



APPLICATION FOR THE PIONEER MEDALLION

ELIGIBILITY

For purposes of this award, a *Pioneer* shall be any person who was either born in Canada or a resident of Canada prior to January 1, 1897, but must be a resident of British Columbia NOW.

Award to be made during 1971.



PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

- 1. Name in full ^{Mr.} Miss DERKSEN JOHN AARON
(Family name.) (Given names.)
- 2. Date of birth 8 August 1892 3. Place of birth GRETNA, MANITOBA
(Day.) (Month.) (Year.)
- 4. Maiden name _____
If married—
- 5. Husband's given names _____
- 6. Wife's full maiden name EPP
- 7. Occupation before retirement FARMER.
- 8. If born in Canada but outside British Columbia—
 - (a) When did you first come to British Columbia 5 NOV. 1933
(Day.) (Month.) (Year.)
 - (b) Where did you first live in British Columbia ALDERGROVE
 - (c) Where did you live immediately before coming to British Columbia
MORDEN, MANITOBA
- 9. If born outside Canada—
 - (a) Where did you live immediately before coming to Canada _____
 - (b) When did you first come to Canada _____
(Day.) (Month.) (Year.)
 - (c) Where did you first live in Canada _____
 - (d) When did you first come to British Columbia _____
(Day.) (Month.) (Year.)
- 10. Names of parents in full, including maiden name of mother—
 - Father DERKSEN AARON
(Family name.) (Given names.)
 - Mother STRIEMER ANNA
(Maiden name.) (Given names.)
- 11. Given names of brothers or sisters HENRY, ANNA, MARY, AARON,
ABRAM, SARAH, JACOB, PETER.
- 12. Any remarks you may care to make about your family background or experiences (if required, please attach separate sheet) Emigrated from Russia in 1874.
Parents were the first couple among the Mennonites
to be married in Canada.
- 13. 32133 Autumn Ave. J. Hersen
(Present address of applicant.) (Signature of applicant.)
@Clearbrook, B.C. NOV. 17., 1970.
(Date.)

RETURN THIS FORM IN QUADRUPPLICATE TO YOUR LOCAL CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE FOR FORWARDING TO VICTORIA. NO FORMS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER NOVEMBER 19, 1970.

To be completed by the local Centennial Committee

14. _____ M.S.A. Centennial '71
(Signature of local Centennial Committee Chairman.) (Name of local Centennial Committee.)

15. What, if any, verification of date of birth was available Birth Certificate.