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SURVY MAP
CIRCA 1909

100 Acres OWP Co To T. Johnson

S 88° 31' E 724.27

Johnson Creek

PUMP HOUSE

CITY BOUNDARY
COUNTY LINE

S 88° 30' E

T. JOHNSON

BARN

OLD FARM HOUSE

COUNTY

ROAD

Oregon Century Farm & Ranch Program

A program of the Oregon Farm Bureau Foundation for Education

Application Guidelines



Background

The Century Farm & Ranch Program is a nonprofit, volunteer-led program to honor farm and ranch families with century-long connections to the land and recognize Oregon's rich agricultural heritage. The program is administered through the Oregon Farm Bureau Foundation for Education and is partially funded through a partnership with the Oregon Farm Bureau, the State Historic Preservation Office, Oregon State University Libraries' Special Collections & Archives Research Center, and community members throughout Oregon.

All applications are added to the OSU Libraries' Special Collections & Archives Research Center. They provide valuable information about settlement patterns, livestock and crop choices, building design and family history. Successful applicants receive a distinctive certificate, with acknowledgement by the governor of Oregon and the director of the Oregon Department of Agriculture and metal roadside sign identifying the historical Century Farm or Century Ranch at a special awards ceremony at the Oregon State Fair.

Qualifications

1. Only the legal owner(s) of the property may apply for the Century Farm or Century Ranch status.
2. The farm or ranch must have been operated continuously in the same family for 100 years or more. A farm or ranch settled any time 100 years ago or earlier will be eligible if it meets other requirements.
3. The farm or ranch must have a gross income from farming or ranching activities of not less than \$1,000 per year for three out of the five years immediately preceding the application.
4. If living off the farm or ranch, or if the farm or ranch has ever been rented or leased, the owning family must actively manage and direct the farming or ranching activity on the land. Contact 503-400-7884 or cfr@oregonfb.org if you have any questions about eligibility.
5. The line of ownership from the original settler or buyer may be through children, siblings, or nephews and nieces. Adopted children will be recognized equally with other descendants.
6. Applications must be submitted on forms provided by the Century Farm and Ranch Program with all questions completed. Applicants must submit a narrative of family history, two to three pages in length that adds to the information included in the application. Copies of historical and current photographs of the farm or ranch and family are encouraged. All information, including photos, will be deposited in the OSU Libraries' – Special Collections & Archives Research Center for future reference. Please do not send in original photos and/or documents, as all items sent with your application are **NOT** returned. Please send in quality copies of documents that support your application. Applications should include 4-5 digital photos from your application and sent to cfr@oregonfb.org by **May 1**.
7. All applications must include verification of continuous ownership for 100 years. Acceptable forms of proof include a document (high quality photocopy) showing date of earliest ownership. This may be provided through a Donation Land Claim, Deed of Sale, or Homestead Certificate. Other records, subject to review, include a family Bible, diary entry, or correspondence.
8. Applications must be signed and certified by a Notary Public.

9. Deadline for returning applications is **May 1** of the current year and must be postmarked by midnight.

Researching Farm and Ranch History

The Oregon Century Farm & Ranch Program website has tips on gathering information about farm and ranch history. The website is located at centuryfarm.oregonfb.org.

Completing the Application

This application is a Word document. You can fill information in as you answer the questions. You may notice the page adjusting as you enter text. That is OK. You can also submit a completed photocopy of this form.

Fees

A \$250 fee is required with each application. This fee covers administrative costs and includes one certificate and one roadside sign. Additional certificates may be ordered at the time of application at \$20 each and roadside signs at \$200 each. Make checks payable to the **Oregon Farm Bureau Foundation for Education**.

Where to Send Completed Application Packets

Send the completed application (including the family history narrative, map and digital photos), Statement of Affirmation, your documentation, and sign and certificate order form, with fee payment, to:

**Oregon Century Farm & Ranch Program
Oregon Farm Bureau Foundation for Education
1320 Capitol St. NE, Suite 200
Salem, OR 97301**

Do **not** send original documents, as they will not be returned. We recommend that you make a copy of your completed application before mailing. It makes a wonderful single source of farm information for years to come.

Review Process and Notification

All applications are checked for completeness by the program coordinator and reviewed by the Program Board. All applicants will be notified about their status by July 1.

Honoring Ceremony

Successful applicants, their families and neighbors are invited to a special ceremony at the Oregon State Fair to receive the certificate. The certificate has the name of the farm or ranch and is suitable for framing.

Still Have Questions About the Program?

Contact: **Andréa Kuenzi, Program Coordinator**, at 503-400-7884 or cfr@oregonfb.org

Thank you for helping us preserve Oregon's rich agriculture heritage and the important role it plays in keeping the state a healthy and vital place for Oregon residents and visitors.

For more information about the Oregon Century Farm & Ranch Program visit centuryfarm.oregonfb.org.



