



Iowa Department of Agriculture
in conjunction with
Iowa Farm Bureau Federation

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R. H. Lounsberry
Secretary

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Eligibility Requirements;

1. Ownership within the same family for 100 or more years by July 4, 1976 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, 1983.

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.

Phone No

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

Name of Present Farm Owner Harold E. Hudson (Purchased farm in 1940)

Address of Century Farm, if different from above R.R.

Township Otho Century Farm County Webster

Number of acres in farm at present 76

Date your ancestors first purchased this land April 28, 1876

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

Legal description of the land (from deed, abstract, or tax statement) West 1/2 of N.E. Quarter,

Section Twenty one (21), Township Eighty-eight (88), North of Range

Twenty eight (28), West of 5th P.M.

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

NAME

RELATIONSHIP TO PRESENT OWNER

Charles H. Hudson April 28, 1876 Grandfather

William Walter Hudson 1899 Father

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? John and Ann E. Parsons

How many acres were in the original parcel? (80) eighty

What was the cost of land per acre? Quit claim

Where was the first owner born? Charles Hudson - born in parish of Thornton, Lincolnshire, England on Jan. 6, 1829. See attached sheet for more information.

Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? in Fort Dodge, IA just prior.

Was this a homestead? no

Did the first owner farm the land? It was very wet, and only raised hay.

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

Is the original home, or any portion of it or other original buildings, still standing or in use? yes not now part of original farm. Sold 4 acres including buildings in 1971. Original house and garage still in use.

When was the present home built? 1899

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

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

Harold E. Hudson (Signature(s) of Applicants(s))

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 27 day of May 19 83.

My Commission expires

Sept 1, 1985

Leah M. Orsland Notary Public in and for the

County of Webster State of Iowa

Send to: Iowa Department of Agriculture Century Farms Program Wallace Building Des Moines, IA 50319