

CFR 0895

Spencer Bacon

WALLOWA

APPLICATION FOR CENTURY FARM HONORS

Deadline for filing applications - May 1, 1985

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT:

Your name (Mr., Mrs., Ms.) Spencer Bacon

Your address: Flora Rt Box 63 Enterprise 97828
Street, Route, or Box Town Zip

Location of Farm: Flora Rt Lost Prairie Wallowa
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 ~~Renzo~~
Lorenzo Bacon

Year founder settled on farm 1884 Where did he come from? Missouri

Who farms the land today? Larry Bacon

Relationship to original owner? grandson

Are any of the original buildings still in use? If so which ones? House,
barn + grainery

If you know crops or livestock raised on farm one hundred years ago, please list:
hay, Horses

What do you raise on farm today? wheat, Barley, Hay, caloes

How many generations live on the farm today (Names)? 1st generation, Spencer Bacon;
2nd Larry Bacon; 3rd Jodi, Cody, Jessi Bacon, Allen Schnetzky

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? yes

Please return form to: Spencer Bacon
Signature of Owner

Elizabeth W. Buchler, 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 Spencer L. Bacon
Flora Rt. Box 63 Enterprise, Oregon 97828

(owner's Name and Address)

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

Wallowa Marjorie Martin
(County Recorder/Clerk) Marjorie Martin
Co. Clerk

April April 29, 1985
Date

BACON FAMILY HISTORY

My father, Lorenzo Bacon moved onto his claim and built his first log cabin in 1884.

It was on this same claim in 1887 that his father, Rion H. Bacon established the first post office in the North End area known as Lost Prairie, Oregon. He was the sole post master and operator until it was discontinued in 1900.

Although Rion Bacon and his wife, Clarissa, never owned this place, they lived on the homestead with my parents, Lorenzo and Hatti Bacon until his death in 1906.

Lorenzo and Hatti were married in 1897. They raised their family of 7 children and lived on his homestead until 1938 when I, their son, Spencer and my wife Mabel bought the place from them. This is where we raised our family, a daughter and son.

My wife Mabel passed away in 1973. My son Larry and his wife, Donna and their children live on an adjoining farm that we purchased in 1970 and he farms both places.

I, Spencer Bacon, was born in, and still live in the house my parents built in 1902. I am now 76 years old and am still active in the operation of the farm.

Home Pt. Box 63
Enterprise Cr.

June 5, 1984

Oregon Historical Society
One Dept. of Agriculture

Gentlemen:

I am seeking information about placing my farm in Century farm status.

My father Lorenzo Bacon, moved on his claim in March of 1884. He later married my mother & they lived on the homestead until 1938 when I, their son Spencer Bacon, bought the farm from them and I have lived here continuously since that time. I am now 76 yrs. old and am still active in farming. I am not sure what the requirements are for Century farm honors, nor how to acquire them. So would you please send information and application forms. Thank you

Sincerely

Spencer Bacon

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