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Date: May 31 2018



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Statement of Affirmation

I, Steve Johnson

hereby affirm and declare that the farm or ranch which I own at Redacted For Privacy

, in the County of Multnomah

has been owned by my family for at least 100 continuous years, as specified in the qualifications for the Century Farm & Ranch Program, on or before December 31 of the current calendar year. Further, I hereby affirm that this property meets all other requirements for Century Farm or Ranch honors, including that the farm or ranch has a gross income from farming or ranching activities of not less than \$1,000 per year for three out of the five years immediately preceding making this statement. I understand that the application materials will become property of the OSU Libraries – Special Collections & Archives Research Center and be made available for public use. By signing below, I understand that I am consenting to the use of both information and photographs.

Steven Reed Johnson

May 31 2018

Signature of Owner

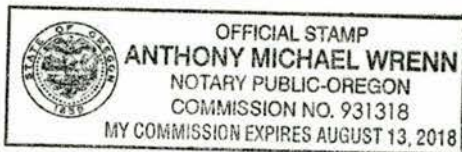
Date

Certification by Notary Public

State of Oregon County of Multnomah

Be it remembered, that on this 5th day of June, 2018, before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said county and state, personally appeared the within named Steven Johnson, known to me to be the identical individual described in and who executed the within instrument and acknowledged to me that Steven Johnson executed the same freely and voluntarily.

In Testimony Whereof, I have set my hand and affixed my official seal the day and year last above written.



[Signature]
Notary Public for Oregon

My Commission Expires 8/13/18

Fees

Application Fee (includes one certificate & Roadside sign, Note \$50 of this fee is non-refundable)

\$ 250.00

Additional Certificates (\$20 each) \$ _____

Additional Signs (\$200 each)

Total Enclosed \$ _____

For office use only

Date Received _____

Approved? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Authorization _____

Oregon Century Farm & Ranch Program Coordinator

Make checks payable to: Oregon Farm Bureau Foundation for Education

OFFICE OF CITY AUDITOR



WILL E. GIBSON
CITY AUDITOR

CITY OF PORTLAND
OREGON

November 23, 1942.

Mr. Edward J. and Anna M. Johnson,
Redacted For Privacy

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Johnson:

On November 19, 1942, the City Council accepted the property to be known and designated as Tideman Johnson Park.

The City Council authorized and directed me to express the appreciation of the City of Portland for your public spirit and interest in fostering the development of park and recreational grounds in Portland. As a result of your generosity, many, many people in the years to come will be able to enjoy the benefits of your gift.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Will E. Gibson".

Auditor of the City of Portland.

WEG:E

Paid

Warranty Deed.

From
David Price & wife
— TO —
Tideman Johnson

State of Oregon,
Multnomah County, } ss.

I certify that the within instrument of
writing was received for record on the *14th*
day of *July* at *10* o'clock,
a m., 18*80*, and recorded on page
216 in Book *39* Records of Deeds
of said County.

Witness my hand and seal of County af-
fixed.

James A. Smith
County Clerk.
By *A. B. Borchardt*
Deputy.

FROM THE OFFICE OF

Paid 1.⁵⁰

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

STATE OF MINNESOTA, } SS
Wabasha County.

I *Pedman Johnson*

do solemnly declare on oath, that it is *bona fide* my intention to become a citizen of the United States, and to renounce forever all allegiance and fidelity to all and every foreign prince, potentate, state or sovereignty whatever, and especially to the reigning

Sovereign of the Kingdom of Norway

of whom I was formerly a subject.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this
day of *November* A. D. 1870

At

Minneapolis

Chas J. Hauff Clerk

of the District Court of Minnesota, in and for the County of Wabasha.

STATE OF MINNESOTA, } SS
Wabasha County,

I *Chas J. Hauff* Clerk of the District Court of Wabasha county, in the state of Minnesota, do hereby certify that the above is a true copy of the declaration of *Pedman Johnson* an alien, duly made before me, and filed in my office on the *third* day of *November* A. D. 1870 Given under my hand and the seal of said court, at *Minneapolis* in said county, this *third* day of *November* A. D. 1870

Chas J. Hauff Clerk District Court.

CHAS. E. STRICKLIN, STATE ENGINEER
SECRETARY
STATE RECLAMATION COMMISSION
HYDROELECTRIC COMMISSION OF OREGON

STATE OF OREGON

OFFICE OF THE
" STATE ENGINEER
WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT
SALEM

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS
CHAS. E. STRICKLIN, STATE ENGINEER
SALEM, OREGON

AND REFER TO
FILE NO. _____

August 9, 1944

Mr. Kenneth E. Johnson, Manager
Tideman Johnson Estate

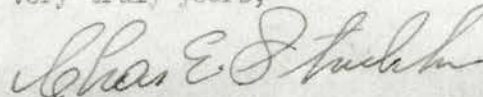
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Dear Mr. Johnson:

Replying to your letter dated August 7th, relative to the recording in this office of the water right which appears to have been initiated about the year 1881, please be advised that there is no way in which this right can be recorded in this office without having the right first adjudicated or established in the Circuit Court.

While under the facts, as set out in your letter, you would have a vested right and a right to continue the use of this water, the only way that it could be made a matter of record would be to have the matter adjudicated in the Circuit Court in the county in which the lands are located.

