

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

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 National Register Bulletin, *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form*. If any 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.

1. Name of Property

Historic name: Hall-Hogan Grocery Store

Other names/site number: _____

Name of related multiple property listing:

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

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

2. Location

Street & number: 1364 Mitchell

City or town: Conway State: AR County: Faulkner

Not For Publication: Vicinity:

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended,

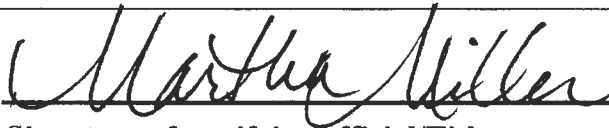
I hereby certify that this X nomination ___ request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60.

In my opinion, the property X meets ___ does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant at the following level(s) of significance:

___ national ___ statewide X local

Applicable National Register Criteria:

X A ___ B X C ___ D

	
Signature of certifying official/Title:	Date
<u>Arkansas Historic Preservation Program</u>	
State or Federal agency/bureau or Tribal Government	

In my opinion, the property <u>X</u> meets ___ does not meet the National Register criteria.	
Signature of commenting official:	Date
Title :	
State or Federal agency/bureau	

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4. National Park Service Certification

I hereby certify that this property is:

- entered in the National Register
- determined eligible for the National Register
- determined not eligible for the National Register
- removed from the National Register
- other (explain:) _____

Signature of the Keeper

Date of Action

5. Classification

Ownership of Property

(Check as many boxes as apply.)

- Private:
- Public – Local
- Public – State
- Public – Federal

Category of Property

(Check only **one** box.)

- Building(s)
- District
- Site

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Structure

Object

Number of Resources within Property

(Do not include previously listed resources in the count)

Contributing	Noncontributing	
<u>1</u>	_____	buildings
_____	_____	sites
_____	_____	structures
_____	_____	objects
<u>1</u>	_____	Total

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register _____

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions

(Enter categories from instructions.)

COMMERCE/TRADE/Specialty store

Current Functions

(Enter categories from instructions.)

DOMESTIC/Single Dwelling

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7. Description

Architectural Classification

(Enter categories from instructions.)

LATE 19TH AND EARLY 20TH CENTURY
AMERICAN MOVEMENTS/ Craftsman

Materials: (enter categories from instructions.)

Principal exterior materials of the property: Stone, Brick

Narrative Description

(Describe the historic and current physical appearance and condition of the property. Describe contributing and noncontributing resources if applicable. Begin with a **summary paragraph** that briefly describes the general characteristics of the property, such as its location, type, style, method of construction, setting, size, and significant features. Indicate whether the property has historic integrity.)

SUMMARY

The Hall-Hogan Grocery Store at 1364 Mitchell Street in Conway is a small Mixed Masonry building with Craftsman influences, constructed circa 1948. The gable-roofed building with centered gabled porch is a single-family dwelling. The store was constructed for Edra Hall and the rock veneer was laid up by Silas Owens, Sr., a mason whose specialty was the Mixed Masonry form. Owens' Mixed Masonries can be found primarily in the Faulkner County area. Examples of his stonework there date from the 1930s through the 1950s. Four plate glass windows fenestrate the front façade. These openings are original to the building and served as display space. The house retains its original herringbone-pattern rockwork and its historical associations with Silas Owens, Sr.

The Mixed Masonry, Craftsman style Hall-Hogan Grocery Store, located within a residential neighborhood in Conway, still exhibits its original rockwork. The house has a rectangular plan, approximately 29 feet by 36 feet, including a rear shed addition. Edra Hall had the drop-sided shed built to serve as living quarters at the rear of the store space. Kenneth Hogan, the son of Alvin Hogan, stated that the addition was built soon after the original construction in circa 1948.

The store is built on a continuous cast-concrete foundation. The exterior walls were built with local, cut stone and laid up in a herringbone pattern; a Silas Owens, Sr. signature.

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The stone elevations of the Hall-Hogan Grocery Store have the typical Mixed Masonry configuration of three-in, three-out cream bricks around the attic louvers, windows, corners and doors, forming a quoin pattern.

