

**OREGON CENTURY FARM & RANCH PROGRAM
2018 Sesquicentennial Applicant Approval Checklist**

Name of applicant Gerald & James H. Mullen

Name of farm or ranch Mullen Farms County Marion

Notarized yes ___ no Posted by May 1 yes ___ no \$250 Application yes ___ no

Other fees (additional certificates @ \$20 ea.), amount \$ 420 2 extra signs 3 total
Total fees pd. \$ _____ 1 extra cert 2 total

Century Farm Century Ranch ___ Year Award 1958 CFR # 0351

Comments App. printed

1. Applicant is legal owner yes ___ no other _____

2. 150 years of continuous operation by same family yes ___ no

Comments _____

3. Not less than \$1,000 gross income per year for three out of last five years yes ___ no

Comments _____

4. Living on or actively managing and directing the farming or ranching activity on the land yes ___ no

Comments _____

5. Line of ownership from original settler or buyer through children, siblings, nephews or nieces. Adopted children will be recognized equally with other descendants yes ___ no

6. Official form used with all questions answered completely, including narrative yes ___ no

Comments _____

7. Documentation showing the date of earliest ownership (Donation Land Claim, Deed of Sale, Homestead Certificate, Family Bible, diary entry, or correspondence) yes ___ no

Comments Deed

Photos included with application yes ___ no Sent digital photos yes ___ no

Additional information needed from applicant

Concerns or questions _____

Application Approval/Reviewer Notes Identification of Family Stories for Narratives:

Reviewer #1: Initials MFBathista

Notes: Succession? Jerry (b 1946) operates both properties. Seems at least 2 more generations described 1980's 2010's

Reviewer #2: Initials: GD

Notes: Continuous Fam family land ownership is Amazing. Wish there was more narrative about how it was done.

Reviewer #3: Initials: LAL

Notes: HAS OH POTENTIAL

Reviewer #4: Initials: _____

Notes:

Reviewer #5: Initials:

Notes:

Provide at meeting:

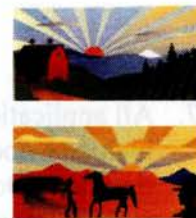
- Blank copies of applications
- Copies of drafted narratives sent on hand
- Print digital pictures for review if only send digital
- Model "Timeline" added to application materials for applicants * This was not done will do in 2016

Oregon Century Farm & Ranch Program

A program of the Oregon Farm Bureau Foundation for Education

SESQUICENTENNIAL AWARD 150 YEARS

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.

In 2008, a Sesquicentennial Award recognizing families who have sustained their family-ownership of an Oregon farm or ranch for 150 years or more was introduced. This new award is an outgrowth of the Oregon Century Farm & Ranch Program that began in 1958 on the eve of the Oregon statehood centennial.

web 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 with special Sesquicentennial nameplate identifying their Sesquicentennial Farm or 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 Sesquicentennial Farm or Ranch status.
2. The farm or ranch must have been operated continuously in the same family for 150 years or more. A farm or ranch settled any time 150 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 150 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 **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: April 29, 2018



Sesquicentennial Award Application

Type of designation (please check one) Sesqui. Farm Sesqui. Ranch

Press Contact (please check one) YES, both applicant & contact person (if different)
 YES, Applicant only NO

(This give us permission to give members of the press who request it your contact information for possible articles about your farm or ranch)

Legal owner / Applicant name Gerald P. & Kathleen A. Mullen/James H. & Nadine L. Mullen

Farm or Ranch Name (this is the name used in all publicity & marketing)

Mullen Farms

Mailing address of Legal Owner / Applicant Redacted For Privacy

Telephone Redacted For Privacy E-mail address Redacted For Privacy

Contact name (if different than legal owner) Dan Mullen

Mailing address of contact Redacted For Privacy

Redacted For Privacy

Contact telephone Redacted For Privacy E-mail address Redacted For Privacy

Location of farm or ranch (which is the subject of this application):

County Redacted For Privacy

Distance .80 miles North from nearest town St. Paul

Township 4S Range 2W Section 17 & 18

Address or physical location of the farm or ranch (which is subject of this application)

Redacted For Privacy

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Sesquicentennial Award Application - Continued

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GPS (Global Positioning System) Coordinates, if known

Please attach a map or drawing showing the location of the eligible property within the context of the family farm or ranch.

Founder(s):

Original family owner(s) or founder(s) Robert Keaton

Founder(s) prior Country or State if not Oregon Donation Land Claim St. of Oregon

Date (year) this farm or ranch was acquired by founder(s) 1852
(Attach verifying documentation. See Application Qualification #7)

Who farms or ranches the land today? Mullen Farms, Inc.

Relationship of applicant to original owner. Clearly explain lineage from original ownership documents to current applicant. (See Application Qualification #7) Great Grandson

How many acres were included in original farm or ranch? 242

How many acres are included today in the farm or ranch? 302

How many acres are in agricultural use today? 280

If the farm or ranch has ever been rented or leased, please explain the owner's role in this relationship. For example, is the owner actively involved in the management of the land?

