



Iowa Department of Agriculture
in conjunction with
Iowa Farm Bureau Federation

1979

R. H. Lounsberry
Secretary

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Eligibility Requirements;

1. Ownership within the same family for 100 or more years by July 4, 1978, of at least 40 acres of Iowa farmland.
2. Present owner must be related to a person who owned the land at least 100 years ago.
3. Application must be notarized and submitted by June 1, 1978.

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576-0378
Check address

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 for each **legal farm owner** by Iowa Department of Agriculture. Additional certificates may be purchased at a cost of \$1.00 per certificate from the Iowa Department of Agriculture.

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

Name of Present Farm Owner Houck Farm

Address of Farmer, if different from above [redacted] R.R.

Township Newark County Wasson

Number of acres in farm at present 239

Date your ancestors first purchased this land May 17th 1878

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

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

List all ancestors who owned this land, beginning with original:

NAME	RELATIONSHIP TO PRESENT OWNER
<u>Benjamin & Lucy Ouellet</u>	
<u>Jessie Ouellet Houck</u>	<u>daughter</u>
<u>Marie ^{Houck} McConkie</u>	<u>daughter of Jessie</u>
<u>Ruth Houck Fox</u>	<u>" " "</u>
<u>Betty Jane Houck Zaben</u>	<u>" "</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? _____

How many acres were in the original parcel? _____

What was the cost of land per acre? _____

Where was the first owner born? _____

Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? _____

Was this a homestead? _____

Did the first owner farm the land? _____

Did he engage in any trades or occupations other than farming? _____

Is the original home, or any portion of it or other original buildings, still standing or in use? _____

When was the present home built? _____

What are the farm's crops or products? _____

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

Mildred M. Houck
(Signature(s) of Applicant(s))

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 23rd day of May 1979.

My Commission expires
9-30-79

Christine L. Penner
Notary Public In and for the

County of Webster State of Iowa

Send to: Iowa Department of Agriculture
Century Farms Program
State House, Des Moines, Iowa 50319