Very truly yours,

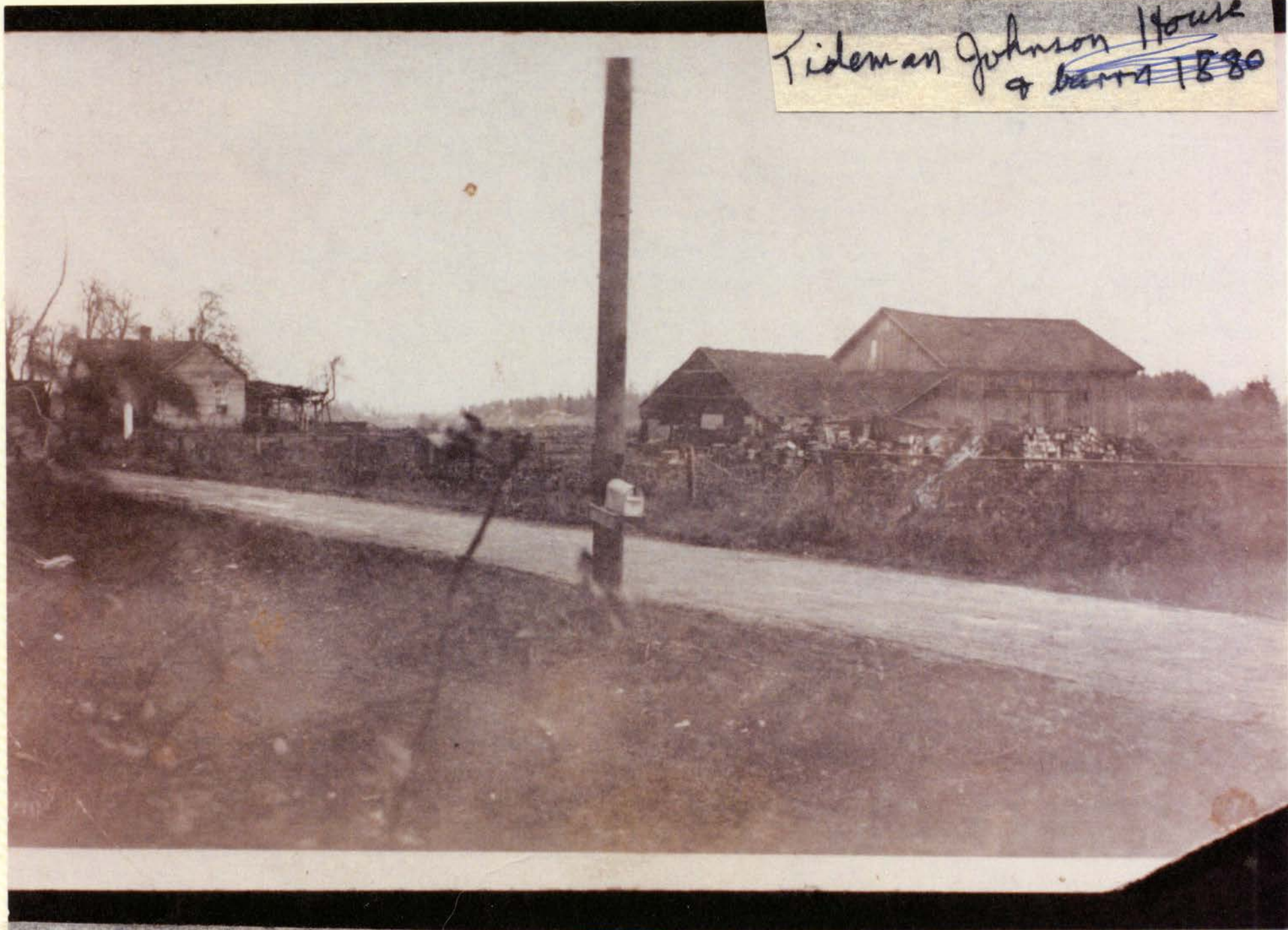


CHAS. E. STRICKLIN
State Engineer

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36th & 9th B.