Charles Jr. began farming the east side of the road in the 1930s. He died suddenly in 1948 at the age of 33. A new widow, Tressie continued the farm with her young family. In 1965 she subleased some of the open ground for 4 years until Jerry purchased the farm. She still raised livestock during this time and utilized the lease to establish water rights. Edgar began farming the west side of the road when he came home from WWII. In the late 60s Edgar leased the open ground to neighbor farmers until he sold his farm to his son Jim in 2005. During this time Edgar established hazelnuts that are still farmed today, raised livestock, and sold cream. In 2005, Jerry son of Charles Jr., operates the west side of the road as well as all of Charles Jr.'s farmed acreage.

Year farm or ranch was awarded Century Farm or Century Ranch status, if applicable Yes: Unknown

History of crops or livestock raised on farm or ranch: digital picture included.

What were the early crops or livestock?

Crops; Clover, Hay, Oats, Barley, Hops, Wheat

Livestock; Dairy Cattle, Chickens (eggs & fryers), Hogs, Sheep

The family:

How many generations live on the farm or ranch today?

3 generations live between the two farms today.

List names and birth years:

Descendants of Charles Jr. (east side of highway)

Gerald P. Mullen - 1946
Kathy A. Mullen (sp.) - 1949
Daniel J. Mullen - 1982
Kelly A. Mullen (sp.) - 1983
Max Mullen - 2009
Landry Mullen - 2012
Evelyn Mullen - 2014
Jace Mullen - 2017

Descendants of Edgar (west side of highway)

James H. Mullen - 1947
Nadine L. Mullen (sp.) - 1948
Charles J. Mullen - 1950
M. Sue Mullen (sp.) - 1955

The family history narrative:

Submit two or three pages of family history narrative, including, but not limited to generational transfers of the farm or ranch. Please also submit historical & current photos of the property & family, if available. Do *not* send original documents as they will not be returned. Digital format photos (at highest resolution [300 dpi]) are particularly desirable, so that they may be used in publications, the program's database or the web site. Submitted information, including photos, will be deposited in the OSU Libraries – Special Collections & Archives Research Center for future reference. Please send digital photos included with your application to cfr@oregonfb.org by **May 1**.

Type of information to include in your family history narrative:

- Where founder(s) may have moved from to farm or ranch
- Significant events in the family (births, deaths, marriages, etc.)
- Any major changes to operations (methods of production, etc.)
- Additional information on crops, buildings, other changes from the original farm or ranch
- Any special family farm or ranch stories you'd like to share, passing on techniques, interesting characters, & family folklore

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How did the crops / livestock / use of farm or ranch change over the years?

Crops; Initially most of the crops used were for family use. Once the narrow guage railroad came, the opportunity to sell grain to Portland became a part of the family farm. As irrigated crops and transportation became an option, the crops changed to accessible markets. The family grew some pole beans, berries, and planted hazelnuts.

Livestock; Livestock was used for family use throughout the years. Excess stock was sold either as locker beef, cream, milk, or eggs. Livestock was taken to the local slaughterhouse and sold as a commodity. At times if the markets were favorable stock or byproduct of the stock was taken into Portland. The selling of livestock was phased out through the years to today's current use of having some to produce for the family needs.

What are crops / livestock raised on the farm or ranch today?

Crops raised presently; grass seed, snap beans, sweet corn, squash, wheat, clover, hazelnuts, and vegetable seeds

Livestock; Beef cattle, hogs, goats, and chickens used for family meat consumption

Sesquicentennial Award Application - Continued

History of buildings:

Are any of the original buildings still in use? Yes No

When was the first house built? If it is still in use, describe the changes that have been made.

