

CFR 0368

Robert G. and Elizabeth Williamson

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) Robert G. & Elizabeth Williamso n

Your address: Route # 1 P.O. Box 132 Town Aurora,

Location of farm: Rt. # 1, Box 132, Aurora, OR 97002 Marion  
(Address) (County)

Acres in your farm today: 208 Acres in original farm: ~~361.20~~ <sup>640 acres</sup> more or less

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

Name of founder of farm (please print): Peter Gauthier <sup>See next page</sup> - D.J Penlton

Year founder settled on farm? Land grant 9/27/1850 claim dated 10/10/1859 where did he come from? I don't know

How many families have farmed this land? several

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? \_\_\_\_\_

What relation are you to the original owner? none to P. Gauthier. then next owner was <sup>my</sup> great-grandfather

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

What do you raise on farm today? dairy and grass seed farming

How many generations live on the farm today? (Names) 3 generations live on farm today  
(father & mother) (~~son~~ & daughter in law) (grandson) (Granddaughter)  
Fay & I.O. Williamson: Robert & Elizabeth Williamson: David Williamson: Sally Williamson.

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

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

Elizabeth Williamson  
Robert Williamson  
Signature of Owner

Submitted by: Robert G. & Elizabeth Williamson Rt. # 1, Box 132, Aurora, OR 97002  
(Name and Address)

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Founder of this farm was Peter Gauthier. His widow and heirs sold this farm to my greatgrandfather, D.J. Penlton. (my mothers grandfather). My grandfather, G.A. Penlton, (my mothers father) and (my Uncle) E. Penlton farmed before my father and mother did.

75 acres of this farm is used for dairy purposes, the remainder is chewing fescue seed farming. (last 30 yrs)

I have the original land grant paper signed by President Ulysses S. Grant, June 13, 1873,  
also original deeds

State Department of Agriculture  
Oregon Historical Society

CERTIFICATION OF OWNERSHIP OF CENTURY FARM

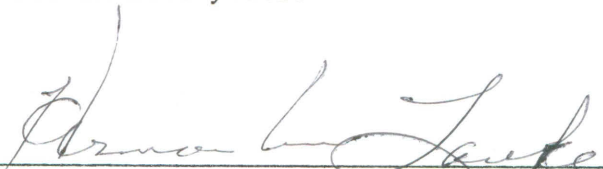
I hereby certify that the farm for which Robert G. & Elizabeth Williamson

Owner's name and address

Rt. # 1, Box 132, Aurora, OR 97002

is applying for Century Farm honors,

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

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\*County ~~Commissioner~~ Recorder

Date: JUL 24 1973

\*Please strike office not applicable

Robert G. Williamson  
Rt. #1, Box 132  
Aurora, Oregon 97002



Mr. Thomas Vaughan  
1230 S. W. Park  
Portland, OR 97205

november 16, 1973

Mr/ Vaughn;

I am still waiting for my century farm certificate  
as you promised to correct the spelling of the  
name Pendleton.

As you recall it was mis spelled on the one presented  
at the State Fair.

Sincerely,

Robert G. Williamson

Robert G. Williamson  
Rt. #1, Box 132  
Aurora, Oregon 97002

*Penlton*

November 27, 1973

Mr. Robert G. Williamson  
Rt. 1 Box 132  
Aurora, Oregon 97002

Dear Mr. Williamson:

We are sorry about the spelling on the Century Farm Certificate, but you can see by the enclosed copy we used the spelling Penlton as you had it on the application.

However, we are having another certificate prepared but it will be a week or two as several signatures will have to be secured.

Sincerely,

Hazel Ladd  
Executive Secretary

Pendleton

January 28, 1974

Maggie Magee  
Department of Agriculture  
Agriculture Building  
Salem, Oregon

Dear Maggie:

Would you believe we have a little unfinished  
business re: Century Farmers?

Enclosed is copy of a note from Mr. Robert  
Williamson of Aurora, our answer, and a new  
'Century Farm Certificate', with the corrected  
spelling.

Please send along to Mr. Williamson when  
appropriate signatures have been obtained and  
we will be most grateful.

Sure hope your office was not one of those  
waterlogged during the recent flood waters.

Best wishes.

Hazel Ladd  
Executive Secretary

Enclosure