Tideman Johnson House
& barn 1880



CURRENT FARM



Original BARN



CURRENT
FARM





3635 SE 50B current

Tioem Johnson Farm

Circa 1940





Present owner's mother
Fam house 1948



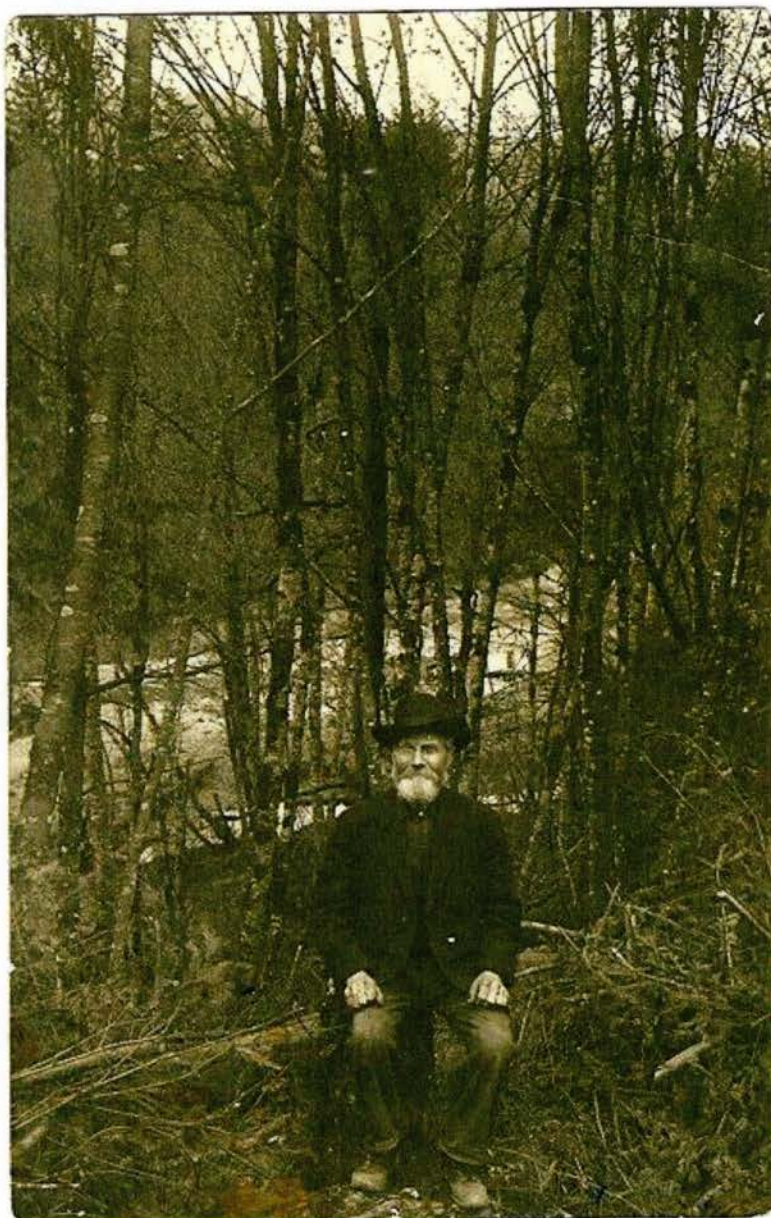
Applicant



high school volunteers
at FARM 2006
circa

Tideman Johnson homestead - around 1882
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Tideman Johnson
Johnson creek
circa 1890

Newly Planted WAPTOS







CITY OF PORTLAND
OREGON

November 23, 1942.

Mr. Edward J. and Anna M. Johnson,
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Dear Mr. and Mrs. Johnson:

On November 19, 1942, the City Council accepted the property to be known and designated as Tideman Johnson Park.

The City Council authorized and directed me to express the appreciation of the City of Portland for your public spirit and interest in fostering the development of park and recreational grounds in Portland. As a result of your generosity, many, many people in the years to come will be able to enjoy the benefits of your gift.

Yours very truly,

Will E. Gibson

Auditor of the City of Portland.

David McElroy & wife

— TO —

Tideman Johnson

State of Oregon,
Multnomah County, } ss.

I certify that the within instrument of
writing was received for record on the 14th
day of July at 10 o'clock,
A m., 1880, and recorded on page
216 in Book 39 Records of Deeds
of said County.

Witness my hand and seal of County af-
fixed.

James A. Smith

County Clerk

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

STATE OF MINNESOTA, } SS
Wabasha County.

I Fredman Johnson

do solemnly declare on oath, that it is *bona fide* my intention to become a citizen of the United States, and to renounce forever all allegiance and fidelity to all and every foreign prince, potentate, state or sovereignty whatever, and especially to the reigning

Sovereign of the Kingdom of Norway

of whom I was formerly a subject.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

day of November A. D. 1870

At

Minneapolis

Chas J. Tauff Clerk

of the District Court of Minnesota, in and for the County of Wabasha.

STATE OF MINNESOTA, } SS
Wabasha County,

I

Chas J. Tauff Clerk of the District Court of Wabasha county, in the state of Minnesota, do hereby certify that the

