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National Register of Historic Places
Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form* (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

1. Name of Property

historic name Charlie Hall House

other names/site number FA1255

2. Location

street & number 221 Old US Hwy 65

not for publication

city or town Twin Groves

vicinity

state AR

code AR

county Faulkner

code 045

zip code 72058

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended, I hereby certify that this nomination request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set for in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant nationally statewide locally. (See continuation sheet for additional comments)

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Signature of certifying official/Title

4/13/05
Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. (See Continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Signature of certifying official/Title

Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

4. National Park Service Certification

I hereby certify that the property is:

- entered in the National Register.
 - See continuation sheet
- determined eligible for the National Register.
 - See continuation sheet
- determined not eligible for the National Register.
- removed from the National Register.
- other, (explain): _____

Signature of the Keeper

Date of Action

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

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5. Classification

Ownership of Property
(Check as many boxes as apply)

Category of Property
(Check only one box)

Number of Resources within Property
(Do not include previously listed resources in count.)

- private
- public-local
- public-State
- public-Federal

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

Contributing	Noncontributing	
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1	_____	buildings
_____	_____	sites
_____	_____	structures
_____	_____	objects
1	_____	Total

Name of related multiple property listing
(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.)

Number of Contributing resources previously listed in the National Register

A Storm Couldn't Tear Them Down: The Mixed Masonry Buildings of Silas Owens, Sr., 1938-1955

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions
(Enter categories from instructions)

Current Functions
(Enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTIC/ Single dwelling

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7. Description

Architectural Classification
(Enter categories from instructions)

Materials
(Enter categories from instructions)

OTHER/ Mixed Masonry
LATE 19TH AND 20TH CENTURY REVIVALS/
English Revival and Mediterranean

foundation Concrete
walls Cut stone

roof Asphalt
other

Narrative Description

(Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

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8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria

(Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing.)

- A Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- B Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- C Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- D Property has yielded, or is likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations

(Mark "x" in all the boxes that apply.)

Property is:

- A owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- B removed from its original location.
- C moved from its original location.
- D a cemetery.
- E a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- F a commemorative property
- G less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

Levels of Significance (local, state, national)

Local _____

Areas of Significance (Enter categories from instructions)

ARCHITECTURE _____

Period of Significance

C. 1938 _____

Significant Dates

C. 1938 _____

Significant Person (Complete if Criterion B is marked)

Cultural Affiliation (Complete if Criterion D is marked)

Architect/Builder

Silas Owens, Sr., Mason and carpenter _____

Narrative Statement of Significance

(Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

9. Major Bibliographical References

Bibliography

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

Previous documentation on file (NPS):

- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested
- previously listed in the National Register
- Previously determined eligible by the National Register
- designated a National Historic Landmark
- recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # _____
- recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # _____

Primary location of additional data:

- State Historic Preservation Office
- Other State Agency
- Federal Agency
- Local Government
- University
- Other

Name of repository: _____

Name of Property Mack Morton Barn

County and State Washington County, AR

10. Geographical Data

Acreeage of Property Less than one acre

UTM References

(Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet.)

1 15 554553 3910736
Zone Easting Northing

2 _____

3 _____
Zone Easting Northing

4 _____

See continuation sheet

Verbal Boundary Description

(Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

Beginning at a point north of US Hwy 65 proceed north approximately 105 feet, thence proceed east approximately 45 feet, thence proceed south approximately 105 feet, thence proceed west approximately 45 feet to the point of beginning.

Boundary Justification

(Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)

This boundary includes all of the property historically associated with this resource that retains its integrity.

11. Form Prepared By

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date 04/13/05

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state AR

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Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

Continuation Sheets

Maps

A USGS map (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location

A Sketch map for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

Photographs

Representative black and white photographs of the property.

Additional Items

(Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items.)

Property Owner

(Complete this item at the request of SHPO or FPO.)

name Jo and Lynn Butler

street & number 221 Old Hwy 65

telephone 501 335-8026

city or town Twin Groves

state AR

zip code 72058

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SUMMARY

The Charlie Hall House in Twin Groves was built circa 1938. Construction on the house was initially begun by a Harrison rockmason who became ill in the middle of the job. Silas Owens, Sr., was working on the Hall farm at the time so upon the man's absence, Owens took over. The Hall House is Owens' first Mixed Masonry in Faulkner County and is representative of one of the best of his stone homes in the area. The architecture of this house is influenced by the English Revival and Mediterranean styles with prominent multiple gables atop a full concrete foundation.

