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SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN *HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS*
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC Chilton-Williams Farm Complex

AND/OR COMMON Chilton Place

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER Missouri Route 106

CITY, TOWN Eminence *vic* VICINITY OF #8 - Hon. Richard Ichord

STATE Missouri CODE 29 COUNTY Shannon CODE 203

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY
			<input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PARK
			<input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
			<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
			<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
			<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
			<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

4 AGENCY

REGIONAL HEADQUARTERS: *(If applicable)* Ozark National Scenic Riverways

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN Van Buren STATE Missouri 63989

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Office of Recorder of Deeds, Shannon County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER Courthouse Square

CITY, TOWN Eminence STATE Missouri 65066

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE History, Scenic Data, Ozark National Scenic Riverways, Dent, Shannon and Carter counties, Missouri

DATE 1969 FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS Ozark National Scenic Riverways

CITY, TOWN Van Buren STATE Missouri 63965

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Chilton-Williams Farm Complex is located at Owl's Bend, on the west bank of the Current River in Shannon County, Missouri, along the Old Powder Road. All structures are original and have been unchanged for forty years.

The following is the inventory:

Building #315 - Chilton House: A two-story frame 29' x 32' building facing the Old Powder Mill Road about 100 yards south of the Current River. It is oriented north-south. There are no outbuildings, though originally an outhouse, chicken house, smoke house and shed were immediately to the rear. Ruins of the first Owl's Bend Post Office (1923) and a blacksmith shop are immediately across the road and a storm cellar on the west side of the yard.

Exterior: Gable roof, covered with corrugated iron; front wall covered with 1 1/2" flush horizontal boards. The other three sides are sheathed with 4 1/2" clapboard, painted white. It has hand-hewn beams and sandstone piers. A two-story veranda extends across the front and an enclosed porch is in the northeast corner. An outside rough cut stone chimney is in the center of the east end.

Openings: There are five doors and twelve windows. The front has three bays, the center of which on both floors are doors. Both doors have false wooden transoms. An additional door at the west end of the first floor gives access to a stair to the second floor. There is a single window on each floor in the west wall and a kitchen door opened onto a roofless wood porch, now missing. In the east wall is a single window between the chimney and southwest corner, first floor. Two windows are in the rear wall of the second story. All windows are double sash with 6 x 6 lights.

Interior: First floor: There are three rooms and an enclosed porch. The living room at the south end is 13'6" square. A single window and a sandstone fireplace are in the east wall, a window and entrance door in the south. (The wood mantel and facade have been removed.) A doorway in the west wall connects with a 13'6" x 15'9" bedroom. To the rear are an 8' x 13'6" porch and an 8' x 13'6" kitchen. Hardwood floors are in the living room and kitchen, and pine boards the other rooms. Walls and ceilings are 1 1/2" painted tongue and groove boards, which have been covered with wallpaper.

Second Floor: A single large room with walls and ceiling of 1 1/2" boards occupies the entire floor. It is reached by a 30' wide enclosed staircase that runs through the first floor bedroom.

Condition: Good. Boarded up and locked. Sprayed regularly with preservative.

Building #318 - Williams-Baltz House: A 1 1/2 story rectangular frame house

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
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		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES 1869-79; 1937 BUILDER/ARCHITECT Francis, Thomas W., Robert Chilton; Lillian Baltz

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Chilton-Williams Farm Complex is significant as representing the development of an Ozark farm from the post Civil War period to the present. The buildings range from forty to a hundred years in age. Among them is the Chilton House, one of the oldest buildings in Shannon County and the only surviving specimen of this style left in the area. The complex embraces a century of changes in agriculture and rural architecture.

The National Park Service is considering restoring the complex as an Ozark Living Farm.

History The Current River flows southward through Dent, Shannon, Carter and Ripley counties in south central Missouri, a remote, picturesque region, characterized by forested mountains and narrow valleys. Rivers here depend to a great extent on underground springs rather than surface runoff for water, which produces clear, sparkling streams.

Settlement began in the first part of the nineteenth century and by the time of the Civil War, all of the land had been taken. These people were primarily farmers from Tennessee and Kentucky. Their farms were small and isolated, being confined by topography to narrow valleys beside the streams. Crops were mainly corn, hay and wheat.¹

One of the settlers from Tennessee was Thomas Boggs Chilton, who migrated to the Current River valley in 1816 with his wife, Susan, and several children. Their youngest child was Francis (Frank) who was born in 1827.²

Francis married Mrs. Margaret Fancher Stearman in 1845 and the union produced five children. On September 1, 1859, he received a grant of 189.52 acres of land on the west bank of the Current River in Shannon County, Missouri, six miles downstream from its confluence with Jack's Fork River. The property is in a wide valley formed by a horseshoe bend of the river.³

Chilton farmed until his death in the 1860's. His widow operated the farm and raised their children, Napoleon Bonaparte, born in 1848, Elizabeth, born in 1850, Thomas Wesley, born in 1855, Robert, born in 1857, and Evaline, born in 1859.⁴

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UTM NOT VERIFIED

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE NOT VERIFIED

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 56
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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

See accompanying map. The northwestern boundary is marked by Current River. The boundaries form an arbitrary rectangle to include all of the structures of the complex. All of the land and the structures included are federal property which will remain undeveloped. The area outside the boundaries is federal property as well. The open area within the boundaries is wooded.