above is a true copy of the declaration of

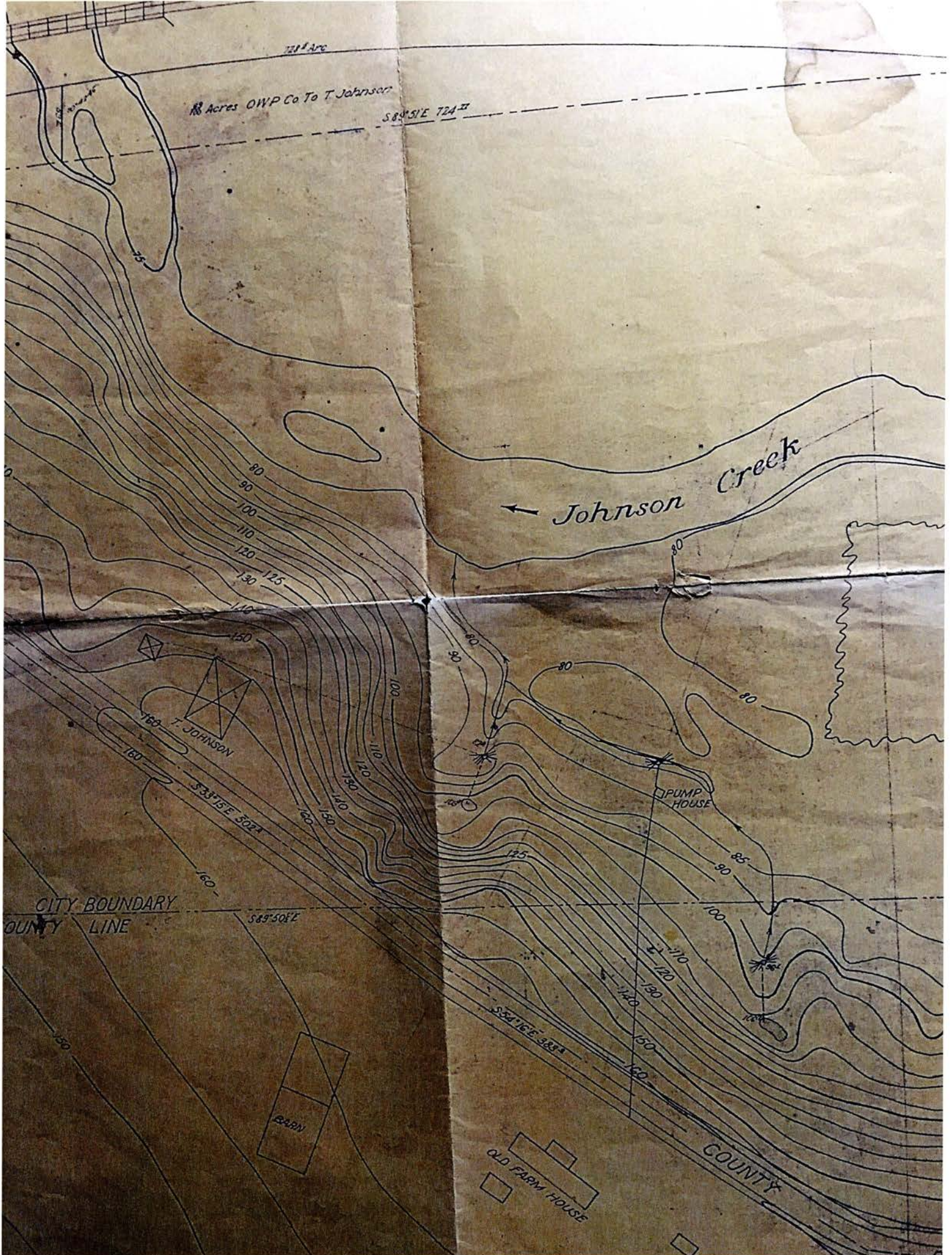
an alien, duly made before me, and filed in my office on the

day of November A. D. 1870 Given under my hand

and the seal of said court, at Minneapolis in said county,

this 2nd day of November A. D. 1870

Chas J. Tauff Clerk District Court.



88 Acres OWP Co To T. Johnson

S 89° 51' E 724' II

Johnson Creek

T. JOHNSON

PUMP HOUSE

CITY BOUNDARY
COUNTY LINE

S 33° 15' E 502'

BARN

OLD FARM HOUSE

COUNTY

STATE OF OREGON

CHAS. E. STRICKLIN, STATE ENGINEER
SECRETARY
STATE RECLAMATION COMMISSION
HYDROELECTRIC COMMISSION OF OREGON

OFFICE OF THE
" STATE ENGINEER "
WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT
SALEM

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS
CHAS. E. STRICKLIN, STATE ENGINEER
SALEM, OREGON

AND REFER TO
FILE NO. _____

August 9, 1944

Mr. Kenneth E. Johnson, Manager
Tideman Johnson Estate

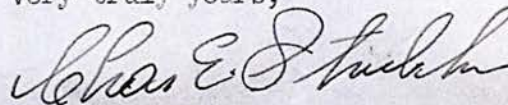
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Dear Mr. Johnson:

Replying to your letter dated August 7th, relative to the recording in this office of the water right which appears to have been initiated about the year 1881, please be advised that there is no way in which this right can be recorded in this office without having the right first adjudicated or established in the Circuit Court.

While under the facts, as set out in your letter, you would have a vested right and a right to continue the use of this water, the only way that it could be made a matter of record would be to have the matter adjudicated in the Circuit Court in the county in which the lands are located.

