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Dale M. Cochran
Secretary of Agriculture

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Eligibility Requirements:

1. Ownership within the same family for 100 or more years by July 4, 1996 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, 1996.

- 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 and Land Stewardship. Additional certificates may be purchased.
- A state-wide Century Farms Award Ceremony is held at the Iowa State Fair every year. You will receive notice as to the time and date of the ceremony in July. If you should have any questions, please call this office at (515) 281-5323.

Phone No. (319) 836-2016
area

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

Name of Present Farm Owner David D. Hellwig + Sandra K. Hellwig

We will move to the farm by June 30 1996

Address 1107 190th St. Farmington Iowa 52626
R.R., P.O. or Street Town State Zip

Address of Century Farm, if different from above RR2 Box 121 Bonaparte Iowa 52620
R.R., P.O. or Street Town State Zip

Township FARMington Century Farm County VAN Buren

Number of acres in farm at present 136.3

Date your ancestors first purchased this land May 8, 1867

Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation Van Buren County Leader-Record
Farmington, IA 52626

Legal description of the land (from deed, abstract, or tax statement) Beginning at the Northwest corner of the Southeast Quarter of section 29, township 68 North of Range 8 West; thence south and southeasterly along the center of the public road to the section line; thence East along the said section line Southeast corner of the Southeast Quarter of section 29; Township 68, Range 8; thence North to the half section line; thence West to the place of the beginning, containing 145 acres more or less, in Van Buren County, Iowa, except nine acres more or less, for public highways. Also subject to the Agreement recorded in Misc. Record 12 at page 527.

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

NAME	RELATIONSHIP TO PRESENT OWNER
<u>George V. Hellwig + wife Catherine</u>	<u>Great, Great, Grandfather</u>
<u>Frederick Hellwig</u>	<u>Great Grandfather</u>
<u>H. R. Hellwig</u>	<u>Grandfather</u>
<u>Howard A. Hellwig + wife Annie Frances</u>	<u>Father + Mother</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? Levi Tompkins

How many acres were in the original parcel? 320

What was the cost of land per acre? \$1.25

Where was the first owner born? Germany

Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Was this a homestead? probably for Levi Tompkins the farm was purchased in 1841 from US Government

Did the first owner farm the land? yes

Did he engage in any trades or occupations other than farming? in Philadelphia he was a baker by trade

Is the original home, or any portion of it or other original buildings, still standing or in use? no, but we have a grainery dated 1887, and barn built around 1900, also a cemetery on the farm Levi Tompkins, George Valentine Hellwig + wife Katherine are buried there. no one has lived at the farm since 1969

When was the present home built? June 1996 we will move in a double wide trailer

What are the farm's crops or products? corn, soybeans, hay, hogs + sheep

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



David D. Hellwig
Sandra K. Hellwig
(Signature(s) of Applicant(s))

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 29th day of MAY 1996.

My Commission expires 10-10-97

Kent L. Muntz
Notary Public in and for the

County of Linn State of Iowa

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