

CFR 1009

Mrs. Bonham (Irene W.) and Michael E. Keerins

(David Keerins)

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APPLICATION FOR CENTURY FARM HONORS

Deadline for Filing Application - May 1, 1996 Redacted for Privacy

(Please print or type)

Telephone #: Redacted for Privacy

Your Name (Mr., Mrs., Ms., Miss) Bonham Keerins (Irene W.) & Michael E. Keerins

Your Address Redacted for Privacy
Street, Route or Box # City Zip Code

Location of Farm Izee Oregon of Grant County

To qualify as a Century Farm, a farm must have a gross income from farm use of not less than \$1,000.00 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:
David Keerins

Founder gained ownership of farm in (Year) resides July 19, 1890 -
(ATTACH VERIFYING DOCUMENTATION, See Rule 9). Timber Culture

Founder came to Oregon from King County, Ireland

Who farms the land today? Mrs. Bonham Keerins (Irene W.) & Michael E. Keerins

Relationship to original owner niece-in-law & grandnephew

Are any of the original buildings still in use? NO

If yes, which ones? _____

If you know crops or livestock raised on farm one hundred years ago, please list: timber, grazing, sheep, horses

What do you raise on the farm today? grazing, cattle, horses

How many generations live on the farm today? Three

Please list names: Mrs. Bonham Keerins (Irene W.) niece-in-law, Michael E. Keerins grandnephew, wife Joanne, children: Elyse, Erick, Errin, Emily

Do you declare that the statements made above are accurate and correct to the best of your knowledge? YES

Signature of Owner _____

Please return forms to: Century Farm Program, Oregon Historical Society
1200 S. W. Park Ave., Portland, OR 97205-2483

Hi Rick -
FILE IN 1996 CENT.
FARM APPLICATION
FILE.
Ron

David

Keerins

Newspaper Clipping

OBITUARY

Grant county lost another pioneer when Dave Keerins of Izee died suddenly, Thursday afternoon, May 21, 1936 at the Grant County hospital.

He had been in poor health for a number of years and was in the hospital for the past six weeks. He was feeling some better Thursday morning and death came without warning in the afternoon.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday morning at 10:30 from the St. Andrews church in Canyon City by Father Casey of Baker. Interment in the Catholic cemetery.

David Keerins was born in Kings County, Ireland, September 15, 1861. He came to this country when a boy and settling first in California. He came to Oregon in 1885 settling at Izee with his two brothers, Owen and Joe. He never married and had always made his home with his brother Joe and family.

Mr. Keerins was always an active stockman of Izee since coming to the country. Uncle Dave, as he was known was loved by all.

He is survived by his brother Owen, Mrs. Joe Keerins, nephews Dewey, Grattan, Sam, Joseph, Bonham and Robert Keerins all of Izee; neices, Mary Keerins of Izee, Mrs. Ralph Rhea of John Day, Mrs. Lizzie Hosker of Livermore, Calif., besides many other relatives and friends.

National Archives



Washington, DC 20409

Dec. 11, 1995

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Joanne Keerins

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Dear Ms. Keerins:

This is in reply to your recent inquiry regarding a Burns, Oregon, land entry case file.

We were unable to locate the file you requested. We checked the land entry case files of this land office for entries made under the cash sale act of 1820 and found that the case file for entry 161, David Keerins, was missing. Enclosed find the record copy of the patent issued for this claim. We located, copied, and sent the other case files you requested under separate cover.

The General Land Office generated over 9,000,000 land entry case files prior to 1908, and unfortunately some are now missing due to loss through fire, misfiling, misplacement, or theft prior to their arrival at the National Archives.

We regret the inconvenience this presents to your research.

Sincerely,

KENNETH HAWKINS
Suitland Reference Branch (NNRR)
Textual Reference Division

RECORD OF FILINGS MADE UPON LANDS

Geo. D. Barnard & Co., Blank Book Manufacturer

Lockwood's Form 7.

NAMES OF PERSONS FILING	DATE OF FILING			Class of Filing	WHAT SUBDIVISION FILED ON
	Month	Day	Year		
Knisely, Geo.	Oct.	21	1889	Timber Culture	S ² of S ²
Knox, Samuel E.	June	18	1887	Pre-emption	S ² of S ² E ²
Korb, Franz Roland	April	26	1890	Homestead	S. E. 4
Kelland, James	"	30	"	Desert Claim	Lots 3 & 4 ^{and} E ² SW ⁴ Sec. 30
Keerin, David	July	19	"	Timber Culture	<u>W² S. W⁴</u>
Kirk, John H.	May	9	1892	Homestead	E ² SE ⁴ Sec 7 SW ⁴ SW ⁴ Sec 8, & NW ⁴ NW ⁴
Koehler Casper	Sept	7	"	"	SE ⁴ SE ⁴ W ² SE ⁴ S W ⁴ NE ⁴
Koehler Anton	October	13	"	"	Lots 3 & 4, & SE ⁴ SW ⁴ Sec. 7 T ¹ R ³¹ E. 2 & SE ⁴
Keerin, Mathew	Feb	20	1895	"	E ² W ² Sec 7 T ¹ R ¹⁶ S ¹ R ²⁷ E ¹ W ¹
Keerin, David	"	"	"	"	SE ⁴ W ⁴ S ² NE ⁴ S ³ SW ⁴ NW ⁴ Sec 34
Koehler Ford	Aug	"	1897	"	NE ⁴ SE ⁴ Sec 12 T ¹ R ¹⁷ S ¹ R ³⁰ Lots 3 & 4 & SE ⁴ SW ⁴
Kuhl John	March	38	1899	"	W ² NW ⁴ Sec 55, & SW ⁴ SW ⁴
" Henry	May	15	1901	"	SW ⁴ (E ² SW ⁴ ^{and} Lots 3 ^{and} 4)
Keller John G.	July	12	1902	"	S ² NW ⁴ - Lots 3 & 4 Sec. 6 T ¹ R ¹⁶ S ¹ R ³⁰ E. 1 & SW ⁴ SW ⁴

