Bell County (Ky.): "Legislative notes show that the name of the projected new county has been changed from Montano to Josh Bell." (KY. ADVOCATE, Danville; 3/1/1867, acc. to Calvin M. Fackler, "Oldest Copy of Advocate Dated March 1867?." DANVILLE ADVOCATE-MESSENGER, 7/10/1940, Sect. 2, P. 1:1); 361 sq. mi. "The co. was est. in 1867 as Josh Bell Co. and named for Joshua Fry Bell (1811-70), a Danville lawyer and 1 time US Congressman. While in the Ky. Leg (1864-67) he suggested the formation of a new co. from parts of Harlan & Knox Co's., which he felt were too large. The name was shortened by leg. act in 1872." (Book-P. 19);
BELL COUNTY, KY: The Cumb. Val. Div. of the L&N arr. at Pinev. 5/1/1888 and at the Cumb. Gap on 9/1/89. Spurs were built to several coal producing areas in the co: up Bennetts Fk, up Stony Fk, to Harlan Co. from Wasioto, up Yellow Ck to the mines on its Clear Fk, up Pucketts Ck, up Tom's Ck, to the mines at Cardinal, up Clear Ck from Wasioto to Chenoa, up Greasy Ck to its mines, up 4 Mi Ck, up Straight Ck & both of its forks, both L&N & So.Ry. up Clear Fk. of the Cumb. R, thru the tunnel under Cumb. Gap in and out of M'borough. Nearly all of the spurs were owned/operated by the L&N. (Fuson, II, Pp. 362-3); Two lumber co's---the Ky. Lumber Co. & the Jones Lumber Co of Williamsb., Ky "were floating logs down the Cumb. R
from Bell Co. to their (mills) in the 1880s-90s."

Till the rr came in there were few processing plants
(sawmills, etc.) in B. Co. because prod's. couldn't be
shipped out of the co. (Ibid., P. 363); The Ky. Ridge
St. Forest, Ky's 2nd largest, is on US 25E & Ky 90.
The Pine Mt. SRP is on US 25E & US 119. Latter was
est. 1926, the 1st st. park in Ky. It was 1st called
Cumb. Park but was renamed after the est. of the Cumb
Falls St. Pk.; Coal prod'n. began in earnest only
with the coming of the rr (1889). The Nat'l. Coal &
Iron Co;
BELL COUNTY (Kentucky) First called Josh Bell County, its namesake. Est. by legis. act, 1867 from parts of Knox and Harlan Co's. In 1872, it shortened to Bell Co. Josh Bell was grandson of Thos. Walker. Ne Danville, Ky. 11/26/1811; died same 8/17/1870. Son of Joshua Bell. Grad. from Centre Coll. at 16. Law degree in 1830. Practiced law in Danville. Prominent lawyer-and jurist. In 1844 elected to one term in US Cong. Then Sec. of State under Crittenden. Lost in race for Gov. in 1859 by only a few thousand votes. A Clay Whig in a Dem. state. One of the 6 commissioners to the Peace Conf. in Wash. Member of the Ky.
BELL COUNTY, KY: One of the hilliest sect's. of Ky. Very little level area exc. for the "broad alluviated val. of Yellow Ck at M'boro. and the narrow val. bottoms of the Cumb. R. and (several) tribs." Pine Mt. extends ne to Pike Co. (Ky), crossing the n pt of B. Co. Long Ridge, with "n.w. facing escarpment" cut through by the r. at Pinev. Paralleled by Cumb. Mt. that divides B. Co. & Va. The st. line passes along its crest and is also the "divide betw. the Cumb. & Tenn. drainage basins. Other ranges incl. Brush, Little Black and Log Mts. and Rocky Face. Steep-sided mts. with high reliefs. All settlements are in the val's.... (McGrain & Currens, TOPO, P. 11);
Bell County, Ky: Named for Joshua Fry Bell, state leg. from 1864 to 1867 who "won passage of a bill creating a new county from parts of Harlan and Knox..with Pineville as its designated seat." The 112th co. in Ky. (John Ed Pearce, "Bell Co." P. 12 of his "Focus on Ky. series, in LCJMAG. 5/14/1978, Pp. 8ff); Josh was removed from the co's. name by the Leg. in Jan. 1873. Joshua Fry Bell (1811-1870), Gt. Grandson of Dr. Thos. Walker & of Col. John Fry of Va., a pre-Geo.Wash commander of Am. forces. He was Gov. John Crittenden's Sec. of St. in 1850. Strongly pro-Union. (WPA);
BELL COUNTY, KY: Drained by main channel of the Cumb. R and its many branches. Unfertile soils have always hindered agri. dev't. Mineral & timber resources, incl. some cannel coal. Major scenic attractions incl. Pinnacle Mt. overlooking the Cumb. Gap and Pine Mt. St. Pk. Mt. Laurel Festival held annually at Clear Ck. Spr's. (WPA, late 1930s); 100 mi. long Pine Mt;
BELL COUNTY, KY: Josh Bell Co. was created from Harlan & Knox Co's. 8/1/1867 resulting in 360 sq mi. Gained 1 sq. mi. from Whitley Co. on 1/21/1871, resulting in 370 sq. mi. Josh Bell was renamed Bell Co. on 5/1/73. It still has 370 sq. mi. (Long, P. 60); Pop. (1930)=38,747; Families in co. ca. 1867 incl: John W. Slusher, the Wm. Howards, Jas. Howard; The Mud Creek sect. was added to the co. in 1873 and a sect. was then added from W.Co. (Bell Co. Story, 1967); In my map of the co. incl these roads: 25E, 119, 92, 190, 74, 66, 221, 987, and 72;
ARJAY (Bell Co., Ky): Rob't. Asher, son of Thos. Jeffer
son & Varilla (Howard) Asher, ne Pucketts Ck. 6/6/73
and died 9/7/1963. Moved as a youth with family to
Wasioto. Maintained the Wasiotopo and "kept the co's.
books. When T.J. replaced his lumbering interests with
coal, Robt. & his bros. assumed other interests. He
moved to Cinci. where he marr. in 1915 and lived there
till 1929 when he returned to "run the co. office" for
T.J. On T.J.'s death in 1935, Robt. became co. pres..
Nothing said about Arjay. (1994 hist., P. 216);
ARJAY (Bell Co., Ky): Could it have been named for Robt J. Fulkerson, its 2nd pm, 8/18/1911-?; T.J.'s son was Robert A. Asher (ne 1873) (KY. ANC. Vol. 37 (4), Sum. 2002, P. 187);
In 1908, my father, B.W. Whitfield and his brother A.J. Whitfield bought property at Arjay, Ky. Here they founded the Left Fork Coal Co. and developed two mines, one south of Straight Creek, known as the Arjay Mine, the second north of the creek known as the Glendon Mine. All I can learn regarding the name Arjay is confirmed in your Ky. Place Names." (B.W. Whitfield, Jr., Brookside, Ky., in letter to me, 7/21/1987)
ARJAY/ (Bell Co.): po est. 2/23/1911, Geo. W. Hairston... (NA); "(Ah)r/djä" (Dr. Edward S. Wilson. tape, 11/27/1978); Formerly a coal mining camp but the mines have been depleted. c. 2000 persons get their mail at the still apo. Said to have been named for a coal operator whose initials were R.J. but don't recall his last name. DK if it ever had another name. Lucille Messer retired as pm in 1976 and was succeeded by Mrs. Mildred Asher, the present pm. Now a 3rd cl. po. Now: a large consolidated ele. sch. A large coal co. A furniture & appliance store, several gro's., 1 ser. sta. & garage, several chu's. New families moving in but many old timers remain. Many retirees.
R.R. Evans, local MD, age 80, alert & still practicing. (Lucille Messer, letter to me, 3/31/1980); "The name of this coal town extending along Ky 66 and the Left Fk. of Straight Creek, from a pt. nearly 3 mi. ne of Pineville, was derived from the initials of R.J. Asher, a coal operator. Its po' was est on 2/23/1911, with Geo. W. Hairston, pm." (Book-P. 7); APO (8/2000); po was on Ky 66 (1/1996); Here was a deep mine run by the Eastover Mining Co. (Worlds Fair Tour Guide, ca. 1982 by Bell Co. Hist. Soc); Acc. to Dodrill, the earliest coal op'm. here was Continental Coal Corp. (1912-15 with 450 workers); Rob't. Asher was ne June 187; (Acc. to 1900 Census);
ARJAY (Bell Co., Ky): Acc. to no sign, 3/1911, this prop. po would be 5 mi ne of the Cumb. R, 200 yds ne of Straight Fk, 5 mi n of the L&N, 5 mi ne of Pinev. Sta., ca. 1¾ mi ne of Cary po, ca. 2 mi se of Blanche po. Serving the mining vil. of Arjay// On 2/24/12, R.J. Fulkerson pet. for a move 2044 ft (0.42 mi) nw to a pt 4½ mi from river, 600 ft s of Straight Ck, 5017 ft from Cary, 1½ mi sw of Blanche, 2 mi nw of Bingham, 20 ft s of L&N (sta=Arjay), 3 mi from co. line//On 1/27/28, Ray Garnett pet. for a move 500 ft se to a pt 4.9 mi ne of the river, 50 ft e of Straight Ck, 250 ft e of L&N, 1 mi n of Cary, 2½ mi se of Blanche, 7½ mi sw of Kettle I. px // On 6/11/35, Flo Evans pet. for a move 500 yds n to a pt. 4½ mi from the river, ca. 200 yds from Straight Ck,
5 yds n of L&N (Arjay Sta.), 1 mi from Cary po, 1½ mi from Blanche. Eff. asap. Present bldg. is privately owned and patrons must pass over an unsafe swinging bridge.//Acc. to W.C. Corey, 7/25/39, its 3 air & 4 rd mi from Knox Co., 200-300 yds ne of Arjay Sta, 150 yds e of Straight Ck, 5 mi n of the river, 1½ mi se of Blanche po, 1¼ mi n of Cary po, 2 mi s of Rella po. (SLR);
ARK (Bell Co., Ky): Acc. to John W. Davis, 1/23/98, the prop. name for this new po was Roscoe and it would be 4 mi n of the Cumb. R, ¼ mi n of Laurel Fk, 7 mi w of Chenoa po, 7 mi e of Clairfield po (Tenn) // On 9/14 1904, Sherman Jones pet. for a move 1 mi w to a pt 7 mi ne of Clear Fork R., ¼ mi n of Laurel Fk, 7 mi sw of Chenoa po, 4 mi from Wilkerson po // In 7/07, no sign. pet. for a move 1 mi w to a pt 1/8 mi from Laurel Fk, 8 mi n of Clear Fk, 7 mi sw of Chenoa Sta., 4 mi ne of Wilkerson po, 2 mi n of Pearl po // Acc. to Smith Fuson, 12/22/36, the name prop. was Fuson and it would serve Fuson Store, 8 mi s of Cumb. R, 50 ft s of Grassy Ck, 2½ mi from co. line, 4½ mi w (?) of Ingram po, 4 mi s of Wheeler po // Acc. to Ibid., 7/26/39, it GREASY
was ½ air & 1 rd mi from Knox Co, on US 92, 50 ft sw of Greasy Ck, 3½ mi s of Wheeler po, 3 mi n of Chenoa po, 7 mi e of Siler po (Whitley Co.) (SLR);
BALKAN (Bell Co., Ky.)
A mining commu. The Southern Mining Co., a subsidiary of the Southern Coal & Coke Co. has (had-?) mine there that (c. 1949) produced c. 1000 tons of prepared coal daily. "At the time the (L&N RR) completed its line up Tom's Creek and the mine was opened, practically all the miners were of Slavic nationality; hence the name Balkan. Even today (c. 1949) the great majority of the miners are of Slavic or Italian descent." (RR South, "Our Sta. Names" L&N MAG., 10/1949, P. 14). po est. 12/20/1912, Edwin R. Roberts...(NA); (See Tejay entry by Edward S. Wilson tape, 11/27/1978) ("B(ah)l/kən' (Wilson); Disc. 1982
BALKAN (Bell Co.): Mines operated for years by the Southern Mining Co. on the Asher Coal Mining Co. lands. Mining continues there now. The mine for years was known as Brownies Creek Colliers and this name may still be in use. (Dr. Edward W. Wilson tape 11/27/1978); "This coal town with po, 1 mi up Toms Ck. from Tejay on the Cumb. R. and 8 (air) mi E of Pinev., commemorates the fact that nearly all of the early miners were of Slavic descent. The po was est. on Dec. 20, 1912 with Edwin R. Roberts, p.m." (Book-P. 12);
BALKAN (Bell Co., Ky): A coal town on Toms Ck, a short distance from its Cumb. R. confl., at the foot of Jackson Mt. Considered a model company town. Local mines were run by the Southern Mining Co. A company town with commissary. Peak pop. betw. the World Wars of over 1,000. Nothing said of its name. (1994 hist., Pp. 28-9); The Southern Mining Co. had op'ns. at Colmar (aka Clear Fk.), Balkan, & Tejay. It was owned by Insull Steel. Balkan was named to attract Italian miners (sic). (Mayes, P. 138);
BALKAN (Bell Co., Ky): Acc. to Edwin R. Roberts, 8/191: this prop. po would be 1 1/8 mi se of the Cumb. R, on Toms Ck, 1 1/8 mi se of the W & BM RR, 1 3/8 mi se of Tejay (rr) Sta., 2 1/8 mi s of Callaway po, 1 4/8 mi n of Oaks po, 3 1/2 mi ne of Varilla po (map) // Acc. to C.D. Eubanks, 7/22/39, it was 1 3/4 air & 8 rd mi from the Harlan Co. line, 2.7 mi se of US 119, 1 mi e of Tejay Sta, on the L&N, 2 mi ne of Toms Ck, 2.7 mi se of Callaway po, 7 mi s of Hulen po. (SLR); The earliest coal camp at Balkan was the Southern Mining Co. (1914-1955 with 370 workers);
BAPTIST GAP (sw of Cumberland Gap, Ky) (or is it in another state?) "So-named because 3 early Baptist ministers were killed there by Indians." This acc. to John Spence King, ne Log Mt., Bell Co., 1842. (Elmer H. Decker's ms. Hist. of Knox Co. and South-eastern Ky., n.d., in the KHS Libr.-bound, P. 12)
BELLJELLICO (Bell Co., Ky): Acc. to M.G. Yingling, 1/5/1905, this prop. po would be 1 3/4 mi s of Cumb. R, 1 mi w of Greasy Ck, 2 mi s of L&N, 2 1/4 mi nw of Tinsley po, 3 mi e of Coalport po, 3 mi nw of Fourmile po (map) // Acc. to W.H. Collier, 9/5/16, it was 2 mi s of the river, 1 1/4 mi s' of Greasy Ck, 60 ft e of L&N, rr st = Blowers (?), 1 1/2 mi w of Deanton po, 2 mi n of Tinsley po, 3 mi nw of Fourmile po. (SLR); The Bell Jellico Coal Co. had an op'n. 1907-8 with 150 workers. The New Bell Jellico Coal Co. operated 1909-19 with 150 workers. Marvin S. Yingling (39) & wife Eliz. (37) lived in Mag. Dist. 1 (part of Pinev.) next to Thos. A. Cairnes (64), a coal operator (q.v.). Marvin was no Penn. (Acc. to 1910 Census);
BELL JELLICO (Bell Co., Ky): The Bell Jellico Coal Co. of Pinev., Ky. Its mines were on Greasy Ck. nr Four Mile whence its products were shipped. R.G. Yingling of Williamsburg, Pa. was company pres., A.C. Blowers was G.M. Fred G. Tice was co. sec. and store mgr. Blowers and Tice lived in P'ville. Their holdings were 1400 acres of minable coal. (Mayes, P. 141);
BELL JELLICO (Bell Co.): po est. 5/20/1905, Marvin G. Yingling...Disc. eff. 9/30/1925 (mail to Tinsley) (NA); ("Behl Djehl/ə/koh") = the name of a coal company. (Red Harp, interview, 3/24/1979); The Bell Jellico Coal Co. was inc. with gen'l. offices in Pineville. Had mines (c.1905) at Greasy Creek nr. Four Mile. Four Mile was their shipping pt. and tele. sta. The pres. of the co. was R.G. Yingling of Williamsburg, Pa. (...) (J.C. Tipton, THE CUMBERLAND COAL FIELD AND ITS CREATORS, pvtly. printed in Middlesex, Ky. 1905, n.p., in KHS Libr., bound);
BEVERLY (Bell Co., Ky): In 2000 the po was on Rt. 2011; Acc. to the 1879 Gaz, Red Bird was a small settlement with a corn mill, sch., chu. Wilkerson Asher was pm; Acc. to 1900 Census, Chas. Knuckles, a lumber dealer, (5/1855) & wife Lucy (1/60) lived in Pinev. Town; Acc. to 1900 Census, Wilkinson (sic) Asher (2/1871) & wife Deborah (2/70), a farmer, lived in Mag. Dist. #2 (Sims Fk. & Straight Ck) nr other Ashers, incl. Chas. W. (5/47) & wife Salley (5/52); Acc. to 1900 Census, W.R. Knuckles, a farmer, (3/1841) with son John B. (9/73) & son Wm. (9/73) lived in Ibid. and next door to Thos. Knuckles (1/72) & wife Lucy (11/78) nr other Knuckles & Slushers;
BEVERLY (Bell Co., Ky): "This po at Ky 2011 and the mouth of Cow Fk. of Red Bird R., 14 (air) mi ne of Pinev., serves the Red Bird Settlement Sch. & Hosp. The po was est. on 10/24/76 as Red Bird with Wilkerson Asher, pm. In 1887 his d. Amanda Jane Knuckles, who succeeded him, had the name ch. to Knuckles, but it was sp. Nuckles in the postal records. Confusion with the po of Nuckols in McLean Co. eventually led the POD to request another name. John Beverly Knuckles, who had by that time become pm, suggested his own middle name, by which the po has been known since 1911." (Book-P. 23);
Beverly and was 10 mi w of Cumb. R, 60 ft w of Red Bird Ck, 1 mi from co. line, 7 mi e of Slusher po, 7 mi sw of Roark po, 8 mi ne of Gross po// On 2/6/14, Myrtee Knuckles pet. for a move 30 ft e to a pt (no change from above)// Acc. to Ibid., 11/13/23, it was 8 ft se of Red Bird Ck, 5 mi nw of Saylor po, 1 mi frc co. line// Acc. to Myrtle Knuckles, 7/25/39, it was 3/4 air & 1 rd mi from Clay Co, 150 ft e of Bringardner LBR Co. rr tracks, 30 ft s of Red Bird Ck, 3 mi s of Gardner po, 5 mi ne of Field po// On 8/15/37, Ibid. pet. for a move 50 yds w to a pt 1 (air & rd) mi from Clay Co, 30 yds n of Red Bird Ck, 7 mi ne of Field po (SLR);
BEVERLY (Bell Co.): Red Bird Mission est. 1921 by U. Meth. Chu. (sic) "Operates clinic 32 bed hosp. that provides min. cost service to area residents. It also organized and supervises 3 mission schools, incl. the fully accredited Red Bird H.S. under a cooperative agreement with the Clay Co. Sch. System...." Also runs manpower training prog'ns, sales outlet for local crafts, commu. store, area churches (15) in 5 co's. ("Big Coal Trucks Test Mission's Faith" by Frank Ashley, LCJ, 11/5/1972, P. A1:3-5);
Wilkerson Man. Lucinda Bingham.

BEVERLY (Bell Co.): Wilkerson Asher was the 1st pm. He was a son of Dillion & Nancy Davis Asher, the 1st settlers on Red Bird River (at a site halfway betw. Phillips Fork & Bear-Cr). Their log hse was still standing by 1954, one of the oldest in Co. At one time he had owned all of the river & watershed from its head for about 15 mi. downstream. When Wilkerson died, his daughter; Amanda Jane (Asher) Knuckles served as pm until her death and she was succeeded by her husband, W.R. Knuckles, Sr. After his death, he was succeeded by his son, John Beverly Knuckles. POD requested n.c to avoid confusion with another Knuckles po in Ky. and accepted Beverly, the pm's middle
BEVERLY (Bell Co.): po est. as Red Bird, 10/24/1876, Wilkerson Asher; 9/25/1877, Mandy J. Knuckles; n.ch. to Nuckles (sic), 2/21/1881, Mandy J. Nuckles (sic); 2/10/1890, Wm. R. Knuckles...11/11/1910, John B. Nuckles (sic); ch. to Beverly, 8/2/1911, Ibid.; 12/22/1913, Myrtle Knuckles...(NA); 1st called Sizemore; later changed to Knuckles for a prominent area family. DK why n.ch. to Beverly but Beverly was the middle name of the pm at the time the change was made. He was John Beverly Knuckles. (Rex Bailey, Editor, Middlesboro News, in a letter to me, 5/13/1969); (Edw. S. Wilcox, 11/27/1784); (Red Harp, 3/24/1799, L 2-½ 541.
BEVERLY (Bell Co., Ky): Acc. to 1910 Census, Chas. C. Knuckles (54) & wife Lucy (51) lived next to Geo. Knuckles (32) & wife Lucy (28) in the Left Fk of Straigl Ck. Vot. Prec. 7, Mag. Dist. #2; Acc. to 1910 Census, Jos. Saylor (41) & wife Mary (32) lived in Ibid (on the Red Bird Rd.) nr Slushers, Knuckles, Lawsons, Taylors, & Wilkerson Asher (39) & wife Debora (41) and other Ashers, Roses, Saylors; Acc. to 1910 Census, Wilkerson Asher (39) & wife Debora (41) & other Ashers and Roses and Saylors on Red Bird Rd;
BEVERLY (Bell Co.): Maintained by one family since its founding a 100 yrs. ago. Wilkerson Asher was Mandy Jean 'Knuckles' father. Wm. R. Knuckles was her husband and John Beverly Knuckles was her son. Myrtle Knuckles, d-in-law to Mandy and Wm. R. was pm for 50 years...

Beverly po is at the head of Red Bird River. The name had to be changed from Knuckles since there was another such-named po in Ky. John Beverly Knuckles, the pm then, submitted his middle name which was approved. Wm. R. Knuckles was born in Tenn. fought in the Union Army. To Bell Co. and married Mandy Jane Asher (sic) who lived on Straight Creek, nr. Arjay.

and was a practicing lawyer. Millard and Knuckles (1895-1971 in McLean Co.)
Myrtle Knuckles were instrumental in helping est. the Red Bird Mission nearby…. ("A Great Knuckles Anniversary Celebration of the Red Bird" THE TELESCOPE-MESSENGER, Biweekly mag. of the EUB Church, 1/20/1962, P. 19);

Acc. to 1895-6 Gaz, Knuckles was 16 mi from Pinev. Pop. of 300. W.R. Knuckles was pm, lawyer, & gen. store keeper. J.B. Knuckles was in logs and livestock. Thompson Lumber Co; The Red Bird Mission "developed churches, schools, hosp. & crafts work in Leslie, Clay and Bell Co's." (Worlds Fair Tour Guide, ca. 1982 by B. Co. Hist'l. Soc.); The Red Bird R. heads in a range in Ky. Ridge Mt. system on the n. flank. (Fuson, P.45
Bingham (Bell Co., Ky): po est. 7/24/1883, Elias B. Bingham; Disc. 11/15/1915 (mail to Blanche (POR-NA); Acc. to Elias B. Bingham, 7/14/83, this prop. po would be 7 mi ne of Pinev. po. (the rest of the film is too light)// Acc. to Ibid., 12/31/13, it was 6 mi ne of the Cumb. R, 60 ft ne of Straight Ck, 3 mi from co. line, 1½ mi e of Blanche po, 5 mi sw of Slusher po, 2 mi ne of Arjay po. (SLR); Acc. to 1895-6 Gaz, it's 6 mi ne c Pinev. E.B. Bingham was pm, Henry Braughton had a dist. C.C. Knuckles had a saw & flour mill, S.D. Messer was justice, Frank Napier had a flour mill, Jacob Slusher was a blacksmith. Other businesses;
BINGHAM (Bell Co., Ky): pion. settler Wm. Bingham, son of John A. and Debora (Phipps) Bingham, ne Albemerle Co, Va. To Harlan Co. in the early 19 cent; Rob't. Bingham, ne Claiborne, Ten. 1815, son of Joshua & Mary Bingham. He died 1903. In 1836 he mar. Alice Smith. John Bingham (ne 1790) was his uncle. Rob't. brother was Wm. Morgan Bingham (ne 1834). He was a circ. ridin Meth. preacher and C.W. vet. His oldest son was John M Bingham. Lived his later yrs in Jackson Co. and is bur at Maulden. John M. ne 1839. John's son was James Burnett Bingham (1884-1964). (Acc. to Ruth Bingham Lawson, a descendant, in KY. EXPL. Vol. 11 (3), 8/1986 Pp. 67-68); Acc. to 1900 Cens, Elias B. Bingham (3/56) & wife Leaner (?) (3/53), etc. a farmer, lived in Mag. Dist. 2 (Sims Fk & Straight Ck);
BLACKMONT (Bell Co.): ("Bl(ae)k/m(ah)nt")

At the confl. of Pucketts Creek & the Cumb. R. At the jct. of spur and main L&N line. Hulen ("Hyū/ln") is used. He never heard of Felder Sta. This is the beginning of the Little Black Mtн. area which continues into Harlan Co. Thinks that the Blackmont name is derived from this. (Dr. Edward S. Wilson tape, 11/27/1978); The commu. is now called Blackmont and the Hulen name is applied only to the p.o. Felder Sta. is used only to identify the RR sta. APO. (Julia Jump, pm, letter to me, 4/3/80);
BLACKMONT (Bell Co., Ky.)
Village, 2 1/4 miles (3.8 km.) ne of Balkan.
36°47'30" N, 83°31'30" W. Variants: Felder Station, Hulan, Hulen. (On the Balkan Quad.)

This is name is the one used locally; also the name of local school and church. PO. is Hulen. (Docket 189, BGN, 8/13/1974 for consideration at 9/10/1974 meeting).

Passed on decision list.