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Milton F. Perry

Revised by: Jill M. York
 Historian

MWRO DATE June 30, 1980

ORGANIZATION

November 23, 1976

STREET & NUMBER

1005 A Quality Hill Towers, 817 Jefferson

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816/221-7951

CITY OR TOWN

Kansas City

STATE

Missouri 64105

12 CERTIFICATION OF NOMINATION

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

YES

NO

NONE

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE

In compliance with Executive Order 11593, I hereby nominate this property to the National Register, certifying that the State Historic Preservation Officer has been allowed 90 days in which to present the nomination to the State Review Board and to evaluate its significance. The evaluated level of significance is National State Local.

FEDERAL REPRESENTATIVE SIGNATURE

TITLE

Asst. Dir., Cultural Resources

DATE

7-22-80

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

William A. Brahan

DATE

9.2.81

DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

ATTEST:

DATE

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

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facing east along a lane that runs north to various outbuildings and fields. In the yard is a privy, shed, a few trees and some rose bushes. The division between the south (older) and north section clearly shows.

Exterior: Gable roof, covered with corrugated iron; walls are 5 1/4" drop siding painted white. A single dormer window is in the east front roof. Foundations in the south sections are stone piers, those in the north, concrete. A covered porch extends across both front and north sides. An outside stair on the north porch leads to the second floor. There is a stone outside chimney in the south end and a brick chimney near the dormer window.

Openings: The south portion is four bays wide and consists of a pair of doors flanked by two 2 over 2 double sash windows. Between the chimney and an enclosed rear porch is another window, and a pair are in the south side, rear. There are three cottage windows in the front of the east section and a single window and three doors in the north wall; one window in the north. A single window is in the north attic wall.

Interior: There are a total of six rooms, a bath and a closet. The older part consists of three original rooms and an enclosed porch at the southwest corner. South is a 13' x 15' living room originally known as the "fireplace room." It was a combination living room and parents' bedroom. Walls and ceiling are tongue and groove boards. The stone fireplace is 40" wide and 42" high. There is a simple wood mantel.

Adjoining was the bedroom, remodelled for a dining room and connected to the living room by a 7 1/2' opening. Behind these rooms is the original kitchen which became a 13' x 18' bedroom.

The north section has a 12' x 12' front room now connected with the dining room and last used as the kitchen. It was built in 1937 for the Owl's Bend Post Office, and had only an outside entrance. Behind are two bedrooms. Each have doors to the north porch and bathroom between them and the original kitchen. All newer rooms have plaster board walls. There are two rooms in the attic. One is unfinished, the other sheathed with pine boards. All floors are pine. The house had electricity and plumbing.

Condition: Good. Boarded up and locked and sprayed regularly with preservative.

Building #319 - Barn: An unpainted 52' x 72' frame structure about 40' high on a knoll a hundred yards northeast of the house. It is oriented east and west.

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Exterior: Center gambrel roof, and shed extensions covered with corrugated iron. Walls sheathed with vertical rough sawn oak and pine boards. The foundations are concrete and wood blocks.

Openings: Two doors are in the west ends of the extensions and another under the gable overhang.

Interior: Divided into three areas, a 40' x 52' center and two 15' x 52' extensions. Feed troughs are on the sides of the central portion. All lower floors are dirt. The loft is floored with rough sawn pine and oak planks.

Condition: Large sections of the roof are missing.

Building #320 - Equipment Shed: A 28'4" x 50'2" unpainted single-story frame structure in a group of work buildings 100 feet north of the house.

Exterior: Gable roof, covered with corrugated iron and walls with rough sawn vertical oak boards. It has concrete block piers. The east side is open.

Interior: Undivided with dirt floor.

Condition: Fair.

Building #321 - Small barn: A 14' x 24' unpainted single-story frame building 100 feet south of the Chilton house.

Exterior: Gable roof covered with corrugated iron, and walls with vertical oak board siding on a loose stone foundation. Doors in the north and east sides.

Interior: There were two 14' x 8' and 14' x 16' rooms divided by a wood partition.

Condition: Fair.

Buildings #322, 323 - Corn Cribs: Two identical unpainted 12' x 36' single-story frame structures between the barn and house. The gable roofs are covered with corrugated iron and sides with rough sawn oak boards with ventilation spreading. Foundations are concrete blocks.

Condition: Good.

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Building #324 - Shed: A single-story unpainted frame 12'2" x 12' 4" building with corrugated iron gable roof. The walls are vertical rough sawn boards over a foundation of concrete blocks.

Condition: Fair.