Narrative Description

Front, South façade

The front or southern façade of the building features a centered, gable-roofed stoop supported by wrought-iron posts.

The centered single-leaf, six-panel front door is surrounded by cream brick. The door is flanked on the east and west by two pairs of stationary, single-light windows. The windows also exhibit a surround of cream brick in a pattern of three-in and three-out.

West Elevation

The west side of the building, from right to left, is fenestrated at the southwest corner with a two-over-two double-hung window. The northwest corner features a six-over-six double-hung opening. The windows are surrounded by cream brick. A wooden louver in the attic also features the brick configuration.

The western wall of the rear, shed addition begins at the northwestern corner of the stone section. It is fenestrated from right to left with a single-leaf door and a six-over-six, double-hung window.

North Elevation

The rear, northern elevation of the building is fenestrated with a small six-light stationary window at the northeastern corner and a six-over-six double-hung window at the northwestern corner.

East Elevation

The northeast corner of the shed addition features from right to left, a six-over-six double-hung window and a single-leaf door. Fenestration on the stone section of the store consists of a single six-over-six double-hung window and a pair of short, six-over-six double-hung windows. These windows and an attic louver feature cream brick trim.

The Hall-Hogan Grocery Store, built circa 1948, retains six of the seven elements of integrity required for National Register listing. The building remains in its original location and setting. The exterior retains the original workmanship of Silas Owens, Sr., including the use of local sandstone in his signature herringbone pattern and cream-colored brick trim. Changes to the store include the possible replacement of double-hung windows and a rear shed addition. The original window openings and cream trim remain on the façade and the addition was applied soon after its construction. Original rockwork is still visible from Independence and Mitchell streets.

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The current owner says there is no rockwork that could be exterior veneer on the inside of the rear shed room. Therefore the store building maintains the association and feeling of a Silas Owens, Sr., Mixed Masonry.

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.)

- A. Owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes
- B. Removed from its original location
- C. A birthplace or grave
- D. A cemetery
- E. A reconstructed building, object, or structure
- F. A commemorative property
- G. Less than 50 years old or achieving significance within the past 50 years

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Areas of Significance
(Enter categories from instructions.)

ARCHITECTURE

Period of Significance
1948

Significant Dates
1948

Significant Person
(Complete only if Criterion B is marked above.)

Cultural Affiliation

Architect/Builder
Silas Owens, Sr., stonemason

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Statement of Significance Summary Paragraph (Provide a summary paragraph that includes level of significance, applicable criteria, justification for the period of significance, and any applicable criteria considerations.)

SUMMARY

The Hall-Hogan Grocery Store at 1364 Mitchell Street in Conway is being nominated to the National Register of Historic Places under **Criterion C** for architecture with **local significance** as a representation of Silas Owens, Sr.'s Craftsman-influenced Mixed Masonry stonework. The Hall/Hogan Grocery Store is also being submitted under the multiple property listing, "**A Storm Couldn't Tear Them Down: The Mixed Masonry Buildings of Silas Owens, Sr., 1938-1955.**"

Narrative Statement of Significance (Provide at least **one** paragraph for each area of significance.)

ELABORATION

Faulkner County was established on April 12, 1873, with Conway as the county seat. Though businesses developed in and around Conway, agriculture was still the main source of livelihood for the county, particularly the production of cotton, soy beans, and rice. Conway was an important agricultural center because of the construction of the Little Rock & Ft. Smith rail line. Cotton was the primary crop and gins were built across the county. The crop remained the money-maker for Faulkner until the early 1970s. Agricultural diversification to grains, fruits and dairy cattle began at the turn of the century.

The Flood of 1927 inundated the county, destroying all of the early crops and washing out much of the soil in the bottoms needed for the upcoming crops. It also flooded the cities of Faulkner County. Just as the county began to rehabilitate itself, the Great Depression hit. The presence of New Deal programs like the Works Progress Administration and the Civilian Conservation Corps helped the county rebound with soil conservation projects and construction works on Conway's college campuses and Main Street.