PO est. as Hulen, 7/17/1913, Jos. H. Saylor... (NA);
BLACKMONT (Bell Co., Ky): Joe Saylor ran a water-powered grist mill just above the depot. The po was across from the depot. (1994 hist., P. 33); Acc. to 1910 Census, Jos H. Saylor (46) & wife Julia (42) lived in the Callaway Vot. Prec. 9, nr other Saylors & Howards; This place was 9 air mi ene of Pinev. on Ky 72, across the r. from US 119. Pop. (1970)=500. Over 1 mi from Harlan Co. line. Just n & w of Pucketts Ck-Cumb. R. confl. The name may derive from Black Mt. or Black Mt. Coal, area that begin here and extends into H. Co. (Ed Wilson, 11/27/78). The Blackmont name applied to commu, sch, & chu. while the Hulen name applied only to the po. (Ibid.).
BLACKMONT (Bell Co.): ("Blaek/mahnt") Still referred to locally as this. Famous coal camp up there. Hulen ("Hyü/lan") is a separate place and still referred to as that. They're a few miles apart, DK why so named. Thinks the Blackmont name refers to coal...From there you go up to the Black Star, way back in the mts. up there, and that's where the coal come out from. Black Star camp was named for the coal company. (Kenneth Red Harp, interview, 3/24/1979);
BLACKMONT-HULEN (Bell Co., Ky): Acc. to Dodrill, the earliest coal op'n. here was the Long Ridge Coal Co. (1919-34 with 40 workers). The New Long Ridge Coal Co., Inc. (1942-9 with 60 workers). Also the Black Star Coal Co. here (1931-40 with 880 workers); APO (8/2000); po was on Ky 72 (1/1996);
BLACKSNAKE (Bell Co., Ky): Acc. to Wm. N. Taylor, 1/27/1923, this prop. po would be 2½ mi se of the Cumb. R., 100 yds n of Pucketts Ck, 30 ft n of Black Mt. RR (sta-Blacksnake), 3/4 mi from co. line, po is 30 ft from the sta. No agent. (SLR);
BLACKSNAKE (Bell Co., Ky): Narrow gauge rr was built up Puckett Ck in the late 19 cent. (or early 20 cent.) to ship logs out. In 1924 it was replaced by a stand. gauge for area mining co's. Road there by 1931 which became the paved Ky 4 by 1934. At the site of the future Tuggle, Nelse Taylor ran a store at the mouth of Halfway Branch. The Blacksnake po was in his store. From 1920 to 1937 John J. Howard ran this store. Nelse then built another store nearby and moved the po there. By 1937 he had moved to Pinev. and Jack Hig ham took over the commissary. By 1938 the po had moved over the H. Co. line to Insull. In the 1930s the vic. was called Tuggle for Ralph Tuggle. It was bounded on the east by Halfway Br. (½ mi from the Insull
Coal Co. camp) betw. Puckett's Ck. & the rr and betw. the rr & Ky 72.... (Robert Arnett in 1994 co. hist., Pp. 50-2); The Halfway Branch is shown, in error, as McFarlands Br. on top. maps. (1994 hist., P. 213);
BLACK SNAKE (Bell Co.): po est. 6/20/1923, Wm N. Taylor...(NA); ("Bl(ae)k Snāk") Two of them. One's on Brownies Creek and the other is on Pucketts Creek but there's an intervening ridge between them. (Dr. Edward S. Wilson, tape, 11/27/1978); Red Harp never heard of this. (3/24/1979); Black Snake is a br. of Brownies Ck. (Fuson, Pp. 44-5); The Southern Mining Co. had a camp at Black Snake (1925-26 with 15 workers);
BLANCHE (Bell Co.): post est. 2/14/1906, Wm. P. Gilkeson... (NA); ("Bl(ae)nch" PO on the Left Fork of Straight Creek. Heyburn Coal Co. The same co. owned the mining operation at Arjay... (Dr. Edward S. Wilson, tape, 11/27/1978); Acc. to Dodrill, the earliest coal op'n. here was New Straight Ck. Co. mine (1912-14 with 60 workers); Acc. to 1910 Census, Wm. P. Gilkeson (43) & wife Mary P. (29) but no Blanche lived in Cary Prec., Mag. Dist. 2--Straight Ck (part of Pinev.) nr Jos. Ralston (54) & wife Jennie T (48);
BLANCHE (Bell Co., Ky): Acc. to Wm. P. Gilkerson, 1/15/06, this prop. po would be 8 mi s of Cumb. R, N 1/8 mi n of Caney Fk, 2 1/2 mi s of Bingham po, 5 mi n o Straight Ck po, 3 1/2 mi n of Cary po, to serve a mining camp being dev'd// In 6/11, J.J. Cook pet. for a move 300 yds e to a pt 3/4 mi nw of Left Fk. of Straight Ck, 1 1/2 mi nw of Arjay po. Serving a vil. of 300// Acc to Custer R. Bailey, 1/1917, it was 6 mi n of Cumb.R. at Pinev., 1 1/4 mi w of Left Fk. of Straight Ck, 800 ft w of L&N. (sta=Blanche), 3 mi from co. line, 2 mi nw of Arjay po, 3 mi nw of Rim po// Acc. to Bertha I. Bailey, 7/24/39, it was 3 mi from Knox Co, 1400 ft w of Blanche Sta. & L&N tracks, 2 mi nw of Arjay po, 6 m
ne of Four Mile po//On 10/24/40, Ibid. pet. for a move
500 ft w to a pt 300 ft n of Caney Fk, 4 mi from co.
line, 1900 ft from Blanche Sta., 2½ mi nw of Arjay po,
6 mi ne of Four Mile po. Eff. 11/10/1940. (SLR);
BOSWORTH (Bell Co., Ky): po est. 5/5/02, Adolph H.
Rennebaum, 8/16/13, Geo. G. Veal, 2/5/17, Jos. F.
Bosworth, Jr...4/30/25, Tom Hembree; Disc. eff. 9/29/
1928 (mail to Middlesboro) (POR-NA); Acc. to A.H. Renne-
baum, 4/23/02, this prop. po would be 9 mi s of Cumb. R.
on the n side of Bennetts Fk of Yellow Ck, 25 ft s of
Bosworth Sta, ca. 100 yds ne of the state line, 3½ mi ne
of Mingo, Ten, 5 mi sw of M'borough po, a vil. of 200//
Acc. to Ibid., 4/20/09, it was serving the Yellow Ck.
locality, 15 mi s of Cumb. R, 10 ft w of Bennetts Fk,
¼ mi from st. line, 5 mi from M'boro. po, 2½ mi s of
Gravely po, 1 mi n of Nicholson po, 15 ft from L&N.
BOSWORTH (Bell Co., Ky): The earliest mining op. here was the Yellow Ck. Coal Co. (1905-1923 with 250 workers); Jos. F. Bosworth was a state rep. (1920-25); Joe F. Bosworth, a Lexington atty, was influential in getting the Ky Leg. to issue bonds to build & maintain roads. In 1909 he started the Ky. Good Roads Ass'n. & became its 1st pres. This effort culminated in the establishment of a State Good Roads Dept. in 1912. They also pushed for paved roads in Ky. (Kincaid's Wildernes Road, Pp. 347-58); Bosworth was on Middlesboro's 1st city council, 1890+. Died 1940. He was an early police judge. Called "The Father of Good Roads in Ky". In 1905 he represented his dist. in the Ky. G.A. Arr. in Yellow Ck. val. 1889 and became a partner in the Yellow Ck. Coal Co. (Ibid.);
BROWNIES CREEK (Harlan-Bell interco. feat.): Fuson (P. 221) sp. it Browneys. The ck. is said to have been named for the brown buffalo that "roamed it in its early days." Such animals were then called browneys. (Ibid.); The ck heads in Brush Mt. and extends 15 mi to the river at Miracle. (Ibid., P. 48);
BURCHFIELD (Bell Co., Ky): Acc. to H.E. Bullock, 12/1911, this prop. po would be 400 ft s of Cumb. R, 1½ mi nw of Pucketts Ck, 100 ft s of Wasioto & Black Mt. RR, 300 ft e of Burchfield Sta., 2½ mi e of Callaway po, 5 mi w of Layman po. Serving Black Mt. Coal Co. town of 200 pop// Acc. to W.H. Pretzman, 3/5/20, the po, now Cardinal, was 100 yds se of the river, 20 ft s of Pieds Br, 50 ft se of L&N (Cardinal Sta.), 1 mi from co. line, 3 mi sw of Molus po, 1½ mi ne of Huler po (map)// Acc. to Elisha Howard, 4/1/25, it was 20 ft n of the river, 2 mi s of Pucketts Ck, 50 ft n of L&N (Cardinal Sta.), 2 mi ne of Hulen po, 2½ mi sw of Molus po, 4 mi nw of Blacksnake po// Acc. to Elmer G.
Rollins, 8/4/39, it was 300 air yds and 1 rd mi from Harlan Co. line, 200 yds w of US 25E, 12 steps e of Cardinal Sta. 150 yds e of the river, 6 steps s of Pieds Br, 2 mi sw of Hulen po, 1 mi ne (?) of Molus po// On 1/8/41, Ibid. pet. for a move 225 ft se to a pt. 1000 ft se of the river, 300 ft s of Pieds Br. (SLR);
CAIRNES (Bell Co., Ky): T.S. Cairnes was Sec-Treas. of the Long Mt. (?) Coal, Coke, and Timber Co. of Pinev. which owned 30,000 acres of coal & timber land. Had a 13 mi rr spur to its mine from jct. with L&N at Wasioto. In 1895 this was the largest cannel coal mine in the US (W.J. Lampton's acct. of Pinev. 1895 in KY EXPL. Vol. 11 (8), 2/1997, Pp. 29-33); Cora E. Cairnes acq. 200 acres on Big Clear Ck. Surveyed 12/10/1890. (Jillson II P. 1093); Acc. to 1910 Census, Thos. A. Cairnes (64) from Canada with wife Flora D. (64) & daughter Cora (40 and son Perlie (24). Cora and Perlie were born in Mich. Thos. was in the coal busi. in Mag. Dist. 1 (part of Pinev.) They lived next to Marvin S. Yingling (39) & wife Eliz. (37);
CAIRNES (sic) (Bell Co., Ky): po est. 3/26/07, Clyde Miller, 7/9/09, Alexander R. Tinley (sic); Disc. 7/31/1912 (mail to Davisburg) (POR-NA); Acc. to Mary E. Burnette, 5/07, this po was 10 mi sw of Cumb. R, ½ mi e of Big Clear Ck, ½ mi w of L&N, 2½ mi n of Chenoa Sta. & po, 5 mi w of Ivey po, ½ mi from Poplar Hignite Coal Co., ¼ mi from Caney Ck. Coal Co. (SLR); Thos. Cairnes, Gen'l. Mgr. of the Louisv. Property Co. Had mines in the Log Mt. region, on Major Br. of Big Clear, Bear Ck, Piney Spurr, Laurel Fk, Brush Spurr, head of Persimmon Hol. and the head of Sowders Ck, all at the head of Clear Fk. (Rep't. on the Coalfield Adjacent to Pinev. Gap, Albert R. Crandall, ca. 1912, Pp. 62-4);
CAIRNES (Bell Co., Ky): The Cairnes Coal Co. was served by the Cairnes po on an L&N'spur. Coal was mined on Louisv. Prop. Co. land (1908). The Chenoa Coal Co. at Chenoa (1908-9). Its plant was the 1st operated by the Miller interests of M'boro. till 12/1908. Then by the Finleys and, in 1910+, by the Log Mt. Coal Co. (Mayes, P. 134);
CALLAWAY (sic) (Bell Co.): po est. as Letcher in Harlan Co. sometime before 1831...11/24/1831, John Jones, Jr. ...Disc. but d.k. when (sometime betw. 1/21/35 and 10/14/36); Re-est. 10/14/1836, pm= ; 2/13/1838, Jas. Sparks; 4/3/38, Chas. J. Callaway; n.ch. to Callaway, 3/7/55, Ibid. ; Disc. 7/31/63; Re-est. 6/2/65, Ibid. into Josh Bell Co. when est. 12/14/1868; Disc. 8/23/1875; Re-est. 1/5/1876, Jas. J. Hollingsworth; 6/26/1876, Ballenger Callaway....(NA); ("K(æ)e(l)/(oh)/wā") 13 mi. up the Cumb. R. from Pinev. below the mouth of Pucketts Creek. Named for local families. (Edw. S. Wilson tape, 11/27/1978); [æl/æ/] = Red Hawk, 3/24/79.
CALLAWAY (Bell Co., Ky): The settlement of Calloway. Chas. Calloway & family lived on Calloway Hill. A nearby hill was Tanyard Hill. (Fuson, Pp. 216-17); Ballenger Calloway. This is how Fuson consistently spells this family's name. (Ibid., Pp. 219-20); Acc. to Dodrill, 2 coal op'ns. at Mathel were the Mathel Coal Co. (1919-1925 with 70 workers) and Tan Yard Hill Coal Co. (1917-9 with 20 workers); C.J. Calloway is so spelled in act of establishment; Acc. to 1870 Census, Chas. J. Calloway (sic) (60) & wife Eliz. (55) lived in the Calloway po Dist, B. Co; Acc. to 1860 Census=Harlan Co, C.J. Calloway (sic) (50) & wife Eliz. (45); The oldest Calloway in 1910 Census was Ballenger (72) with wife Mary (68) nr other Callaways in Callaway Vot. Prec. 9);
CALLAWAY (Bell Co., Ky): "This vil. with po is on the Cumb. R., and US 119, 6½ (air) mi e of Pinev. The loca. po was est. as Letcher on 1/14/1831, with Lewis Green, pm, and named for then Ky Congressman (and later Gov.) Robert P. Letcher (1788-1861). In 1855 the name was changed to Callaway, probably for Chas. J. Callaway, who served as pm from 1838 to 1875." (Book-P. 46). Acc. to 1883-4 Gaz, it was 1st settled in 1812 in (later) B. Cc 15 mi ne of Pinev. Chu, sch, 2 flour mills. Timber exporting. Pop. 25. G.W. Green was pm & local tchr, C.J. Callaway had a boarding hse. B. Callaway was a farmer, I.N. Creech had a dry goods busi, Creech & Wildus had a flour mill, Green & Wilder had a drygoods busi as did Skidmore & Northrup. Other businesses;
CALLAWAY (Bell Co., Ky): Acc. to G.W. Greer, 3/2/86, this po was 100 yds from the Cumb. R, 2½ mi from Browns Ck. On 3/10/98, Rosa B. Parsons pet. for a move (no data) to a pt 60 yds n of the river, 1 mi w of Pucketts Ck, 6 mi w of Layman po, 5 mi n of Oaks po. Not a vil. Acc. to Ibid., 1/7/14, it was 25 yds n of the river, 1½ mi se of Pucketts Ck, 50 ft from rr, 4½ mi from co. line, 1½ mi nw of Hulen po. On 4/3/18, C.C. Lewis pet. for a move 3/4 mi w to serve a locality called Lance (?) or Luce (?), ¼ mi n of the river, 2 mi w of Pucketts Ck, serving the Luce Freight Sta., 5 mi from co. line, 2 rr mi w of Hulen po, 3½ mi sw of Balkan po, 600 ft s of L&I.
On 11/9/18, Jas. A. Campbell pet. for a move 1 mi w to a pt 150 yds n of the river, 1 ½ mi n of Loreis (?) Ck, 4 mi from co. line, 3 mi n of Balkan po, 3 mi w of Hulen po, 3 mi se of Kettle I. po, 800 ft n of L&N serving the Mathel (RR) Sta. Eff. ASAP, to accommodate patrons, nearly all of whom live at the new site // Acc. to J.H. Collett, 8/8/32, the po would be serving Mathel Sta., 3500 ft n of river, 2 ½ mi e of Brownie (sic) Ck, 4000 ft n of L&N, 5 ½ mi from co. line, 5 mi w of Hulen po, 4 mi ne of Miracle po, 4 mi se of Kettle I. po// Acc. to Mary E. Green, 7/25/39, it was on US 119, 300 ft nw of L&N, 1 ½ mi n of Tejay Sta., ca. 200 yds nw of river, 2 3/4 mi w of Hulen po 2 ½ mi nw of Balkan po, 6 mi ne of Calvin po. (SLR);
CALVIN (Bell Co.): Resi. commu. with apo & gro. store, 3 chu's. Before po was est. in 1908 it had a store, chu., blacksmith shop, boarding house for rr men, ele. sch. The po which is called Calvin was named for Henry Calvin Miracle, mat. grandfather of informant. He was then local magistrate. Died 1923. Yrs. ago the commu. was also called Dorthy. Calvin and Page names have been used interchangeably. Will try to find out more about Page, incl. derivation, and get back to me. Used to be a booming commu. with 4 gro. stores and gas sta's. Now just 1 gro. & no gas sta's. (Mrs. Donnie Eldridge, Pineville, Ky. in a letter to me, 4/22/1980);
CALVIN (Bell Co., Ky): Acc. to J.A. Pursifull, 2/1908, this prop. po would be 1/8 mi n of Cumb. R, 1/2 mi w of Hances Ck, 5 mi e of L&N and Wasioto Sta, 5 mi ne of Roost po// Acc. to Annie Pursifull, 3/29/17, it was 50 ft s of river, 1000 ft w of Hances Ck, 50 ft n of K.V. RR (sta=Page) (2 maps) // On 5/31/35, Winfield Scott Miracle pet. for a move 300 yds se to serve the Page Sta., 100 ft s of the river, 300 ft e of L&N, 6 mi e of Pinev. po, 6 mi w of Miracle po, 9 mi nw of Cubage po// Acc. to Ibid., 7/24/39, it was 1/4 mi n of US 119, 60 ft n of L&N, 300 ft w of rr sta, 50 ft s of river, 3/4 mi e of Yellow Ck, 3/4 mi w of Hances Ck, 6 mi w of Miracle po, 12 mi nw of Cubage po. (SLR);
CALVIN (Bell Co., Ky): "This hamlet with po and a sta. on the Ky. & Va. (L&N) RR, is located on the Cumb. R. just below the mouth of Hances Ck, 4 (air) mi ese of Pinev. While the sta. has always been known as Page, the po was est. as Calvin on 4/3/1908, with Belle Pursifull, pm, and named for the local mag. Henry Calvin Miracle. Until 1966 when the BGN decided in favor of Calvin, the commu. had also been identified as Page on top. maps." (Book-Pp. 46-47); 36°43'20"N/83°37'20"W (1966); Asks if Page could have been named for Joe Page who worked on the rr here. Thinks that Dorthy was a small commu. 4 mi up the rd. Informant's grandfather Henry C. Miracle ne ca. 1865 in Bell Co. (Donnie L. Eldridge, letter to me, 4/9/1981);
CALVIN (Belle Co.): po est. 4/3/1908, Belle Pursifull...(NA); Vil. 4.5 mi. ne of Middlesboro. In a BGN pet. this name was offered in preference to Page by which the feature was identified on top. maps. Calvin was/is the name used on state and county maps and Rand McN. map/atlas. (2/3/1966); ("K(ae)l/vən") On the L&N. Aka Page ("Pādj") in the 1920s. DK why called Calvin. At one time a rr serving pt. but no more. (Dr. Edward S. Wilson, tape, 11/27/1978); approved acc. to Dec. list #6602, P. 11); The Rev. Henry Calvin Miracle lived on Hances Ck. (Fuson, II, P. 340);
CANNON (Bell Co., Ky): Acc. to 1879-80 Gaz, Evans & Kefauver had a gen. store as did Wilson Bros. and H. Laymon. Other businesses incl. A Fuller, wagonmaker, Gary Scott saloon, Tilford & Skaggs wagonmakers, etc.; No Cannon families in 1870 B. Co. Census; Cannon Ck. heads in Log Mt. and extends for ca. 6 mi e to Yellow Ck. 1½ mi below Ferndale. (Fuson, P. 47); Cross was a coal mining camp. Happy Valley was aka Cannon Creek and was at the mouth of this stream. Here was the Old Cannon Ck. Chu. (1994 hist., P. 342);
CANNON (Bell Co., Ky): po est. 11/17/1871 with James A Green, pm, 12/13/1872, Arch Green, 1/8/73, James A. Green; Disc. 11/10/1875; Re-est. 3/2/1877, Miss Syntha A. King; Disc. 11/22/1880 (POR-NA); Acc. to S.A King, 2/20/74, this po was 5 mi s of Cumb. R, ½ mi n of Yellow Ck, 5 mi n of Yellow Ck. po, 6 mi s of Pinev po Not a vil. (SLR); Acc. to 1876-7 Gaz, this was a po; Cannon Lake is a source of Pinev., etc. water (Worlds Fair Tour Guide, ca. 1982 by B. Co. Hist. Soc) Cannon Creek may 1st have been called Canyon Creek, acc. to a patent signed by Gov. Desha in 1827 and surveyed for Drury Mayes the yr. before. (Fuson P. 261);
CAPITO (Bell Co., Ky): po operated from 1944 to 1956 (P&G); Acc. to C.E. Raney, 5/6/1943, this prop. po would be 12 mi w of Cumb. R, 30 ft s of Stoney Fk, 2 mi from co. line, 7 mi w of Middlesboro po, 9 mi e of Fonde po. (SLR); Capito, Hignite, & Garmeada were once deep coal mines (ca. 1890s thru late 1940s). They were coal camps with small stores and chu's. B. Co. had 60+ mines & 4000 workers. (World's Fair Tour Guide, ca. 1982 by B. Co. Hist. Soc.); Betw. Fonde & M'boro. were the Capito, Hignite, and Edgewood camps. (Fran Gambrel in 1994 hist., Pp. 37-38); The Atlas Coal Mining Co. of Capito, Ky. (1931-1952) purchased the Ralston Coal Co. R.E. Howe was G.M. ca. 1918 (Mayes, P. 94);
CARDINAL (Bell Co., Ky): 1st called Birchfield for the 1st mine owner Wm. Burchfield. In 1918-9 J. Campbell Straus & his sons Jim and Joe bought his coal co. and ch. its name to Ky Cardinal Coal Co. The po, commissary and sta. were renamed for the company. The rr arr. ca. 1911 and the mine opened shortly thereafter. Saul Saylo was owner of site of coal camp. PO was in the commissar. The co. owned the homes. Coal co. closed in mid 1960 & the camp is gone. (Acc. to Bobby Sue Hensley Miracle & Mildred Green Simpson in 1994 hist., P. 33);
CARDINAL (Bell Co., Ky): po est. as Burchfield 2/9/1912, C. Vesta Bennett, withdrawn, 2/24/12, Harry E. Bullock, 8/15/12, Wilson B. Saylor, 5/24/19, Wm. H. Pretzman; n.ch. to Cardinal 2/2/20, Ibid, 2/20/25, act, 5/12/25, Elisha Howard.... Disc. 1964 (POR-NA); P&G has it as Birchfield (check....); Spur from the C.V. line extended up Toms Fk. to the mines at Cardinal. (Fuson, P. 363); The Ky. Cardinal Coal Co. had a coal cop'n. here from 1929 to 1932 with 15 workers and the Ky. Cardinal Coal Corp. operated 1933-58 with 150 workers (Dodrill);
Carter's (Bell Co., Ky): po est. 11/4/1889, Dempsey K. Carter, 1/18/90, Jas. E. Partin; Disc. 10/3/91 (papers to West Pineville) (POR-NA); Acc. to D.K. Carter, 9/30/1889, the 1st names prop. for this po were Dempsey and Dewey and it would serve a site on Grassy Ck, 4 mi n of Ingram po, 5 mi s of Flat Lick po, 6 mi w of Pinev. po. (SLR); Henry E. Carter, son of Dewey Carter and a (nee Gooden) (sic). He was born 2/22/1878; Acc. to 1870 Cens Dempsey Carter (17) son of Solomon (43) & Eliz. (45) & bro. Alfred W. (15)...lived with Jas. Fuson (22). Solomon was the head of the household. Nr. Fusons, Partins, Miracles, etc. in Dist. 7, Pinev. po dist.
CARTERS (Bell Co., Ky): Acc. to 1900 Census, Dempsey K. Carter (6/52) & wife Florence A. (4/54) lived in Mag. Dist. #1;
CARY (Bell Co., Ky): Mining camp with 100 families 2½ mi ene of Pinev. & 1 mi s of Arjay. On the Left Fk. of Straight Ck. The local mine was owned by the Cary-Glendon Coal Co. Nearby Howard Br. was named for Dan'l Howard who died in 1900 and was bur. in the Cary Cem. DPO. Only 20 families are there now. Poordo was "a sect. of the mining camp" houses on the e. side of Straight Ck" with ca. 25 homes. Named for local people "who were too poor to do anything." (Acc. to Jakie M. Howard in 1994 hist., Pp. 33-5);
CARY (Bell Co.): po est. 12/2/1905, Wm. Burchfield...(NA); ("Kehr/ee") (Red Harp, 3/24, 1979); Acc. to Wm. Burchfield, 9/8/05, this prop. po would be 4 mi n of Cumb. R, on Straight Ck, 3 mi sw of Bingham po, 2 mi n of Straight Ck po, 4 mi n of Pinev. pc // Acc. to Hulda Martin, 1/30/17, it was 400 ft n of Straight Ck, 150 ft n of L&N (Cary Sta.), 1½ mi sw of Arjay po, 2 mi n of Straight Ck po, 4 mi s of Rim po// On 7/12/26, Robt E. Slusher pet. for a move 50 yds n to pt 3 mi n of river, ca. 50 ft w of Straight Ck// On 4/1/1933, Eva Lena Howard pet. for a move 75 yds s to a pt. 3 mi n of river, 150 yds w of Left Fk of Straight Ck, 20 ft w of L&N, 1 mi n of Arjay po, 1½ mi n of Straight Ck po, 3 mi n of Pinev. po. (Cary Sta.). Eff. 4/15/33. 20 ft from Cary Sta,
Acc. to Ibid., 8/11/1939, po was 3 mi ne of US 25E, 20 ft ne of Cary Sta, 2 mi sw of Arjay po, 3½ mi ne of Straight Ck. po. (SLR); Acc. to Dodrill, the earliest coal op'n. here the Central Coal Co. (1909-10 with 50 workers) and the Left Fk. Coal Co. (1909-10 with 100 workers). Also the Straight Ck. Coal & Coke Co. here had 200 workers betw. 1907-11; Acc. to Jil- son II, P. 1081, John B. Cary acq. 200 acres on Bean Fk of Stoney Fk. (7/2/88) and Clarence Cary acq. 200 acres on Yellow Ck (6/11/88); Acc. to 1910 Census, Wm. Cary, ne W.Va. of Irish parents (54) and his Irish born wife Katharine (46) lived in Hignite Prec. 13, of Mag. Dist. 4—Yellow Ck;
CHARLOCK (Bell Co., Ky): Acc. to P&G this po operated from 1910 to 1913; should be clear FK. PO. (q.v.)
CHENOA (Bell Co., Ky): "Only a po remains at the site of this coal town and sta. on Clear Ck & Ky 190, 10 (air) mi sw of Pinev. To this pt. a 12 mi long branch of the Cumb. R. & Tenn. (later L&N) RR was completed in Oct. 1893. And here W.A. Chenoa opened a cannel coal mine & est. a po on 3/13/1894 to serve the camp that grew up around it." (Book-Pp. 56-7); On the C.R. & T.R. RR, 12 mi from Pinev. (1895-6 Gaz); 1st area mine was a cannel coal mine which opened in late 1880s. Lake Chenoa was "built" in 1950 and "fed" by Bear Ck. Built as part of "St. Rec. Ph. system". The Chenoa site was settled in 1826 by Thos. Fuson who died 1849 "from freezing crossing Log Mt. into Tenn." (World's Fair Tour Guide, ca. 1982, by B. Co. Hist. Soc.);
CHENOA (Bell Co., Ky): The Chenoa-Hignite Coal Co. is now on Bear Ck. This ck. was settled by John Partin in 1866 and named for a wild bear. Ck. is now a basin on the n. side of Log Mt. A coal & timber producing area. The Partins deeded land in 1888 to the T. Carnes (sic), Wymon, and Hull Land Co. (Scott Partin "Sketch of So. America" in several installments in Three States, spr. 1939);
CHENOA (Bell Co.): po est. 1/17/1894, Henry C. Thompson, declined; 3/13/1894, Sam'l. Bastin... (NA); ("Shə/n(oh)/ee") Down Clear Creek from So. Amer. & Frakes. RR station. Several mines and one was a cannel coal mine. (Dr. Edward S. Wilson, tape, 11/27/1978); Named for W.A. Chenoa, owner of a local coal co. (Geo. R. Stewart, AM.P.N., P. 90); "Shihn/oh/a") Named for an old Indian. It's an Indian name. Pre-release prison camp there. Good fishing lake. (Kenneth Red Harp, interview, 3/24/1979);
CHENOA (Bell Co., Ky.) "A lot of people think this is an Indian name. In our school once, we had a unit on our community. So I tried to find out all I could about it. I asked the old settlers who remembered when Chenoa began. Chenoa started out as a candle (sic) coal mine. W. A. Chenoa operated the mine. He got his mail at Pineville, Kentucky, which was about fourteen miles from Chenoa. So Mr. Chenoa got permission to start a postoffice and he named it Chenoa. The mine isn't there any more now. All of this land now belongs to the Kentucky Ridge Forest and the beautiful Chenoa Lake is located where the camp used to be."
CHENOA (Bell Co., Ky): Acc. to Henry C. Thompson, 12/13, 1893, the prop. name for this new po was Cannel and it would be on the Bear Ck. Br. of Big Clear Ck, ½ mi s of Big Clear Ck, 80 rods w of the Cumb. R and the Tenn. RR 15 mi n of M'borough po, 13 mi sw of Pinev. po, 12 mi s of the Cumb. R, A vil. of 200. (map) // Acc. to no sign, 8/1912, it was 11 mi se of Cumb. R, 100 ft e of Bear Ck, 30 ft w of L&N, 3 mi from co. line, 2½ mi sw of Cairnes po, 2 3/4 mi sw of Davisburg po (map) // Acc. to Sim Bowlin, 7/25/39, the po was in the Chenoa (RR) Sta., 100 yds e of Bear Ck, ½ mi s of Big Clear Ck, ca. 15 mi s of Pinev. po, ca. 6 mi e of Frakes po. (SLR);
CHENOA (Bell Co., Ky): A spur line ran to here up Big Clear Ck. from Wasioto; Acc. to Dodrill, the earliest mining op'ns. here were were Caney Ck Coal & Coke Co. (1908-10 with 60 workers), Chenoa Coal Co. (1908-9 with 40 workers), Clear Ck Coal Co. (1908-10 with 80 workers and Kelly Coal Co. (1909-10 with 51 workers); A Kayak factory was built here in the early 1970s. Chenoa Kayaks were "started" by the Ky. Ridge Dev't. Corp, a "self-help group." ("Kayak" by Lana Ellis, LCJ&T Mag. 9/29/74 Pp. 29ff); Acc. to Sulzer's Ghost RR, the Chenoa-Granad Spur (L&N) of 3.89 mi was built 1907 to serve area mine and was retired 1933. The Chenoa-Olcott Spur (L&N), 1 m long, was built 1893 to serve mines. Retired 1944. (P. 132);
CLEAR CREEK (Bell Co.): po est. in Knox Co. 7/6 1855, J.A. Parton (sic). Disc. 4/15/63; Re-est. 9/28/1866, Anderson Parten (sic); Disc. 11/7/ 1867; (NA). Walker in 1750 named Clear Creek Clover Creek for the profusion of wild clover growing there. (Henry Harvey Fuson, HIST. OF BELL CO., KY. NY: Hobson House Press, 1947, Vol 1, P. 4.) Probably renamed with reference to Clear Creek Springs which is descriptively apt and drinkable at any time of the year unless the water happens to back up and flood over. A natural, perennial spring. "At the time that Pinev. was being settled, Clear Creek Springs was a well known resort owned by a Mr. Reeder and that folks came from far and near to drink the funny water and there was a gambling house
CLEAR CREEK SPRINGS (Bell Co., Ky): "This famed summer resort is in Pine Mt. St. Park, on Clear Ck. & Ky 1491, 2 (air) mi sw of Pinev. Dr. Thos. Walker, the pre-Rev. War explorer of much of se Ky, is said to have named this stream Clover Ck. for the profusion of wild clover growing on its banks. It was renamed later for the clarity of the spring waters which discharge into the ck. at that pt. and which, in the early days, were believed to have curative powers. J.M.C. Davis is credited with having est. the resort in the mid 19 cent. A po called Clear Creek was in op. here from 1855 to 1867. On a 1927 top. map the com. is identified as Clear Springs Camp." (Book-P. 60);