Building #325 - Tool Shed: A 7'7" x 8'9" single-story frame building with a shed roof covered with asphalt shingles and wood walls covered with black rolled asphalt siding resting on concrete block piers. The inside floor is made of wood planks.

Condition: Fair.

Building #326 Smoke House: An 11'8" x 7'8" single-story building immediately to the rear of the house. The gable roof is covered with corrugated iron. A 3' x 11' concrete porch is on the east end. Its walls are rough sawn pine boards covered with green asphalt shingles. The interior floor is concrete.

Condition: Good. Boarded and locked.

Building #327 - Shed Building: A 12' x 24' unpainted single-story frame structure. Its gable roof is covered with corrugated iron, walls with rough sawn vertical oak boards and foundations are concrete block piers. All interior walls are corrugated iron and floors tongue and groove pine.

Condition: Fair.

Building #328 - Barn: A single-story 24'6" x 36'6" unpainted frame structure. The gable roof is covered with corrugated iron and walls with rough sawn vertical pine boards above concrete block foundations. The interior floor is dirt.

Condition: Fair.

Building # 329 - Chicken House: An 8'4" x 10'6" frame structure. The shed roof is covered with corrugated iron. walls with boards covered with black rolled asphalt siding above foundations of stone piers. The interior floor is rough sawn boards.

Condition: Fair.

Building #330 - Privy: A 3'8" x 4'6" unpainted frame structure in the yard about 30 feet behind the house. It has a shed roof of corrugated iron walls of drop siding, and stone piers. The interior has a single pine seat.

Condition: Fair.

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Building #337 - Storm Cellar: A below-grade 12' x 12' concrete shelter in the yard west of the Chilton House. It is about 8' deep. A flight of concrete steps leads to it. All floors are concrete.

Condition: Good.

Structure #338 - Silage Bin: There is an open silage bin northeast of the out buildings. It is about 90' x 15' and 10' deep. A wire fence surrounds it.

Condition: Eroded and overgrown with weeds.

Two concrete silos are about 200 yards south of the house. They are 11' in diameter, 30' high with 7" thick concrete walls. They have no roofs and floors are dirt. Wooden ladders on the sides of each reach to the tops.

Condition: Good.

Buildings #331-335 were Livestock Shelters that are gone.

Building #336 was a barn which is also gone.

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In 1894, after Margaret's death, the farm passed into the hands of her three surviving children, Thomas Wesley, a cattle dealer, Robert, and Evaline.⁵ When Robert Chilton died the farm was sold out of the family and divided in 1912. One section, the "lower" (downstream) farm, was bought by Jeff Davis Williams and the upper, containing the Chilton homestead, by C. L. Williams, his brother. C. L. Williams traded his farm to a third brother Clinton H., on January 24, 1918.⁶

Jeff Davis Williams sold to W. T. ("Bud") Knuckles in 1918 but his brother and family remained on the upper farm until 1940, when the farm was joined back together by Lillian B. Baltz. It was acquired by the U.S. Government as part of the Ozarks National Scenic Riverways in 1967.⁷

Jeff Davis Williams built a small general store at the junction of the road to Powder Mill near his home in 1912. He operated it together with the lower farm until 1918 when he sold it to Knuckles and opened a store in the county seat at Eminence.⁸ Clinton Williams was, among other things, the Presiding Judge (1924-26) of the Shannon County Court, (an administrative, not a judicial position) and Postmaster of the Owl's Bend Post Office. Appointed in 1923, he established the post office in a small building directly opposite the house, and gave it a name derived from birds that concentrate in the vicinity. Later Mrs. Baltz had the post office moved to an addition that was built to the house on the lower farm.⁹

The older dwelling house was constructed by the Chiltons. One family tradition ascribes the house as having been built by Francis Chilton, about 1869. Another attributes it to his sons Thomas Wesley and Robert Newton between 1875 and 1880.¹⁰

All versions have in common that the siding on the house was cut at a sawmill near the "junction," where the Current River and Jack's Fork merge, and was floated down the river to the house site. The builder(s) planed the boards by hand. The mill appears in Shannon County census records only once, and that was in 1880. At the time it was operated by Thomas A. Galbraith.¹¹

Whether the house was built in 1869 or ten years later, it had several major additions prior to 1912. These consisted of the present kitchen, a rear porch, and clapboard siding on three sides. The two-story veranda appears to predate these additions. No major changes have been made since.¹²

When Jeff Davis Williams bought the lower farm in 1912, it had a fairly recent three room single story frame house on it. The room on the west was the "fireplace" room (it had the only fireplace) and was used as a combination living room and parents' bedroom. Adjoining was the bedroom, and to the north, the

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kitchen and porch. In 1937-38 an addition for the Owl's Bend Post Office and several bedrooms were added to it. At this time the Chilton House was abandoned and the center of activity shifted to the lower farm. Most of the remaining out-buildings are of this period.¹³

At present, the farm is rented by the Ozark National Scenic Riverways to local farmers. The buildings are boarded up and secured and are sprayed with preservative regularly.¹⁴

FOOTNOTES

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