During World War II Conway remained an active urban center as Arkansas State Teachers College offered military training and busses transported people to Marche and Jacksonville to work in war industries. After the war, the Chamber of Commerce vigorously courted industries such as the International Shoe Company plant and Virco Manufacturing Corporation.

The Hall-Hogan Grocery Store was built in the years after World War II. The simple structure was enhanced by the use of local stone, shaped by Silas Owens, Sr.

Prior to the war President Herbert Hoover had instituted a program called "Better Homes for America." The federal government collaborated with local home demonstration agents to encourage homeownership and improvement since the Depression had reduced the numbers of new homes. In 1937 the Faulkner County Home Demonstration Agency was charged with urging people to build new houses using local materials and local and family labor. Since Faulkner County was located atop a vein of sandstone many farm families could obtain rock

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from their land. This program and the availability of materials could have been a factor in the distribution of Mixed Masonries in the county.

The Hall family had a history of entrepreneurship in Faulkner County. Edra Hall, the owner of Hall's Grocery Store had two uncles in the local grocery business and her grandfather owned Cochran's Grocery in Damascus. Edra engaged Silas Owens, Sr. to apply the rockwork for her small grocery store, at Mitchell and Independence streets circa 1948. The store provided sundries and sandwiches for the workers at the 1947 International Shoe Company. Edra lived in the small shed addition to the rear of the store. She married Lyman Morris after she acquired the business. This was a second marriage for Lyman and he and Edra raised two of his children from his first marriage.

Hall family members still reside in the Twin Groves and Damascus (Faulkner County) areas. Edra Hall's father was Charlie Hall, the owner of the Charlie Hall House on Old Highway 65 in Twin Groves (NR 06/01/05). Silas Owens, Sr., laid up the rock on her father's house so Edra had experience with Owens and hired him to provide her with a Mixed Masonry structure like her father's. The rock for the building came from Charlie Hall's property in Twin Groves. Edra was the owner/operator of Hall's Grocery Store until circa 1963 by which time she had sold the property to Alvin Hogan of Greenbrier. After she sold the store she built an apartment building behind it and lived there until her death in 1982.

Alvin Hogan was a farmer and performed odd jobs in Greenbrier but he wanted to own a grocery store. During World War II Alvin worked at the Maumelle Ordnance Works. During his employment there he contracted powder poisoning and was no longer able to farm. Alvin's son Kenneth helped him buy a store in Morrilton (Conway County), and then he assisted him with purchasing a second store on the east side of Conway. By 1963 Hogan's Grocery Store was listed in the Polk's City Directories for Conway.

By 1969 the Hogan family had leased the building and it became Burgess Grocery Store until 1974. After the Burgess store closed the Hogans leased the structure as a single-family home. Kenneth Hogan inherited the building after Alvin Hogan died in 1992. In 1999 Kenneth Hogan entered into an agreement with Alcurtis Turner to purchase the building. The Turner family currently resides at 1364 Mitchell.

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Hall-Hogan Grocery Store in Conway, Faulkner County was a small structure but it was a large part of the historic fabric of the town. Silas Owens, Sr., was selected as the mason by Edra Hall because she had experience with his work and his product. Her father, Charlie Hall of Twin Groves engaged Owens to rock his home. The store was produced ten years after the Charlie Hall House but the herringbone pattern, tight coursing and carefully shaped stones are present on both.

Before the advent of Wal-Mart, Hall's and Hogan's Grocery Stores served the neighborhood and the workers of the nearby International Shoe Company with goods and lunch. The store was several miles from the downtown commercial center on Main Street but it was convenient to the surrounding housing additions that were benefiting from the shoe company, the railroad and the town's colleges. Returning veterans and war workers brought their new incomes

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to town, which profited the tiny grocery store. In those years just before and after World War II, Silas Owens, Sr., also benefited from this increased economy and his artistic and meticulous work became well-known. In many cases the word about his work would pass through families and he would be engaged multiple times by the same family groups. This was the case with Edra Hall and Hall's Grocery Store. Owens only worked on one other grocery store in Faulkner County. Snow's Grocery was on U.S. Highway 65, one mile north of Greenbrier. The original building had been destroyed by a tornado prior to Owens being hired to provide the rockwork and it stood until it was torn down for modern construction at an unknown date. Silas Owens, Sr., also veneered the Lee Service Station in Damascus, which likely offered a light selection of groceries as well as gas. Besides those three known examples of commercial buildings, Owens primarily rocked single family dwellings and churches so the Hall-Hogan Grocery Store is a rare building type for Owens.