The site of 20 put cottages built that yr.
CLEAR CREEK SPRINGS (Bell Co.): Clear Creek Mt. Springs, a rec. ctr. operated by members of several Pinev. & Middlesb. Baptist churches in the 1930s, was an important tourist attraction. It centered on Clear Creek Falls. Had auditorium, dorms, pvt. cottages...Probably named for the clarity of the spring waters. (WPA ms. on Ky. springs, etc. by M. Ladd, c1941); The water was believed to have curative powers. The springs at the side of Pine Mt. Developed into a rec. ctr. In 1927 20 cottages built by pvt. families... (Ibid); The spring (sic) "discharges into Clear Creek
the name being given because of the purity of the water. Now the heart of a summer rec. ctr. and summer Bible Assembly conducted by churches of the Bap. denomination...'
(Ibid.); The springs were at the jct. of Little & Big Clear Cks, ca. 3 mi from Pinev. In a small valley along 1 side of which extends Pine Mt. and the other the foothills of Log Mt. The spring is "encased in concrete in the ctr. of the val. ....The spr. has medicinal prop's...said to aid in digestion." In 1940 it was owned by the Ky. Bapt's. and used for conferences-retreats. Before 1900 was a health resort owned/operated by J.M.C. Davis who started it shortly after the CW till after 1900.... (Fuson, II, Pp. 608-10);
CLEAR CREEK SPRINGS (Bell Co.): "Four mi. sw of Pineville are valued highly for their medicinal properties. The water tastes similar to powder, and is thought to be peculiarly adapted to the cure of old sores and ulcers."

(W.R. Thomas, LIFE AMONG THE HILLS AND MTS. OF KY. Lou., 1926, P. 237); C From Collins II
CLEAR CREEK SPRINGS (Bell Co.): J.M.C. Davis lived at the forks of the Clear Creeks at the site of the springs. He bought "the land around the springs and developed (them) into a health resort." (Fusion HIST. OF BELL CO. Vol. 1, P. 283);
CLEAR CREEK P.O. (Bell Co., Ky): In the Knox Co. sect. that became Bell Co. PO was est. 7/6/1855 with J.A. Parton (sic), pm. On 5/10/1869 was succeeded by Anderson Parten; Disc. 4/15/63; Re-est. 9/28/66 with Anderson Parten, Disc. 11/7/1867. Thus, for its entire tenure, it was in Knox Co;
CLEARFORK (Whitley Co., Ky): Named for the 20 mi long stream that heads at or nr Fonde. Spur line from the main line at Jellico was built by the So. RR ca. 1900 into this val. to ship coal being mined there. Complete by 1905. Its term. was at Fonde coal camp in Bell Co. The Fonde Mine was owned by the Clear Fk. Coal Co. It began op's. in 1905 on a lease of 5,000 acres. Ceased op. Blue Diamond once ran coal mines there too. The Pruden Mine began op. in 1906... (Cecil Winchester "Clearfork Then and Now" in Clearfork and More, comp. & edit. by Bonnie M. Page, Lake City, Tenn, 1986, Pp. 65ff);
**CLEAR FORK** (Bell Co., Ky): PO est. 3/27/1879 with Jas. Johnson, pm, 10/6/1880, Jos. H. Barnett...Disc. 1/14/92 (mail to Cubage); Re-est. 11/16/1910, Wm. E. Turner; Disc. eff. 10/31/1913 (mail to Colmar) (POR-NA); Acc. to W.E. Turner, 8/10/1910, po was 7 mi s of Cumb. R, 1/8 mi s of Yellow Ck, 3 mi e of L&N, 5½ mi ne (?) of Ferndale po & (rr) Sta. (map) (SLR); The Clear Fork Ck. heads in Brush Mt. and extends ca. 8 mi w to Yellow Ck. (Fuson, P. 48);
COLMAR (BELL CO., KY): Acc. to Julius E. Adair, 4/25/13, this prop. po would be ca. 6 mi e of Cumb. R, ca. 50 yds n of Crane Ck, 50 ft s of WBM of the L&N, (Colmar Sta.), ca. 3½ mi from the co. line, 9 rr mi e of Wasioto po, 8 mi sw of Varilla po, 1½ mi ne of Clear Fk. po. (map) //

Acc. to L.F. Gatliff, 7/25/39, it was 100 ft n of Crane Ck, 10 mi ne of M'boro. (rr) Sta., 12 mi e of Pinev. po, 10 mi w of Cubbage (sic) po. (SLR);
COLMAR (Bell Co.): po est. 6/14/1913, Odin W. Adair... (NA); ("K(ah)l/mər") On L&N spur line and Yellow Creek. One of the bigger coal operations in this area is here. Joins Varill thru Hancey (map) Gap in the mt. (Dr. Edward S. Wilson tape, 11/27/1978); same pron. DK origin of the name. The spring comes into Yellow Creek there that yr. round, is as cold as ice. Runs year round...(Red Harp, interview, 3/24/1979); The Asher Coal Mining Co. had a mine or mines here (Kerr, P. 198); Colmar Ridge is mentioned in Fuson, P. 272); Acc. to Dodrill the earliest coal op'n. here was So. Mining Co. (1914-1955 with 155 workers); Could name be derived from Colson and Mar-something?
CONANT (Bell Co., Ky): po est. 7/15/1881, John M. Conant
2/29/1888, Preston Henrickson; Disc. 7/9/95 (mail to
Pineville) (POR-NA); Acc. to John M. Conant, 6/18/1881,
the prop. name for this new po was Garrard and it would
be 1/8 mi n of Cumb. R, 1 mi se of Four Mile Ck, 2½ mi r
of Pinev. po, 5 mi se of Flat Lick po; Acc. to Ibid.,
3/18/86, po was on n. side of the river, at the mouth &
s. side of Four Mile Ck, 4½ mi n of Pinev. po, 4½ mi s
of Flat Lick po. (SLR); Acc. to 1883-4 Gaz, this was a
po 2½ mi from Pinev; Acc. to 1895-6 Gaz, it was a dpo;
No such families in B. Co's 1870 Census; Acc. to 1900
Cens, John M. Conant, a farmer (1/56) & wife Lyddia G.
(10/59) & son Edward (8/79), a bookkeeper, etc. lived in
Pinev. town;
CONANT (Bell Co., Ky): Acc. to 1910 Census, John M. Conant (54) & wife Lydia (50) & sons Chas. S. (24), John (29), and Geo. (17), etc. lived in Mag. Dist. 1 (part of Pinev.).
CRATE (Bell Co., Ky): po est. 9/21/1929, Lewis Brock...

Disc. 1937 (POR-NA); Acc. to Jack W. Helton, 6/30/193:
this po was 50 ft e of Stony Fk, 1000 ft w of Wolf Pen
Ck, 5 mi from co. line, 7½ mi ne of Kettle I. po, 7½ mi:
sw of Saylor po, 6 mi se of Beverly po. (SLR); The
Taylor and Crate Lumber Co. of Penn. owned thousands of
timberland acres on Stony Fk. John H. Brock worked for
them and he & his bro-in-law Nathan J. Saylor owned a
large gen. store at the mouth of that ck. Nearby was the
Brock Cem. A Brock Hol. of Straight Fk was named for Za
Brock, ne 1886. He was son of Hiram & Mary Overton &
Brock. (1994 Hist, Pp. 230-1);
CROCKETT-HARBER-FIELD (Bell Co., Ky): An early 20th cent. mining camp site. Site of Meth. Chu. Conf. Mission work in B. Co. (World's Fair Tour Guide, ca. 1982 by Bell Co. Hist. Soc.); Acc. to Dodrill, the earliest coal op'n. was the Ky. Ridge Coal Co. (1917-1924 with 70 workers) and Ibid. (1938-1958 with 200 workers); Field is on Ky 66, 0.6 mi s of the jct. of Ky 66 and 2011; Acc. to 1910 Census, Cy Crockett (50), ne Va. and wife Lizzie (43) lived in Mag. Dist. #1, part of Piney; Acc. to 1920 Census, Mat Fields (26) & wife Mary (26) lived in Arjay Prec. 8½, on Straight Ck. Rd. nr Edmund Starling (33) & wife Lula (35);
CUBAGE (Bell Co., Ky): "This po on Ky 987 and Brownies Ck, a trib. of the Cumb. R., was est. on 5/17/79, with Andrew Wilder, pm, and named for Cubage Ck, a br. of Brownies nearly 2 mi below (w. of) the present po site, some 10 (air) mi ese of Pinev. Acc. to trad., the 1st settlers found the words 'cub bear killed here' carved on a beech tree on the ck. and thus Cubage may have been a corruption of Cub Beech, a possible early name for the stream. Bell Co's. late historian H.H. Fuson reported but tended to discount the contention that it was named for a Mr. Cubage (Cubbage-?), one of a party of pion. hunters, who remained on the ck. until he could overcome a case of frostbitten feet." (Book-P. 75);
CUBAGE (Bell Co., Ky): Acc. to 1895-6 Gaz, it was 12 mi e of Pinev. Pop. 100. J.H. Wilson was pm. Flour mills: (1) B.D. Green, (2) Jas. Jones, (3) Peter Miracle, (4) Pleasant Thompson, (5) R.B. Wilson; The po closed 12/31 1981 (POR-NA); No families of this name in the 1870 B. Co. Census; nor in the 1860 Harlan Co. Census;
CUBAGE (Bell Co.): Just a p.o. Nothing there before it was est. Pron. "Kuhb/adj". The 1st settlers found carved on a beech tree there: "Cub bear killed here". "I suppose it was first named Cub Beech Branch and shortened to its present name." Never had any other names. APO. Just a rural area. Nothing else but the po. (Olen Cowan, pm, Cubage, Ky. in letter to me, 4/7/1980).

PO closed 12/31/1981 following Mr. Cowan's retirement after 33 yrs. as local pm. Henceforth mail will be routed out of Calvin. 105 families had used the C. PO. (AP news release on its closing, c. 12/1981);
CUBAGE (Bell Co.): Creek named for a bear cub killed on it by Andy Lee, early 19th cent. According to Joe Parsons, Fuson cites this account from W.T. Rice of Harlan who learned it from Bill Green: "A party of pioneer hunters were hunting on Cubage Creek and a fellow by the name of Cubage got his feet frost bitten until he couldn't travel. They had to stay there until he got so that he could travel. After that the people named the creek Cubage." (H.H. Fuson, HIST. OF BELL CO., KY. 1947, Pp. 221-2) He prefers the 1st account. The above quote from Fuson, P. 222.
CUBAGE (Bell Co., Ky): In Nov. 1910, Jas. Edward Lee
pet. for a move 1½ mi e to a pt 8 rods s of Brownies
Ck, 8 mi e of Wasioto & Black Mt. RR, 8 mi from
Dorathy po & (rr) Sta., 4 mi e of Oaks po// Acc. to
Ibid., 3/5/17, po was 9 mi s of river, 100 yds s of
Brownies Ck, ca. 2½ mi from co. line, 6 mi e of Oaks
po, 9 mi se of Balkan po// On 4/26/29, Lewis F. Green
pet. for a move ½ mi w to a pt 7 mi s of Cumb. R, 75
yds n of Brownies Ck, 2 mi from co. line, 3 mi s of
Oaks po, 7 mi sw of Balkan po. Eff. 5/1/29 move to the
pm's. home// On 12/31/36, Mrs. Myrtle Miracle pet. for
a move 2 mi e to a pt 9 mi e of river, 25 yds n of
Brownies Ck, on the co. line, 4½ mi e of Oaks po, 8 m
s of Insull po. Eff. 12/21/1936// On 3/8/37, Ibid.,
act. pm, pet. for a move \( \frac{1}{2} \) mi w to a pt 30 yds s of Brownies Ck, 8\( \frac{1}{2} \) mi e of Cumb. R, 4\( \frac{1}{2} \) mi e of Oaks po, 4 or 5 mi s of Insull po; On 6/22/40, Ibid. pet. for a move 1 mi e to a pt 9\( \frac{1}{2} \) mi e of the river, 100 yds n of Brownies Ck, ca. 3 mi from co. line, 5\( \frac{1}{2} \) mi e of Oaks po, 5 mi s of Insull po. Eff. 6/29/1940; On 9/2/1948, Olen Cowan, act. pm, pet. for a move 1\( \frac{1}{4} \) mi nw to a pt 25 yds s of Brownies Ck, 2\( \frac{1}{2} \) mi from Harlan Co, 4 mi s of Oaks po. (SLR); Acc. to 1883-4 Gaz, thi po was 12 mi e of Pinev. Flour mills: (1) Lewis Jones (2) Peter Miracle, Andyrew (sic) Wilder sold patent medicines;
CUBAGE (Bell County, Ky.) "The village takes its name from Cubage Branch. The first settlers in this area, according to local legend, found the word 'Cub' carved on a beech tree growing along the banks of a stream here, which they later named Cubage Branch." (Quimby SCRATCH ANKLE, P. 102, from local postmaster) (F707c) (Field also gives a Cubage Creek in the same area but no Cubage Branch.) (Acc. to Plummer, it's pron. cubidg.); po est. 5/17/1879, Andrew Wilder...Disc. 10/14/1916 (mail to Oaks); Re-est. 1/24/1917, Jas. E. Lee...(NA); ("Koo Bodj") Red Horse 3/24/1979.

APQRS Suspended 12/30/1981.
CUMBERLAND GAP (Bell Co., Ky): "A notch about 1000 feet deep... The bottom is at 1650 feet thus 400 to 650 feet above drainage (Powell and Cumb. Rivers) and about 500 feet above the lowlands of the Middlesboro Basin. The crest of the mt. just n. of The Pinnacle exceeds 2700 ft....It was the gateway for the Wilderness Trail through the Cum. Mt. barrier....It was first (recorded) by Dr. Thos. Walker, who passed through it April 13 1750, and referred to it as Cave Gap. He mentioned evidence of earlier whites, however, and the great Indian Warrior Trail passed through it." (P. 92)"The story of
Cum. Gap is that of a stream (Yellow Creek) once flowing to the sea whose headwaters were stolen and diverted into Cumb. R.... (Thus a val. without a stream). The gap is a remnant of this val., and the only part still preserved." (P. 92) "The gap is a remnant of the former path of a se trib. of Powell R." (P. 92) "A trib. of C. Riv. has diverted the waters of Yellow Cr. into the C. River.... This left the gap thru Cum. Mt. without a through-flowing stream. This is Cumb. Gap." (P. 94) (Arthur McFarlan, BEHIND THE SCENERY, KGS Ser. IX, Spec. Pub. No. 10, 1958)
CUMBERLAND GAP (Ky.): So named by Dr. Thos. Walker for the then Duke of Cumberland, Wm. Augustus, son of Geo. II and Queen Caroline. Walker 1st called it Cave Gap for the cave that lies just above (the-no.-side-of) a large spring on the no. side of the Gap. The spring comes out of that cave and later was to supply water for the vil. of Cumberland Gap & Harrogate. The cave is called King Solomon's Cave. Walker had arr. here 4/13/1750, acc. to his journal. (Mrs. Marianne C. Armstrong, paper given at a mtg. of the Ky. Path Chap. of DAR in Middlesboro, Ky. 1/1/1942. In ms form, KHS Lib.)
Several unsuccessful attempts in early days to change the name to Wasiota, the Indians' name for the Gap in opposition to that of the Duke. (Ibid.)