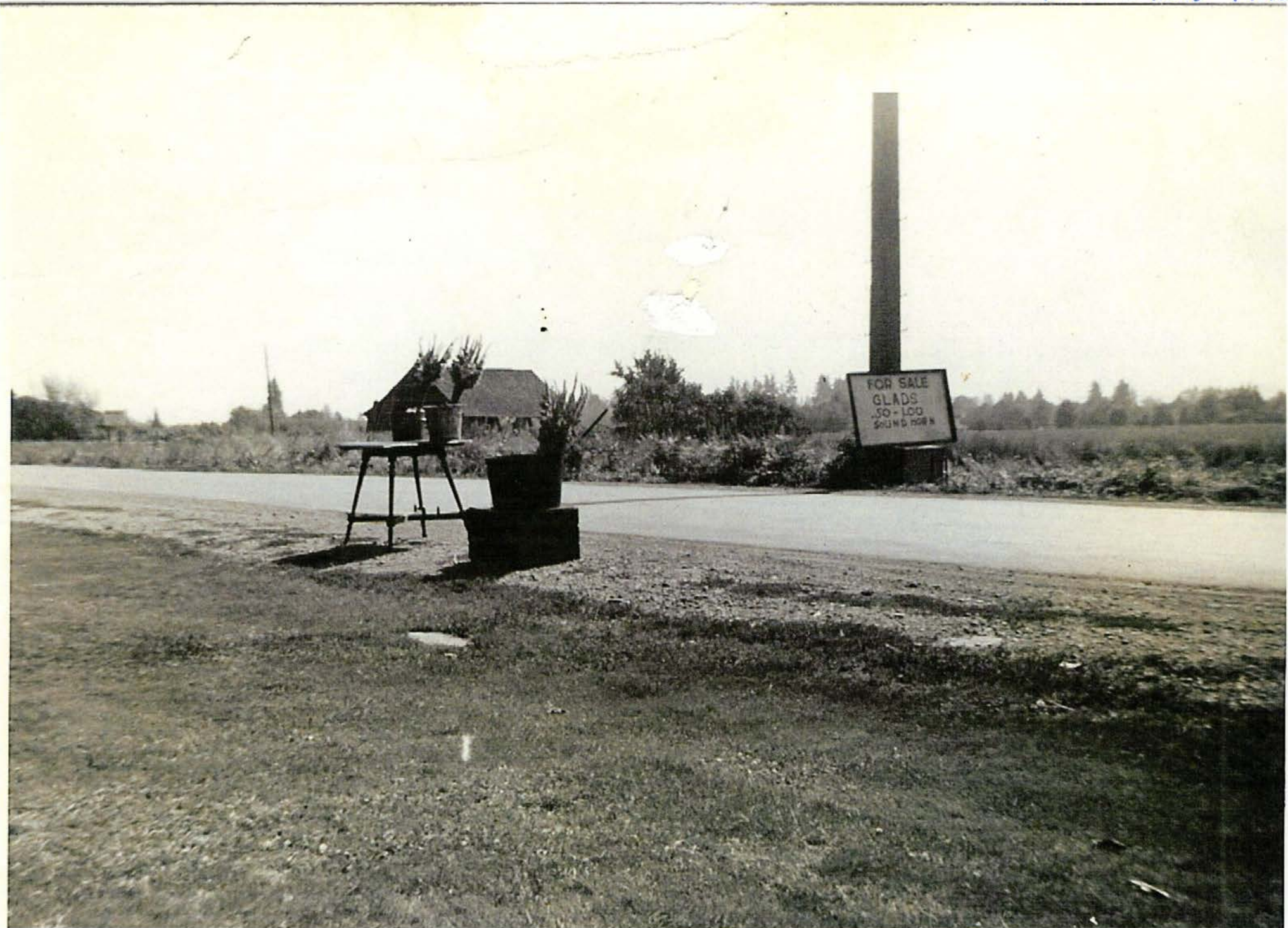
Very truly yours,



CHAS. E. STRICKLIN
State Engineer

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