As an intact example of Silas Owen, Sr.'s Craftsman-influenced Mixed Masonry structures in Faulkner County, the Hall-Hogan Grocery Store is being nominated to the National Register of Historic Places with **local significance** under **Criterion C**. The nomination is also being submitted under the multiple property listing, "**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

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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 # _____
- recorded by Historic American Landscape Survey # _____

Primary location of additional data:

- State Historic Preservation Office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other
- Name of repository: _____

Historic Resources Survey Number (if assigned): _____

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property Less than one acre.

Use either the UTM system or latitude/longitude coordinates

Latitude/Longitude Coordinates

Datum if other than WGS84: _____

(enter coordinates to 6 decimal places)

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| 1. Latitude: | Longitude: |
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| 3. Latitude: | Longitude: |
| 4. Latitude: | Longitude: |

Or

UTM References

Datum (indicated on USGS map):

NAD 1927 or NAD 1983

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| 3. Zone: | Easting: | Northing: |
| 4. Zone: | Easting : | Northing: |

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Verbal Boundary Description (Describe the boundaries of the property.)

Beginning at a point on the east side of Mitchell Street proceed approximately 112 feet north to the southeast corner of Mitchell and Independence Streets, proceed east approximately 77 feet, proceed south approximately 112 feet, proceed west approximately 77 feet to the point of beginning.

Boundary Justification (Explain why the boundaries were selected.)

This boundary includes the property that has historically been associated with the Hall-Hogan Grocery Store.

11. Form Prepared By

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Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

- **Maps:** A USGS map or equivalent (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.
- **Sketch map** for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources. Key all photographs to this map.
- **Additional items:** (Check with the SHPO, TPO, or FPO for any additional items.)

Photographs

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Submit clear and descriptive photographs. The size of each image must be 1600x1200 pixels (minimum), 3000x2000 preferred, at 300 ppi (pixels per inch) or larger. Key all photographs to the sketch map. Each photograph must be numbered and that number must correspond to the photograph number on the photo log. For simplicity, the name of the photographer, photo date, etc. may be listed once on the photograph log and doesn't need to be labeled on every photograph.

Photo Log

1. Name of Property: Hall/Hogan Grocery Store
2. City or Vicinity: Conway
3. County: Faulkner
4. State: AR
5. Photographer: Holly Hope
6. Date Photographed: 05/30/2013
7. Location of Original Digital Files: AHPP, 1500 Tower Building, 323 Center Street, Little Rock, AR 72205
8. Description of Photographs and number: Photo #1 of 10, West façade, camera facing east.
9. Number of Photographs: 7

Items 1, 2 and 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 9 are same for all following entries:

8. Photo #2 of 10, south elevation, camera facing northeast.
8. Photo #3 of 10, east elevation, camera facing southwest.
8. Photo #4 of 10, north elevation, camera facing south.
8. Photo # 5 of 10, closeup of south elevation, camera facing north.
8. Photo #6 of 10, closeup of north elevation, camera facing south.
8. Photo #7, closeup of south elevation, camera facing north.

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Paperwork Reduction Act Statement: This information is being collected for applications to the National Register of Historic Places to nominate properties for listing or determine eligibility for listing, to list properties, and to amend existing listings. Response to this request is required to obtain a benefit in accordance with the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended (16 U.S.C. 460 et seq.).

Estimated Burden Statement: Public reporting burden for this form is estimated to average 100 hours per response including time for reviewing instructions, gathering and maintaining data, and completing and reviewing the form. Direct comments regarding this burden estimate or any aspect of this form to the Office of Planning and Performance Management, U.S. Dept. of the Interior, 1849 C. Street, NW, Washington, DC.



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