

CFR 0364

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Humphreys

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. & Mrs. Robert Humphreys

Your address: Route 1 P.O. Box 83 Town Sublimity

Location of farm: Rt. 1 Box 83 Sublimity, Ore. Marion
(Address) (County)

Acres in your farm today: 250 (owned) Acres in original farm: 113

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

Name of founder of farm (please print): Jane King

Year founder settled on farm? 1870 1860 Where did he come from? Missouri

How many families have farmed this land? 4

Are any of original buildings still in use? No

Who 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? Live on it

What relation are you to the original owner? Great grandson

If you know crops or livestock raised on farm 100 years ago, please list Don't know

For sure but think Oats & wheat for crops

Cattle, horses & sheep

What do you raise on farm today? Grass seed & sheep

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

Grandson children Vicki, Robert Jr. & Mark

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

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

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

Robert Humphreys
Signature of Owner

State Department of Agriculture
Oregon Historical Society

CERTIFICATION OF OWNERSHIP OF CENTURY FARM

I hereby certify that the farm for which Mr + Mrs Robert Humphrey
Owner's name and address

Plot Box 83 Sublimity Ore is applying for Century Farm honors,

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

Harry Carson Jr
*County Commissioner

~~Recorder~~

Date:

7/25/73

*Please strike office not applicable

Sublimity, Ore
August 24, 1973

Miss Maggie Mager
Information Assistant
Department of Agriculture
Salem, Oregon
Dear Miss Mager:

I am writing in regards to
our application for a Century
farm award.

We have discovered that we
made an error on the application.
I hope it is not too late to have
it corrected.

We put the date of our family's
acquisition of the property as 1870,
when it should have been
Sept 30, 1860. The error came
from reading the recording date
instead of the purchase date on
the deed.

I am enclosing a 3x5

Copy of Page 546 Book 12
Mason Co deed records, with
the appropriate intro. Included
We will certainly appreciate
anything you can do to help
us get this completed.

Thank you
Robert Humphreys

- P.S. Thanks for the tickets to the Fair!

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This indenture witnesseth that David F. Hartley and Amanda his wife for the consideration of the sum of Three Hundred & fifty Dollars \$350.00 to us paid have bargained and sold and by these presents do bargain sell and convey unto Jane King the East Half of of the following described premises to wit:

Situated in Marion County and State of Oregon Township Eight South and Range One West of the Willamette Meridian. Beginning at a Stake 12.52 Chs East of the South West Corner of Section twelve in T. 8. S. R. 1 W. thence West 25.62 Chs. thence North 40.14 Chs. Thence S 89° 45 East 28.47 Chs. Thence South 40.29 Chs. to the place of beginning Containing One hundred and two ac. 00 09 Per acres more or less

To Have and to Hold the said premises with their appurtenances unto the said Jane King her heirs and assigns forever And the said David F. Hartley and Amanda his wife do hereby Covenant to and with the said Jane King her heirs and assigns that they are the owners in fee simple of said premises that they are free from all incumbrances & that they will warrant & defend the same from all lawful claims whatsoever In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands and Seal this 30th day of September A.D. 1860

In presence of
W. H. Lewis
Chas Bowie

David F. Hartley (Seal)
Amanda Hartley (Seal)

WS Stamp
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Acknowledgment

State of Oregon
County of Marion S.S. On this 30th day of September A.D. 1860 personally Came before me a Justice of the peace in and for said County the within named David F. Hartley and Amanda Hartley his wife to me personally known to be the identical persons described in and who executed the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same freely for the uses and purposes therein named and the said Amanda Hartley on examination 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 30th day of September A.D. 1860

Chas. Bowie J.P.

