

CFR 0294

Henry and Eloise Davenport

APPLICATION FOR CENTURY FARM HONORS

STATE OF OREGON  
COUNTY OF MARION

Location and size of farm 68.31 acres Sub 2 T. 7 Range 1 W

in Waldo Hills area

Present owner Henry & Eloise Davenport

Address Route 3 # Box 23 Silverton Oregon

Do you live on this farm and farm the land? Yes but don't live on it

Do you make \$150 a year or more from this farm? yes

If you live off this land, do you manage the farm operation? yes

Name and date of first generation owner Benjamin & Sarah Davenport - 1851

Brief description of farm 40 acres in Trece & Bert grass 23 acres in timber and pasture and am running sheep on it at present.

History Family located here in 1857 and has been in the family ever since. I have the government land patent signed by Pro Andrew Johnson Nov. 13. 1865. My great grandfather's

Henry Davenport

Signature of present owner



STATE OF OREGON )  
COUNTY OF MARION )

SS

On this 8th day of July, 1958, before me, a notary public, the undersigned officer, personally appeared Henry Davenport, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same for the purposes therein contained.

In witness whereof I hereunto set my hand and official seal.

Jay B. Dwyer  
Notary Public for Oregon

SEAL

My Commission Expires Jan. 22, 1959

Do you make \$100 a year or more from this farm?

If you live off this land, do you manage the farm operation?

Name and date of first generation owner

Davenport - 1921

Brief description of farm

40 acres in Tule & Butte  
48 acres in timber and pasture and one young  
chick on it at present

History

Family located here in 1857 and has been in the family ever since. The government land patent expired 1920 and the Davenport Nov. 13, 1923. The grant was for 40 acres.

SIGNATURE OF PRESENT OWNER

REGISTRATION CENTURY FARM CELEBRATION

OREGON STATE FAIR, September 6, 1960

1. Check which year you received Century Farm Award:

1958 ☒  
1959 ☐  
1960 ☐

2. Name: Wenay Davenport
3. Postoffice Address: Silverton, Oregon
4. What county is your Century Farm in? Marion
5. How old is your farm? 102. How old are you? 48
6. Who founded your Century Farm? Ben
7. How many miles did you travel to come today? 15
8. How many years have you belonged to the Oregon Historical Society or your County Historical Society? \_\_\_\_\_
9. How many generations of your family live on the farm today? 2
10. How many exhibits do you have at the 1960 Oregon State Fair? 1 flock of sheep

What are they? Charriot Sheep

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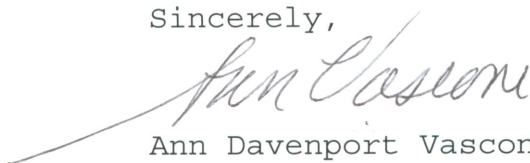
Dear Ron,

I saw your name listed in the Silverton Appeal as coordinator of Century Farm Registration.

I would like to know if there is a published list of Century farms for the state of Oregon. I know that our farm was registered for the state centennial and that a metal sign was issued. I have not found any paper work in my parents papers for it or the metal sign. It would be registered under Henry and Eloise Davenport. The farm is part of the original land donation land claim of Dr. Benjamin F. and Sarah Rollins Gott Davenport in the Waldo Hills out of Silverton. It was passed down to son, Benjamin F. Davenport Jr.; then to grandson, John H. Davenport; then to Henry and Eloise Davenport. We, the children of Henry and Eloise now own it. It has been in the family since 1851 and I have the original papers signed by President Grant.

Thank you for any help that you might be able to give me concerning this matter.

Sincerely,



Ann Davenport Vasconi  
6613 N.W. Grandview Dr.  
Corvallis, Oregon 97330

MARION Co,

H. & E. D. RT. 3, Box 23, Silverton 1958





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July 25, 1995

Ann Davenport Vasconi  
6613 N W Grandview Drive  
Corvallis, OR 97330

Dear Ms. Vasconi:

Thank you very much for your letter regarding the historic Davenport Century Farm. My meager office records do indicate that Henry and Eloise Davenport of Rt. 3, Box 23, Silverton, received Century Farm designation in 1958, as you noted, the first year of the program.

The original application, and additional records if any, may be filed with our Century Farm archive. Would you like me to ask the archivist to determine if any early records exist? Please let me know.

Regarding the metal sign, we do not supply these, but they are available through the following source:

Traffic Safety Supply Co  
Signs & Supplies  
2324 S E Umatilla St  
Portland, OR 97202

Att'n: Myron Boyer Tel. (503) 235-8531

I would suggest simply calling Myron for further sign information, the current price, and sign options.

Please feel free to call or contact me anytime for further information.

Sincerely,

Ron Brentano  
Coordinator/Century Farm Program

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