United States Department of the Interior National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places Inventory—Nomination Form

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1. Nam	le			
historic Penic	k House			
and/or common	Raymond Choate Hou	se		
2. Loca	ation			
street & number	218 N orth East Str	eet		<u>N/A</u> not for publication
city, town	, Texhoma	N/A vicinity of	-0	
state Oklah	oma code	040 county	Texas	code 139
3. Clas	sification			
Category district X building(s) structure site object	Ownership public _X private both Public Acquisition N/A in process N/A being considered	Status _X_ occupied unoccupied work in progress Accessible yes: restricted yes: unrestricted no	Present Use agriculture commercial educational entertainment government industrial military	museum park private residence religious scientific transportation other:
4. Own	er of Proper	ty	· . 	
name Raymo	nd Choate	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
street & number	218 North East St	reet		
city, town	Texhoma	<u>N/A</u> vicinity of	state	Oklahoma
5. Loca	ation of Lega	I Descripti	on	
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city, town	Guymon		state	0klahoma
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title Comprehe	nsive Survey	has this pro	operty been determined	eligible? yes _x no
date 1982	revised 1984		federalX_si	tate county local

depository for survey records Preservation Office, Historical Society

Oklahoma City city, town

7. Description

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_ deteriorated __ unaltered __ unexposed Check one __ unaltered

Check one ____ original site ___ moved date _

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

The Penick house is a single story bungalow constructed of buff brick masonry running bond. The combination hipped and pyramid roof has asphalt shingles and metal ridge cresting and has two brick chimney stacks on the northern slope. A veranda with a blind railing of brick masonry of running bond, covers the length of the east and south elevtions as well as the southern half of the west elevation. Four step entrle are located on the east, south and west elevations, with the east serving as the main entrance. The west elevation is directly connected to a storm cellar by a covered stairwell. There is a well house eight feet from the southwest corner of the house's western elevation. The east elevation has paired windows on each side of the door; the same is true of the south elevation. The west elevation has one window, while the north elevation has three sets of paired windows. All paired windows are double-hung with four by one lights and plain slip sills. The single window is double-hung with one by one lights. The east and south entrances have stained glass transoms and side lights.

The exterior alterations to the house include storm doors and windows; an air conditioning unit on the southern elevation; and a closed off door on the western elevation.

The interior of the house has its original mail order pressed metal ceiling tiles. There are also the original transoms over all the interior doors, as well as all the original woodwork. Some alterations have been made to the interior.

8. Significance

Period prehistoric 1400–1499 1500–1599 1600–1699 1700–1799 1800–1899 1900–	Areas of Significance—C archeology-prehistoric archeology-historic agriculture architecture art commerce communications	 community planning conservation economics education engineering exploration/settleme industry invention 	g landscape architectu law literature military music ent philosophy politics/government (communi	re religion science • sculpture social/ humanitarian theater transportation _X_ other (specify) ty Development)
Specific dates	1912	Builder/Architect	P.M. Williams	

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

The Penick house is significant becaue it is the best surviving unaltered dwelling in Texhoma constructed by P.M. Williams, the major contractor, and builder in the community during the town's greatest period of growth, 1906-1925. The Penick house was the first brick residence constructed in Texhoma. Brick homes were generally the largest houses in Texhoma, and never comprised more than 10 percent of the community's residences. Mr. Williams built the Penick house in 1912 and it was his first endeavor into residential construction and design. The Penick house is distinct from the surrounding houses because it is the oldest and it is the only one constructed of brick. It is important because it represents an era of growth and expansion in Texhoma, and the Panhandle in general, and also because it is best representative structure of Mr. William's work.

There is no record that Williams was academically trained as an architect, however, according to a written account of Williams' daughter, written in 1976, Williams did earn his living as a contractor, builder, and developer. And, between 1907 and 1920, the years Williams lived in Texhoma he built at least 25 houses, three schools, the Methodist Church, and at least ten commercial structures in Texhoma. During these years Williams also built stores, churches, and houses in Texas, Kansas, other towns in Oklahoma and in Missouri, his native state.

Texhoma never has had more than 35 brick homes. Most early homes were frame with clapboard siding. Later stucco was popular because it weathered well and was inexpensive. Brick, as construction material was reserved for commercial buildings and those homes considered substantial.

9. Major Bibliographical References

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Texhoma Genealogical and Historical Society, <u>Panhandle Pioneer</u>. Vol. 6, Texhoma Oklahoma: The Times, 1976, pp. 3, 38, 44-47,.

10. Geograph	ical Data	****	
Acreage of nominated property		re	
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state	code	county	code
11. Form Prep	pared By	•	
name/title Lance Weisend	Supervised by Pro	ject Director Dr. M	ary Ann Anders
organization Oklahoma Hi	storical Preservat	tion date	1982 revised 1984
street & number 502 Math S	Sciences (0.S.U.)	telephone	(405) 624-5678
city or town Stillwater	-	state	0klahoma
12. State Hist	toric Prese	rvation Offic	cer Certification
The evaluated significance of th	is property within the sta	te is:	
national	state	local	
As the designated State Historic 665), I hereby nominate this pro according to the criteria and pro	perty for inclusion in the	National Register and cert	ervation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89– ify that it has been evaluated
State Historic Preservation Offic	er signature CEN	Netcalf	7/30/84
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I hereby certify that this p	operty is included in the	National Register	
Bill Grovenn			date 9/28/89
Keeper of the National Regi	ster sea a de		
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Chief of Registration			