



CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Eligibility Requirements:

1. Ownership within the same family for 100 or more years by July 4, 1976 of at least 80 acres of the original Iowa farmland.
2. Present owner must be related to original owner.
3. Application must be notarized and submitted by July 4, 1975.

One Century Farm marker per farm will be furnished by Iowa Farm Bureau. Additional markers may be purchased upon request.

One Century Farm Certificate will be awarded per farm by Iowa Department of Agriculture. Additional certificates may be requested.

Name of Present Farm Owner Lee Welch

Address 2 Duncombe Iowa 50532  
R.R. P.O. State Zip

Address of Farm, if different from above \_\_\_\_\_  
R.R. P.O. State Zip

Township Washington County Webster

Number of acres in the farm at present 240

Date of original purchase by member of your family January 6, 1870

Legal description of the land (from deed, abstract, or tax statement) \_\_\_\_\_

SE SE 8 88 27 40 Acres

SW SW 9 88 27 40 Acres

List all family owners, to present, beginning with original:

NAME	RELATIONSHIP TO PRESENT OWNER
<u>William Welch</u>	<u>Grandfather</u>
<u>Rachel Welch &amp; family</u>	<u>Grandmother Uncle &amp; Aunt</u>
<u>W. R. Welch</u>	<u>Father</u>
<u>Welch Bros. ( Verne &amp; Lee)</u>	<u>Brother &amp; Present Owner</u>
<u>Lee Welch</u>	

NOTE: Request for additional information on reverse side.

# APPLICATION FOR CENTURY FARM MARKER AND CERTIFICATE

Information you may be able to add to this form, while not essential to Century Farm Certification, will be most valuable to future historians. The questions below are offered only as a guide, so please feel free to add any other data, especially family or pioneer stories concerning the farm and area around it.

From whom was the farm purchased? Phillip Sorber and wife

How many acres were in the original parcel? 80

What was the cost of land per acre? \$21.25

Where was the first owner born? New York City

Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? Served in the Civil War

Was this a homestead? No

Did the first owner farm the land? Yes

Did he engage in any trades or occupations other than farming? Don't know

Is the original home, or any portion of it or other original buildings, still standing or in use? No

When was the present home built? 1957

What are the farm's crops or products? Corn and Soybeans

Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation Fort Dodge Messenger

I (we), Lee Welch  
being duly sworn, depose and say that the statements on this application are true and correct with regard to the land described above.

Lee Welch  
(Signature(s) of Applicant(s))

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24<sup>th</sup> day of June 1975.

My Commission expires Sept 30, 1977

[Signature]  
Notary Public in and for the

County of Webster State of Iowa

Send to: Iowa Department of Agriculture  
State House, Des Moines, Iowa 50319  
Submit by July 4, 1975