ELABORATION

The front, southern façade of the Hall house features an arcaded porch at the southwest corner. Beneath the porch is a single double-hung, six-over-six window. The entry door is placed under the porch roof on a western facing wall. The arch on the southwest corner of the porch contains a wrought iron balustrade while the second, entry arch on the porch is topped with a shallow gabled roof containing a round louver surrounded by a sunburst pattern executed in brick. The main wall of the house is even with the arcades and features a centered ribbon of three windows. The windows on this home differ from Owens' typical work in that they were trimmed with concrete lintels and sills rather than the typical cream brick three-in, three-out pattern of most of his buildings. However, the sides of the windows are lined with that configuration. Above the windows is a square louver trimmed in the same manner of the fenestration.

The eastern elevation features a centered exterior chimney with graduated rounded shoulders flanked by single windows to the north and south. Fenestration on this elevation from south to

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north consists of a pair of windows, a shorter pair of windows and a ribbon of three at the northeast corner.

The rear, northern elevation exhibits a gable on hip roof. The northeast corner of the house is fenestrated with two single windows around a centered single-leaf door. The door opens onto a concrete and stone stoop and is sheltered by a small, bracketed shed overhang. A pair of windows is situated at the northwest corner.

The western elevation from north to south displays a single window, a pair of windows and two single openings. A large arch spanned with a wrought iron balustrade opens onto the southwest corner of the front porch.

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SUMMARY

The Charlie Hall House in Twin Groves, constructed circa 1938 is being nominated to the National Register of Historic Places with local significance under Criterion C as a good example of an English Revival and Mediterranean influenced Mixed Masonry residence. The Faulkner County home was constructed and veneered by master craftsman Silas Owens, Sr., and features the creative stone coursing emblematic of Owens' work. The Hall House was Owens' first Mixed Masonry in the area and is an outstanding example of the meticulous coursing and quality construction attributed to Silas Owens, Sr. The nomination is also being submitted under the multiple property context, "A Storm Couldn't Tear Them Down: The Mixed Masonry Buildings of Silas Owens, Sr., 1938-1955."

ELABORATION

Charlie Hall was a farmer from Van Buren County who owned a substantial amount of land in the Faulkner County area. Hall and his wife, Minnie Ellen Cochran Hall, raised corn, cotton, peas and beef cattle and also retained sharecroppers on his acreage. Silas Owens, Sr., came to work on the farm for Charlie Hall and he was present when Hall hired a man from Harrison to construct a stone home on his property referred to as Charlie Hall Hill. The original rock mason had engaged Owens to help him but he soon returned to Harrison, telling Hall that Owens knew enough to finish the job.

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Owens applied his extraordinary skills to the carpentry as well as the masonry on the new home, and completed his first Mixed Masonry with assistance from "mudman" Ray Hudspeth of Damascus. Owens continued to work for Charlie Hall until approximately the mid-1940s when his reputation had grown enough that he was able to support his family as a rock mason. Charlie Hall raised his family in the home and resided there until his death in 1975. His daughter, Edra Hall inherited the house and it was soon sold out of the family.

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Charlie Hall House is being nominated to the National Register under Criterion C with local significance as an outstanding example of an English Revival and Mediterranean influenced Mixed Masonry featuring the superior craftsmanship of Silas Owens, Sr. The house was built on US Highway 65 in what was a rural, farming area between Greenbrier and Damascus. In later years the highway became a busy thoroughfare offering access to Conway and Little Rock to the south. Increased traffic demands led to a rerouting of 65 in the 1990s, which placed the Hall House off the main highway. This move served to preserve the rural feel of the Hall House, lending to its integrity and allowing for a more leisurely perusal of the meticulous coursing of its stone veneer. The Charlie Hall House is also being submitted under the multiple property context, "A Storm Couldn't Tear Them Down: The Mixed Masonry Buildings of Silas Owens, Sr., 1938-1955."

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9. Major Bibliographical References

Bibliography

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

Hall, Cecil and Carolyn. Twin Groves, AR. Son and daughter-in law of Charlie Hall. Telephone interview with author, 16 February 2005.

Hall, Henry. Twin Groves, AR. Nephew of Charlie Hall. Telephone interview with author, 04 January 2005.









