: July 1, 1970

PLEASE PRINT

Your name (Mr., Mrs., Miss) MR AND MRS GLEN - FRANKLIN - RICKARD

Your address: Route R.R. #3 P.O. Box 731 Town MONROE

Location of farm: JUNCTION - CITY - OREGON BENTON  
(Address) 97448 (County)

Acres in your farm today: 48.2 Acres in original farm: 860

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

Name of founder of farm (please print): ANDREW - RICKARD

Year founder settled on farm? 1860 Where did he come from? MISSOURI

How many families have farmed this land? 4 generations

Are any of original buildings still in use? yes - old house - used as shed.

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? Grandson and wife -

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

Dairy Cattle - Sheep - Hogs - Horses

~~Wheat~~ (Common) Wheat - Oats - Barley -

What do you raise on farm today? Horses, Sheep, Pigs (owners)

(Vegetables grown by renter) Squash - beets -

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

Glen, and Nellie Richard - Mary Jane Richard - (14 yrs)

Has the farm ever been rented? partially How many times has original farm been divided? once

(rented - (right heir to original owner))  
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-

Glen Richard, Nellie Richard  
Signature of Owner

State Department of Agriculture  
Oregon Historical Society

CERTIFICATION OF OWNERSHIP OF CENTURY FARM

I hereby certify that the farm for which Glen & Nellie Rickard  
Owner's name and address  
Junction City Rte 3, Junction City is applying for Century Farm honors,  
(in Benton County)  
has been in his family continuously for 100 or more years.

Ralph P. Schindler  
~~\*County Commissioner~~ Recorder

Date: June 23, 1970

RALPH P. SCHINDLER, COUNTY CLERK  
CORVALLIS, OREGON

\*Please strike office not applicable

Gazette Times  
Corvallis OR

# Rickards Have Century Farm

By NANCY ANDERSON  
of The Gazette-Times  
MONROE — A quiet  
Monroe farm home of the  
Glen Rickard family, has  
been designated one of  
Oregon's Century Farms of  
1970.

A Century Farm is one  
which has been continuously  
owned by the same family  
for at least 100 years. There  
are 511 Century Farms in the  
state, according to the  
Department of Agriculture.

A total of 43 farms have  
been added this year to the  
list of Century Farms.

The rules state that the  
farms must be operating and  
that they must be owned by  
a descendant of the original  
owner.

The Rickard farm has been  
in the family since 1860, but  
the family lived on the farm  
before it filled the papers for  
ownership. The farm is  
located about five miles south  
of Monroe.

Andrew Rickard, the great-  
grandfather of present owner,  
Glen Franklin Rickard, came  
to Oregon from California.  
He had originally moved to  
California from Missouri for  
the Gold Rush, but when that  
ended he moved to his  
Oregon. Several of his  
brothers had already moved  
to the state.

He bought 230 acres in  
Benton County, for which he  
paid \$60. Present owner Glen  
Rickard laughs at the  
now 48 acres and the taxes  
on the land last year were  
\$450.

The first house on the pro-  
perty was a log cabin, but  
Andrew Rickard built a new  
house in 1860. That house is  
still standing and was the  
home of the Glen Rickards  
until 1955.

"I just couldn't keep the  
old house warm," says  
Rickard. He built the present  
house himself, hiring \$60  
of carpentry help.

Besides his own work,  
Rickard himself was "a  
case of necessity — I couldn't  
afford to hire it done."

The "old house," as the  
Rickards now refer to it, has  
the name Frank Saniford and  
of the timbers. Saniford was  
the carpenter who built the  
house.

The "old house" is made  
of hand-hewn timbers which  
were hauled to Oregon by a  
team of oxen. The house was  
set on oak blocks, and the  
hand-hewn timbers were used  
for sills and braces. Weather  
boarding was used for the  
outside, and the cracks were  
filled with the inside. Square  
nails were used to hold the  
timbers together.

There are six rooms in the  
and two rooms upstairs. At  
one point, Glen Rickard  
planned to tear the old house  
down. He sold the chimney  
no farther toward tearing the  
house down.

The original Rickard —  
Andrew, that is — grew oats,  
hay and wheat and raised  
sheep and cattle on the farm.  
The Rickards today actually  
farm very little of their own  
land. Glen Rickard does raise  
sheep, pigs and saddle horses,  
but most of the land is rented  
out. This year according to  
Rickard, the land is being  
used for row crops — squash  
and beets.

Rickard says when the  
"I always wanted to see  
high water when I was  
young," he says. "I thought  
it would be exciting." It must  
have been in the water measured  
1942-43, 30 inches in the yard. And  
in 1945-46, Rickard says, the  
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farm, but the Ingram Island  
between the farm and river.  
The Siletz Indians, who us-  
ed to have a trail which ran  
through the Rickard farm,  
told flood stories to Rickard's  
grandfather. The Indians said  
there were times when the  
Willamette Valley flooded so  
much they could travel from  
the Coast Mountains to the  
Cascades in canoes.

The Rickard farm today is  
quiet. Only 14-year-old Mary  
Jane of the five children of  
the Glen Rickards is still  
living at home. Rickard  
employed in Junction City  
the American Can Co.

from the Pacific Coast,  
and Olympic Games  
Sunday in the Corva

## Defense Ian Zelic

blockers considerable  
Freeburn, the  
defensive tackle, was  
standout for the defend  
"We had a real  
session," Andros felt.  
hitting was good."

As expected, some  
came out with some  
and bruises. Gary  
(safety), Nathan  
(halfback), Dave Nirt  
(offensive tackle) and  
Fry (defensive halfba  
were among those hol  
although none appea  
serious.

## Sparkle

Among the more exciting  
times on the farm were the  
years of floods, according to  
Rickard.

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