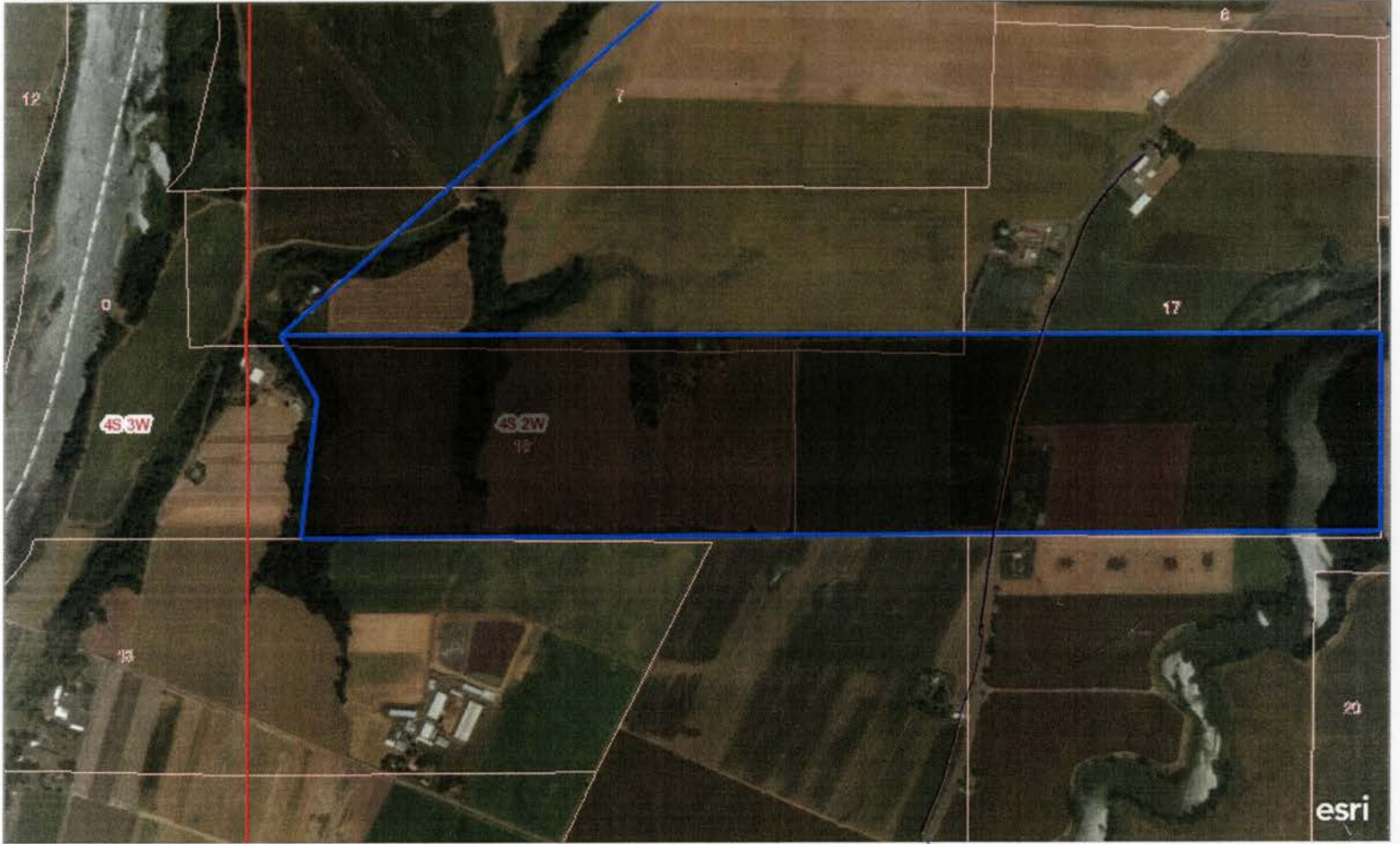
1859 a cabin was built on the property. 1875 the 2 story farmhouse was built that is still standing today. Some modifications of rooms and updating has been done to this house. 1936 Charles S. Jr. built the next farm house that is on the east side of the highway. The house has had some modernizing inside since it was built. 1950 Edgar built a farm house for their family next to the 2 story farmhouse down the lane. In 2017/18 the house Edgar built has been demolished and a new house built in its place.

What years were other structures built (examples: barns, silos, machine shops, coops, smokehouses, dryers, etc.). Describe the changes that have been made to them, including any demolition.

- 18(late) Patrick or Charles Sr. built a smokehouse- still standing
- 18(late) Patrick or Charles Sr. built a milking barn & hop house-removed
- 18(late) Patrick or Charles Sr. built a pig pen shed-still standing
- 19(early) Charles Sr. built a corn crib on lane-removed
- 19(early) Charles Sr. built a corn crib east side-removed
- 19(early) Charles Sr. built some chicken houses-removed
- 19(36-40) Charles Jr. built a chicken shed-blew down in storm
- 1945 Charles Jr. built a machine shed-removed
- 1946 Charles Jr. built a barn/grainery-still standing
- 19(late 60s) Edgar built a machine shed out of the hop house boards-remodeled

Application updated January 2018

Oregon Public Land Survey System (PLSS)



Oregon Public Land Survey System (PLSS) boundaries for Oregon.

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Oregon Geospatial Enterprise Office | USDA FSA, DigitalGlobe, GeoEye, CNES/Airbus DS, State of Oregon, State of Oregon GEO, Esri, HERE, Garmin, iPC