Recorded Dec 30. 1860

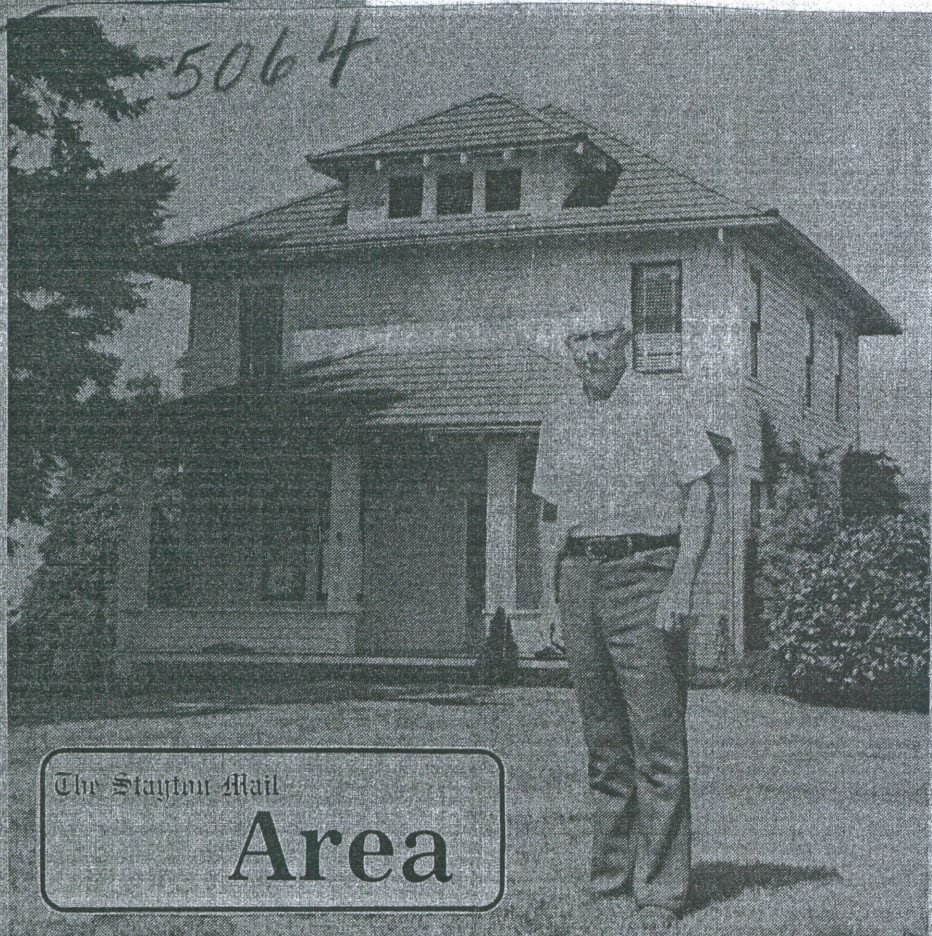
1113 Casper Recorder

Where all these by these presents we John Rains and Sarah J. Rains his wife formerly Sarah J. Plummer his at law of Wasley Plummer deceased and of William C. Plummer deceased of Oregon for and in consideration of the sum of Three Hundred Dollars to us in hand paid by Henry S. Chapin of Multnomah the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged have bargained sold aliened remised released conveyed and confirmed and by these presents do grant convey release and confirm unto the said Henry S. Chapin and to his heirs and assigns forever all our right title interest and claim as well in law as in Equity in all the above described Real Estate to wit:

Stayton, Oregon
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Allen's P. C. B. Est. 1858



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Area

BOB HUMPHREYS says there's a lot of history in the hills around his Sublimity farm. He should know — the farm has been in his family for more than 100 years. See story. Stayton Mail photograph.

Sublimity farm to celebrate century

By RICK BEASLEY
Stayton Mail Editor

SUBLIMITY — There's a lot of history in the hills east of here, and nobody knows that better than Bob Humphreys. Humphreys, who farms 400 acres of grassland and pasture only a few miles from this quiet community, will be celebrating more than 100 years of family farming at a special program Friday, August 31, at the Oregon State Fair.

Humphreys' farm is among 36 others chosen by the Oregon Department of Agriculture and the Oregon Historical Society as a "Century Farm" — a unique distinction for rural families still operating farms their ancestors settled a century or more ago.

"To me," Humphreys says, "it's quite a thing of pride to know that your relatives have lived that long on one place. And it's a thing of interest to know that a farmer can hold onto his property for that long."

Humphreys' great-grandmother, Jane King, came from Missouri in 1852 and settled near Sublimity. Eight years later, she purchased the farm that has remained in the Humphreys

family for more than a century. And for Bob Humphreys, that means a lot of history.

"I was born in this very room," Humphreys says, sitting in the living room of his spacious home. Gesturing down the road and pointing to an old farmhouse, Humphreys adds, "And there's the original homestead."

Whether or not this farm remains in the Humphreys family may not be entirely decided by the Sublimity farmer's two sons — neither of the school-aged youths have decided what they want to do later in life despite the fact that they both work the farm with their father. Humphreys, who is Chairman of the State Board of Agriculture and past president of the Oregon Seed Grower's League, says that grass farmers in Oregon are facing increased costs and a 1975 burning cutoff that threatens their existence.

"If it's (the cutoff) enforced," Humphreys concluded, "it will mean disaster for all the growers."

But if the Century Farm award is any indication of this family's determined effort to keep its farm alive, Bob Humphreys shouldn't worry too much. After all, the second hundred years is always the easiest.