

CFR 0088

Mr. and Mrs. James L. Howard

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

Your name (Mr., Mrs., Miss) Mr. and Mrs. James L. Howard

Your address: Route 1 ~~XXX~~ Box 156 Town Mulino

Location of farm: Market Road #1 Clackamas  
(Address) (County)

Acres in your farm today: 72 Acres in original farm: 220

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

Name of founder of farm (please print): N. R. Mulvaney

Year founder settled on farm? 1872 Where did he come from? Missouri

How many families have farmed this land? Three

Are any of original buildings still in use? No

Who farms land today? You? X A renter?        A manager?        Other? & Son

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

What relation are you to the original owner? Grandson

If you know crops or livestock raised on farm 100 years ago, please list Cattle, Hogs,  
Grain, Hay

What do you raise on farm today? Cattle, Sheep

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

Has the farm ever been rented? No How many times has original farm been divided? 1

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

James L. Howard  
Signature of Owner

Mail to: State Dept. of Agriculture  
Agriculture Building, Salem, Oregon  
97310

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Submitted by: James L. Howard; Route 1, Box 156; Mulino, Oregon 97042  
(Name and Address)

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

N. R. Mulvany moved from Missouri to Wasco County, Oregon, in 1872. He then traded that property for this farm and moved here in the fall of 1872. When Nelson Mulvany died in 1926 his daughter, Rosa, who was a spinster, took over the farm. She raised her nephew, James L. Howard, and continued to operate the farm until 1957 when Jim and his wife, Freda, came to look after her. Rosa Mulvany died in 1958 and Jim and Freda took over the management of the farm helped by his youngest son, Harold Nelson Howard. In 1972 Harold and his family built a house on the farm and are helping Jim and Freda operate the farm.

CERTIFICATION OF OWNERSHIP OF CENTURY FARM

I hereby certify that the farm for which James L. and Freda Howard  
Owner's name and address

Route 1, Box 156; Mulino, Oregon is applying for Century Farm honors,

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

*George D. Poppin*  
*Clackamas Co. Clerk*

~~\*County Commissioner~~

Recorder

Date: 7-5-73

\*Please strike office not applicable

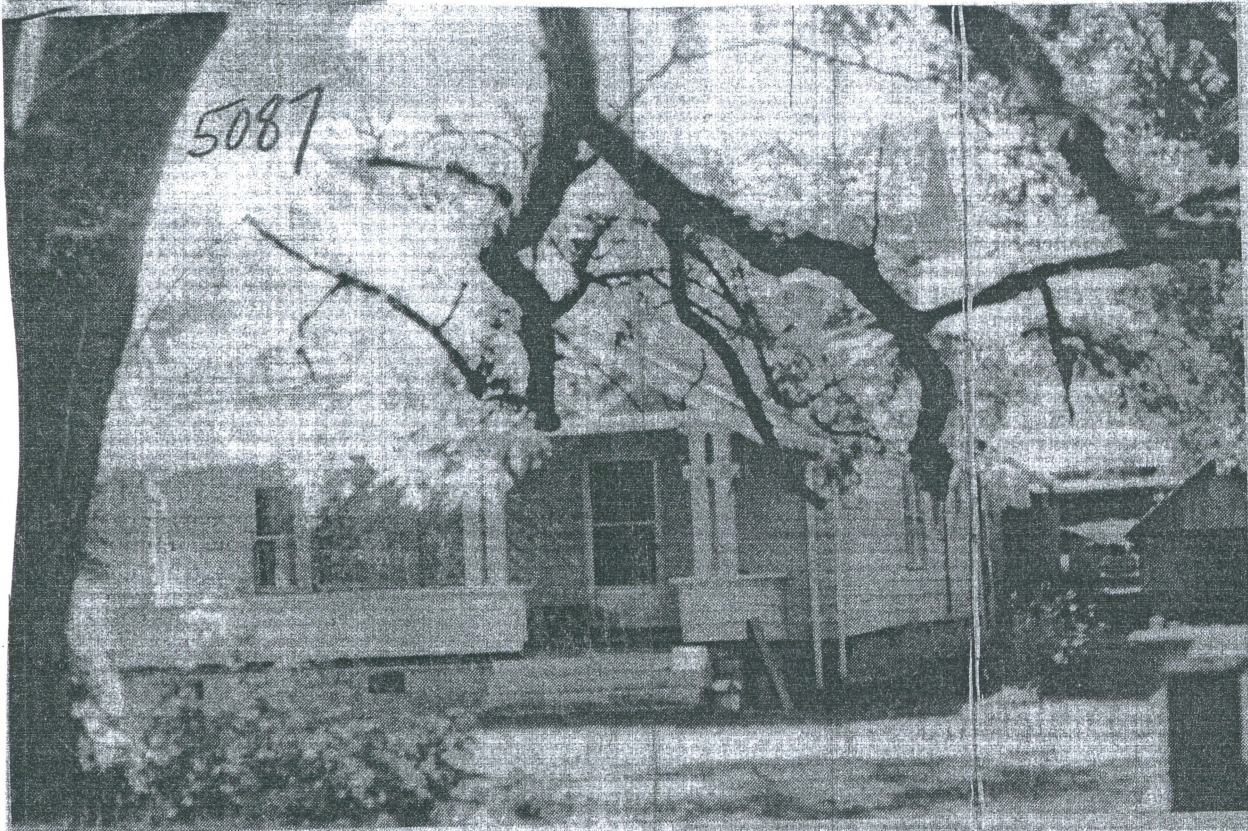


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THIS FARMHOUSE on South Union Mills Road is located on property owned by the same family since 1872. It was designated a Century Farm by the Oregon Historical Society. (Staff photo)

## Area farm goes "way back"

By LOU TORRES  
Editor

Historically speaking, Harold and Nancy Howard go way back.

Actually, it's their family that goes way back in Oregon history.

The Howards own and live on a spread of over 100 acres along South Union Mills Road, just North of Molalla. That's not too significant but the fact that the land has been in the family since 1872 is.

The property was recognized in the early 1970s as a "Century Farm," and received that

distinction from the Oregon Historical Society which recognizes 100-year-old plus farms in Oregon. A sign hangs outside the old farm house at 15522 S. Union Mills Rd. declaring it a "Century Farm."

Howard said that his great-great-grandfather, Nelson Mulvaney, acquired the property (240 acres at the time) in 1872.

"He came across the plains in 1852 and then traded land with someone who wanted to move to Wasco County," Howard said. "They just traded land and that's how we ended up here."

Howard's father was raised in

the old farm house which was built in 1914. However, the original farm house was built with lumber from the Union Mill which at one time was just down the road on South Union Mills Road.

The Howards actually live on neighboring property still farming at least 70 acres of the original property. They raise some cattle and sheep and grow hay.

The Howards have four children and at least one, they say, would like to continue farming the property. That means the property should remain in the Howard family for at least one more generation.