The post of Cumberland Gap was established in Claiborne Co., Tenn, then into Knox Co., Ky. 9/12/1846 with William Dickinson, pm. Returned to Claiborne Co. on 3/8/51 (POR-NA); The gap was the 1st major point of entry into Ky by pioneer visitors and settlers. The 1st known entrant were Dr. Walker & his party, 1750; The Cumberland Gap Tunnel, 0.8 mi long, passes through Cumberland Mt. in the C.G. Nat'l. Hist'l. Park between the Gap & M'boro. Under construction in spring 1993. Expected completion by early 1995. Tunnel is 0.8 mi west of the Gap. (BGN Docket #356 for 5/13/1993 Mtg);
CUMBERLAND RIVER (Bell Co., Ky): Dr. Walker in 1750 is said to have discovered and named the river at the m. c Clear Ck (which he named Clover Ck. on 4/15 for the profusion of clover there, 1 mi s of Pinev. (Acc. to his journal) (Fuson, P. 65); The river flows ca. 28 mi thru B. Co. in a sw then nw direction. Major tribs: Greasy Ck. which heads nr the W. Co. line and extends ne for 10 mi to the r. betw. Elys & 4 Mi; Big Clear Ck which heads in Log Mt. in sw B. Co. and extends for 14 mi ne & parallels Pine Mt. It's joined by Little Clear Ck at Clear Ck. Springs and they become Clear Ck that joins the r. Wasioto. Little Clear Ck. heads in Log Mt. and extends 9 mi ne. Laurel Fk. Ck. heads in Log Mt and extends 4 mi to W. Co. (Fuson, P. 46). Bennetts Fk
heads in Tenn. and enters B. Co. at Bosworth and extends for 5 mi ne to Yellow Ck nr M'borough.... (Id.) Bennetts Fk. was so identified on Munsells 1818 map;
DAVISBURG (Bell Co., Ky): po est. 1/26/07, David R. Morgan, 8/7/08, Richard R. Williams...Disc. 1934 (POR-NA); Acc. to no sign, 10/1906, this prop. po would be 9 mi from the Cumb. R, 1 mi from Big Clear Ck, 1 7/16 mi se of L&N and Chenoa Sta, 12 mi sw of Pinev. po, 2 1/8 mi se of Chenoa po. To serve scattered homes & 3 coal co's// In 6/1911, Jos. V. Britz pet. for a move ca. 1/2 mi e to serve vil. of Davisburg and Hignite. Everything else on the film is too light// Acc. to M.B. Shy, 1/29/17, po was 14 mi e of river, 1 mi s of Clear Ck, 100 ft w of L&N, 3 mi from co. line, 3 mi e of Chenoa po, 14 mi sw of Pinev. po. A mining camp. (SLR);
DAVISBURG (Bell Co., Ky): A deep mine here from 1898 to late 1960. The rail line to it was "taken up" in 1982. (Worlds Fair Tour Guide, ca. 1982 by B. Co. Hist. Soc.) This po served the Caney Ck. Coal & Coke Co., the Popular Hignite Coal & Coke Co. This po may have replaced the Cairnes po, but check. (Mayes, Pp. 135-36);
DAVIS BRANCH OF LITTLE YELLOW CREEK (Bell Co., Ky): Named for pion. Richard Davis who came to Ky ca. 1795 from Va. Lived at the foot of Cumb. Mt. nr the present M'boro. Ran a tavern. His daughter Nancy marr. Dillion Asher I. Died 1815. (Source-?); Davis Station: John & Robt. Davis were killed by Indians nr Cumb. Ford in 1780. The sta. was on the e side of the branch opp. the mouth of Little Yellow Ck, ½ mi up the ck. to/ the reservoir was a mill. (Neal Owen Hammon "Early Roads Into Ky." REG. Vol. 68 (2), 4/1970);
DEAN GRAVEYARD (Bell Co., Ky): Nr. the mouth of Greasy Ck. Thos. Dean (ne before 1800 and died 1875) is buried here with other family members. (Fuson, Pp. 188-9); Thos. Dean settled at the mouth of Greasy Ck. John Good in settled across the r. from the m. of Greasy. Dean was born before 1800 and died in 1875 and is bur. in the Dear Graveyard nr. there. Sons were Wm. Henry Harrison Dean (1829-1901) and Dan'l. WHH mar. Patience Fuson in 1852. Their issue incl: John Siler Dean, Wm. Hanson Mack Dean (ne 1874), a longtime mine super. Mack marr. Willia Kir another son was Jas. Dan'l. Dean (ne 1877) who marr. a Tinsley. WHH was a lumberman, farmer, & tchr. (Fuson, Pp. 188-90);
DEANTON-HOSMAN (Bell Co., Ky): Check on the Dean Branch Coal Co. (1919-1923 with 20 workers); The earliest coal op'n. here was J.B. Blue Gem Coal Co. (1917-19 with 85 workers); John Knox Hoskins (ne ca. 1811 in Knox Co.), son of Ezekiel & Eliz. (Campbell) Hoskins. Parents were born in Russell Co., Va. Sibs incl: John (ne 1816), Reuben (1817), George (1818), Levi (1819), Hiram (1822). (KY. ANC. Vol. 32 (1), Autumn, 1996, P. 52); Daniel H. Hoskins, son of Wm Hoskins and a (nee Peavely), ne 11/14/1878; Henry Hoskins, son of E. Hoskins and a (nee Thompson, ne 12/9/1878; Nineon (sic) Hoskins, ne Wash. Co, NC in 1778, to Knox Co. 1805 and appt'd. Knox Co. surveyor 12/09, then moved to Crawford Co, Ind. 1814. (Ibid., Vol. 23 (3), Winter 1988, P. 208);
EAST PINEVILLE (Bell Co., Ky): "This hamlet with eponym is on US 119, across the Cumb. R. from and 1 1/2 mi southwest of Pineville. The local post office was established on 12/3/1925 as Jayem, named for J(ohn) M(arshall) Robsion, Sr. (1873-1948) of Barbourville, who represented Ky's 9th Dist. in the US Congress from 1919 to 1930 and 1935 to 1948." (Book P. 88)
EDGEWOOD (Bell Co., Ky): A commu. on Stoney Fk. of Yellow Ck, above M'boro. (Fuson, P. 150);
EXCELSIOR (Bell Co., Ky): po est. 4/27/00, Wm. Pritcherd, 2/3/03, Mary Kitchens...Disc. eff. 3/31/08 (mail to Middlesboro) (POR-NA); Acc. to Wm. Pritcherd, 4/9/1900, this prop. po would be 6 mi w of Cumb. R, within 200 ft of Yellow Ck, on the L&N, 3 mi n of M'borough po, 4 mi s of Roost po. (SLR); The Excelsior Mine nr. M'borough. In op'n. by the end of 1899 by A. Gatliff, receiver of the Excelsior Coal Co. (Rep't. of the Inspector of Mines of Ky, 1899, P. 141); Acc. to Dodrill, the earlier coal op'ns. here were the Excelsior Coal Mining Co. (1904-6 with 175 workers), Excelsior Coal & Mining Co. (1907-07 with 125 workers)
EXCELSIOR (Bell Co., Ky): The Excelsior Coal Co. was 2 mi n of M'boro. Its mine and 4 others were on old ES25E at Meldrum. Other mines here: Low Ash Coal Co., Moss Coal Co., etc. The Excelsior Coal Mining Co. (1898-1906; with J.R. Miller, pres. & Clyde Miller, G.M.) It was succeeded by the Excelsior Coal & Mining Co. and then the Excelsior Mining Co. (Mayes, Pp. 124-7);
FERNDALE (Bell Co., Ky): Acc. to Cobb Berry, 1/12/83, several names were prop. for this new po, incl. Eagle Roost to serve the locality of Cannon but it was called Roost. Everything on the microfilm is too lite// Acc. to Jas. A. Eads, 10/26/95, the po was re-est., again as Roost, to serve the Ferndale Sta., 3 mi s of the river, on the w side of Cannon Ck, 34 roc w of the C.V. Br. of the L&N, 4½ mi s of Wasioto po, 6½ mi n of Middlesboro po// Acc. to Jas. A. Green, 3/29/04, the po, now as Ferndale (and late Roost), was 4 mi n of river, 108 ft e of Cannon Ck, 230 ft w of L&N, 4½ mi s of Wasioto po, 4 mi n of Excelsior po, 6 mi e of Ivy po// On 7/2/12, Alex A. Green pet. for a move 2645 ft w to a pt 4 mi e of river, 75 ft
of Cannon Ck, 2645 ft w of L&N// Acc. to T.S. Johnson, 2/24/24, po was serving the vil. of Ferndale with 150 pop, ¼ mi e of the po, 3 mi s of river, 100 ft w of Cannon Ck, 150 ft w of L&N (Ferndale, a non-agency rr sta.), 2½ mi n of Meldrum po, 4½ mi s of Wasioto po, 3 mi w of Oleika po// Acc. to Hence Wilson, 8/2/25, it was serving Ferndale Sta. and the commu. of Ferndale with a pop. of 250, 3 mi s of the river, 50 ft w of Cannon Ck, 100 ft w of L&N, 3 mi n of Meldrum po, 7 mi s of Pinev. po, 4 mi sw of Calvir po. (SLR);
FERNDALE (Bell Co., Ky): The vic. was 1st settled by Drury Mayes (1771-1827) on an 150 acre tract patented to Dan'l. Miller. He's buried at his farm at Ferndale. Canyon Creek was the old name for Cannon Creek. (Fuson, P. 261)
FERNDALE (Bell Co.): po est. as Roost, 2/2/83, Cobb T. Berry. Disc. 6/6/95 (mail to Pineville Re-est. 10/5/95, James A. Edds; 2/19/1898, Jas A. Green; n.ch. to Ferndale, 2/29/1904, ibid. Disc. 8/30/1924 (mail to Meldrum); Re-est. 12/11/1925, T. Hense Wilson; Disc. eff. 11/15/192 (mail to Middlesboro) (NA); Cannon Creek area in the vic. of Ferndale was 1st settled in the early 1780s. (H.H. Fuson, HIST. OF BELL CO., KNY: Hobson House Press, 1947; Vol.1, P. 9); ("Fern/däl") On US25e betw. Pinev. & Middlesb. L&N rr sta. DK why 1st called Roost. (Rūst") (Dr. Edward S. Bell, tape, 11/27/1978); Wilson
FERN LAKE (Bell Co., Ky): In the Cumb. Mt. "The impounded water of Little Yellow Creek, s. of Middlesboro." (Arthur C. McFarlan, BEHIND THE SCENERY IN KY. KGS Ser. IX, Spec Pubn. No. 10, 1958, P. 97) 2½ mi long. Named for the ferns along its shore. Slightly more than a m from M'boro. Supplies that city its water. (XIAN SCI. MONIT. 12/19/1925); The lake was dev'd. in the 1890s to furnish water for M'boro. It's "fed by" Yellow Ck. (Worlds Fair Tour Guide, 1982 by B. Co. Hist. Soc); 2 mi long. Joins Yellow Ck at 36°36'46"N/83°42'32"W. (DGN Proposal, 11/15/1966); Lake is in the hills 3 m s of M'boro. Created by dam across Little Yellow Ck, designed to supply water to city. Also used for boating & fishing. (Fuson, II, P. 612);
✓ FERN LAKE (Bell Co., Ky): is M'borough's reservoir. It's half in Bell Co. and half in Tenn. (Fuson, P. 48).
Source of M'boro's drinking water. Impounded from Little Yellow Ck;
(Bell Co., Ky): po est. 1932 and closed in 1984 (P&G); Acc. to Jas. Lewellen, 6/15/1932, this po was est. in 6/1932 to serve Crockett Sta. and was 150 ft n (?) of Left Fk of Straight Ck, 2 mi from co. line, 100 ft (?) n of L&N, 3½ mi e of Slusher po, 5 mi s of Beverly po, 4 mi s of Erose po; Acc. to Ibid.'s SLR of 11/16/1931, it would serve Crockett, 200 ft n of Straight Ck, 2 mi from co. line, 4 mi e of Slusher po, 5 mi w of Beverly po, 6 mi s of Erose po, 125 ft n of L&N; The po moved 7/20/1939; Acc. to Ibid., 7/25/39, it was 50 ft n of Britts (RR) Station, 75 ft n of Left Fk. of Straight Ck, 6 mi sw of Beverly po, 2 mi nw of Slusher po, 5 mi s of Erose po. Britts was ca. 1 mi w of Harber. (SLR);
FIELD-CROCKETT (Bell Co., Ky): A dinky betw. Fields & Red Bird was operated by the Bringardner Lumber Co. in the 1930s betw. Jim Lewellen's place in Fields, around the mt., down Mudlick, and to Lickfork. Lumber from Bringardner's mill was shipped out on the rr from Fields. Fred Bringardner was the lumber co's. pres. His co's. offices were in Lexington. (Mason Slusher in 1994 hist., P. 37); In 1929-30 tracks were extended 7.69 mi up Left Fk of Straight Ck from Harber to Field to ship coal from here. The C&C Co., the Ky. Ridge Coal Co., and the Little Ck. mine began operating up here. (1994 hist., P. 171);
FONDE (Bell Co., Ky): Acc. to Geo. P. Morison (sic), 9/1906, this po was moved from Ibex in Claiborne Co., Ten. to pt on Clear Fk Ck, 4 mi from Logmont po, serving growing vil. of Fonde with 150// Acc. to Ibid., 12/29/13, it was 20 mi ne of Cumb. R (?), 300 ft s of Clear Fk, 50 ft s of So. Ry, (Sta=Fonde), 1½ mi ne of Pruden, Ten.// Acc. to Ibid., 1/30/17, it was 20 mi s of Cumb. R, 300 ft s of Clear Fk, 50 ft s of So.Ry, ½ mi n of state line, 1½ mi e of Pruden po//On 9/10/23, T.J. Brown pet. for a move 100 yds w to a pt 75 yds n of Clear Fk Ck, 1 mi from state line, 50 ft n of So.Ry, 1½ mi e of Pruden po// Acc. to R.J. Lankford, 7/25/39, it was ¼ air & ½ rd mi from Claiborne Co, ¼ mi e of Ky 90, 500 ft s of Clear Fk, in the commissary bldg. at the ry sta., 1.6 mi e of Pruden (Ten.) po, 17.2 mi sw of m'tboro. po. (S1.R)
FONDE (Bell Co.): po est. as Ibx in Claiborne Co. in Tenn. On or before 8/18/1906 it moved to Bell Co., Geo. P. Morison (sic)...(NA); ("F(ah)/dee") Coal mining area. (Dr. Edward S. tape, 11/27/1978); Same pron. (Phyl. Barnes, 3/55)

Fonde and Pruden were once mining camps but have since been abandoned (Worlds Fair Tour Guide, ca. 1982 by Bell Co. Hist. Soc); Acc. to Dodrill, the earliest coal op'n. here was the Clear Fk. Coal & Coke Co. (1912-1923 with 250 workers); At the coal camp here was the term. of So. Ry. spur from Jellico up the Clear F. val. Completed 1905 The rr followed the ck. The Fonde mine was owned by the Clear Fk Coal Co. Began op'ns. 1905. Extinct. (Cecil Wincher on Clear Fk. for Bonnie M. Page "Clear & More", 1986, P. 65);
FONDE (Bell Co., Ky): Coal camp. Mine opened 1905 by the Clear Fk. Coal & Coke Co "at base of the mt."
"Isolated from Bell Co. & Ky." It was more associated with towns like Fork Ridge. Rd. to M'boro, 15 mi away wasn't built till the late 1920s. Alleged that the coal co. had hired a man named Fonde to help build some of the company's homes. Vic. was 1st called Morrison. Commissary. Peak pop. = 1400. Mines closed in late 1940s and families left. Now only 20 homes in the "camp area."
(Fran Gambrel in 1994 Hist., Pp. 37-38);
The Southern RR in 1900 started construction of a spur line off the main line in Jellico, up the Clear Fk. val. to begin coal op'ns. there. The line followed the creek to Fonde. The mine at Fonde was the Clear Fk. Coal Co's. which began op. in 1905 on a 5000 acre lease. (Mayes, P. 115);
FONDE SETTLEMENT (Whitley County, Ky.) a pioneer settlement near Williamsburg.
(Troxel, LEGION OF THE LOST MINE, NY: Comet Press, 1958, P. 40)
FOURMILE (Bell Co., Ky): Acc. to Edward L. Shell, Nov. 14, 1899, this prop. po would be 0.1 mi e of Cumb. R, 0.1 mi n of 4 Mi Ck, 300 ft e of L&N, Four Mile Sta. 3 3/4 mi s of Flat Lick po, 4 mi nw of Pinev. po. Not a vil// Acc. to Benj. H. Goodin, 3/2/14, it was 500 ft e of the river, 1000 ft n of 4 Mi Ck, 50 ft e of L&N, (Sta=4 Mi.), 1 mi from co. line, 1 mi w of Rim po, 2 mi s of Elys po// On 12/9/20, Ibid. pet. for a move 1150 ft w to a pt 400 ft e of river, 2000 ft n of 4 Mi Ck, 475 ft from co. line, 150 ft w of L&N (4 Mi Sta), 2 mi n of Wallsend po, 2 mi s of Elys po, 1 1/2 mi e of Hosman po. Eff. now. Fred Mason was the 4 Mi. Sta. agent. Moved for a better location// Acc. to Jas. T.
Linville, 7/22/39, po was 2 rd mi from Knox Co, on US 25, 533 ft s of 4 Mi. RR Sta., 300 ft e of river, 4 mi n of Pinev. po, 2½ mi s of Elys po, 2.78 mi e of Tinsley po// On 6/28/46, Ibid. pet. for a move 540 ft n to a pt 1 air & 1½ rd mi from K. Co, ½ mi from US 25 500 ft e of river, 2¼ mi s of Cumb. R (?), 2 mi e of Tinsley po, 3 mi s of Wallsend po, 100 ft w of 4 Mi Sta// On 12/13/49, Ibid. pet. for a move 600 ft s to pt 590 ft s of 4 Mi. Sta. and 90 ft w of the rr, 300 ft e of river, 4 mi n of Pinev. po, 2 mi s of Elys po, 2 mi e of Tinsley po. (SLR);
The Four Mile Br. was built 1900-4 and acq. by the L&N 1911+. Abandoned 1954. 2.16 mi. long. (Sulzer, Ghost, P. 148); The Lone Jack Sch. was named for a single jack pine (tree) in a grove. An L&N spur to the mine at the head of Four Mi. Hol. The mine was run by the Straight Ck. Coal Co. Mining camp was in the hol. Ky. Utilities plant and a dam completed ca. 1923 at Goodin Town. Benj. Goodin was pm at 4 Mi. from 7/19/1907 to 6/12/21. Jas. T. Linville ran the local gro. for 40+ yrs. Lee & Doc Creech owned the Tuck-a-Hoe Mine. They sold their mine & store in 1924 to W. Emmerson Campbell and W.E. Lewis. Store run by Mrs. Hilda Campbell.... (1994 Hist. Pp. 38-40);
FOUR MILE CREEK (Bell Co., Ky): heads in Kentucky Ridge and extends s. for 3 miles to the Cumberland R. at Fourmile. (Fuson, HIST. OF BELL CO., KY. Vol. 1, P. 47); FOUR MILE STATION is at the mouth of Four Mile Creek where a branch of the L&N RR joins the main line. (Ibid., P. 11); The creek extends 4 1/2 miles roughly sw to join Cumb. R. just above the sta. and c. 4 miles below (nw of) Pinev.

The ck. heads in Ky. Ridge and extends s for 3 mi. t
the Cumb. R. at Fourmile (po). (Fuson, P. 47);
FOURMILE (Bell Co., Ky): "This coal town & L&N RR sta. with po are on the Cumb. R, less than ½ mi from the Knox Co. line and 2 (air) mi nw of Pinev. The po was est. on 12/16/1899 with Edward L. Shell, pm. Acc. to some, it was named for its location 4 mi down the r. from Pinev; others are sure it was named for the lengt of Fourmile Ck, which joins the Cumb. just above the po. Perhaps it was both." (Book-P. 107); The earliest of the 18 coal co's. at Fourmile were the Lewis Coal and Campbell Coal Co before 1903, Black Raven Coal Co (1904-9 with 150 workers), Black Bear Coal Co. (1905-6 with 70 workers), the Highland Rim Mining Co. (1905-8 with 150 workers); APO (Aug. 2000); PO on the se side of US 25E (Jan. 1996);
FOURMILE (Bell Co.): PO est. 12/16/1899, Edward L. Shell...(NA); ("F(aw)r/m(ah)l")

On the L&N RR, c. 4 mi. downriver from Pineville. Acc. to some, this is the origin of the name. Others say there is a creek that empties into the Cumb. R. at this pt. and it's 4 mi. long. It's call Four Mile Creek. A good deal of coal mining for years on this creek. A big mine explosion occurred here in the late 1940s. (Dr. Edward S. Wilson tape, 11/27/1978); Acc. to Dr W.A. Bladen of UK Dept. of Geog. this place was named for its distance from Pineville. (Anderson NEWS, 1/31/1974, Sec. 2, P. 2:4); RR completed to here by 1880.

The Tuckahoe Coal Co. of Dayton, O. took over the 4 Mi. Mine 1899. John Collins was pres. (Rep't. of the Insp. of Mines, 1899, P. 138);
FOURMILE RUN (Bell Co., Ky): Heads in Canada Mt. and extends for 4 mi. s. to Middlesboro where it joins Yellow Creek.
FRAKES (Bell Co., Ky): "This po serving the commu. traditionally known as South America is on Ky 190 and Pine Ck 14½ (air) mi sw of Pinev. This area, settled in the 1850s, early rec'd. its nickname for its remoteness and relative inaccessibility. In 1925, Indiana-born Rev. Hiram Milo Frakes, pastor of a small Meth. chu. in Pinev., came into the area and persuaded its natural leader, Bill Henderson, to donate land for a sch. from which grew the Henderson Settlement Sch. The local po, est. as Linda on 4/10/08, with Jas. H. Hamblin, pm, was renamed on 6/1/36, for Frakes." (Book-P. 108);
FRAKES (Bell Co.): po est. as Linda, 4/10/1908
Jas. H. Hamblin; 1/14/1913, Scott Partin...
08/03/1929, Hiram M. Frakes..(po n.ch. to Frakes, 6/1/1936...); The Henderson Settlement High Sch. closed after the 1975-6 sch. yr. The sch. was founded 1925 by Rev. Hiram Frakes, a Meth. minister to provide educ. for area children. When it closed, it was on property owned by the United Meth. Mission and run by the Bell Co. B'd. of Ed. The mission, in add'n. to sch. sponsored a no. of programs to meet the needs of area pop. HiSch. pop. peak in the 1960s with c. 500 pupils, grades 1 thru 12. When Frakes Ele Sch. was opened by co. in 1973, the settlement school's pop. declined drastically. The new sch
was on land acquired by the co. from the Mission. The hi sch. enrollment dropped to 130 by the spring of 1975. Closed due to low enrollment & increasing costs. Don Stillwell, dir. of the Mission, c1976. Spokesperson= Mrs. Ruby Partin-Lambdin.... (Billy Reed, "Love's Labor Lost" LCJ, 8/22/1976, P.B-1:1-l-

Acc. to J.H. Hamblin, 3/1908, the Linda po (prop.) would be serving the Hamblin locality, 3 mi sw of the L&N and the Chenoa po & sta., 6 mi w of Logmont po. (SLR); Linda was not a wife or child of Wm. (Bill) Henderson or a Partin;
FRAKES (Bell Co.): Hiram "Pappy" Frakes, from Indiana, converted "King" or "Will Bill" Henderson and succeeded in getting a pardon for him after serving several years of a life sentence for clan killing in S.A. (Leo A. Borah, "Home Folks Around Historical Cumberland Gap" NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC, 12/1943, Pp. 741-68, 764-7); Frakes and S. Amer. are the same commu. ("Sowth œ/m(eh)r/a/kœ") and ("Frāx") Remote settlement in the early days. So called before the turn of the cent...Hiram Frakes there in 1925 & est. settlement sch... (Dr. Edward S. Wilson tape, 11/27/1978);
FUSON SETTLEMENT (Bell Co., Ky): The Fuson Settlement was named for the family of Jas. Arthur Fuson, 2½ mi up Little Clear Ck from the Clear Ck. Springs (at the Little & Big Clear Cks. confl.) It was 1st settled by JAF, Sr and extended 4 mi up Little Clear Ck betw. the top of Log Mt. and the top of Fork Ridge, ca. 3 mi wide. Home to a no. of Fuson families. The Fuson prog. was Thos. Fuson (1760-1849) who settled nr Chenoa ca. 1826. Jas. Robinson, Sr. (1800-1875) was his son. More on the family.... (Fuson, Pp. 179-83); H.H. Fuson was co. sch. super;
FUSON FAMILY (Bell Co., Ky): The family's se Ky prog. was Thos. Fuson from Tenn. to B. Co. with Boone. Settled at the head of Bear Ck nr Chenoa. Froze to death on Log Mt. Lists issue....incl. John Thomas Fuson, ne Fuson Settlement in B. Co., 1854. His issue incl. Henry Harvey Fuson, the historian, who was ne 1876 on Clear Ck. Was Co. Sch. Super. 1902-10 and was officer in several coal co's: Central Coal Co. (1907-10), Martin Fk. Coal Co. (1911-21), Ft. Branch Coal Co. at Fusonia in Perry Co. (1917-18)....(Kozee, Pp. 239-41) [No mention of a Smith Fuson]; Acc. to 1900 Census, a no. of Fuson families lived in the Buckeye Prec. and in the Little Clear Ck. Prec;
GENAYRE (Bell Co., Ky): po operated from 1931 to 1933 (P&G); Acc. to Smith Fuson, 3/26/1931, the name prop. for this new po was Ark and it would be 10 mi w of the river, 200 ft s of Greasy Ck, 3 mi n of L&N, 2½ mi from the co. line, 4 mi w of Ingram po, 3½ mi s of Siler po (SLR);
GERMANY (a district in sw Bell Co.) On the Whitley Co. line. "Named because odds of being shot were as great as the soldiers in WW I". (Bell Co. Hist. Soc. World's Fair Tour Guide c.1982, by the B. Co. Hist'l. Soc.)
GRAVITY (Bell Co., Ky): The earliest coal op'ns. here were Winona Coal & Coke Co. (1906-1926 with 150 workers; Columbia Coal Co. (1907-13 with 125 workers); The Gravity Coal & Brick Co. in 1911 succeeded Brickdale Coal Co. (Middlesb. po) which, in 1910, had succeeded Flat Wood Coal Co. J.J. Marsee was g.m. and Speed Marsee was pres. which succeeded the M'boro. Pressed Brick Co. Theirs was the 1st mine on Bennetts Fk. Rail Line, extending w up Mingo Hol. (Mayes, P. 16 The Bennetts Fk. Coal Co. of Gravity (1919-1923, acc. to Dodrill). This was a successor to Columbia Coal Co. by 1918. Bennett's Fk. co. was succeeded by Log Mt. Coal Co. by 1922. (Ibid., P. 28. (see Logmont entry....);
GRAVITY (Bell Co., Ky): po est. 9/25/06, Charles H. Townsend, 11/26/06, Jas. W. Wilson, 1/4/15, Edmund R. Short; Disc. 7/31/1919 (mail to Bosworth) (POR-NA);
Acc. to Charley H. Townsend, 2/1906, the prop. name for this new po may have been Oliver and it would serve the Winona location, on the n side of Yellow Ck, 20 ft from the L&N's Winona Station, 4 mi w of Middlesboro po, 1½ mi e of Bosworth po, 3½ mi e of Fork Ridge, Tenn. po;//
Acc. to E.R. Short, 5/18/17, po was serving Winona (rr) Sta., 100 ft s of Bennetts Fk of Yellow Ck, 10 mi n of L&N, 1½ mi from st. line, 3 air mi n of Powels (?) River (in Tenn), 2 mi ne of Bosworth po, 4 mi sw of M'boro.po, (SLR);
GREASY CREEK (Bell Co., Ky.) "...got its name because of the greasy looking skim found on the water." (Jimmie Faulkner, Ingram, Ky. one of Leonard Roberts' students, Union College, 1955-56.)
HANCES (Bell Co., Ky): po est. 1/16/1908, Ewing W. Miracle; Disc. 5/31/1913 (mail to Calvin) (P&G has it as Haners) (check...) (POR-NA); Acc. to Dr. E.W. Miracle, 12/1907, the prop. name for this new po was Needmore to serve a vil. of this name with a pop. of 150, 300 yds s of Cumb. R, 10 yds s of Hances Ck, 5 mi se of L&N, 6 mi se of Wasioto po & sta., 6 mi nw of Oaks po. (SLR); Hances Ridge is betw. Hances Ck. and Brownies Ck. (Fuso Pp. 44-5); The Hance Seams of the Asher Coal Co's. colliery in the ridge betw. Hances & Brownies. (Cranandal rept. on the coalfields adj. to Pinev. Gap, Pp. 70-1); Hances Ck. heads in Hances Ridge and extends 4 mi w to the Cumb. R. nr Page. (Fuson, P. 48);
HARRISON (Bell Co., Ky): po est. 7/9/1912, Alexander R Tinley (?), 2/24/14, Geo. D. Tinley...1/11/23, Wm. A. Moody; Disc. eff. 11/30/1923 (mail to Chenoa) (POR-NA) Acc. to G.D. Tinley, 8/1912, the po was 10 mi sw of th Cumb. R, 1 mi s of Clear Ck, 20 ft from L&N switchback 1.1. mi s of Chenoah po & sta, 2.5 mi sw of Cairnes po 1.9 mi sw of Davisburg po. (map) (SLR); The Log Mt. Coal Co. (1914-1932 with 81 workers; Acc. to 1900 Census, Sam'l. Harrison (12/60) & wife Mary (2/61) lived in Pinev. Town; Acc. to 1900 Census, John J. Harrison (8/32) & wife Mary (9/37) lived in Mag. Dist. #2 (Sims Fk. & Straight Ck). He was a gardener; Acc. to 1910 Census, Sam Harrison (48) & wife Mary (48) lived in Mag. Dist. #1-part of Pinev and Geo. W. Harrison (50) & wife Alice (49) & son Harry (24), etc. in Ibid;
HARRISON (Bell Co., Ky): Acc. to 1910 Census, Henry Harrison (70) & wife Angeline (61) lived in Mag. Dist. #1 (part of Pinev.) and Jas. W. Harrison, ne Ala (56) & wife Alice (36) lived in Stony Fk Prec. 11, part of the Yellow Ck. Mag. Dist. 4;
"Henderson Settlement Mission" (Bell Co., Ky.) by Ruby Lambdin. The Rev. Hiram Milo Frakes in 1925 established a mission for the people of the area, 1925. The area was that west of Pineville. Raised money that year and sought land for a school thru his sermons. With donations, he sought out his bishop, Thos. S. Henderson, and told him of his plans for the mission. Bishop approved. The settlement was named for the Bishop and for Bill Henderson who had given his farm as the site. Est. one room school with Miss Bertha Rice, a deaconess, as teacher for 13 pupils. The p.o. of the Henderson Settlement School was originally
HENDERSON SETTLEMENT SCHOOL (Frakes, Bell Co., Ky) Mabel Henderson Taylor and her son are preparing a hist. of this community & school. Her address: P0 Box 314, Frakes, Ky. 40940. She was a 1939 grad. of Berea Coll. (Acc. to Berea Alumnus, Fall 1989, P. 28:3)
HEYBURN (Bell Co., Ky): po est. 1/29/1925, Wm. M. Slusher, 4/9/25, acting, 5/9/25, Millard F. Slusher; Disc. eff. 9/30/25 (mail to Blanche) (POR-NA); Acc. to Wm. M. Slusher, 9/30/1924, this prop. po would be 6 mi n of Cumb. R, 200 yds n of Straight Ck, 35 ft w of L&N, 4 mi from co. line, 1 mi n of Arjay po, 1¼ mi sw of ne Blanche po. Serving 2 coal camps with 200 pop. some 300 yds west. (SLR); The closest rr pt. to Beverly in the 1920s (World's Fair Tour Guide, ca. 1982 by B. Co. Hist. Soc.); The earliest coal op'n. here was Continental Coal Corp. (1914-15 with 40 workers); The Heyburn Coal Co. at/nr Blanche and a mine at/nr Arjay;
HIGNITE (Bell Co., Ky): The Hignite Bap. Chu. org. 7/14/1933 to serve the camp of the Hignite Coal Co. Rev. Tandy Summers was its 1st pastor. (Fuson, P. 482) The Hignite Coal Co. of M'boro. (1914-1923 with 100 workers); The Hignite coal camp was betw. M'boro. & Fonde;
HOLLINGSWORTH (Bell Co., Ky): po est. 6/30/1916, James H. Brown; 2/4/21, James H. Ralston; Disc. eff. 9/30/31 (mail to Middlesboro) (POR-NA); Acc. to J.H. Brown, 4/6 1916, the prop. name for this new po was Wilmont for it would be serving the L&N's Wilmont Sta., 15 mi s of the Cumb. R, 50 ft n of Stony Fk, 30 ft n of L&N, 2 mi frorr co.x line, 1 3/4 mi w of Shamrock po, 2 mi se of Ralston po, 8 mi w of M'boro. po. No agent. (SLR); Acc. to Jillson II, P. 1129, W.J. Collinsworth acq. 200 acres on Drake Br. (8/28/87); Acc. to 1900 Census, Wm. Hollingsworth, circ. ct. clerk (8/46) & wife Melvina (1/54) & sons John W. (12/75) & Wm. R. (11/77), dep. clerks, lived in Pinev. town; Acc. to 1880 Cens, Wm. Hollingsworth (33) & wife Melviney (25) lived in Pinev. Dist.: 
HOLLINGSWORTH (Bell Co., Ky): Acc. to 1910 Census, Wm. Hollingsworth (63) & wife Malvina (56) lived Mag. Dist. 1 (pt. of Pinev.) nr Thos. Cairnes & Marvin S. Yingling. Served by the H. PO & its Wilmont Sta. was the Monarch Coal & Coke Co. (1910-1932) (Mayes, P. 92);
HORSE MILL (Bell Co., Ky): po est. 12/30/1878, Robert Miracle; Disc. 11/17/1879 (POR-NA); Acc. to Robert A. Miracle, 12/15/1878, this prop. po would be serving the locality of Browns Fork, 11 1/2 mi s of the river, 250 yds n of Brownies Ck, 6 mi ne of Callaway po. (SLR); Acc. to 1879-80 Gaz, this was a po;
HOSKINS (Bell Co., Ky): The Hoskins family: Lucy Johnson (nee 1871) of Straight Ck. val. marr. Hiram Hoskins, a logger, c.1890 (1994 hist., P. 295); Thos. J. Hoskins (1844-1927) of a family that moved from N.C. to Tenn. and then to B. Co. in the early 1800s. He marr. Lucy, daughter of Jas. T. Renfro. In 1821 Renfro owned most of what became Cumb. Ford. Hoskins ran a Pinev. store and was that town's 1st mayor. His parents were Hiram and Eliz. (Chadwell) Hoskins. (Ibid., P. 299); Acc. to 1920 Census, Anna Hosmar (?) (57), a boarding housekeeper, lived with her son & d-in-law Harry (30) & Gertrude (29), another son & d-in-law Fred C. (28) & Ada (24), a daughter Grace L. (25) in Pinev. Prec. 1, on Virginia Ave;
HOSMAN (Bell Co.): po est. as Deanton, 11/19 1915, Jesse C. Hoskins; ch. to Hosman, 7/7/16 c Ibid. ...(NA); Never heard of it; (Red Harp, 3/24/79); Acc. to J.C. Hoskins, 5/2/1916, the po of Deanton was serving the commu. of Hosman, 300 yds se of the Cumb. R, 100 yds e of Greasy Ck, 1 m from the co. line, 1½ mi e of the L&N's main line, 1½ mi s of Four Mile po, 2 mi e of Belljellico po, 3 mi se of Ealys (sic) po. Its name was ch. to Hosman and, acc. to Ibid., 8/21/16, the po was ¼ mi n of the river 500 ft sw of Greasy Ck, 4 mi from co. line, 1 mi s of L&N (Hosman Sta.), 2 mi sw of 4 Mi. po, 2½ mi nw of Tinsley po, 4 mi se of Elys po. Its papers were sent to Belljellico 9/1/1916// On 5/18/22, Otey L. Goodin pet.
for a move $\frac{1}{2}$ mi nw to serve the J.B. Blue Gem Coal Co., $\frac{1}{2}$ mi w of the river, 45 ft e of Greasy Ck, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mi from co. line, 1 mi s of Belljellico po, 1 1/8 mi e of Tinsley po, 2$\frac{1}{4}$ mi w of 4 Mi. po. Move, eff. 5/21/1922, was for convenience and the disc. of the local coal mines// In 4/27, Abijah T. Conley pet. for a move $\frac{1}{4}$ mi w to a pt 3 mi w of river, 50 ft w of Greasy Ck, 2 mi from co. line, 1 mi e of Tinsley po, 3 mi w of 4 Mi. po, 5 mi w of Pinev. po. Eff. 1/10/27// On 7/1: 1926, Sam W. Morris pet. for a move $\frac{1}{4}$ mi s to a pt $\frac{1}{2}$ mi s of the river, $\frac{1}{4}$ mi s of Greasy Ck, 4$\frac{1}{2}$ mi from co. line, 1 mi e of Tinsley po, $1\frac{1}{4}$ mi w of 4 Mi. po, 3$\frac{1}{2}$ mi s of Flat Lick po, $1\frac{1}{4}$ mi s of rr. (SLR);