*(Hwy 216)
River
Road*

Mullen Family Narrative

On October 30, 1852 Robert Keaton, son of Mrs. Mullen from a previous marriage, came to the United States and took up a land claim of 160 acres about one mile north of St. Paul. Robert Keaton was a native of Kildare County Ireland. In 1859 Robert Keaton's mother Mrs. Mary Mullen and her son Patrick Mullen arrived at the farm. In 1870 Robert Keaton left the farm to try mining for gold. Along with gold mining Robert Keaton went to the civil war to never be heard of again. Patrick Mullen continued to farm his half-brother's farm and wed Mary A. Flynn. They had multiple children. Charles S. Mullen Sr., son of Patrick and Mary who was born in the farmhouse, purchased the farm from his siblings in the early 1920s. Charles Sr. married Mary Merten Kirk, a widow who had one son Peter Kirk, and had four children. Charles Sr. added an 88.4 acre parcel north of the homestead in 1913 nicknamed the "other place." Of his four children, Charles Jr. and Edgar each purchased roughly half of the original farm. In the early 1930s Charles Jr. began farming the east side of the road and the "other place." Charles Jr. married Tressie A. Niederberger in 1936 and began building their homestead. The family built a farmhouse and began building their barnyard with multiple buildings. Chicken houses, a barn with a granary, and a machine shed soon followed for the family. Charles Jr. and Tressie had four kids; Irene, Kathleen, Patricia, and Gerald. Tragically in 1948, Charles Jr. died in a tragic accident just south of his house. Tressie, a new widow, had the challenge to keep the farm going. With various livestock, field crops, and byproducts the family continued to operate the farm. After WWII, Edgar (Jack), and his war bride Alma Mary Turner, came home to farm and live down the lane in the original farmhouse with Charles Sr. and Grandma Mary Mullen. Jack and Mary were home for a few years when Charles Jr. passed away. Jack being home from the war settled into family life building a home down the lane near the original house in 1950. Jack and Mary had eight kids; James, Maryann, Charles John, Louise, Theresa, Edgar Jr., Michael, and Melissa. Jack and Mary continued to use the barns, sheds, and out buildings down the lane around the original homestead. The Columbus Day storm was violent and caused some of the buildings to fall down. Jack and Mary reused some of the wood from the hop house that was in failing shape to side a new machine shed. In 1965, Charles Jr.'s widow made the decision to lease some of her open ground to the neighbor with a contract that water rights be established to advance the farm. While the neighbor leased this ground, Tressie continued to raise livestock around the farm. Four years into this lease, Gerald (Jerry), son of Charles Jr. and Tressie purchased the farm acreage on the east side of the road and began to operate Mullen Farms with his spouse Kathleen A. Davidson. Jack and Mary planted hazelnuts in 1962 on their portion of the property. Around this time Jack continued to

farm hazelnuts and some berries and leased some of the open acreage to a neighbor in the late 1960s. Jack and Mary continued to raise livestock, berries and were active in the hazelnuts when they leased part of their farm. Jack supplemented his farm income as a well driller to offset the bills associated with the farm until retirement age. In 2004, Jack and Mary sold their portion of the family farm to James (Jim) and his spouse Nadine Etzel. Jim leased the ground to Jerry in fall of 2004 to operate the family farm. Currently Jerry operates Mullen Farms that has expanded in multiple locations and acreages. Jerry's kids are active on the farm with his grandchildren also helping out. The grandchildren would be the 6th generation Mullen's to farm the ground.

As with any family farm all the able bodied children are expected to help. From Charles Sr. and his siblings working to start clearing ground for production, to his children a hard day's work was the normal. Charles Sr. and Mary's four children were; Catherine L., Clarence (deceased at age of 2), Charles Jr., and Edgar (Jack). Charles Jr. and Jack's children put in many hours farming this newly cleared land. They helped harvest hops, beans, oats, clovers, hay, and continued to clear land for agricultural production.

The farm has progressed through the years as machinery has progressed. Horse teams and horse drawn implements were the original methods of farm work. The farm eventually purchased their first tractor an OS 6. Following this tractor they added a Farmall A and M. Their first vehicle to move crops was a 1942 Chevrolet Flatbed 1.5 ton. The pull behind combine was large advancement for the farm. When Jerry was 10 years old operating the combine, Tressie was on the OS 6 pulling the combine when Charles Sr. got his overalls caught in the combine. The harvester was turned off and they were able to free Charles Sr. from the machine by cutting his pant legs off. Loose hay hauling was done on both sides of the roads to load the lofts. Charles Sr. and Jack had the granary down the lane that had the hamermill to chop the grain. The grain was blended with multiple feeds produced from the farms to feed the livestock kept between both barnyards on each side of the highway.

Charles Sr. was the support that allowed the farm to get to the next level. He was a shrewd businessman that loaned money to businesses in the St. Paul area and was invested in the community. A pillar in the community he was active in the St. Paul Catholic Church and St. Paul School District. He was one of the first owners of the bank that still operates as US Bank today in downtown St. Paul. Charles Sr. lived to be 105 years old living in the house he was born in for 101 years.

To date Jerry and Kathy own Charles Jr. and Tressie's portion of the land. The ground is considered high production farmland with irrigation, linears/pivots, raising hazelnuts, and various rotational field crops. Jim and Nadine own Jack and Mary's portion of the homestead. They sub lease the farm to Jerry who is farming actively.