FARM STAND 19405



3635 SE John ck Blvd

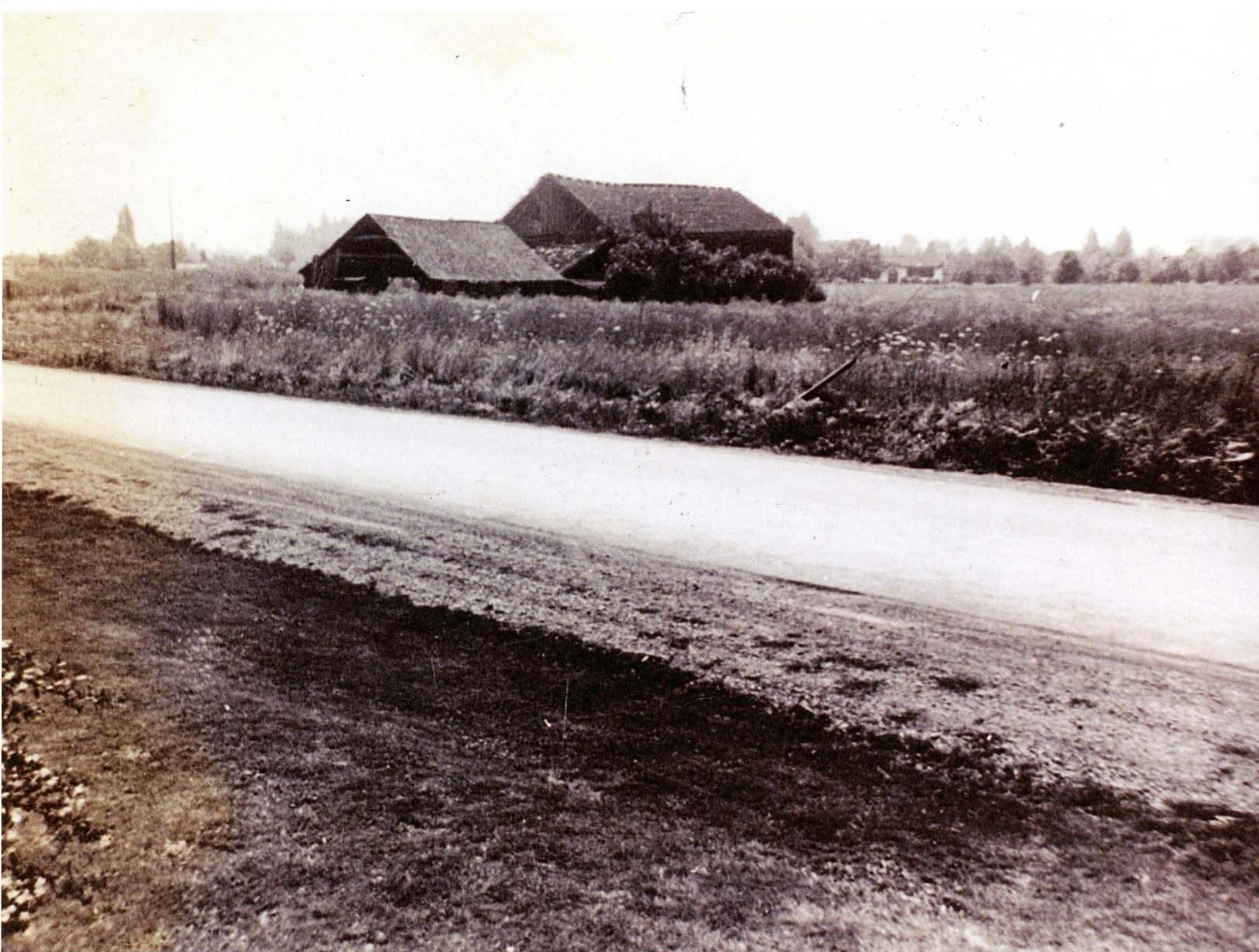


567th & 4th St.