HULEN (Bell Co., Ky): Acc. to J.H. Saylor, 5/3/13, this prop. po would be 1/5 mi s of r, 1/5 mi w of Pucketts Ck 100 ft se of L&N, (Hulen Sta.), 3 mi from co. line, 2 m sw of Burchfield po, 1 3/4 mi se of Callaway po, 5 mi ne of Tejay po (sic) // Acc. to Margaret Parsons, 1/7/37 this po would move 2656 ft n to serve commu. aka Blackmont in co's 3rd mag. dist, 1 1/2 air & 3 rd mi from Harla Co, 305 ft w of L&N (Blackmont Sta), 700 ft e of r, 265 ft n of Pucketts Ck, 1 1/2 mi sw of Cardinal po, 3 mi nw o Insull po, 3 1/2 mi ne of Callaway po, 4 mi n of Miracle p // Acc. to Ibid, 7/22/39, po was on the Alva Hiway, 1 air & 1 1/2 rd mi from H. Co, on e side of Ky 72, 1/2 mi n o Blackmont Sta, 300 ft e of L&N, 600 ft e of r. 1/2 mi n o Pucketts Ck, 1 1/2 mi sw of Cardinal po, 3 mi nw of Insull po, 2 mi ne of Callaway po. (SLR);
HUTCH (Bell Co., Ky): po est. 7/3/1925, John D. Hurst ... Disc. 1934 (POR-nA); Acc. to John D. Hurst, 5/14/25 this prop. po would be 15 mi n of the Cumb. R, 75 ft s of Clear Fk Ck, 8 mi e of M'boro. po, 4 mi s of Colmar po. (SLR); The Hutch Bap. Chu. on Clear Fk. was org. 1909 as Piney Grove Bap. Chu. with Rev. N.H. Powell, 1st pastor. Re-org. & re-named Campbells Chapel Bap. Chu. and later renamed Hutch Bap. Chu. (Fuson, P. 481); Could this have been named for a Hutchins, Hutchison, Hutchinson, etc. family in B. Co? e.g. Roy B. Hutcheson was act. pm at M'boro 9/16/1918;
Commu. & po on Greasy Creek. Settled by Bill Ingram in 1800. He came from N.C. He lived the rest of his life and died in the commu. that was named for him, and is buried in the Ingram Cem. Rev. Ebenezer Ingram, the Bap. preacher, was his son and Thos. Jefferson and Wm. F. Ingram were his grandsons. More on this family .... (Fuson, Pp. 193-4); Acc. to 1883-4 Gaz, this p was 5 mi w of Pinev. Pop. 50. T.J. Ingram was pm; Acc. to 1895-6 Gaz, it was 10½ mi w of Pinev; APO (8/2000); PO on se side of Ky 92 (1/1996);
INGRAM (Bell Co., Ky): Acc. to Thos. J. Ingram, 6/30/1881, the 1st name prop. for this new po was (undec.) and it would be on the s side of Greasy Ck, 7 mi from the river. Acc. to 8/2/81, Ibid. the locality was known as Greasy Ck and was 7 mi s of the river, on the side of the ck, 10 mi w of Pinev. po. Acc. to Chas C. Thompson, 2/3/17, po was 6½ mi sw of river, ca. 30 yds se of Greasy Ck, 1½ mi from co. line, 5½ mi n of Tinsley po, 5 mi e of Wheeler po. On 5/2/28, Glessie Greer pet. for a move 200 ft nw to a pt 7 mi s of the r, 50 ft sw of Greasy Ck, ca. 1 mi from co. line, 6½ mi e of Tinsley po, 2½ mi w of Davisburg po. On 1/30 1935, Russell Elam pet. for a move 1650 yds e to a pt 50 yds e of Greasy Ck, 1½ mi from co. line, nearly 5 mi.
mi's of Tinsley po, 5 mi e of Kayjay po. Eff. 1/1/35
// Acc. to Ibid., 7/26/39, po was 1 air & 2½ rd mi
from Knox Co., 200 yds e of Greasy Ck, 5 3/4 mi s of
river, 3 mi n of Ark po, 5 mi s of Tinsley po. (SLR):

At the head of Greasy Ck. Centennial Bapt. chu. org.
1877, housed in the 1 rm Centennial Sch. Thos. J.
Ingram was pm. Andy Evans was storekeeper (ca. 1890s)
Co. Judge Eb Ingram was T.J.'s son. Wm. Ingram of
Pinev. was another son. (Jay Barlow of Frankfort, Ky.
in KY EXPL. V. 14 (4), 9/1999, Pp. 24-5); No such
families listed in 1870 B. Co. Census;...
INGRAM (Bell Co., Ky): Acc. to 1900 Census, T.J. Ingram, Jr. (10/1868), a farmer, & wife Dora E. (7/75) lived in the Buckeye Prec. nr T.J. Ingram, Sr. (2/23) & wife Nancy (11/33), a farmer; Acc. to 1920 Census, Ebenezer Ingram (53), a judge, lived with wife Mary (50) in Pinev. Prec. 1; Prog. Bill Ingram settled on Greasy Ck in 1800. From N.C. His son was the Rev. Ebenezer and his grandsons were Thos. Jefferson & Wm. F. Ingram. (Fuson, Pp. 193-94); Dora Eliz. Mason marr. Tom Ingram (Ibid., P. 286);
INSTITUTE (Bell Co., Ky): po est. as Conway 6/14/04, John C. Howard; n.ch. to Institute 9/27/04, Ibid; Disc 9/18/05, eff. 10/14/05 (mail to Middlesboro) (POR-NA); Acc. to John C. Howard, 4/11/1904, the prop. name for this new po was Howard and, as Conaway, it would be 8 mi s of the Cumb. R, 2½ mi ne of Yellow Ck, 7 mi sw of Cubage po, 8 mi n of M'boro po, 10 mi nw of Wasioto po. // Acc. to John C. Howard, 1/7/05, this po was now Institute (late Conoway)? 2 mi from co. line, 7 mi w of river, 2 mi e of Yellow Ck, 6 mi n of M'boro. po. (SLR)
IVERDALE (Bell Co.): po est. 4/21/1922, Garrett Rice. Disc. eff. 2/28/1930 (mail to Pineville) (NA); Acc. to Sam'l. Wright, 6/1/1921, this po was 1 mi s of the Cumb. R, 100 yds n of Yellow Ck, 50 ft n of L&N (sta. at code ?), 6 mi ne of Colmar po, 5 mi nw of Wasioto po, 2½ mi w of Oleika po Ky. (?)// Acc. to Garrett Rice, 5/1922, this po was on the Ponza and Colmar Br. of the L&N, ½ mi from Ponza (Sta.), ca. 2½ rail mi from Oleika po. (SLR); The Morgan Mining Co. here (1924-24 with 50 workers. (Acc. to Dodrill); 

Is Col/ia Calvin?
IVY (Bell Co., Ky): po est. 3/9/1898, Wm. H. Mason, 5/9/00, Ruthie Moon... 5/1/12, Mary J. Miracle; Disc. 1/31/1914 (mail to Pineville) (POR-NA); Acc. to Wm. Henry Mason, 2/7/1898, this prop. po would be 9½ mi s of the Cumb. R, on the w side of Little Clear Ck, 8 mi w of M'boro po, 3 mi s of Pinev. po, 8 mi ne of Chenoa po// On 2/12/1906, Wm. Webb pet. for a move 1½ mi s to a pt. 10½ mi s of Pinev. po, 10 mi s of river, on the n bank of Little Clear Ck. (SLR); The co. has several Ivy families and at least one Ivey family;
IVY GROVE (Bell Co., Ky): po est. 7/15/1926, Dink Miller, Jr. ... Disc. 1937 (POR-NA); Acc. to Dink Miller Jr., 2/16/26, the prop. name for this new po was Corey and it would serve the locality of Ivy Grove and Upper Four Mile, 4 mi n of the river, ca. 100 ft e of 4 Mi. Ck, ca. ¼ mi from co. line, 3 mi w of Blanche po. (W.C. Corey was pm of 4 Mi. po) // On 2/24/37, Mrs. Pearl Jordan pet. for a move 1 mi se to a pt 1½ air mi from Knox Co, 4 mi nw of 4 Mi. po. (SLR); The Ivy Grove Bap Chu. was org. in 1915 at the head of 4 Mi Ck, nr the Knox Co. line. Rev. J.S. Patterson was its 1st pastor. (Fuson, P. 484); Ivy Grove Chu. at the head of the hol along with a 1 rm sch. (1994 hist., Pp. 38-40);
JAYEM (Bell Co., Ky): Acc. to Millard F. Broughton, 9/19/1925, this po, serving East Pineville, would be 1 1/8 mi se of Wasioto po, 3 1/8 mi nw of Calvin po, 4 mi n of Iverdale po. (1930 map) // On 1/10/1932, V. Richardson pet. a move 300 ft e to serve East Pineville and Harrobell (sic), the L&N RR sta., 200 ft from Cumb. R, ¼ mi from Bird Br, ¼ mi se of L&N e ¾ mi w of Wasioto po, 3 3/4 mi e of Calvin po, 3½ mi w of Pinev. po. (SLR);
/ JAYEM (Bell Co.): po est. 12/3/1925. Millard F. Broughton...(NA); ("Dja/(eh)m") Named for J.M. Robison (ch. sp.), US Congressman from this district. His home was in Barboursv. This Jayem name is not used much now. It's mostly known now as East Pineville. ("Eest P(ah)n ⇒ (eye)n/v(ih)l") (Dr. Edward S. Wilson, tape, 11/27/1978); Named for US Congressman (from 9th Dist.), J.M. Robinson. (Hardy, thesis, 1949 P. 65); Never heard of Jayem. E. Pinev. is now locally called Newtown. ("Nu/town") E.P. is just across the river, se of the present site of P'ville, above the mouth of Straight Creek. bridge is gone OK why called. (Red hand 2/24/41)
JENSON (Bell Co.): po est. 1/20/1927, Wm. Woolum... (NA); DPO, now Rt. 3, Pineville. Hamlet. Preceded the p.o. Before 1927 there were several small (coal mines) pvt. coal mines. When the rr was extended from Pinev. to Kettle Is. a sta. was est. here. It was named for a highly respected foreman of the construction crew, to informant's grandfather who knew Jenson personally. The place is still called Jenson. Edna Woolum was pm for 27 years till she retired 6/27/1975. (Edna Woolum, letter to me, 4/2/1980); By then po had closed (Edna)

†= 2 mi.
From K.I.

JENSON (Bell Co., Ky): Acc. to E.M. Swartz, 4/8/1927, this po was 4½ mi n of the Cumb. R, 300 ft n of Straigh Ck, 80 ft n of L&N, 2½ mi w of Kettle I. po, 4½ mi se of Arjay po// On 6/1/1931, Mrs. Patsy Swartz pet. for a move 350 ft s to a pt 3 3/4 mi n of the river, ca. 100 yds n of Straight Ck, 30-40 yds w of the rr, ca. 2½ mi e of Straight Ck po, 2 mi w of Kettle I. po, ca. 2½ mi of Cary po// Acc. to Ibid., 7/25/39, po was serving a small mining camp, 186 ft nw of Jenson (rr) Sta., 200-300 yds w of Straight Ck, 2 rd mi sw of Kettle I. po, 1 rd mi n of Straight Ck po// On 9/16/48, Edna Woolum pet for a move 150 ft nw to a pt 150 ft s of Straight Ck, 4 mi w of Pinev. Sta., 2½ mi w of Kettle I. po, 2 mi e of Straight Ck. po. (SLR);
JENSON (Bell Co.): 1st called Elliotts Branch for a large family at the head of a small branch. Later L&N station named for a respected rr official. Acc. to the postmaster's grandfather, ne 1839. (in a letter by the pm to Delphine Haley, 6/18/1975); "This hamlet with recently dpo is on Straight Ck and Ky 221, less than 3 (air) mi ene of Pinev. When the Straight Ck. branch of the L&N RR's Cumb. Val. Div. was extended from Pinev. to Kettle I. in 1911, a sta. was est. here and named for a highly respected construction foreman. The Jenson po opened on 1/20/1927 and closed in 1975." (Book-P. 153);
JENSON (Bell Co., Ky): The Jensen (sic) Bap. Chu. on Elliott's Br. of Rt. Fk. of Straight Ck. Org. 1911. Its 1st pastor was the Rev. Green Hamlin (sic). Chu. re-org 5/29/1932. (Fuson, Pp. 484-5); Acc. to 1900 Census, John Jenson (1/1842) & wife Martha (5/54) & son James (9/78), etc. in the Little Clear Ck. Prec. Lots of Fusons there too;
KEERANE (Bell Co., Ky): po est. 6/15/1918, John A. Stewart (not in P&G) (Did this ever operate?)
KETTLE ISLAND (Bell Co.): po est. 3/15/1912, Thos. B. Hail...(NA); ("K(eh)t/əl (Ah)l/ənd") RR sta. on the Right Fk. of Straight Creek.

"About 7 or 8 mi. up Straight Creek...proceeding on the Right Fk. and in view of the Pine Mt. is an area known as--a little basin of considerable acreage (sic) known as--which came to be known as Kettle Island itself. This was a small island in the Straight Creek proper where the stream emptied from this basin, a kind of a little pocket or a valley and on the little island there was found a kettle in the early days, and it became very natural to call it Kettle Island." The commu. is now largely

rend/əl Ahl/ənd (Red) Corp. 3/24/79
one of retired persons. Name was probably applied in early pioneer days....Was called this before the rr arrived. Some mining continues in the area. Coal tipple for loading, some stripping. (Dr. Edward S. Wilson tape, 11/27/1978); The Pioneer Coal Co. operated from 1912 to 1949 with 300 workers (Doddor APO is current (8/2000); On Ky 221 (Jan. 1996);
KETTLE ISLAND (Bell Co., Ky): Acc. to T.B. Hail, no date, this prop. po would be 7 mi n of Cumb. R, ¼ mi nw of Straight Ck, 75 yds e of L&N and the Kettle Is. Sta. 4½ mi n of Straight Ck po, 3 mi s of Lock po, 4 mi e of Cary po// Acc. to Thos. B. Hail, 5/17/12, po was 4 mi e of river, ¼ mi n of Straight Ck, 50 ft e of L&N, 3 mi ne of Straight Ck po, 3½ mi w of Lock po // Acc. to Harold D. Gross, 2/15/39, po was 7 mi ne of river, 100 ft n of Straight Ck, 5000 ft n of L&N, 2 m ne of Jenson po, 7 mi ne of Pinev. po// Acc. to Ibid, 3/12/39, po was ca. 5000 ft se of its 1912 site// Acc to Theodore H. Miller, 7/26/39, po was ¼ mi w of Straight Ck, 7 mi n of the river, 7 mi n of Pinev. po & sta., 100 ft n of L&N, 4 mi n of Straight Ck po,
2 mi n of Jenson po// On 3/17/49, John T. Bradley pet. for a move 500 ft s to a pt 2½ mi n of Ky 221, ½ mi e of Rt. Fk. of Straight Ck, 2½ mi ne of Jenson po, 5 mi sw of Stony Fk po, 6 mi s of Rella po, 4 mi e of Straight Ck po. (SLR); Acc. to 1920 Census, Thos. B. Hail (42), a mgr., & wife Verna (38) lived in Prec. #6, Kettle I;
**KETTLE ISLAND** (Bell County, Ky.) Located on the Straight Creek Branch of the Cumberland Valley Div. of the L & N RR. One of the oldest coal towns in the state. Mining now a thing of the past. Mines discontinued.

"Legend has it that many years ago—before modern conveniences had found their way 'up the holler'—the women folks of the section used a community kettle for their washing. This was located on a small island in the creek where plenty of water and brushwood were handy; hence the name 'Kettle Island.'" (R.R. South, "Our Station Names--Their Family Trees", THE L. & N. EMPLOYEES' MAGAZINE, 6/1949, P. 18.)
KETTLE ISLAND (Bell Co.): "About 7 or 8 mi. up Straight Creek...proceeding on the right fork and in view of the Pine Mt. is...a little basin...known as Kettle I. There was a small island in the Straight Creek proper where the stream emptied from this basin, a kind of a little pocket or a valley, and on this little island there was found a kettle in the early days and it became very natural to call it Kettle Island. The name was probably applied in early pioneer days."

(Edward Bell, MD, Jr., 11/27/1978)