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St Paul, Oregon

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Street View - Oct 2007



Robert Keaton

Founded 1852



With the Award of this
Certificate is duly enrolled by the
Oregon Historical Society
as a
Century Farm

in recognition of 100 years' enduring service
in the finest agricultural tradition
of the State of Oregon

Invited

Frank McKeimou *Paul C. Davis*

Ken H. Heston *Thomas Vaughan*



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...William Yoder of Aurora was the first in the family to grow onion sets commercially. Yoder's father Wayne took over the family business and he ex-

...that grow a little too large have also been marketed as gourmet onions or pearl onions. Yoder made the decision to

...it. Farming just seemed to be the thing to do," he said. And with father Wayne serving as the fire chief, joining the Aurora volunteer

...in restoring cars. During the slow winter months after the crop has been lifted and packaged, the two work on older model cars, restoring

...Yoder got involved with city politics at age 20 when he won a seat on the city council and was

...mers of America in high school with his interest in city government. "I had an interest to serve

...himself he ought to "slow down" it seems unlikely that the young mayor of Aurora will

Rod Yoder

Charlie Mullins has seen 100 New Years day events

By Irv Canfield
 Of the Independent

ST. PAUL—Charlie Mullins waited for the Woodburn Independent, his son, Edgar "Jack" Mullins and daughter-in-law Mary to walk over from their home on Thursday, Dec. 31, Mullins' home, an immaculate two-story wood frame farmhouse built in 1875, where he was born, is situated only yards from their own

house, at the end of a lane where a green sign reads, "Mullins, from Kildare, Ireland 1852."

It had been a busy week for Charlie, 100 years old on Dec. 26. More than 100 people, mostly relatives had been there on his birthday and the press had made a heyday of it throughout the week. The Oregonian, The Statesman Journal, The Catholic Sentinel and the Newberg Graphic

among them Charlie stood upright in his living room, aided by a weatheren cane he began using only 10 years ago at the age of 90 and retained his better judgement waiting. On his birthday, he'd received a telephone call from friends in England who had visited two years previous. They'd sent him a beer stein for his centennial year. Other presents ringed Mullins' Christmas tree in front of his fireplace. Almond

Roca candy, several patches of Beech Nut chewing tobacco, clothes and books. Charlie Mullins took a seat in his rocker and talked about his 100 years, amid pictures of his family and a cloth map of Ireland on the walls, woven rugs on a spotless linoleum floor. He wore a pair of blue overalls, a quilted coat and a red flannel shirt. His eyes had seen the world in changes.

"Haven't given it's thought," he replied when asked if he had any plans for New Year's Eve. It was the reply of a farmer who had farmed wheat and oats and had kept records of livestock over the years. Time meant working the land. Until he was 85, Mary Mullins contacted he used to work with his tractor. "I do a lot of things," Mullins continued. "I've just been sitting around here lately. But I used to go over there (to his son's home) every day for lunch.

"I think it was very good, and many people around," he said of his early days in Oregon. Asked if he was getting used to all the publicity surrounding his birthday, he replied, "I should be, by now." There isn't any secret to long life, according to Mullins. "Just, struggling along I guess," was his answer. A proper answer for a person used to the farming life.

Committee members sought

AURORA—North Marion School District is seeking four district residents to serve on its 14 member budget committee. Two committee positions became vacant when Howard Lewis and Gary Ellis finished their three-year terms. Two other positions opened when Charles "Skip" Peters and Dan Hamalford joined the district board of education. There is one year remaining on

Peter's term and two years on Hamalford's position. New committee members will be appointed when the board meets at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Jan. 30 in the district office. The budget committee is first scheduled to meet on Feb. 14. District residents interested in the committee positions should contact the district office at 678-6830, 983-9687 or

982-9996. Last year, North Marion's budget committee met Jan. lines during February and March to examine and cut several thousand dollars from a proposed budget of over \$4 million. A \$1,021,291 tax levy was defeated by voters last May before being approved, without changes, in the June election.

Murder trial begins Tuesday

OREGON CITY—The trial of a Canby man accused of fatally shooting a Canby woman, and wounding Darlene Lee Birch of Hubbard, began Tuesday in Clackamas County Circuit Court.

Jury selection was scheduled for Tuesday, and the trial of Daniel Lee Hollerman, 44, of Canby, was to begin Wednesday. Hollerman is accused of slaying Joyce M. DePew, 37, of

Canby Sept. 3 and wounding Birch, 37, both who were alleged dealers at a gambling operation near Whiskey Hill Road. The women were shot at 3:30 a.m.

Community college holds tutor training sessions

Thursday, Jan. 11 and 25 and



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One hundred-year-old St. Paul resident Charles Mullins. (Photo by Irv Canfield)

City council, may sworn in at meeting

AURORA—Aurora's newly elected mayor, city councilmen and treasurer were sworn in at the Dec. 31 meeting of the council. Selected for his first elected term, Rod Yoder was sworn in as mayor. Ron Beattie and Steve Starner were sworn into council seats and Jan Vleck was sworn in as city treasurer. The city's land use plan has been moved up from a March review date to a January review date by the state Land Use and Development Commission.

In other council business, the council voted to direct the city attorney to file a bond for the amount of an arbitrator's award with Aqua-Tech at Salem. The city had sought to recover \$18,000 from the firm for repairs made on the city well after Aqua-Tech installed

the well. An decision awarded \$5,615 for the work.

Repairs made on between Highway 51 and 52 found approximately equal. The county has over jurisdiction over jurisdiction. Aurora repairs were made, guarantee that it continue to maintain years.