See page 60 for
Knisely, George

IN GRANT COUNTY, OREGON.

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Section	Township	Range	IN WHAT LAND DISTRICT	REMARKS
19	10 ⁵	28 ⁸	Ua Grand, Oregon	Excise Receipt No. 3748 Receivers Receipt No. 2339 160 ³⁵ / ₁₀₀
15	13	28	"	" " " 8218
34	15	30	Harney Burns	" Homestead No. 111
30	13	34	Harney	" Debt Claim No. 9.
9	17	27	"	" J. L. " 67 80 acres
17	11	26	The Dalles	" Hd. No. 4395
3	13	30	Burns	" " " 376
12	17	30	"	" " " 386. ⁹² / ₁₀₀ acres Excess,
	16	27	"	" " " 590
	16	27	"	" " " 589
7	17	31	"	" " " 808 + 467. 160 ⁹² / ₁₀₀
26	13	31	"	" " " 975. 120. acres
30	13	33	"	" " " 1406 169 ⁸⁰ / ₁₀₀
31	15 ⁸	31	"	" " " 1718

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

To all to whom these presents shall come, Greeting;

Whereas, There has been deposited in the General Land Office of the United States Certificate of the Register of the Land Office at Burns, Oregon whereby it appears that, pursuant to the Acts of Congress approved March 3, 1873, March 13, 1874 and June 14, 1878 "To encourage the Growth of Timber on the Western Prairies," the claim of David Keerins has been established and duly consummated in conformit to law, for the

West half of the Southwest quarter of Section Nine, in Township seventeen South Range twenty seven East of Willamette Meridian, in Oregon, containing eighty acres. According to the Official Plat of the Survey of the said Lands returned to the General Land Office by the Surveyor General;

NOW KNOW YE, That there is, therefore, granted by the United States unto the said David Keerins the tract of Land above described;

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD, the said tract of Land, with the appurtenances, thereof unto the said David Keerins and to his heirs and assigns forever; subject to any vested and accrued water rights for mining, agricultural, manufacturing, or other purposes and rights to ditches and reservoirs used in connection with such water rights, as may be recognized and acknowledged by the local customs, laws, decisions of courts, and also subject to the right of the proprietor of a vein or lode to extract and remove his ore therefrom, should the same be found to penetrate or intersect the premises hereby granted, as provided by law; and there is, reserved from the lands hereby granted a right of way thereon for ditches or canals constructed by the authority of the United States.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I William McKinley President of the United States of America, have caused these letters to be made Patent, and the seal of the General Land Office to be hereunto affixed.

GIVEN under my hand, at the City of Washington, the twelfth day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred _____ and of the Independence of the United States the one hundred and twenty fifth.

By the President; William McKinley

By F M McKean Secretary

(Seal G L O) C W. Brush Recorder of the General Land Office;
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An Illustrated History of
Baker, Grant, Malheur, and Harney Counties

with a brief outline of the early history of the
State of Oregon

Western Historical Publishing Company
1902

DAVID KEERINS.—What a debt of gratitude does our country owe to the gallant and sturdy sons of the Emerald Isle for the prominent part that they have played in the development of the resources of this wealthy land and for the interest taken by them in the promotion of the welfare of all. Not least among this distinguished number may be mentioned David Keerins, who has allied himself with this, his foster land, leaving behind the scenes and associations of the home country, to carve for himself a fortune in the boundless region of our western territory, and the success that has attended his efforts, speaks strongly of the thrift and industry, dominated by wisdom and keen foresight that are characteristic of him, the evidences of which are manifested everywhere in his handiwork. In 1861 was the date of his birth and Ireland the country and there he spent the first nineteen years of his existence. At the time when manhood's estate began to dawn on him his ideas and adventurous spirit led him to the realms of the new world and thither he came, landing in New York in 1880. From that place he came to California and there was engaged in farming for six years, after which he came direct to Grant county and took a homestead eight miles northwest from Izee. Here, in company with his brothers, Joseph and Owen, he has been engaged in the stock business. Cattle and sheep are the kinds that they raise, with sufficient horses to handle the

business. Their estate has been increased be- times until they are now the proprietors of two thousand acres of good land, which is well improved for their business. Mr. Keerins has so demeaned himself in the walks of life that he has won the confidence of his fellows and the high regard of all. Mr. Keerins has never ventured on the sea of matrimony, preferring to associate himself with quieter joys of the celibatarian's life, where the responsibilities and cares of connubial relations are not found.