[Signature: Wilson]
KETTLE ISLAND (Bell Co.): "In the early days an old kettle was found buried at this place, and hence its name." (Fuson, P. 203); PO was es as Locke (sic) for the John Locke family, early settlers on Straight Ck's Rt. Fk. RR from Pinev. up Str. C to the Pioneer Coal Co. camp. PO was n.ch. from Locke to Kettle I. on the completion of the rr. Referred to a small is. at the m. of the ck. that resembled a kettle used for cooking. Pion. Coal Co. of Louisv. built the local commissary ca. 1916. Weasel Sta. (sic) (L&N) was just outside the camp. (1994 hist., Pp. 42-3
KETTLE ISLAND (Bell Co., Ky): "This coal town with po is $\frac{1}{2}$ mi up Kettle Br. of Straight Ck, 4½ (air) mi ene of Pinev., and a sta. of the same name on the Straigh Ck. Br. of the Cumb. Val. Div. of the L&N RR is 6 rail mi ene of Pinev. The po was est. on 3/15/1912 with Thos. B. Hail, pm. Acc. to one trad., local women used to do the family wash with a commu. kettle on a small island in the ck. where water and brushwood were plentiful. A more likely explanation is that some early hunters used an old iron kettle found buried in the i. as a landmark to guide their friends to good places to hunt or settle. In either case, the name was applied in pion. days, long before the coal town, rr sta., and po were est." (Book-P. 159);
KNUCKLES-BEVERLY (Bell Co., Ky): Acc. to 1920 Census, John Knuckles (31) & wife Fannie (28), lived nr T.J. & Varilla Asher in Wasioto Prec. 2, on the Pinev-Harlan Pike. He was a coal miner; Acc. to 1920 Census, John B. Knuckles (45), a stave mill foreman & his wife Marge (20) lived on the Straight Ck. Rd in the Left Fork Prec; Acc. to 1920 Census, Charley Knuckles (64), a farmer & wife Lucy (61) lived on Ibid; Acc. to 1920 Census, Brit Slusher (46), a farmer, lived with wife Kitty (39) on Ibid;
LAFONTAINE (Bell Co., Ky): po est. in Harlan Co. 6/30/1846 with John M. Pursifield (sic), pm, Disc. 9/14/61; Re-est. 2/21/1866, Mount Pursifield (or Pursiful); into. Josh Bell Co. 12/14/1868 with Mount Pursiful; Disc. 4/10/1874 (POR-NA); Acc. to Mount Pursifull, 6/1/1868, this po, now in Josh Bell Co., was ¼ mi n of the Cumb. R, ½ mi s of Yellow Ck, at the m. of Big Yellow Ck, 6 mi from Cumb. -Fatts po, 9 mi from Callaway po, 12 mi from Cumb. Gap. (SLR); F6978d
LAFONTAINE (Bell Co., Ky): Mount Pursifull ne Wythe Co, Va. 10/14/1795. Marr. Mary Colson, nee Harlan Co. (1800-1874). In 1854 they moved to Knox Co. (now Bell Co.). He was a Bell Co. mag. One of his 11 children was Jefferson Pursifull, stock raiser, ne Harlan Co. 1821. Was a merchant at Yellow Ck and then at Sneedville, Tenn. Then fought in C.W. In 1850 he rep. his district in the Ky Sen. After the war he moved to Claiborne Co, Tenn. (Goodspeeds Hist. of Tenn, 1887, P. 1143); (See Page entry....); Acc. to 1880 Census, Mount Pursifull, Jr. (53), a farmer, with wife Margaret (54) lived in Pinev. Dist. 1; Acc. to 1870 Cens, Mount Pursifull (74) & wife Mary (Colson) lived nr John M. Pursifull (47) & wife Deborah (Green) (44) & next to Wm. Pursifull (43) & wife Eliz. (33) (In Pinev. & Flat Lick PO's Dist.1);
LEFT FORK OF STRAIGHT CREEK (Bell Co., Ky): A no. of large deep coal mines here; Left Fk. heads in the Ky. Ridge and extends 12 mi sw to Straight Ck. 2 mi above the mouth of Straight Ck. The latter also heads in the Ky. Ridge "across the ridge from Bledsoe in Harlan Co" and extends sw for 22 mi (14 mi in Bell Co.) and joins the Cumb. R. at Pinev., 2 mi below the Left Fk confl. (Fuson, P. 48); The Stony Fk. of Straight Ck is a 6 mi long stream. Caney Ck. is a 3 mi long trib. of the Left Fk. of Straight. (Ibid.);
LINDA (Bell Co., Ky): In 3/1913, Scott Partin pet. for a move 1 mi nw to a pt 15 mi sw of Cumb. R. and ¼ mi. n of Clear Ck, 3 mi w of L&N and Chenoa Sta., 3 mi ne of Pearl po, 4 mi nw of Harrison po// On 1/28/22, Geo. S. Maiden pet. for a move 2 mi sw to a pt 150 yds n of Pine Ck, 3 mi from co. line, ca. 3½ mi ne of Pearl po, ca. 4½ mi sw of Chenoa po// On 7/26/1929, Hiram M. Frakes pet. for a move 3/4 mi w to a pt 100 yds n of Laurel Fk, 1 mi from co. line, 2½ mi e of Pearl po. Eff. 7/26/29// N.ch. to Frakes on 6/1/1936. Acc. to Ibid., 5/20/36, it was 2 mi from Whitley Co, 150 ft n of Laurel Fk. Ck, 2½ mi ne of Pearl po// Acc. to Ibid, 7/24/39, it was ¼ mi n of Laurel Fk Ck, 3 mi ne of
Pearl po// On 5/25/1949, Hiram Milo Frakes pet. for a move 130 ft s to a pt 2 mi from Whitley Co, 100 ft n of Laurel Fk. Ck, ½ mi s of Pine Ck, 20 mi sw of Pinev., 2½ mi ne of Pearl po. (SLR); The Henderson Settlement Hi.Sch. here closed 1976 by the CO. B'd. of Ed. due to enrollment decline. A new co-run Frakes Ele. Sch. had opened in 1973. After closing c h.s. its bldgs. were condemned by the St. F.M. as ur safe. Sch. had opened in 1925. The 1st settlers of S.A. wre Partins & Hendersons. (LCJ, 8/22/76, P. Bl: 1-6);
LCX (Bell Co., Ky): Acc. to 1895-6 Gaz, this po was 5 mi from Pinev. W.N. Durham was pm. A.W. Pickering had a gen. store; Acc. to 1900 Census, Thomas Lock (12/1831) & wife Mary (10/32) lived next to John Lock (12/53) & wife Rebecca (4/66). Both were farmers in the Burns Spring Dist. nr Abraham Lock (4/53) & wife Martha (10/50); Acc. to 1870 Census, Alexander Lock (42) & wife Zelpha (44) & son Abraham (17) lived in Dist. 5, Pinev. PO. The Census taker there was Thos. M. Lock. Parks Lock (35) & wife Mary (34) and sons Wm. (8), John (4), Sam'l. (1), etc. lived in Dist. 6, Pinev. po. Alexander lived next to Thos. M. (38) & wife Mary Ann (Ward) & son John (ne 12/22/1853). Also John Lock (24) marr. Mary J. Nappier (16) on 9/12/78;
LOCK (Bell Co., Ky): po est. 3/15/1888, Giles J. Hodges; 10/27/93, Wm. N. Durham...1/2/09, Wm. M. Helton; Disc. 11/15/1912 (mail to Gross) (POR-NA); Acc. to G.J. Hodges, 2/22/1888, this prop. po would be serving the Kettle Island locality, 6 mi n of Cumb. R, 1/8 mi n of Straight Ck, 6 mi n of Pinev. po, 6 mi sw of Taulbee po, 6 mi w of Callaway po// In 1/1908, Henry B. Brown pet. for a move 2 mi ne to a pt 5½ mi ne of L&N, 5½ mi ne of Straight Fk po, 4½ mi sw of Gross po, 2½ mi n of Callaway po. Not a vil// In 11/1908, Wm. M. Helton pet. for a move ¼ mi e to a pt 4½ mi e of Straight Ck po, 3 mi w of Gross po, 3½ mi ne o Callaway po. (SLR);
LOCK (Bell Co., Ky): Acc. to Jillson II, P. 1448, Abraham Lock acq. 150 and 100 acres on Kettle Island Br. that were surveyed 2/14, 15/1845; Alexander Lock acq. 100 and 100 acres on Kettle Island Ck. that were surveyed 11/13 and 11/12/1856;
LOCK (Bell Co., Ky): Alex' r. Lock (1827-1873) marr. Mahala Warren and then Zelpha McFetridge Rice. Alex' r's bro. was Thomas. They heired Kettle I. land that had been patented by their father Abraham. Alex' r. was a millwright & farmer. Alex' r's. son Abraham (1853-1921) lived in Alex' r's. home on the Rt. Fk. of Ward Br. confl latter called Apple Blossom. Was a farmer. In 1901 he sold prop. to "the predecessor of the Pioner Coal Co" that built a mining town and ran the local mine. The 1st Abraham Lock (1777-1852) was ne Montg. Co, Va. He was the family's B. Co. prog., an early settler of Straight Ck's Rt. Fork. (1994 hist., P. 317); Acc. to 1880 Census, Abraham Lock (27), a farmer, & wife Martha (28) lived in 7th Enum. Dist. nr Thos. Lock (48) & wife Mary (47) next to John Lock (26) & wife Mary (18);
LOCK (Bell Co., Ky): Acc. to 1920 Census, John M. Lock (42), a farmer, & wife Carry J. (39) lived on Mill Ck. Rd. in Prec. No. 6 (Kettle I.); Wm. Lock, son of Sam'l Lock, Sr. & Sally (Hendrickson) Lock, and grandson of Abraham Lock. Wm. was pres. of the B'd. of Trustees of the First Presb. Chu. of Barbourv. ca. 1888. He acq. the chu. site here from M&M John M. Tinsley. (Decker, Pp. 75-76);
LOG MOUNTAIN (Bell Co., Ky): in sw Bell Co. betw. the Clear & Yellow Cks. Extends sw from nr Wasioto. Several spurs incl. Fork Ridge betw. Big & Little Clear Cks. (Fuson, P. 44);
LOGMONT (Bell Co., Ky): The Garmeada Coal Co., Inc. of M'boro, Ky. J.S. Greene, Sr. was gen. mgr. Its shipping pt on the L&N or So. Ry. was Murtea. This co. ran the local mine for 17 yrs. (Kirby Smith, Jr., the co's. treasurer & plant mgr. in a letter to BGN 2/25/59) to correct sp. from Garmeda to Garmeada. Acc. to the BGN rep't. on controversial names, 2/59, this was a mining camp with no po or rr sta. (36°37'30"N/83°50'37"W). Logmont is "no longer in use." Thinks it was out of use before the Garmeada Coal Co. arr. Refers to area logging op'ns. and was the site of the last pass. sta. in that hol;
LOGMONT (Bell Co., Ky): This po served the Luke & Drummond Coal Co. with Geo. Luke, pres. & Hugh Drummond, G.M. By 1915 its ship. pt. was Elwood. Also served by Logmont & Elwood was the Crystal Coal Co. op'ns with B.F. Clutts, mine foreman. Luke & Drummond was succeeded by Crystal in 1915. Crystal (1915-1926). (Mayes, Pp. 99-102) Also served by Logmont po was the Sagamore Coal Co. (1901-15). The Garmeada Coal Co. was the successor of the Sagamore Coal Co. there. (Ibid., P. 105) The G. Coal Co. op. 1939-1956. Its ship. pt. was Murte'a. J.S. Greene was its pres. & G.M. Sagamore was inc. 1892 but didn't ship till 1894. (Ibid., Pp. 106-7) The Lower Hignite Coal Mining Co. of Murte'a, Ky. & the Logmont po. A.H. Rennebaum was pres. & W.E. Gunn was G.M. The co. was org. 7/1/1914. It was the W.E. Gunn & Co. by 1922. with W.E. as G.M. L.B. Gunn was pres. Later succeeded by Mrs. W.E. (P. 106).
LOGMONT (Bell Co., Ky): The earliest coal op'n. here was the Sagamore Coal Co. (1905-1914 with 100 workers. (Dodrill); Also, acc. to Dodrill, the Sagamore Coal Co at Sagamore (1912-14 with 25 workers); Betw. Fonde & M'boro were the Germeda (sic) Camp and the Capito, Hignite & Edgewood Camps. (Fran Gambrel in 1994 hist., P. 38); The Lower Hignite Coal Co. was co-owned by Wm. Edward Gunn, A.H. Rennebaum, and Craig Ralston. Gunn bought out the others and renamed the company Gunn Coal Mining Co. which later became Garmeada. (1994 hist., P. 282);
LOGMONT (Bell Co., Ky): po est. 1/23/1903, Albert M. Chamberlain, 10/5/08, Geo. Luke, Sr. ...Disc. 1933 (POR-NA); Acc. to Albert Munson Chamberlain, 11/15/02, the prop. name for this new po was Sagamore and it would be 10 mi se of Cumb. R, on the ne side of the Stony Fk of Yellow Ck, a br. of the L&N is now under construction to this site, a vil. of 67, 9 mi w of M'boro po// On 1/6 1928, Jas. A. Hayes pet. for a move 500 ft e to serve W.E. Gunn & Co. mining camp, in the camp commissary, 22 mi sw of the river, 50 ft e of Stony Fk, 3 mi w of Hollingsworth po, 20 ft e of the L&N. (sta-Logmont) (SLF)

In 1922 Log Mt. Coal Co. succeeded Bennetts Fk. Coal Co. of Gravity. The Log Mt. Coal Co. succeeded the Yellow Ck Coal Co. in 1924. A.H. Rennebaum was veep & F.L. Rennebaum was super. of Y. Ck. Coal Co. of M'boro. 1915. A.H. was
father of J.L. (Mayes, Pp. 28–30, 35);
MATHEL (Bell Co., Ky): Settlement betw. the foot of Tanyard Hill (on the Harlan Co. side of the line) & Callo­way. On the old Balkan Rd. A coal camp before 1923. Mines were on the hill. ca. 0.2 mi on the Balkan Rd. Mines & land owned by Jahue Collett. John Hoskins was mine super. Company commissary across the road nr the rr. Also store at jct. of 119 & the Balkan Rd. Laura Bell Campbell Thompson Hoskins ran boarding hse. One rm sch. Mines were disc. early 1930s. Many moved but some stayed. Mathel Holiness Chu. Calloway Bap. Chu in the commu. now. Nothing said of its po (Call­way). (1994 his P. 45);
MELDRUM (Bell Co.): po est. 12/27/1912, Hiram H. Duncan. Disc. eff. 2/27/1926 (mail to Middlesboro) (NA); ("M(eh)l/dram") Coal town on the L&N 3-4 mi. n. of Middlesb. on highway & rr line to/ Pinev. No mining activity now. (Dr. Edward S. Wilson tape, 11/27/1978);
Acc. to H.H. Duncan, 11/4/1912, this prop. po would be 7 mi s of Cumb. R, 400 yds w of Yellow Ck, 200 ft w of the tracks (Meldrum Sta), 3 mi s of Ferndale po, 4 1/3 mi n of M'borough po, 3½ mi w of Clear Fk po. (SLR);
The Meldrum Bap. Chu. was org. 1923 (Fuson, P. 489);
The Low Ash Mining Co. here (1915-20 with 125 workers) (Dodrill);
MIDDLESBORO (Bell Co., Ky): "This 3rd cl. city is 1 mi w of the Cumb. Gap and 8 (air) m i s of Pinev. At or nr. the site of a pion. Yellow Ck. settlement made around 1810 by John Turner of Va. Alexander Alan Arthur, a Canadian resources developer, bought up thousands of acres of Yellow Ck. bottom land, attract ed investment capital from a no. of English business­men, and by 1889 began to build his city. The Middlesborough po had already been est. on 9/14/88 with Geo. C. Whitlock, pm, the name having been selected from a list of names allegedly offered by the investors, or else suggested by a Mr. Watts, a hotel owner at the Gap who had come from the English
city of Middlesbrough. Arthur's boom busted with the crash of 1893. In 1960 the BGN ruled in favor of what was by then the preferred spelling, Middlesboro, which the po had assumed in 1894 and the rr and a no. of local businesses had used for years. Yet by the Act of Incorporation in 1890 it had been spelled 'Middlesborough' and this is still the official form. (Book-P. 196);
MIDDLESBORO (Bell Co.): The site was first settled by residents of the vic. of the bloc house on Yellow Creek (now under Fern Lake) c.1810. One of the 1st settlers was Col. John Colson, lawyer & preacher. His mansion, considered one of the 1st brick houses built in Ky. was on present US25e in the no. section of town.... (Mrs. Marianne C. Armstrong, paper: given at mtg. of Ky. Path Chap. of DAR, 1/1/1942, in Middlesboro, Ky. ms copy of paper KHS Libr.).
MIDDLESBOROUGH (Ball Co., Ky): Acc. to no sign, 8/29/1888, this prop. po would be 8 mi sw of the Cumb. R, on the n side of Yellow Ck, ca. 3 mi s of Yellow Ck po, ca. 2½ mi n of Cumb. Gap po. (map) // Acc. to W.A. Coope 5/8/94, the po was now Middlesboro (tho' the commu. was still Middlesborough), and was 9 mi s of the river, 100 yds s of Yellow Ck, 3 mi nw of Cumb. Gap po, 6 mi sw of Roost po, 5½ mi ne of Hartrauft po (Tenn). (map) .... (SLR); 2000 pop.=10,384; 13 rd mi s of Pinev; 1930 pop: 10,350. This was an incr. of 148.7% since 1900. a mfg. town. (WPA); Most of its non-numbered streets were named after English shires & towns;
MIDDLESBORO (Bell Co.): 1st named Middlesborough for a coal and iron town in England. Main street is over 100 ft. wide. Parallel streets are named for English shires. (Warner Ogden, "A New Park in the Appalachians" NYT, 6/7/1959, P. X-23:1-8); po est. as Middlesborough, 9/14/1888, Geo. C. Whitlock...name ch. to Middlesboro, 3/14/1894, Wm. A. Cooke... (NA); Laid out in 1889-90 by an English firm run by a Mr. Arthur. (HH Fuson, HIST. OF BELL CO., KY, NY: Hobson House Press, Vol. 2, 1947 P. 9);
MIDDLESBORO (Bell Co.): BGN ruled in favor of this spelling instead of Middlesborough since business establishments tel. dir. and RR Guide used that spelling. But the Acts of Incorporation of 3/14/1890 spelled it "Middlesborough". After interviewing a no. of city officials and businessmen it was agreed upon that the spelling "Middlesboro" be used in all usage. (Wm. Kostukowich in report on controversial names to BGN, 4/1959.

He also reported that the 2 7/8 m. top. maps did the 15 m. 1927 M'boro map; Approved by A 6° of city officials and businessmen and RR Guide used that spelling.)

MIDDESBORO (Bell Co.): BGN approved of spelling, using the spelling "Middlesboro".
MIDDLESBOROUGH (Bell Co.): In 1886, Alex'r. Arthur, a Scotsman, "envisioned...another industrial midlands...formed (in England) the Amer. Ass'n. Ltd. (acquired) financial backing... (and) bought up thousands of acres of land and laid out the city that would become the heart of his empire. He called it Middlesborough.... By the end of (the 1880s decade, pop. had reached 17,000)." By 1890, funds and iron ore "ran out." Boom died and mines closed and furnaces too. Store closed. Pop. dropped to 4200. Sought new investors unsuccessfully. He died 1912. But the town grew anyway with coal...1975 pop.=12,500+ Prosperous if not booming. New mines. Tourist trade...(John Ed Pearce "Bell Co" "Focus on Vin" series 1987
MIDDLESBOROUGH (Bell Co.): ("M(ih)d/əlz/b(uh)r/ə") J.J. Gibson was one of the early subdividers of the land... before the turn of the cent. 12 mi. s. of Pinev., on Yellow Cr. Named for the city of Middlesborough in Eng. ...(Edward S. Wilson, tape, 11/27/1978);

Named for Middlesborough, England where the Watts Steel & Iron Syndicate had its home office. This co. built blast furnaces for the making of pig iron at Middlesborough, Ky. in 1890... Thru pop. usage, the name was shortened to Middlesboro tho' it continued to be officially known as Middlesborough. Alex' A. Arthur, a Scots-Canadian then living in Tenn. Considered the founder of Middlesb.
and largely responsible for attracting English capital to invest in this area. In 1886, after exploring in the area, he "reported on the vast mineral wealth centering around" this site. He and an org. called "The Gap Associates" purchased & acquired options on thousands of acres in the Yellow Creek Val. .... L&N arr. fall, 1889. Pop. over 15,000 before WWI when leveled off from peak. Blast furnaces producing hundreds of tons of pig iron, by the early 1890s. Inc. as city in 1890.... (Kincaid A. Herr, L&N RI 1964, Pp. 92-6);
MIDDLESBORO (Bell Co.): On US25e "in a deep circular valley directly to the westward of historic Cumberland Gap. The valley, drained by Yellow Creek...(its natural resources, coal, limestone, iron accounted for its development and growth) named by its founders after a great Engl. manufacturing town...The broken terrain delayed dev. of this section of the state until, in 1885, a Scotch-Canadian mining engineer, Col. Alexander Allen Arthur, made a mineral survey of the Yellow Creek basin & the surrounding hills, took note of its location with reference to market distribution, and envisioned a great manufacturing city based upon the steel-making..."
potentialities of the ngbrhd." He acquired British capital and bought much iron-bearing acreage. In 1889 he began building his great ind. city, wide streets, golf course, artificial lake, etc. Increased in pop. from 50 to 6000+ in a year, by c. 1890. And by 1891 had over 10,000. The boom busted with the Baring Crash of 1893 which (issued) ushered in an int'l. depression. This, plus the discovery & development of richer and cheaper iron ore deposits in Minn., led the withdrawal of support by the British stockholder. Thus businesses closed, people left. Recover began some 20 years later, with coal as its resource base. "The sound civic planning of
the founder was made a municipal asset. The broad streets, the well-made buildings. 
.... (Miriam Gaines, et.al., WPA ms)
MIDDLESBORO (Bell Co): On the site of the earlier Yellow Creek Settlement est. by John Turner & his followers in pioneer times. They built a blockhouse & the 1st perm. settlement on the creek. Virginians. (P.6) DK when they arrived. Their blockhouse was on the bank of Y.C. on the site of the present Fern Lake. (P. 7). A Mr. Meyers had the 1st store there tho' John Colson is considered the 1st important merchant in that area. (P. 12) Alex'r. Alan Arthur, a Canadian lumberman, visited Cumbo Gap. in 1887. Interested English businessmen into financing his plans for a major ind. cit. on the broad bottom of Y.C. nr. the Gap. RR
from Knoxville. Completed by 8/1889. (P. 15) Named for city of Middlebrough (aka Middlesborough, England. Officially spelled . . borough. "It was chosen out of a no. of names of English cities suggested by sheer choice (sic) (by some of the) interested capitalists... But it is practically certain that Watts from Middlesbrough England suggested the name." (presumably in the early spring of 1889. An Englishman, Watts, built the Watts Hotel at the Gap in 1887. (P. 15) (P. 17) M'boro in a strategic location for a great city. At this site the Y.C. valley is 5 mi. long & 3 mi.
Wide

Wide and almost level. Streets were laid out ...(P. 17) ...(MIDDLESBORO AND BEFORE MIDDLESBORO WAS, by Landon H. Smalling, c. 1924);
MIDDLESBORO (Bell Co., Ky): At jct. of US 25E & Ky. 74 just nw of the Gap, in the Yellow Ck. val. At/nr town site was Va-born John Turner's pion. Yellow Creek Settlement ca. 1810. Followed by Colsons, Partins, & Marsees. Scattered homesteads until ca. 1890. Some coal mining on ck. banks in the 1850s. Coal & timber sent down the ck. Mineral rights sold to e. businessmen by 1870. Alex'r. Alan Arthur, Scot-born, arr. in Y. Ck. val. in the 1880s. Saw its "great potential" and org. the Am. Assn. Ltd and attracted fin. backing from some Engl. financiers. The company acquired some 100,000 acres in Va, Tenn, & Ky. In 1889 Arthur planned for the est. of a city to be named for the Engl.
indo city of Middlesborough. Laid out. RR tunnel cut thru the Cumb. Mt. to connect with Pinev. on the Cum R. Also a "beltline rr". City inc. 1890 as M'borough with 5000 pop. But Engl. bank failure (1890) and the 1893 US depression and realization that the area's iron deposits (the main attraction) were not as great as thought, the town went belly up and was all but evacuated. Most of the co's, prop. was auctioned off. But the dev. of the area's coal resources led to a resurgence of the city's econ. which "boomed" in WWI. Nearby Cum. Gap Nat'l. Hist'l. Pk was long in plannin but finally dedicated in 1959. Ind's. incl: Cowden
Mfg. Co. (work clothes), a meat-processing co. and a tanning co. City was inc. as Middlesborough and it's still the official name (tho' a BGN decision confirmed the pop. sp. as Middlesboro.) Pop. 1980=12,251, 1990=11,328. (David F. Withers, KY. ENCY. 1992, Pp. 634-5.) A 3rd. cl. city;
Placenames are not always what they seem: MIRACLE, Bell Co., Ky. (pron. Hah-r'kul). Named for a family (large) along Brownies Creek and other sections of the county. (R.R. South, "Our Station Names--Their Family Trees: THE L. & N. EMPLOYEES' MAGAZINE, 10/1949, P. 14:2); po est. 5/16/1912, Willie A. Hoskins. (NA); ("M(ah)r/kal") At the confl. of Brownies Creek & the Cumb. R. Many miracles and Hoskins(es) live there. Named for the family. ...L&N rr sta. (Edward S. Wilson tape, 11/27/1978);
MIRACLE (Bell Co., Ky): "This po & sta. on the Ky. & Va. RR (a br. of the L&N), lie where Ky 987 crosses the Cumk R., 5½ (air) mi e of Pinev. The po, est. on May 16, 1912, with Willie A. Hoskins, pm, was named for a local family." (Book-P. 199); APO (8/2000); po on Ky 987 (Jan 1996); Robert M. Miracle was the 1st co. sheriff. (The B Co. Story, 1967); Acc. to 1870 Census, Robert A. Miracle (30) & wife Sarah (29) and Sarah's mother Sarah Wilder (65, nee Saylor), and son Levi H. (3)....; Acc. to 1910 Census, Miracles lived nr. Willie A. Hoskins;
MIRACLE (Bell Co., Ky): Acc. to Willie A. Hoskins, 10/1911, this prop. po would be 200 ft s of Cumb. R, 300 ft w of Brownies Ck, 60 ft n of the Miracle Sta. (of the L&N), 5 mi ne of Hances po, 7 mi s of Callaway po, 3 3/4 mi nw of Oaks po. On 12/12/27, Henry Taylor pet. for a move 500 yds w to a pt 600 yds w of the river, 300 yds w of Brownies Ck, 500 yds from the co. line (?), 600 yds w of L&N (Miracle Sta.), 3 mi w of Oaks po, eff. now. On 1/23/30, Ibid. pet. for a move ½ mi s to a pt 50 yds n of the river, ¼ mi e of Brownies Ck, 75 yds w of the L&N, (Miracle Sta.), 3 mi n of Oaks po, 3 mi sw of Callaway po. Eff. 1/24/30 to accommodate more people. Acc. to H.H. Davis, 7/24/39.
po was 300 ft n of the L&N and Miracle Sta., 50 ft n of the river, \( \frac{1}{4} \) mi ne of Brownies Ck, 3 mi n of Oaks po, 4\( \frac{1}{2} \) mi sw of Callaway po, 6 mi e of Calvin po, 7 mi nw of Balkan po. (SLR); Elijah Miracle, son of Wm. & Eliz (nee Shackelford), to Little Clear Ck. from Harlan Co. where he was ne 4/30/1850. He mar. Mary Jane Mason (nee 1842 in Knox Co) in 1866. A C.W. vet among issue were no Henry Calvin. After Nancy's death in 1889 he mar. Millie Ann Partin Mason. Elijah died 1907 in Crab Orchard, Ky. (1994 hist., P. 329);
THE NARROWS (Bell Co., Ky): Nr. Pineville. It's called "The Narrows" on the Cumberland R. Its banks are "steep, almost perpendicular and very high" and once, after the Civil War there was a big flood and "the water came over the banks...rose to the first floor...of a large two-story house which had been converted into a temporary hosp. for wounded soldiers...and the wounded men had to be carried to the second floor." (Mabel Green Condon, A HIST. OF HARLAN CO. Nashv.: Parthe on Press, 1962, P. 53)
One of several places in e.Ky. named for a

[Redacted]: NUGY. (not listed in Field's GUIDE.)

On the Left Fork Branch of the Cumberland
Valley Div. of the L. & N. RR. Named for a
wellknown local bird dog. The operators of
the C. & C. Coal Co., Charles and C.S.
Guthrie, were avid bird hunters. (Acc. to R.R.
South, "Our Station Names—Their Family Tree;
THE L. & N. EMPLOYEES' MAGAZINE, 9/1949, P.
14:2).