City engineer Jim was directed by the board to help the work on the too costly as to his. A new drainage, the installation of L 415 Streets was due the council after voiced complaint drainage problems.

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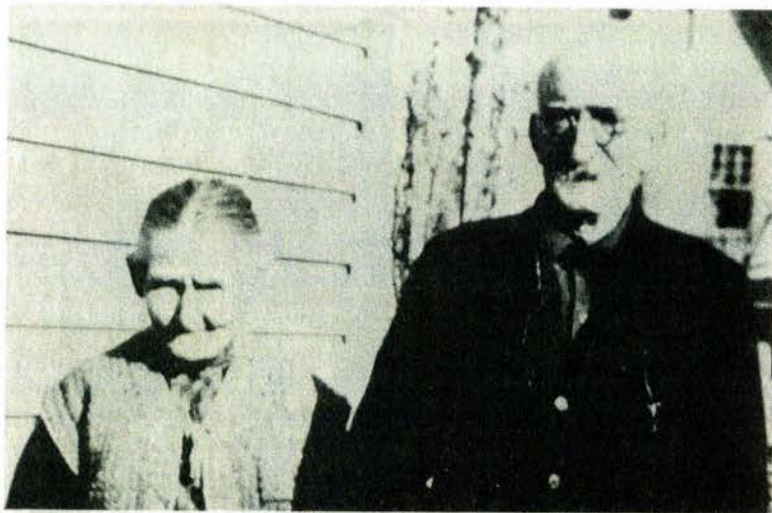



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 U-BAKE PIZZA
 We Make It

In 1926, we started our business by insuring all farmers around our hometown of Canby, Oregon. Now we're insuring farmers and ranchers all over the Pacific Northwest and our business is still safer. See us for a free quote on a Farmers Policy that provides full replacement cost for your home or home, as well as automatic liability coverage for your auto and credit cards.

*PATRICK MULLEN AND
MARY (FLYNN) MULLEN*



Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Mullen

Charles Mullen Collection

Patrick Mullen was born in Ireland, on November 1, 1839. He was the son of Thomas Mullen, a native of Kildare, County Kildare, and Mary (McNebbin) Mullen, who was born in Dublin. Mrs. Mullen had previously been married to a Mr. Keaton; and a son by that marriage, Robert Keaton, had come to the United States as a young man. He arrived in Oregon on October 30, 1852, and took up a land claim of 160 acres about one mile north of St. Paul.

In 1851, Mr. and Mrs. Mullen and Patrick left Ireland for the United States. They first lived in New Orleans for about a year and then moved to St. Louis, Missouri, where for five years Mr. Mullen was a cook in various hotels. While they were in Missouri, Robert Keaton wrote letters to his mother suggesting that the family come to Oregon. They moved to Illinois, where Mr. Mullen died of pneumonia in 1859. After Mr. Mullen's death Mrs. Mullen and Patrick boarded a steamer at New Orleans and left for Oregon. They came via Havana, the Isthmus of Panama, and San Francisco and

arrived in St. Paul on Christmas Eve of 1859. They lived with Robert Keaton in his small log house and helped him operate his farm.

In 1870, Robert Keaton decided to try his luck in the Idaho gold mines. He left with his team, mining equipment and necessary provisions but was never seen again. His family surmised that he was possibly captured and killed by marauding Indians. Patrick Mullen continued to operate his half-brother's farm and also cleared additional land.

Mary Ann Flynn was born in Albany, New York, on October 22, 1855. She was the daughter of Bernard and Catherine (Bennett) Flynn, both natives of Ireland. The Flynns came to Oregon in 1857 and purchased land about four miles northeast of St. Paul. During the trip across the plains some Indians stole Mary Ann, who was just able to walk at the time, and Mr. Flynn had to plead with the Indians and give them a sack of grain and some smoked meat in order to get her back. She grew up on Mr. Flynn's farm.

On November 10, 1880, Patrick Mullen, 41, and Mary Ann Flynn, 25, were married in the St. Paul Catholic Church.

