CFR 0457

Edward Porter

## JOHN R. PORTER

August 22, 1958

Edward Porter Route 2. Box 126 Forest Grove. Oregon

Dear Mr. Porter:

The Century Farm certificate will list only the name of the first member of your family to settle the land. Would the correct mame for your land be Porter. John Butt or Silas Beeks? If the founder is Porter could we have the first name of Mr. Porter.

Today I spoke with Mrs. Sylvester A. Van Loo. She suggested I confirm the information with you. Would the information for her certificate be the same as the information for yours?

Mrs. Van Loo suggested the date of founding as 1848. This would be the date your direct ancestor first farmed the land.

Thank you for your interest and participation in the Century Farm program.

Sincerely.

Judith Scharf
Public Services Representative

Edward Porter: I made a file from letter. No CFR # Address is Fourt 6 rove so I put in washington County. John R. Poster in 1857 Lane Country

CFR 0182 Tapp. William Porterfor in

Mother Lawrence. Cives on land.

Could this be aletter from another

relative regarding the same property?

WASHINGTON COUNTY

LIST OF APPLICANTS FOR CENTURY FARM

	2	QUALIFICATION.		
Settled:	Certif or Claim No.	Recdg.	Original Claim.	Heirs
1846		T.L.4 21-22 IN3W	WREN, Michael	Anna Wren (daughter) R. I, Box 357, Cornelius, Oregon
1850	1287	2-29	FANNO, Aug. J.	Frank Fanno 8385 S.W. Highway 217 Beaverton, Oregon
1850	1299		DENNEY (5	Robt. Benj. Denney Beaverton, Oregon
1843	1359 C1.40	Pt.20-21-28 & 29	SEWELL, Henry	James Sewell 543 S. 7th, Hillsboro, Ore.
1850			MARSH, John (Orig.Hayward)	William Marsh Route I, Cornelius, Ore.
1853		C-495 1858	HAYWARD, Jas.	Wesley L. Batchelder Hillsboro? Ore
1851				Chester L. Robinson 10315 Scholls Ferry Rd Tigard, Oregon
		C-274 1857	PORTER PLACE (Beeks to Porter 2/23/57	Sylvester A. Van Loo Route 2, Box 124, Forest Grove, Oregon
			" also:	Edward Porter R. 2, Box 126, Forest Grove
1852	Land Gran	t	IRELAND	Arthur P. Ireland Route 2, Forest Grove, Ore.
		C-506	OLDS PORTER	Hazel Olds Route 3, Sherwood, Ore.
1857			SETH, Thos. (Christian Bridgefarmer grant)	Oral McLeod ) Onen F. " )Gaston Jessie E. King )Ore. Bessie E. Hoædenpile )
1853	04:6		ROBERTS, Henry Clay	Carroll H. Roberts Gaston, Oregon
	Certif. 1642	5-137	HALL	Mrs. Ray Delsman 31365 W. Jackson Hillsboro, Oregon

Submitted by Joe A. Jaross, County Judge.

1850

ROBINSON

William Robinson

BROWN, Alvin C. Mrs. Roy L. (Ernestine Brown)
Davidson, R.2, Box 422,
Forest Grove, Oregon

10315 Scholls Ferry Rd Tigard, Oregon

3 Fred Bowlby, Cornelius, Ore.



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## ntury Farm Program Entered y Porter, Van Loo Families



ED PORTER—Farming a claim his grand-father purchased in 1857 is Ed Porter. Farm is a located on Rt. 2 and consists of 84 acres. Por-ter has been a member of the Five-Ton straw-

berry club for the past five years. Below, Mrs. Sylvester Van Loo, Porter's sister, who lives with her husband and four children on a farm adjoining Porter's.

Farm land now worked by the Sylvester Van Loos and the Ed Porters on Rt. 2, Forest Grove, has been in the family more than 100 years, entitling the two families to enter the Century Farm program being conducted throughout the state by the Oregon Historical Society and State Department of Agriculture.

Agriculture.

Porter, who farms 84 acres on Porter road, recalls that his grandfather purchased a claim in 1857 originally filed by two families, Beaks and Butts. John Robert Porter, his grandfather, farmed the land until 1888 when he died. His

being conducted locally by the county agent's office and County Judge Lee Jaross. It is a recognition of continuous farm ownership by one family since 1858 or earlier son, Robert Porter, who was only 15 when his father died, fell heir to the land. His older brother aided him until he became of age. In 1947 Ed Porter became the landowner. Eight-four acres were kept by Porter and 30 went to the Van Loos. Mrs. Van Loo is Porter's

sister.

The Van Loos have grain and general farming crops on their land and Van Loo also does other farming in the area. Porter spread has grain and hay and Porter has been a member of the Five-Ton strawberry club for five years.

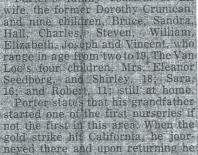
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Porter's family consists of his wife, the former Dorothy Crumican, and nine children, Bruce, Sandra, Hall, Charles, Steven, William, Elizabeth, Josaph and Vincent, who range in age from two to 19. The Van Loc's four children, Mrs. Eleanor Seedborg, and Shirley, 18; Sara, 16; and Robert, 11; still at home. Porter states that his grandfather started one of the first nurseries if not the first in this area. When the gold strike hit California, he journeyed there and upon returning he brought redwood seedlings which he planted. The redwoods are still growing, now an land owned by the Lloyd Matson family. Redwoods at Verboort, Forest Grove, and other surrounding areas were originally planted by his grandfather.

His great grand-father, William Porter, took a homestead on what is now the Long place in 1847, was 19 when he settled in the area. He was a Baptist minister as were six of his brothers:

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MRS, SYLVESTER VAN LOO