9 trek mi from Straight Creek Sta.
and 2 mi from Harkers
OAKS (Bell Co., Ky): Acc. to Ewing W. Miracle, 7/16/1895, this prop. po would be 2 mi s of Cumb. R, on the n side of Brownies Ck, 4 mi n of Cubage po; 3½ mi s of Callaway po; Acc. to Mary C. Bull, 1/18/02, po was 4 mi from river, 200 yds of Brownies Ck, 5 mi n of Cubage po, 3 mi s of Toms Ck po; On 8/21/02, Ibid. pet. for a move 1 mi w to a pt 3½ mi s of river, on the n side of Brownies Ck, 3 mi sw of Toms Ck po, ca. 4 mi nw of Cubage po; In 11/1907, Jos. M. Wilder pet. for a move ½ mi s to a pt 2 mi from Cubage po; On 12/10/1923, Ibid. pet. for a move 1 mi s to a pt 4 mi s of the river, 40 yds w of Brownies Ck, 4 mi s of Miracle po, 5 mi n of Cubage po, 5½ mi w of Balkan po. Eff.
asap// Acc. to Bessie Lee, 7/31/1939, po was 3 air & 9 rd mi from Harlan Co, 300 ft s of Birch Lick Br, 200 yds ne of Brownies Ck, 3 3/4 mi s of the river, 3 3/4 mi s of Miracle po, 5 mi w of Cubage po. (SLR);
OAKS (Bell Co.): po est. 5/26/1897, Ewing W. Miracle. Disc. 8/26/1899 (papers to Toms Creek Re-est. 3/21/1902, Mary C. Bull ...(NA);
12/20/04, Mary C. Miracle — Disc. 1963
OLEIKA (Bell Co., Ky): po est. 8/27/1921, Charles H. Jones, 8/3/25, Walter Onkst...Disc. 1934 (POR-NA);
Acc. to Charles H. Jones, 5/4/1921, the prop. name for this new po was LaCross for the local rr sta. and the vil. of Cross with a pop. of 270, 4 mi s of the river, 70 ft w of Yellow Ck, 2 mi n of Colmar po, 4 mi s of Calvin po, 6 mi e of Meldrum po, 60 ft (?) e of L&N. To serve the Crane Ck. Coal Co. Cross Sta. was a flag sta. (SLR); The earliest coal op'n. here was Wallins Ck. Collieries Co. (1924-24 with 150 workers);
The Cross family in B. Co. (ca. 1940);
OLEIKA (Bell Co., Ky): 2 mi below Colmar on Yellow Ck.
PAGE-CALVIN (Bell Co., Ky): Jas. Madison Pursifull, ne here in 1893. He was grandson of John Matt and Deborah Green Pursifull, early area settlers. John's son Mount marr. Orpha Hurst. Issue incl: Paschal, Calli Wm, Elijah, & James Madison. Mount moved his family from Page to 4 Mi where they lived in Isaac Shelby's old brick house. Mount died in 1889, age 42. (1994 Hist P. 344); Acc. to 1920 Census, Joe N. Page (50) & wife Minnie (43), a coal mine operator, lived on Walls Ck. i Pinev. Prec. 1;

Was this Walls Ck? (1 mi. above vanilla)
PAGE-CALVIN (Bell Co., Ky): The 1st settler here was Mount Pursifull (1794-1890) whose home was on Hawken Br the 1st trib. above Page. (Fuson, P. 227); The Page Sch at Calvin; Belle Pursifull, nee Creech, daughter of Elisha & America (Howard) Creech. (Ibid., P. 220); APO (8/2000); PO on the s side of US 119 (1/1996); The L&N had a switching yard here. Depot. Sim Hoskins owned the local gro. Mrs. Annie Pursifull was pm. School. Now: store & po. (1994 hist. P. 46); Acc. to 1910 Census, Robert E. Page (ne Va.) (33) & wife Martha (24) lived in Mag. Dist. #1, part of Pinev.;
PARTON (sic) (Bell Co., Ky) po est. 5/13/1907, Rob't. K. Partin (sic), order rescinded 12/10/1907 (POR-NA);
PASS (Bell Co., Ky): Acc. to Andrew D. Johnson, 1/1893, this prop. po would serve the locality of Ray but there was already such a named po in Logan Co. It would be 10 yds n of Straight Ck, 9 mi n of Callaway po, 7 mi n of the Cumb. R. On 12/6/98, Wm. N. Durham pet. for a move 2½ mi sw to a pt ca. 5 mi n of Cumb. R, ca. 60 yds s of Straight Ck, ca. 5 mi ne of Lock po, ca. 7 mi sw of Salts po, ca. 5 mi n of Callaway po. Not a vil. (map) // In 9/1909, Nan J. Howard pet. for a move 3/4 mi ne to a pt on Straight Ck, 13 mi s of Pinev. Sta, ca. 3 mi s of Salts po, ca. 3 mi e of Gross po, 4 mi n of Laymah po. (SLR);
PASS (Bell Co., Ky): po est. 3/3/1893, Andrew D. Johnson, 9/19/1898, John R. Howard...10/6/01, Jas. C. Gross...9/27/1909, Nannie G. Howard; Disc. 10/15/13 (mail to Gross) (could this have been on the site of the old Ray po (no. 18, above)? (POR-NA); Acc. to 1880 Census, Andrew Johnson (35) & wife Nancy (31) lived in 7th Enum Dist. (but no Pass or Ray); Acc. to 1880 Census, Andrew Johnson (18) & wife Ellen (18) lived in Thos. Ck. Dist. #4, but no Pass or Ray; Andrew Johnson, son of Rice W. and Phoebe (Howard) Johnson of the mouth of Pucketts Ck (Fuson, P. 221); Acc. to 1900 Census, John R. Johnson, (4/74) & wife Saryle (3/77) lived in Burns Spr. Dist. but no Pass/Ray;
PINEVILLE (Bell Co.): A shallow ford called Cumberland Ford where the Wilderness Rd. crossed the river. Around this the town grew. Abraham Buford built the 1st structure nr. there in 1781. The ford "became the most important station betw. (the gap and the Bluegrass) .... Settlement was officially named Pineville in 1825 (with pop. of 800)." (John Ed Pearce, "Bell Co." P. 10 of "Focus on Ky. feature in LCJM, 5/14/1978, Pp. 8ff); "Fred Hull, pres. of the Pineville Land and Lumber Co. bought from J.J. Gibson most of the flat land on which Pinev. is now located and new streets were laid out..." Pop. declined from over 4000 in the early 1950s to 2580 in the
mid 1970s, though a substantial no. of families live in the subdivisions outside the city limits. Hurt by flood of 4/1978....(Joh Ed Pearce, "Bell Co." Pp. 12, 38 of "Focus on Ky." series in the LCJ MAG. 5/14/1978, Pp. 8ff); Acc. to 1895-6 Gaz, it had a pop. of 1800; Its 2000 pop. = 2,693; It's 13 rd mi n of M'boro and 120 mi sse of downtown Lex. via I-75 & US 25E; The Narrows is at the only water gap thru the mts. for ca 100 mi. On the rte of early pion's. thru the Cumb. Gap to the Bluegrass. (Edward S. Wilson, Pinev., Ky., interviewed by me, 11/27/78);
PINEVILLE (Bell Co.): The site was early settled since it was on the Wilderness Rd. at the pt. where it crossed the Cumb. R. Thus town is called Cumberland Ford. Later a tollgate place there and the town grew around this. In 1821, Isaac Shelby who had owned the site of Pineville and surrounding area, sold it to Jas. Renfro whose sons, in turn, sold it to J.J. Gibson and on his death the land was divided between his sons James J. & Thos...The old town of Pineville was laid off in 1867; people then living in nearby hills and valleys were attracted to the new settlement and moved to it. On 1/9/69 J.J. Gibson gave land for the ct. hse...Over a
period of time, the town"expanded down the narrows...". The new Pineville as such was laid off in 1888, below the old site. New homes, businesses, churches, etc. were built as was a new ct. hse. Those of the old town were eventually burned or torn down....(Clyde Guthrie, "Early Settlement of Cumberland Ford Pineville Sun, 8/26/1954);
PINEVILLE (Bell Co., Ky): A Gibson from Va. owned the site of Pineville. Later owned by Jas. Renfro. (Dickey's interv. with T.T. Garrard of Manch., Ky. 4/1898 in KY EXPL. Vol. 8 (8), 2/1994, P. 77); Growth inhibited by its location in narrow val. thru Pine Mt. Flood susceptibility. Pop. never recovered from disastrous 1977 flood. Little level land for building. (Kirsten Haukeb in LCJ, 1/20/1992); Thos. J. Hoskins (1844-1927) was a family that moved from NC to Ten. and then to B. Co. in the early 1800s. Marr. Lucy, d. of Jas. T. Renfro. In 1821 Renfro owned most of what became the Cumb.Ford Hoskins ran a Pinev. store and was the city's 1st mayo. His parents were Hiram & Eliz. (Chadwell) Hoskins. (Hist. & Fam's. of B. Co., Turners, 1994 P. 299);
PINEVILLE (Bell Co.): Isaac Shelby once owned the ford. In 1801 he built a house and est. a ferry at the ford site...The ford lay within a patent for 100 acres of land issued to Evan Shelby, father of Isaac, by virtue of a military warrant, #81, but which lay within the Abraham Buford Patent issued by Va. in 1788 and afterward by Ky. in 1801." Later on learn that the site of the ford was in the Buford Patent that preceded his acquisition of it, he "perfected his title by obtaining a deed from Buford for 350 acres." (Jean Wilson "Isaac Shelby, Ky's 1st Gov., Once Owned Land Where Pineville was Built" BELL CO. CENTEN., THE BELL CO. STORY, 1867-1967, Pinev. 1967, n1
PINEVILLE (Bell Co., Ky): Has been called "the Queen City of the Hills" for its "fine homes and neat, carefully (maintained) streets." (Fuson, P. 78); The Narrows is a short distance up the river from Cumberlan Ford and has been called Old Pineville. The Cumb. Ford settlement dates to 1797 when Ky's 1st tollgate was placed at The Narrows where settlement 1st occurred. The newer part of town, at the Ford itself, was dev'd. in 1887. (Ibid., P. 107); The Narrows at the s end of town with only space for river, rr, & hiway. Ky's 1st tollgate was here, just s of the present Old Pinev. Est by leg. act 1795. Dillion Asher was the 1st tollgate keeper. Disc. 1830. (Ibid., Vol. 2, P. 591);
PINEVILLE (Bell Co., Ky): In city's limits (1895) were Mt. Orient (2200 ft), Mt. Occident (2100 ft). The Truxton Mines was 3 mi up Straight Ck. (W.J. Lampton's 1895 acct. of Pinev. in KY EXPL. Vol. 11(8), 2/1997, Pp. 29-33); 13 mi n of Middlesb. on the w side of the r. in a narrow val. cutting thru Pine Mt. Site was 1st settled 1781. 1st owner is said to have been Isaac Shelby. Sold to J.J. Gibson. The Gibson fam. disallowed the Cumb. Ford site for the seat of new co. but gave a 1 acre site on Pine Mt. for ct. hse. Econ. base is mostly coal. Some mfg: explosives, acetyline, oxygen prod'ts. S of town is 12,000 acre Ky. Ridge State For. incl. Pine Mt. SRP & nature preserve. 1990 pop.=2200. (Ron D. Bryant, KY ENCY. 1992, P. 724);
PINEVILLE (Bell Co.): Town mostly on the south side of a bend of the Cumb. R. surrounded by high mts. that set it off from surrounding country. Site of Indian camp(s) found by Dr. Walker's party, and their predecessors, the so-called Mound Builders left a mound a short distance from Cumberland Ford... (WPA ms); ("P(ah)£(eye)n/v(ih)l") (Edward S. Wilson, 11/27/1978); The orig. site of P'ville is at the base of Chained Rock, in a narrow strip of land then 200 ft. wide at the upper end of P'ville. cf map in Centen. Booklet. Cumberland Ford was located right at the "d" of "Cumberland" therein. ("Pahn/vəl"). . . . (Kenneth Red Harp, interview, 3/24/79)
PINEVILLE (Bell Co.): po est. as Cumberland Ford in Knox Co. 3/31/1818, Moses Dorto... Disc. 7/15/63; Re-est. 1/25/1865, Rufus M. Moss... into Josh Bell Co. when it was est. 12/14/1868, John Bogane or Bogan... Disc. 3/14, 1870; Re-est. as Pineville, 4/15/70, Peter Hinkle...(NA); Before it was named Pineville and became the co. seat, the commu. was called Cumberland Ford. It was inc. as Pineville in 1889. (T.R. Ware, THE BELL COUNTY STORY, 1867-1967: THE UNFOLDING OF A CENT. Pineville, 1967, n.p.); (Kenneth "Red" Harp, March, Ky., 6/29/1977);
PINEVILLE (Bell Co.): The "pioneer" coal operation in that vic. was the Pine Mt. Iron & Coal Co. which was org. 1888. "Promoters of the town of Pineville. They owned practically all the land" at the site. Built many early bldgs. Promoted the town all over the US. They thus developed the town....(THE CUMBERLAND COAL FIELD AND ITS CREATORS, by J.C. Tipton, privately printed, Middlesb, Ky. 1905, n.p.); Acc. to 1883-4 Gaz, it had a pop. o 200. Sallie E. Mop (?) was pm. Many businesses; Acc. to 1879-80 Gaz, it had a pop. of 150. Wm. Bingham, a lawyer, had a gen. store & hotel. Peter Hinkle also had a store & hotel. Other businesses;
PINEVILLE (Bell Co.): Was settled as Cumberland Ford c.1781. Sometime before 1867 when Josh Bell Co. was est., the n.ch. to Pineville. The commu. was then limited to the Narrows, on either side of the rd. till c.1888 when the L&N RR reached there. Since then, the part of town in the Narrows was locally called "Old Pineville" and the section built around the ct. hse. sq. was called "New Pineville". P'ville became the seat when the co. was est. (Henry Harvey Fuson, HIST. OF BELL CO., KY. NY: Hobson House Press, 1947, vol. 1, Pp. 8-9);
PINEVILLE (Bell Co., Ky): Isaac Shelby sold his old Pinev. land to Jas. Renfro in 1821. Renfro's sons sold it to J.J. Gibson. The land incl. the tollgate erected in 1797 and was Ky's 1st. Pinev. was est. & dev'd. around it. Mouth of Clear Ck. On Gibson's death, his Cumb. Ford land was heired by his 2 sons Jas. J. and Thomas and it was soon acquired by Jas. J. 1/9/1869. J.J gave land to the new co. for its seat. (Mary Wallis Evans, 5/1941, repro. in B. Co. Centennial The Bell Co. Story, 1967);
PINEVILLE (Bell Co., Ky): Acc. to Jillson I, Evan Shelby acq. 100 acres on Cumb. R. (surv. 11/10/1794) and Isaac Shelby Jr. acq. 100 acres on the r. in Knox Co. (1/5/1816). Abraham Buford acq. 100 acres on the r. (7/20/86) 400 acres on r. (10/23/97), 666 acres on r. (11/29/97), 1000 acres on r. (9/26/98);
PINEVILLE (Bell Co., Ky): "This 4th cl. city & seat of Bell Co. is on the Cumb. R. & US 25E & 119...The site was settled early (ca. 1781) since it was at the pt. where the Wilderness Rd. crossed the Cumb. R. Thus the com. was 1st called Cumberland Ford and the po of this name was est. 3/31/1818 with Moses Dorton, PM. Though the settlement may have been aptly called Pineville as early as 1825, it was not until 1867 that the town was actually laid off. In 1869 J.J. Gibson donated land for the seat of Josh Bell Co. which had been created 2 yrs. before. The po name was changed to Pineville in 1870, and the town was inc. as Pineville in 1889." (Book-P. 235);
PINEVILLE (Belle Co.): 1st called Cumberland Ford. The spot where the Wilderness Rd. crossed the Cumb. R. P'ville was 1st located at The Narrows. When Cumb. Ford was renamed P'ville "Pineville became known as 'Old Pineville'". The present site of P'ville was 1st owned by Isaac Shelby who sold it in 1821 to Jas. Renfrow whose sons later sold it to Jas. J. Gibson, Sr. On the latter's death, the land was divided between his sons, Jas. J., Jr. and Thos. On 1/9/1869, J.J. Gibson donated some land for the erection of the court house.

(Mary Wallis Evans "Walker Camped at Clear Creek, and Named Cumb. R." in BELL CO. CENTER)
PINEVILLE (Bell Co., Ky): Abraham Buford settled here on land acquired by a Va. Treasury Warrant ca. 1799-1800. Evan Shelby or his son (Gov.) Isaac built SE Ky's 1st brick home at/nr the Ford, within the present city limits. Till 1888 Pinev. was limited to the Narrows, or both sides of the rd. When the rr arr. here, Fred Hull, Pres. of the Pinev. Land & Lumber Co. purchased the bottoms of the present town from J.J. Gibson and the town was est. around the present ct. hse sq. This sect. was thenceforth called New Pineville, while Old Pinev. was that part of it in the Narrows. (Fuson, Vol. 1, Pp. 6-8). The Narrows at the s. edge of Pinev. Walls on either side of the gorge are 1300 ft high. The N. is a gap betw. Pine Mt., US 25E, & the L&N. Pass thru it. (Ibid., Pp. 41-3);
PINEVILLE (Bell Co.): J.J. Gibson sold part of his land on which Piney is now located to the Pineville Land & Lumber Co. on 9/2/1887. The Ford served as a natural crossing point on the river before the bridge was built. (Fuson, P. 117) In 1887, after Gibson's sale, "the town began the movement from the narrows to the present site around Cumb. Ford....Gibson retained c. 10 acres along Cumb. R. and around the so. end of the Ford where his houses and gardens were...." (Ibid., P. 130). P'ville started as a vil. in the Narrows.... (Ibid., P. 131)
PINEVILLE (Bell Co.): Old Pineville was laid off 1867. In the valley then only the J.J. Gibson home stood.... "In 1887, J.J. Gibson sold the upper half of this valley land to... (the) Pine Mt. Iron & Coal Co. and it was laid off into lots. In 1889 Judge Pursifull sold the remainder of the valley to Hull & Barclay and it was laid off into lots." In 1888 the PMI&C Co. sold a no. of their lots.... (Nelle Putnam "Before the Establishment of Pineville the Area was an Indian Hunting Ground" in BEL CO: CENTEN.; THE BELL CO. STORY, 1868-1967, Pineville, 1967, n.p.);
THE PINNACLE (Bell Co., Ky): "One of the rugged cliffs of Lee conglomerate and forms th
1387. /Anonymous/. The Story of the Pinnacle. 16.5 cm. 17 pp. illustrations, maps. printed wrappers.

/Three States Print/. /Middlesboro, Ky./: /ca. 1929/.

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A prospectus of the Sky Land Company of Middlesboro, Kentucky, with some historical sketches of the Pinnacle, Cumberland Gap, and Middlesboro.
PRIMO (Bell Co., Ky): Po est. 11/11/1915, Harry L. Baird (not in P&G) Did this ever operate?
PUCKEIT'S CREEK (Bell Co., Ky): Heads in the Martins Fk. Range in Harlan Co. and "enters" Bell Co. below the mouth of Rocky Br. and extends 2½ mi w to the Cumb. R. nr Hulen. (Fuson, P. 48);
PRUDEN (Bell Co.): ("Prū/dēn") (Dr. Edward S. Wilson tape, 11/27/1978);
RALSTON (Bell Co., Ky): John Ralston was pres. of the Ralston Coal Co. and a dir. of the Nat'l. Bank of Middle borough but no mention of when. One of that area's pion. coal ops. before 1900. Preceded the rr. He was pres. of the Mingo Mt. Coal & Coke Co., the 1st in the M'boro. field, till 1894. Then was veep & mgr. till 1901. Then org. the Ralston Coal Co. over which he presided & manag ed. He helped org. the Stony Fk. Coal Co. and was its "head" while his son Chas. E. was super. Another son Herbert M. was super. of the Ralston Mine. Another son Jas. Howard ran the store at Ralston Mine and Stony Fk. Another son Robt L. was veep & super. of Mingo C&C Co. John was ne Scot. to US at age 6. Fam. to Pa. Then he moved to B. Co. (Fuson, Vol. II P. 382);
RALSTON (Bell Co., Ky): In 1889 John Ralston est. the pion Mingo Mt. Coal & Coke Co. that worked the Mingo Seam. In 1895 the co. was re-org. as the Mingo Coal & Coke Co. He was considered a pion. coal developer in the Upper Cumb. Coal Field, ne Pa. He remained Mingo's pres. till 1894. And then became veep and G.M. till 1901, but he continued directorship of the newly est. Ralston Coal Co. (1889) wit offices at Capito (1902) and also est. the Stony Fk. Coal Co. at Stony Fk. (1902). In 1889 John was pres. of the Ralston Coal Co., Inc. with Robt. L. Ralston as veep & Cha E. Ralston as sec-treas. and H.M. Ralston as super. (Mayes Pp. 56-63); The Ralstons were also officers of the Stony Fk. Coal Mining Co. (ca. 1907, 1915). The Ralston po also served the Pinnacle Coal Mining Co., Inc. (Ibid, Pp.97-8);
RALSTON (Bell Co., Ky): Acc. to Chas. D. Shipley, 12/18/1905, this prop. po would be 15 mi w of Cumb. R on the w side of Cole Ck, a Stony Fk. branch, on the L&N, (Ralston Sta.), 2 mi e of Logmont po, 9 mi w of Middlesboro po. Not a vil// Acc. to W.P. Bruce, 4/30/1909, it was serving the Stony Fk. Mines, ¼ mi from Cole Ck, 1¼ mi n of the sta. on the L&N, 2½ mi e of Logmont po, 4 mi nw of Shamrock po, 4½ mi s of Chenoa (over the mt)// On 1/29/17, E.V. Cummins (?) reported that po was serving the Stony Fk. locality, on the head branch of Stony Fk Ck, 15 mi s of the river, 50 ft s of Cole Br, 20 ft nw of L&N (Stony Fk. rr sta), 1½ mi né of Logmont po, 5 mi nw of Hollingsworth po,
10 mi nw of M'boro po// On 7/10/1918, Ibid. pet. for a move 4500 ft (0.85 mile) se to a pt 12 mi se of the river, 50 ft e of Stony Fk, 20 ft n of L&N, 3 mi from co. line, 1½ mi se of Logmont po, 2 mi n of Hollingsworth po, 10 mi n of M'boro po. Eff. 8/30/18 (The pm's name may have been Collins; otherwise it was undec.) It was serving Capito, its ship. pt. (SLR); John Ralston was a "pion. coal man in M'borough Sect."

... (check) (Fuson, II, Pp. 382-3);
RALSTON (Bell Co., Ky): po est. 2/14/06, Chas. D. Shipley, 7/14/08, Wm. P. Bruce...Disc. eff. 12/15/26 (mail to Logmont) (POR-NA); Acc. to Dodrill, the earliest coal op'n. was the Stony Fk. Coal Co. (1906-1915 with 120 workers); Acc. to 1910 Census, Joseph Ralston (54) & wife Jennie T. (48) lived in Cary Prec. Mag. Dist. #2--Straight Fk. (part of Pinev.) nr. Wm. P Gilkeson of Blanche po; Acc. to 1910 Census, Robert L. Ralston (49) & wife Anna G. (47) and son Jack L. (23), etc. and son Robt. L. Jr. (18) lived in Southside, Mag Dist. 6-Middlesb. on Exeter Ave—in town; Acc. to 1910 Census, Chas. D. Shipley (40) & wife Victory did not live nr any Ralstons in Stony Fk Prec. 11, part of Yellow Ck. Mag. Dist. 4;
RAY (Bell Co., Ky): po est. 3/15/1888, John R. Howard, 4/3/88, Joshua Howard; Disc. 5/25/88 (no papers sent); Re-est. 9/4/88, Andrew D. Johnson; Disc. 9/17/1889 (papers sent to Callaway) (POR-NA); Acc. to Andrew D. Johnson, 8/23/1888, this po was 13 mi n of Cumb. R, on the n side of Straight Ck, 13 mi from Pinev. Sta, 6½ mi e of Lock po, 9 mi s of Helton po. Not a vil. (SLR);
RED BIRD (Bell Co., Ky): Acc. to Cong. John D. White, 9/25/76, this prop. po would be nr the head of Red Bir R, 6 mi n of Slushers Mill po. Wilkerson Asher would be the pm// Acc. to Mandy Jane Knuckles, 9/12/85, it was 100 yds w of Cow Ck, 6½ mi ne of Slushers Mill po, 6 mi sw of Skidmore po, 4 mi sw of Sandy Fk. po// Acc. to Mandy Jane Knuckles, 10/6/86, the prop. name for this po was _Cow Creek_ and it would serve the _Red Bird_ locality on Red Bird Ck, 18 mi from Cumb. R, 5 mi ne of Slusher Mill po, 6 mi sw of Skidmore po, 5 mi w of Sandy Fk. po. A rural po// Acc. to W.R. Knuckles, 1/2/1887, it was 18 mi from river, on Red Bird Ck, 2 mi sw of Sandy Fk po, 6 mi sw of Skidmore po, 1 mi from co. line// Acc. to John B. Knuckles, 1/2/14, it was now x but operated as Knuckles
RED BIRD-KNUCKLES-BEVERLY (Bell Co., Ky): This com. is separated from the rest of the county by the Ky. Ridge at the head of Red Bird R. The R.B. Settlement Sch. was est. in 1921 on land donated by the Knuckles fam. Founded by the Rev. John J. DeWall (sic) for the Evangelical Chu. (Fuson, II, P. 440); APO (2000); On Ky 66 (1/1996); Mudlick (stream) here. Baltimore Gap on Cow Fk. Gabe's Cove on Stoney Fk. (Zenas Knuckles on the Beverly area, in the KY EXPL. Vol. 17 (4), 9/2002, Pp. 87-88); The Red Bird Mission was est. by the Rev. John Johnson DeWall of Iowa. Housed by the fam. of Millard Knuckles. Land for the mission's fac's. was donated by the Knuckles fam. DeWall died 1928, age 42. (Florence Elton Singer, 1929, in Ibid. Vol. 15(2), 6/2000, Pp. 16-8);
Jackson Davis Asher, T.J.'s father, was bro. of Rich'e Wilkerson Asher, the 1st pm of Redbird. J.D.A. (1816-1888). T.J.'s bro. George Mattison Asher (1846-1916) founded the town of Asher in Potta. Co., Okla. After marrying Mary Davis (aka Nancy), daughter of Richard Davis, name source of Davis Branch, who lived just e c M'boro, Dillion Asher (the prog.) built his family's home at the mouth of Straight Ck. He later moved to Red Bird. (Fuson, P. 190);
RELLA (Bell Co., Ky): po in operation from 1932 to 1954 (P&G); Acc. to Walter York, 2/11/1932, this prop. po would be 7 mi n of the river, 60 ft w of Straight Ck 55 ft e of L&N (Rella Sta.), 2 mi from co. line, 1½ mi from Rella commu. with a pop of 250, 1 3/4 mi n of Blanche po, 2½ mi s of Slusher po, 2½ mi w of Kettle I. po// Acc. to Ibid, 7/24/39, po was 4 air & 4½ rd mi fro Knox Co, 60 ft s of Rella Sta (L&N), 100 ft w of Left Fk of Straight Ck, 2½ mi n of Arjay po, 3 mi s of Slusher po, 2½ mi ne of Blanche po, 2½ mi w of Kettle I. po. (SLR);
RIM (Bell Co., Ky): The earliest coal op. here was Continental Coal Co's. (1909-1913 with 500 workers); The Rim Sch. was below the commissary. (1994 hist., P. 38); The Highland Rim Coal Co. mined coal on 4 Mi. Ck. on its Lynx Br., above Black Raven (see map);
RIM (Bell Co., Ky): po est. 7/1/1905, W.T. Murray, declined, 7/22/05, Wm. W. Huff. Disc. 4/15/1919 (mail to Fourmile) (POR-NA); Acc. to W.W. Huff, 1/24/06, po was 2½ mi ne of river, on n side of 4 Mi Ck, 2½ mi n of L&N 4 mi from co. line, 2½ mi ne of 4 Mi po; Acc. to H.W. Moyers, 1/1909, it was 200 ft n of 4 Mi. Ck to serve a Continental Coal Corp. camp with 1100 pop, 6090 ft ne of L&N and the 4 Mi po & sta, ca. 4½ mi e of Hugel po; On 1/9/10, Hiram Silvers (?) pet. for a move 70 ft w to a pt 1½ mi e of the river, 300 ft n of 4 Mi Ck, 1¾ mi e of L&N, 2½ mi from co. line, 1¼ mi e of 4 Mi po, 3 mi n of Wallsend po. (SLR);
ROOST-FERNDALE (Bell Co., Ky): Acc. to 1900, Cobb Berry Jr. (7/53) & wife Mary L. (11/62), etc. (he was a house painter) and they lived in Pineville town; Acc. to 1895-6 Gaz. this was a dpo; Ferndale is said to have been 1st settled by Drury Mayes (1771-1827), acc. to his tombstone. Settled on a 150 acre tract patented to Dan'l. Miller and signed by Gov. Greenup on 2/12/1807. Was buried on his farm there. (Fuson, Pp. 260-1); The Ferndale Coal Co. here (1909-20 with 30 workers) and J.C. Knuckles & Wife mine there (1908-08 with 20 workers) (Acc. to Dodrill);
SALEM NUMBER TWO CHURCH (Bell Co., Ky) (F462c
In the Ky. Ridge State Forest, on the south
side of Ky. 190, c. 3½ miles sw of Pineville.
Some 4+ mi. ene of Salem Church, also on Ky.
190. I assume it was named in reference to
the other Salem Church but have not been able
to find verification. Answers to county
authorities have gone unanswered. I'd like to
have known if the Number Two church had been
organized by members of the other church.
THE SEVEN SISTERS CLIFFS (Bell or Harlan Co, Ky): Acc. to Red Harp, c1977, this/these is/are somewhere between Pineville and Harlan. Not shown on any extant current maps. Letter to him and others on this have never been answered. I asked for the precise location of this feature and why and how it was named; if these are seven separate cliffs or rocks or what; if they were named for actual sister and if anything else is known about them.
Seven large cliffs which face the Cumberland R. from the mt. side between Pineville and Harlan. "Many years ago a family by the name of Miracle, who had seven daughters, lived nearby. People began to comment on the coincidence of seven girls in one family living so near seven large cliffs. So someone started calling these cliffs the 'Seven Sisters' by which they are known this day."