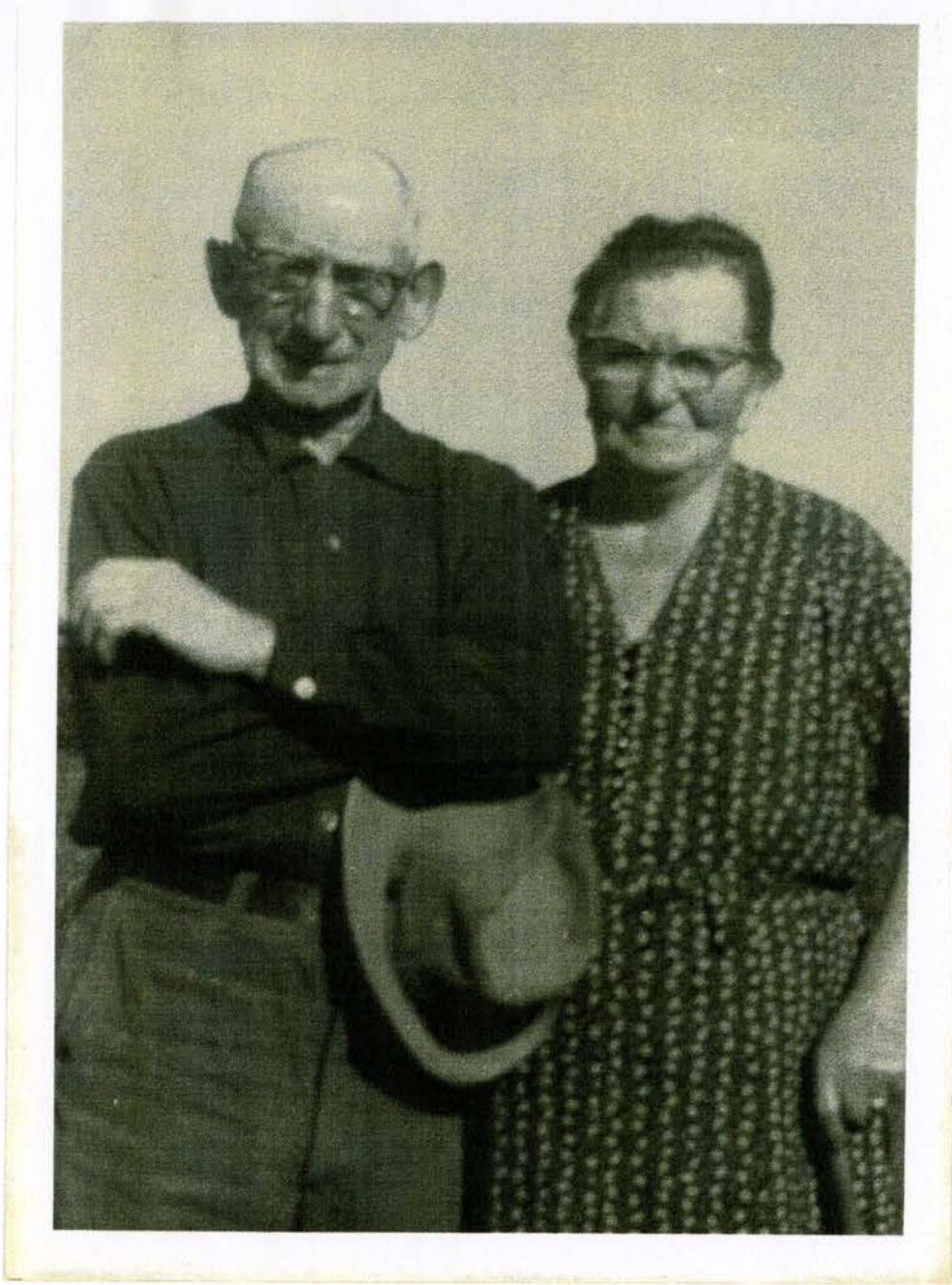
The couple lived on Patrick Mullen's farm in a large frame house which had been built about 1875. The house, which has had some additions, still stands today. As time went on the Mullens purchased additional land. Eventually their farm contained 240 acres and extended to the bank of the Willamette River. At one time they had thirty Chinese workers from Portland helping clear their land. While clearing the land the Mullens found such things as arrowheads, chips from rocks used as tools by the Indians, shining rocks and ashes from bonfires. Their farm was one of the finest in the St. Paul area.

In addition to farming, Patrick Mullen purchased horses and wagons and established a transportation business. He hauled grain and produce from all parts of the Willamette Valley to Portland. Later he raised horses and sold them to coal hauling businesses in Portland and seine fishermen in Astoria.

← Charles Jr & Tressie's
1960s



← Charles Jr &
Tressie's
1950s?



Charles Sr.

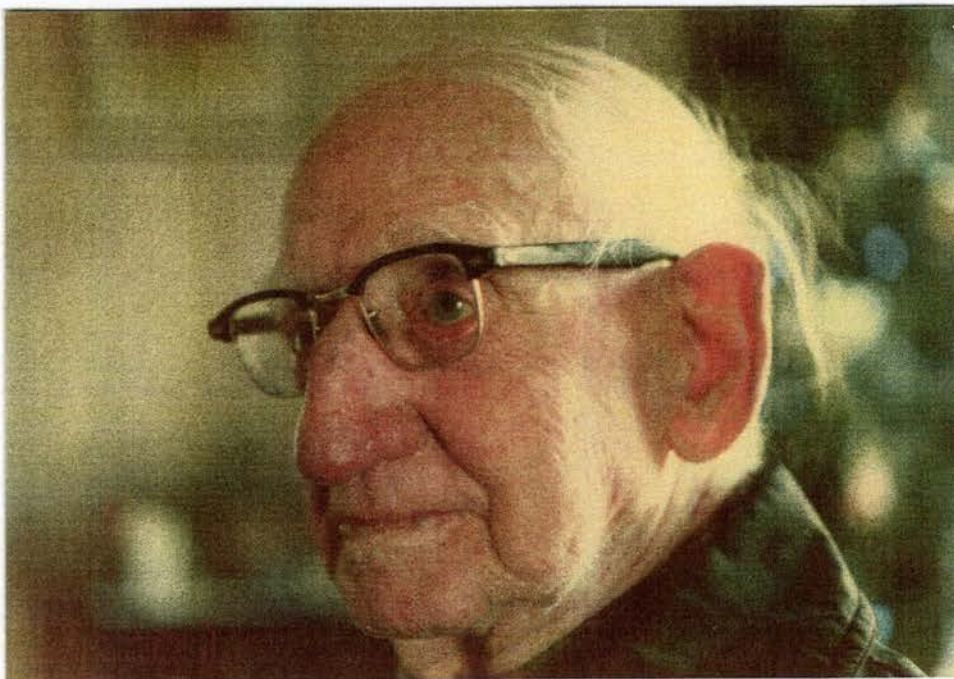
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Mary
Merten
Mullen