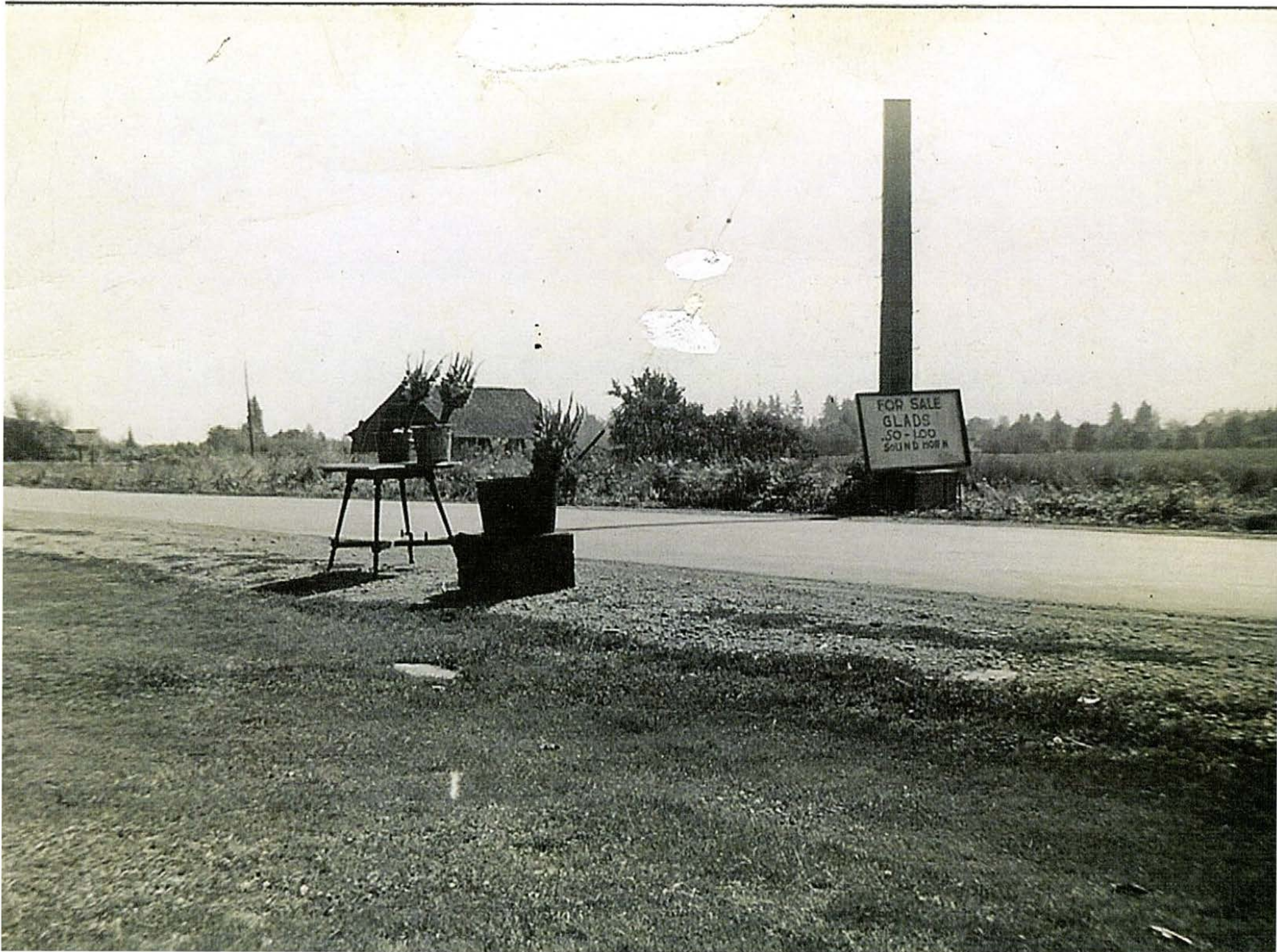
Tideman Johnson House
& barn 1880







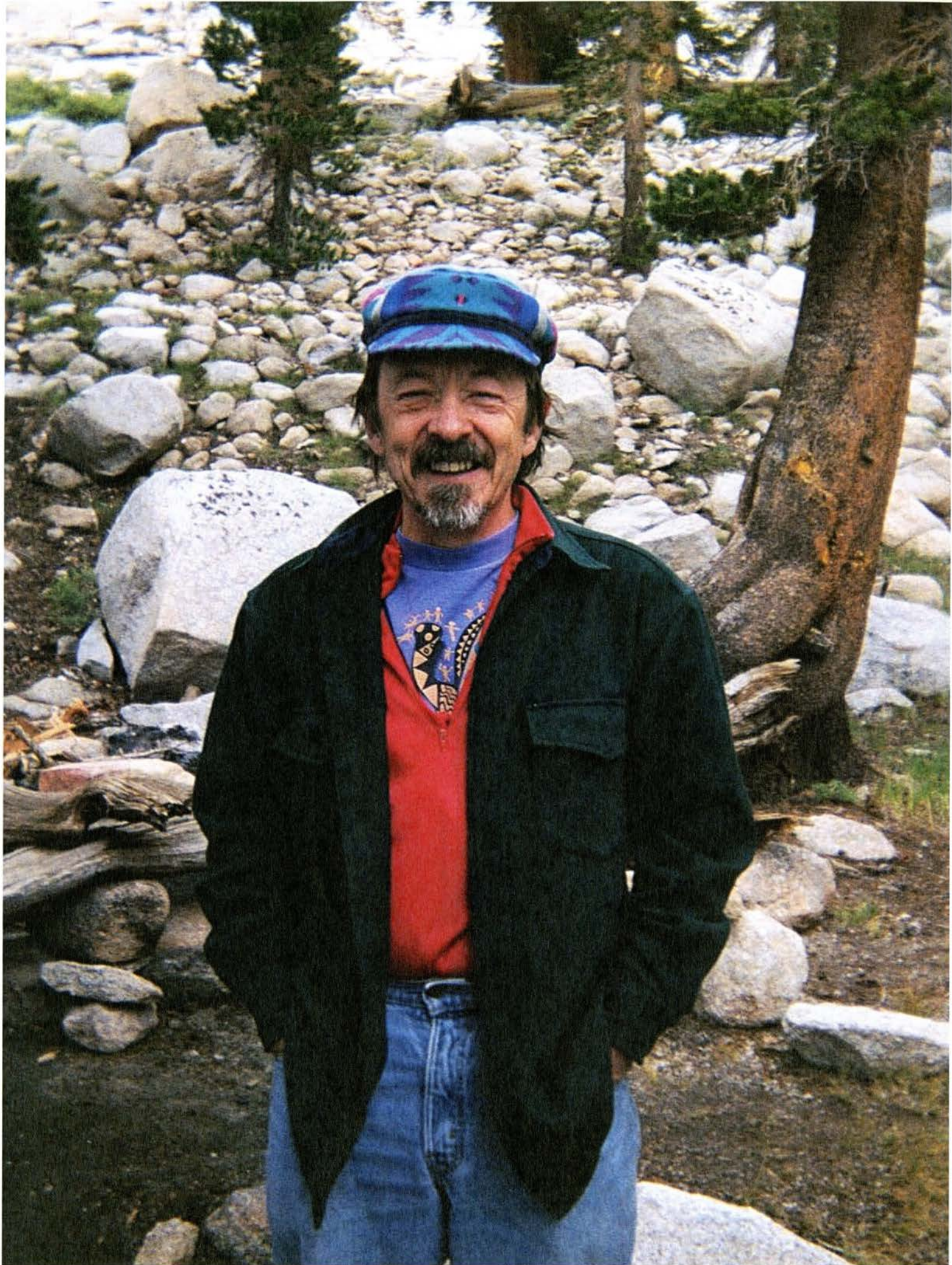














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