(Katherine Liddle, Bell Co., Ky. one of Leonard Roberts' students, Union Coll., 1955
SHAMROCK (Bell Co., Ky): po est. 9/25/06, John W. Dean, 1/15/12, Chas. H. Townsend...10/31/22, Edward Lee Johnson; Disc. eff. 7/31/1925 (mail to Hollingsworth) (POR-NA); Acc. to John Wm. Dean, 2/20/06, this prop. po would be 50 yds s of Stony Fk, 15 yds s of L&N (Shamrock Sta.), 6 mi w of M'boro po, 5 mi e of Logmont po, 5½ mi s of Ralston po. (SLR); Acc. to Dodrill, the earliest coal op'ns. here were Edgewood Consol. Coal Co. (1910-11 with 200 workers), Hignite Coal Mining Co. (1910-13 with 75 workers, and Monarch Coal & Coke Co. (1911-13 with 12 workers); Check on a Shamrock Coal Co. in SE Ky (esp. Clay Co.);
SHAMROCK (Bell Co., Ky): The Shamrock Coal & Coke Co., with main offices in M'boro. was also served by the Shamrock p.o. which also served (1907) the op'ns. of th Edgewood Coal & Coke Co. Succeeded in 1910 by the Edgewood Consolidated Coal Co. and in 1911 by the Climax Coal Co. Edgewood's was the 1st mine on the Stony Fk. rail line. Climax was in op'n. by the early 1920s. The po also served the Hignite Coal Mining Co. (1910-1923) whose G.M. was W.E. Gunn. (Mayes, Pp. 87-90);
SLUSHER (Bell Co., Ky): Wm. Preston Slusher, Sr. (ne 1872) marr. Fannie Bell Bingham, d. of Nelson & Amanda Bingham. He was a merchant and early moved to Okla. where he est. the Slusher po. He returned to B. Co., Ky and was pm of Slusher po there. Later moved to Pinev. (1994 hist., P. 358)
SLUSHER (Bell Co., Ky): Wm. Slusher (or Wm. Preston Slusher) opened this po. (Knox Co. 1994 hist., P. 303); Acc. to 1883-4 Gaz, Slushers Mill was a small po; Acc. to 1879-80 it was a small po; Acc. to 1895-6 Gaz, it was a dpo; John W. Slusher & fam. were in the co. ca. 1867; Jas. F. Slusher was the B. Co. clerk in ca. 1889 (Wm. Beckner in the Winchester Demo. 10/21/1889); Acc. to 1870 Census, Wilkeson (sic) Slusher (39) & wife Eliz. (nee Asher) (20); Acc. to 1860 Harlan Co. Census, Wilkerson Slusher (29) & wife Mary Ann (27); Acc. to 1910 Census, Wilkerson Slusher (78) was living with his son-in-law Joe Napier (32) & Joe's wife America (28) in Mag. Dist. 1, Pinev. (part of); Acc. to 1880 Census, Wilkerson Slusher (49) & wife Eliz. (50), a farmer, was living with their son Wm. (8), etc. in 7th Enum. Dist;
SLUSHER MILL (Bell Co., Ky): Acc. to John D. White (Cong.), 9/23/76, this prop. po would be operated by Wilkerson Slusher and it would be 10 mi e of Cumb. R, on the Left Hand Fk of Straight Ck, 13 mi ne of Pineville po, 6 mi s of Red Bird po// Acc. to Chas. C. Knuckles, 1/28/88, it was 12 mi n of river, 5½ mi sw of Knuckles po, 5½ mi ne of Bingham po// Acc. to Wm. P. Slusher, 5/2/94, this po, as Slusher, was 12 mi e of the river, on the n side of Straight Ck, ca. 6 mi e of Bingham po, ca. 7 mi sw of Knuckles po, 12 mi ne of Pinev. po. (map)// Acc. to Henry Slusher, 11/1909, po was 10 mi ne of river, on Left Fk of Straight Ck, 13 mi ne of Pinev. po, 5 mi ne of Bingham po, 7 mi sw
of Knuckles po, 8 mi ne of Blanche po. Not a vil//
Acc. to W.M. Slusher, 4/6/17, the prop. name for it
was Home and it would be (was) 7 mi n of river, 50
ft w of Straight Ck, 4 mi e of Blanche po, 9 mi s of
Beverly po// On 3/14/19, Wm. M. Slusher, for Leonarc
Napier, pm, pet. for a move ½ mi nw to a pt 7 mi nw
of the river, 50 yds w of Straight Ck, 4½ mi from
Blanche po, 10½ mi s of Beverly po// On 10/17/21,
Leonard Napier pet. for a move 1 mi n to a pt 100 ft
ne of Straight Ck, 2 mi from co. line, 3½ mi n of
Blanche po, 7½ mi s of Beverly po// On 6/27/27, Lee
Napier pet. for a move 100 yds n to a pt 20 ft e of
Straight Ck, ca. 4 mi n of Blanche po, 8 mi s of
Beverly po// On 2/5/36, Richard H. Napier pet. for a move 3/4 mi ne to serve the locality aka Buffalo Ck, 1 air & 1 1/2 rd mi from Knox Co, 50 ft sw of L&N (Buffalo Creek Sta.), 100 ft w of Straight Ck, 3 mi nw of Rella po, 3 mi sw of Field po, 4 1/2 mi se of Mill po// Acc. to Ibid., 7/24/39, po was 2 1/2 air & 3 rd mi from Knox Co., 150 yds se of Buffalo Creek Sta, 125 ft nw of Straight Ck, 3 mi sw of Field po. (SLR);
SLUSHER (Bell Co.): po est. as Slushers Mill, 10/24/1876, Wilkerson Slusher... ch. to Slusher, 9/17/1894, Lucy Knuckles; Disc. 12/20/94 (mail to Knuckles); Re-est. 5/12/1899, Wm. P. Slusher; Disc. eff. 5/31/1908 (mail to Birmingham); Re-est. 3/4/1911, Madison A. Carnes... (NA); Never heard of it. (Red Harp, 3/24/79);

12/15/13, Fannie B. Slusher.
There's a community called SOUTH AMERICA in Bell County, Kentucky. (See Henry Harvey Fuson, HISTORY OF BELL COUNTY, KENTUCKY, NY: Hobson Book Press, 1947, Vol. 1, Pp. 161-74. (In the Berea College Mountain Coll. = 976.912/F993h1 and in the UKy. Spec. Coll. = Fuson/976.93/F986b); This area was once considered the roughest, meanest territ. in SE Ky., home of moonshinings and feuding families. Called S.A. because of its "remoteness." Until, in 1925, Rev. Hiram Frakes, pastor of small Meth. chu. in Pineville came into the area and convinced its natural leader, Bill Henderson to give him land for a sch. He gave him 65 acres and Uncle Scott Parson another 16 acres and founded the (Parson)
Henderson Settlement School. By 1953, the HSS had 22 bldgs. on 700 acres and served as a sch. for nearly 500 boys & girls.... (Don Whitehead, "Lots of Moonshine, but Not in Parson's Hills" Ap feature, 12/6/1953);
Mabel Henderson Taylor, Box 314, Frakes, Ky. 40940. is writing a history of the South America section of Bell Co., Ky. (Acc. to Berea Alumnus, summer 1990, P. 23) She was a 1939 grad. of Berea Coll.
SOUTH AMERICA (Bell Co.): Section of Bell C cut off from Whitley Co. 1876. A large plateau area betw. Pine Mt. and Log Mt. Big Clea Creek rises here and flows into Cumb. R. and Pine Creek does too before it flows into Clear Fk. River. (Pp. 161-2). Relatively level, gently rolling plateau, a good farmin & grazing area. For c. 150 yrs. cut off from the rest of the world. Before WWII, many men were employed in nearby coal mines. (P.162) (H.H. Fuson, HIST. OF BELL CO., KY. NY: Hobson House Press, 1947, Vol. 1, Pp. 161-2);
SOUTH AMERICA (Bell Co.): Acc. to Scott Partin in a sketch on S.A. in the Middlesb. NEWS, c. fall, 1933, the area has gone by this name since the c.1850s. The 1st two settlers were J.A. Partin (his grandfather) & Edward Henderson, (his gt. grandfather), c. 1850s. Henderson took up land on 100 acre tract near the head of Clear Creek. Heavily wooded land called S.A. In the meantime, J.A. Partin had settled a small tract at the mouth of Clear Creek before the C.W. Later he moved to the present site of Chenoa and acquired some 400 acres there, built his home & an ove-shot grist mill. Ran a distillery and a store-saloon, and was pm....(Acc. to an acct. of
Scott Partin's hist'l. sketch in the LEX. HERALD, 10/1/1933); (acc. to POR, J.A. Partin was 1st pm of ClearCreek po, 1855... q.v.); The Rev. Hiram Milo Frakes was ne 1888; APO (8/2000); PO was on Ky 190 (1/1996); South America was the area added to Bell Co. from Whitley Co. 1870-1 (WPA); Acc. to 1900 Census, Jas. Hamblin, a farmer (11/1866) & wife Amanda (5/67) lived in S. Am. Voting Prec. but no Linda;
SOUTH AMERICA (Bell Co., Ky): "...in that small part of Whitley Co., Ky., on the eastern side of Pine Mt. I have never learned why it was called that, but it appears as a section of the county in the 1850 Federal Census Returns." (Jas. Hayden Siler, "History of the Jellico Area" in CLEARFORK AND MORE, comp. & edited by Bonnie M. Page, Lake City, Tenn., Clinton, Tenn.; 1986, Pp. 29ff);
STILSON (Bell Co., Ky): po est. 7/21/1921, Jasper N. Elliott; Disc. eff. 4/15/1922 (mail to Pineville) (POR-NA); Acc. to J.N. Elliott, 3/16/21, this prop. po would be serving the Dortons Branch locality and Stilson Sta., 150 yds n of L&N, 1 mi ne of Pinev. po, 2 mi nw of Straight Ck po 5 mi ne of 4 Mi po (map=8/11/21). (SLR); Acc. to 1880 Census, Mose Dorton (40) lived in Pinev. Dist. #1;
STONEY FORK (Bell Co., Ky): "An isolated post of Red Bird Mission work." (World's Fair Tour Guide, ca 1982, by B. Co. Hist'1. Soc.); The Stony Fork stream heads 36°38'16"N/83°50'55"W and extends s & e to the Yellow Ck. Bypass at 36°36'38"N/83°44'42"W (DGN Prop. 11/15/66). Before 1939, when the diversion channel was built, the Fork joined Yellow Ck west of M'boro.; The Stony Fork Coal Co. at Stony Fork (in op'n. 1908-13, with 30 workers); An APO (8/2000); On Ky 221 (1/1996); Stony Fk. heads in Log Mt. and extends for ca. 6 mi to Yellow Ck. just w of Middlesborough. (Fuson, P. 48);
STONEY FORK (Bell Co.): po of Stony Fork operated from 1946 to the present (P&G); Acc. to no sign, 6/46, this prop. po would be at the m of Stony Fk (sic), est. by A.A. Kopp, super. of Ritter Lumber Co. at Kettle I. It would be 5 air mi from Harlan Co, 50 ft s of Rt Fk of Straight Ck, 100 ft e of Stoney Fk Ck (sic), 13 mi e of Pinev. Sta, 6 mi from Kettle I. po, just below the store which is just below the clubhouse which is just below homes on the rd to H. Co. Homes were also across the rd. The rd continued over bridge across Stoney Ck and on to Kettle I and Pinev. The rd parallels Straight Ck. (SLR);
STRAIGHT CREEK (Bell Co.): est. 3/8/1900, Wm. R. Wood..(NA); ("Stat Kreek") PO is just above the forks of Straight Creek. One of the early big mine operations and a great deal of coal was loaded on the L&N at this pt. An active commu. at one time but no longer. (Dr. Edward S. Wilson tape, 11/27/1978); "This coal town with po & L&N RR sta. extends e for over 1 1/2 mi alor Ky 221 from its jct. with Ky 66, at the forks of the ck for which it was named, and less than 1 mi ene of Pinev. The po has been in operation since 3/8/1900. The ck, a trib. of the Cumb. R., is aptly named." (Book-P. 285);
STRAIGHT CREEK (Bell Co., Ky): On 2/23/1900, no sign prop. this po to serve mining camp of 1000 pop and the Straight Ck Sta, 2 mi e of Cumb. R, on the s side of Right Fk of Straight Ck, on the W.Va., Pinev. & Tenn. RR (which connects with the L&N at Pinev.), 2 mi ne of Pinev. po, 4 mi w of Lock po, 4 mi s of Bingham po.

In 2/07, Ellen Livingston pet. for a move 671 1/8 yds ne to a pt 2½ mi ne of river, 50 ft se of Straight Ck, 2 mi ne of L&N, 2½ mi ne of Pinev. po & sta, 2 mi se of Cary po, to serve the vil. of Straight Ck with a pop. of 1000.

On 6/22/14, Absalom B. Laycock pet. for a move 650 yds e to a pt 2½ mi e of river, 5 yds s of Straight Ck, 150 yds s of L&N (Straight Ck Sta.), 2 mi
se of Cary po 3 3/4 mi w of Kettle I. po, 2 3/4 mi e of Pinev. po, 5 mi from co. line. (map) (SLR);

Acc. to Anna Messer, 8/1939, po was ca. 300 ft n of Straight Ck, 400 yds e of Straight Ck Sta, 1.7 mi w of Jenson po, 2 mi e of Pinev. po, 1 1/2 mi s of Cary po 3 mi n of Wasioto po. (SLR); The Straight Ck. Mining Camp was at or just above the forks of Straight Ck. (Fuson, P. 203);
SUGAR RUN (Bell Co., Ky.) "...was so called because of a boy and his sweetheart. One time they had been courting and the father didn't like the boy, so when he came out he found the girl and him together, he ran back in and got the shot gun and started shooting and the girl began hollowing (sic): 'Run, sugar run.'" (Jimmie Faulkner, Ingram, Ky. one of Leonard Roberts' students at Union College, 1955-6).
SUGAR RUN, (KENTUCKY) "A bear was chasing a couple and the man said, 'run, sugar, run!'"
(Collected by Chris Hammond, IU folklore student, ne 5/21/1947 of 1131 N. Newman, Indianapolis, Ind. from George S. Root, 70, retired stone-mill worker, ne Manchester, Ky., son of Lucindye and Willard Root of Manchester Lives at RR #4, Bedford, Indiana, grandfather of the collector. Collected from him, 1/5/68. (IU Folklore Archives)
SUTTY (?) (Bell Co., Ky): po est. 8/22/88, John Powers; Disc. 10/8/88 (no papers sent) (POR-NA); No Sutty in Harlan Co. 1860 Census; Sutty Hill (Fuson, P. 163);
TEJAY (Bell Co.): THE BIO. OF THOS. JEFFERSON ASHER (incl. geneal. of Asher family, Wasioto, & Black Mt. RR (1907-1915), Asher Coal Mining Co. (1910-1963) & coal mining industry. (KHS bound vol. - B/92/A825);
TEJAY (Bell Co.): ("Tee/djā") Named for T.J. Asher, one of the big land and coal owners in this area. He built rr from Pinev. to Harlan which opened up the Harlan coal fields. His descendants continue to own a large amt. of land (in the thousands of acres) in coal in the area. The 1st train went to Harlan in 1911. Tejay = L&N sta. and mining camp. A large amt. of area coal was shipped from here. At the mouth of Toms Creek, on the Cum R. 14 road mi. above Pinev. One of the few deep mines in Bell Co. is now at Tejay. The mining commu. itself is known as Balkan, c. 1 mi. from the Cumb. R. Balkan and Tejay
are adjoining rr sta's. and commu's. Spur line ran about 1 mi. from Tejay to the Balkan mine. (Edward S. Wilson tape, 11/2, 1978); "The L&N RR sta. & coal camp at the mouth of Toms Ck on the Cumb. R., 7 (air) mi e of Pinev., was est. by T(homas) J(efferson) Asher (1848-1935), an extensive landowner and one of the pion. developer of the logging and coal industries in se Ky. Its nam was simply a spelling out of his initials. Tejay never had its own p.o." (Book-P. 291);
Thos. Jefferson Asher, son of Jackson Davis & Margaret (Hendrickson) Asher, ne 5/21/1848 on Red Bird Ck. in Clay Co. In 1870 he moved to Bell Co., to the mouth of Pucketts Ck (the home of Varilla Howard, whom he marr. on 3/3/70. She was d. of Robt. Howard. ...) In 1890 he bought a circular sawmill op'n. at Wasioto. The busi. was then called Rennebaum & Slawson that had opened in 1886. It was shipping its prod by river & L&N. River ship. of logs to their Wasioto mill and thence prod's. by rail to distant markets. Asher converted the mill to a bandsaw op'n. In 1895 it was "expanded and refurbished" with double-bandsaw and a planer. Had 25,000 acre prop. by early 1900s.
After an evaluation of coal reserves on this prop. in 1902 he decided to enter the coal busi. T.J. Asher & Sons Co. By 1907 they had 34,000 acres. By then the L&N line up the river extended 2 mi past Wasioto to Harbell. (The L&N completed the line from M'boro. thru Cumb. Gap to Norton, Va. 5/15/91). T.J. was unsuccessful in convincing L&N to extend line from Harbell into Harlan Co. In late 1907 he undertook to do it himself mostly thru his own company-owned land. To Tom's Creek. The Wasioto & Black Mt. RR was thus org. 7/23/08 with T.J. as pres. In 1915 the line was acq. by the L&N. 26 track miles. In 1910 the co. was converted from mostly a lumber op'n. to mostly coal and became the Aaher Coal Mining Co. Earliest mines
were at Varilla, Balkan, Colmar, Insull, Whipple. Of necessity, the co. soon converted from prod'n. to land leasing and supplying, esp. of camp sites, & supplying timber of construction. The Asher Coal Mining Co. was inc. 2/20/14. By 1917 the co. had 57,000 acresin holdings on 15 tracts in Bell, Harlan, Clay & Leslie Co's. incl. Redbird & Straight Ck's. Left Fk. In 1929-30 extended tracks 7.69 mi up Left Fk. from Harber to Field to ship coal from that vic.... T.J. died 5/26/1935, age 87. His company has survived to the present with 30,000 acres holdings. On 12/31/86, the co. name was ch. to Asher Land & Mineral Ltd.... (Unsigned article in 1994 hist., Pp. 170-2);
Dillion or Dillain Asher....

T.J. Asher died 5/26/1935 (THE BIO. OF THOS.
JEFF. ASHER, ms. KHS, n.d. ....)

Acc. to 1910 B. Co. Census, T.J. Asher (61) & wife
Varilla (61) and son Robert (37) lived in Mag. Dist. #1,
Prec. 2, Wasioto. Robert was listed as an accountant;
On T.J. Asher: One of the pioneers in the development of the logging industry, the first major industry of Harlan Co. He "bought up large timber grants and thousands of acres of timber lands along the Cumberland River and its branches...." Logs from felled timber sent down the C. River to Wasiota in Bell Co. where Asher had est. a large mill to prepare the lumber for rail shipment. With the coming of the rr, many steam sawmills were est. in the county and shipped directly by rail. (Elmon Middleton, HARLAN COUNTY, KENTUCKY, Big Lauc Va.: James Taylor Adams, 1934, Pp. 43-4.)
TEJAY (Bell Co.): Thos. J. Asher, ne 5/21/1848, reared in Clay Co., moved to Bell Co. when young man. Farmed nr. Calloway (sic) & logged there too. In 1881, he moved to Wasio Built mill there 1889 and ran it till 1910. Formed the Asher Coal Co. & had property at Colmar, Varilla, and Tejay (Bell Co.) and Coxton, Wood, & Chevrolet (Harlan). The name of the vil.of Tejay is "derived from his initials."... (H.H. FUSON, HIST. OF BELL CO., KY. NY: Hobson House Press, 1947, P. 368); He was Bell Co. Judge, 1914, 1918. Called "the leading industrialist of Bell Co.".... (Ibid., Pp. 369-70) (cf article on him in LCJ, 1916, by Tom Wallace....)
TEJAY (Bell County, Ky.) part of the county on the Cumberland Valley Div. of the L. & N. RR. A spelling out of the initials of T.J. Asher, wealthy landholder and prominent resident of Bell Co. His wife, Varilla, is honored by another town in that county (q.v.) (R.R. South, "Our Station Names--Their Family Trees" THE L. & N. EMPLOYEES' MAGAZINE, 9/1949 P. 14:2).

Pres. of the various to Black Mt. RR which antedated the Ky + Va. RR, a part of the Cumberland Div.

"Re/0; Α" (Red Harp, 3/24/79)
TINSLEY (Bell Co., Ky): Acc. to C.C. Smith, 3/16/00, the prop. name for this new po was Goodin and it would be 4 mi s of the Cumb. R, on Greasy Ck, 4 mi n of Ingram po, 7 mi sw of Pinev. po. Not a vil. (map) // Acc. to John L. Corum (?), 11/25/08, po was serving locality of East Jellico, 2 mi s of the river, $\frac{1}{2}$ mi w of Greasy Ck, 1 mi from co. line, 2 mi s of Belljellico po, 4 mi nw of Ingram po, 2 mi ne of Trosper po. (map) // In 3/1920, Stella Brittian (sic) pet. for a move $\frac{1}{4}$ mi s to a pt 1 mi w of the river, on the w side of Greasy Ck, 60 ft ne of L&N (Surran Sta.), 1 mi from co. line, 1$\frac{1}{4}$ mi s of Belljellico po, 6 mi n of Ingram po, 4 mi w of Fourmile po, // On 9/29/22,
Mrs. Sallie Clark pet. for a move $\frac{1}{4}$ mi n to a pt $1\frac{1}{2}$ mi s of the river, 200 ft w of Greasy Ck, $1\frac{1}{4}$ mi from co. line, 75 ft e of L&N (no sta.), $\frac{1}{2}$ mi w of Haslin po (sic), 5 mi n of Ingram po, $2\frac{1}{2}$ mi w of Fourmile po, Eff. 11/1/1922// On 10/14/39, Eva Brown pet. for a move 1900 ft (?) or yds?) to a pt 1 air & 3 rd mi from Knox Co., $\frac{1}{4}$ mi w of Greasy Ck, 50 ft se of L&N// On 7/2/45, Miss Glades Brittain (sic) pet. for a move $\frac{1}{4}$ mi se to a pt 1 mi n of river, $\frac{1}{4}$ mi e of Greasy Ck, 1 mi from co. line, $2\frac{1}{2}$ mi from L&N, $2\frac{1}{2}$ mi nw of Fourmile po, 6 mi ne of Ingram po// On 8/31/49, Chas. E. Griebe the P.O. Inspecter, pet. for a move 500 yds s to a pt-
serve a locality aka Greasy Creek, 1 mi from Knox Co, on the e side of Ky 92, \( \frac{1}{2} \) mi w of the river, 20 yds s of Greasy Ck, 2 mi w of Fourmile po & sta (the nearest), 1 mi s of L&N, 5 mi n of Ingram po, 5 mi s of Flat Lick po. (SLR);
TINSLEY (Bell Co., Ky): "This hamlet with po is on Ky 92 and Greasy Ck, 1 mi above its confl. with the Cumb. R. and 3 (air) mi wnw of Pinev. The po was est. on 4/5/1900 with Chas. C. Smith, pm, and named for a local family involved in early coal mine operations in that vic. The local sta. on a spur from Yingling on the main line of the L&N RR's Cumb. Val. Div. is Surran, named for W.L. Surran, a local trainmaster." (Book-P. 295); Named for Wm. Tinsley, Rev. War vet. (R.G. Tinsley, Mayfield, Ky., letter 7/1/2002); Thos. & Joseph Goodin lived in B. Co. 1878;
TINSLEY (Bell Co.): po est. 4/9/1900, Chas. C. Smith; 5/29/1903, