

CFR 0416

Mary Emma Miller

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--197<sup>3</sup>

(Rules attached)

Deadline for filing application: July <sup>27</sup><sub>3</sub>, 197<sup>3</sup>

PLEASE PRINT

Your name (Mr., Mrs., Miss) MARY EMMA MILLER

Your address: Route #1 P.O. Box 457 Town SALEM

Location of farm: Same Address Gale  
(Address) (County)

Acres in your farm today: 250 Acres in original farm about 1800 A. with Windsor Island

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

Name of founder of farm (please print): BENJIMAN F. WINDSOR  
BEN WINDSOR

Year founder settled on farm? 3 Aug 1868 (decd) Where did he come from? ENGLAND

How many families have farmed this land? 3 Generations

Are any of original buildings still in use? Stairway

Who farms land today? You? X 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? Great Grand Daughter

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

Richard Horses, and Cattle.

      

What do you raise on farm today? Grain

      

How many generations live on the farm today? (Names) One - Mrs Mary Miller

      

Has the farm ever been rented? Share Crops How many times has original farm been divided? 2

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

      

Mary Emma Miller

Signature of Owner

Submitted by:

Mary Emma Miller Rte #1 Box 457 Salem  
(Name and Address)

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Article in Salem paper at time of death  
Wealthy Rancher Dies

Salem, Ore. March 17, 1912 — Ben Windcox, whose illness suddenly developed a few days ago, died on his ranch in Polk Co. He was one of the heaviest land owners in this section of the valley. He was born in England in 1832. Coming to America in 1852. Landing in New York he stayed there a short time, moved to Illinois where he resided on a farm for three and one half years. Lured by the gold craze he went to Calif. in 1856 for three years he prospected unsuccessfully and in 1859 he came to Salem.

He hired out as a farm hand and the money he earned he continually invested in land until at <sup>the</sup> time he was owner of 1800 acres. A few years ago he sold about 800 acres, retaining 1000 acres along the river bank of the Willamette at the time of his death.

His wife died some years ago. He is survived by a son Frank Windcox and two daughters Emma Childers and Sarah Ann Hackett. The funeral was held at Jena.

CERTIFICATION OF OWNERSHIP OF CENTURY FARM

is applying for Century Farm honors.

76 B. B. Hulbrand  
\*County Commissioner Recorder

Date: 23 July 73

Form A - Century Farm Program