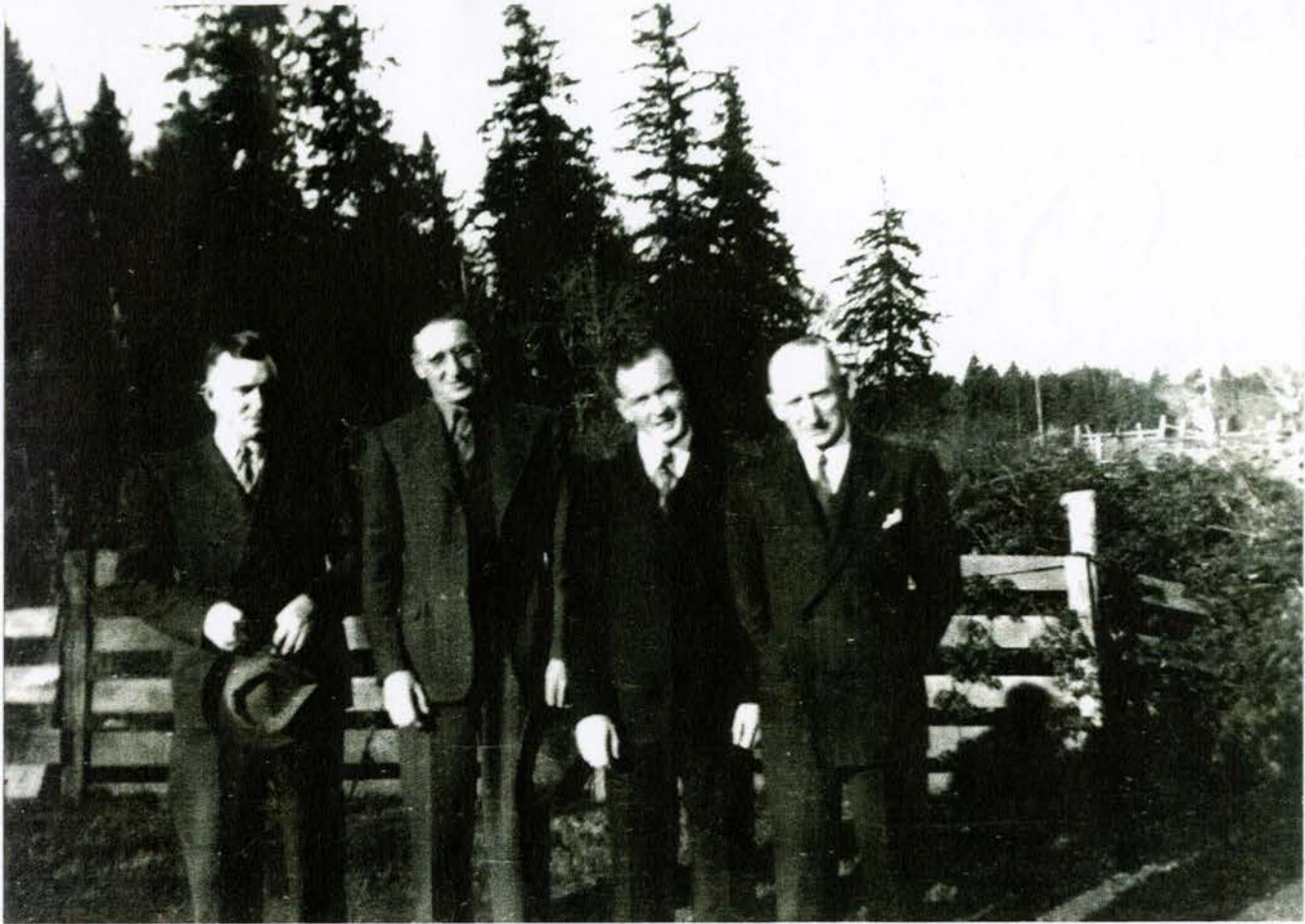
1956



Charles Jr.
‡
Gerald (Jerry)



Charles Sr.
100 years
old



1941

Peter Kirk Charles Jr. Edgar Charles Sr.



2003

Edgar (Jack) Alma (Mary)