

CFR 0804

Louis A. Carlson

MORROW

APPLICATION FOR CENTURY FARM HONORS

Deadline for filing applications - May 1, 1985

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT:

Your name (Mr., Mrs., Ms.) Louis A. Carlson

Your address: Box 295 Valby Rd. Ione, Oregon 97843  
Street, Route, or Box Town Zip

Location of Farm: 18 mi. south of Ione on Valby Road Morrow  
Address County

To qualify as a Century Farm, a farm must have not less than 10 acres with a gross income from farm use of not less than \$500 per year for three out of the five years immediately preceding application for Century Farm Honors. Does your farm meet this qualification? Yes

Name of family member who was founder or original owner of farm Andrew S. and Sophia Carlson

Year founder settled on farm 1883 ? Where did he come from? Sweden

Who farms the land today? Louis A. Carlson and sons (grandson)

Relationship to original owner? Grandson and great grandsons

Are any of the original buildings still in use? If so which ones? House  
Some of the house still has single wall construction-most has been remodeled.

If you know crops or livestock raised on farm one hundred years ago, please list:  
Wheat, barley, corn, garden. 4 horses, 10 cattle, one hog, three dozen chickens.

What do you raise on farm today? Wheat, barley, and cow/calf herd.

How many generations live on the farm today (Names)? two - Louis A. Carlson  
son---~~Philip~~ Clinton Robert Carlson (Philip J. Carlson does not live on the land, but farms the land with Louis and Clinton.)

How many times has the original farm been divided? none

Do you declare that the statements made above are accurate and correct to the best of your knowledge? Copies of the Homestead application #1355 dated November 22, 1883.

Please return form to: Louis A. Carlson  
Signature of Owner

Elizabeth W. Buehler, Field Historian  
Oregon Historical Society  
1230 S.W. Park Avenue  
Portland, Oregon, 97205

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CERTIFICATION OF OWNERSHIP OF CENTURY FARM

I hereby certify that the farm for which Louis A. Carlson

Box 295 Ualby Rd. Ione, Ore 97843  
(owner's Name and Address)

is applying for Century Farm Honors has been in his family  
continuously for one hundred or more years.

Barbara Bloodworth  
(County Recorder/Clerk)

4-23-84  
Date

## ANDERS S. AND SOPHIA C. (CARLSDOTTER) CARLSON

Anders (Andrew) S. and Sophia Carolina were both born in Grythttan/Holmtorp, Varmland, Sweden. He was born on 8 February 1850 and she on 25 September 1849. (Sophia is Carlsdotter-Carl Anderson, his children became Carlson) Anders and Sophia were married in 1878 in Sweden where their first child, Carl Emil, was born on 26 August 1879. (his life is recorded elsewhere in this volume) (Carl) Emil, married Ethel Harrison, and he died on 8 December 1952 at Woodburn, Oregon. In 1880 Andrew Carlson and family came to the United States. They recorded a very rough boat crossing. The family went first to Chicago, where their second child, Hilda

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Anders S. and Sophia Carolina (Carlsdotter) Carlson

Sophia was born on 4 December 1881. (her life is recorded elsewhere in this volume.)

Sometime in 1881 Andrew read pamphlets telling of free land to be had in Eastern Oregon, so they moved on. Sophia's two sisters and husbands also came to Eastern Oregon. Louise (Carlsdotter) m. Carl Anderson and Charlotta (Carlsdotter) m. Andrew Anderson. (their lives are recorded elsewhere in this volume.) Andrew also had a ½ brother, named Emil (Carlson) Lind that live in Oregon for a short time, later returning to Sweden to live.

Andrew worked for a time at a Lumber mill in Tacoma, Washington. (recorded on Land affidavit) Then he and his family moved to the Gooseberry community. (1 mi. west of where Valby Lutheran Church would be built.) Andrew filed for his first Homestead application #1355 November 22, 1883, at The Dalles, Ore. The charge for the application was \$23.00. He then settled his family and was employed by J.S. Young and J.C. Hays herding sheep to earn enough money to buy a plow to farm his land. While herding the sheep a man walked up to him introduced himself as Emil Lind (Emil Carlson) who was looking for Anders Carlson. Andrew said 'I am he'. Emil then herded the sheep for 2 weeks for Andrew, so he, Andrew, could go home to his family for awhile. Andrew saved his money and was able to return to his family May 1, 1884 to live on his land.

Four more children were born: Victor Leonard b. 30 August 1884, m. Julia Hagstrom on 30 November 1917 and d. 29 November 1964 in Portland, Ore. (his life is recorded elsewhere in this volume) Hilma Amanda b. 30 October 1888, m. Robert Jesse Warfield and d. 19 November 1969 in Pendleton, Ore. Edith Carolina b. 2 April 1891, m. Evers, Rouse, Olson, and Hite, d. 16 October 1969 in Portland, Ore. Oscar Benard b. 29 October 1893, never married, he was killed in a farm accident on 22 May 1959.

On March 25, 1890, Andrew obtained his U.S. Citizenship at the Morrow County Courthouse in Heppner, Ore. On May 28, 1890, Andrew signed the final affidavit for application of 160 acres — sec. 8, township three S, of range no. 24 east. He had to swear that he was a citizen of the U.S., and that he had lived and cultivated the land since the first day of May 1884. The land was described as rolling prairie and grazing land, with no timber. The house was described, 12 x 18 and is comfortable at all seasons. Peter Brenner, Jacob Jones, Olof Bergstrom and John Peterson were the witnesses that Andrew Carlson had established claim by living and farming continuously for over 6 years. Improvements listed: Granary and stable \$40.00, fencing \$130.00, hen house \$10.00, lumber for 12 X 18 house \$65.00, about 25 acres was plowed and used for farming of wheat, barley, corn and garden. Total value of all land and improvements was listed at about \$600.00. He also had 4 horses, 10 head of cattle, one hog, three dozen chickens, a wagon and harness, plow, harrow, bedsteads, bed tables, table and chairs, and a cookstove. (later a single walled 24 X 40 two story addition was built to provide living area for the growing family.)

Andrew applied for an additional 160 acres under a new homestead law on 14 November 1892. This was granted 17 December 1897. This was timber cultivation land, however, it was very poor for that purpose and the box elder, mulberry and poplar trees that he had planted did not do well. This was attested to at the land office when the land was deeded to him on 15 August 1898.

Andrew and Sophia were members of Valby Lutheran Church and their children were baptized and confirmed at Valby. Meetings were held in the homes until 1886 when the new church was dedicated April 18. (the story of Valby is recorded elsewhere in this volume.)

Both Andrew and Sophia are buried in the Rose City Cemetery in Portland, Ore. Sophia died 13 March 1928 at the age of 78 in Portland, Ore., and Andrew followed three years later on 5 March 1931 at the age of 81 in Heppner, Ore.