

United States Department of the Interior  
National Park Service

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
REGISTRATION FORM

1. Name of Property

historic name: Campbell Post Office/Kuykendall General Store

other name/site number: SE0325

2. Location

street & number: County Road #73

not for publication: N/A

city/town: Oxley

vicinity: X

state: AR county: Searcy code: AR 129 zip code: 72645

3. Classification

Ownership of Property: Private

Category of Property: Building

Number of Resources within Property:

Contributing	Noncontributing	
<u>1</u>	<u>      </u>	buildings
<u>1</u>	<u>      </u>	sites
<u>1</u>	<u>      </u>	structures
<u>2</u>	<u>      </u>	objects
	<u>0</u>	Total

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register: N/A

Name of related multiple property listing: Historic and Architectural Resources of Searcy County, Arkansas

**4. State/Federal Agency Certification**

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, 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. \_\_\_\_\_ See continuation sheet.

Cathryn A. Slater \_\_\_\_\_ 10-8-93  
Signature of certifying official Date

Arkansas Historic Preservation Program  
State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property \_\_\_\_\_ meets \_\_\_\_\_ does not meet the National Register criteria. \_\_\_\_\_ See continuation sheet.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of commenting or other official Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
State or Federal agency and bureau

**5. National Park Service Certification**

I, hereby certify that this 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 Keeper Date of Action

**6. Function or Use**

Historic: <u>DOMESTIC</u>	Sub: <u>Single dwelling</u>
<u>GOVERNMENT</u>	<u>Post office</u>
<u>COMMERCE/TRADE</u>	<u>Department store</u>
Current: <u>VACANT/NOT IN USE</u>	Sub: <u>N/A</u>
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**Significance**

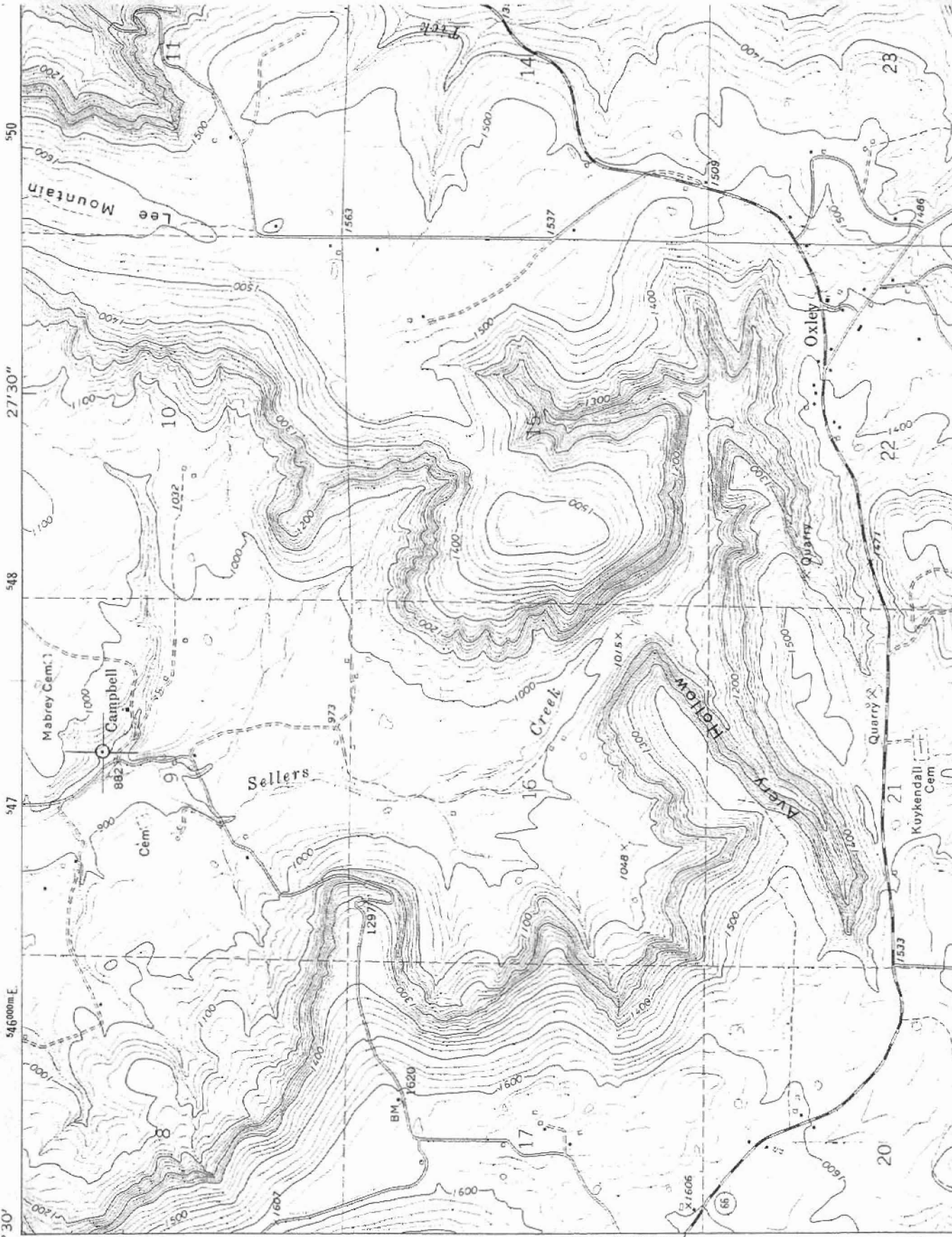
Criterion C, local significance

Accounts differ as to the actual construction date of the Campbell Post Office/Kuykendall General Store: local oral history claims that it was not constructed until the 1920s, and yet the Greek Revival influences render this late date quite unlikely. It is far more likely that this structure was originally built c. 1900 as a residence and was later converted -- probably by the 1920s -- into a store and post office. It is known that Henry Kuykendall operated the store and post office from this building in the early decades of the twentieth century.

The Campbell Post Office/Kuykendall General Store was constructed in the small community of Campbell by the first decade of the twentieth century and as such represents the historic context *Searcy County History, 1865-1910: Reconstruction, Railroads and Renewal*. As noted in this context, this was a period of county-wide growth and prosperity, relatively speaking, and thus a period during which there was much new immigration, and thus much new construction. Though this hope and prosperity, combined with the long-standing presence of the railroad, made it inevitable that new, national architectural styles would be reflected in the new construction, the popularity of such older styles as the Greek Revival took longer to fade in the more rural areas. The Campbell Post Office/Kuykendall General Store, with its mix of Plain Traditional and Greek Revival influences, survives as one of the last manifestations of this *retarditaire* tendency, and as such is locally eligible under Criterion C.



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Campbell Test Office / Ky Kendall General Store  
Owley Vicinity, Sevier Co., Arkansas

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October 1991

Negative on file at ARDP

View from North

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Campbell Post office / Kykendall General Store  
Oxley Vicinity, Sevier Co., Arkansas  
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View from south east  
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Orley Vicinity, Sevier Co., Arkansas

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October 1951

Negative on file at AHPD

View from Southwest

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c Vicinity, Seavey Co., Arkansas  
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October 1991  
Negative on file at NHSP  
View from West  
SE 0325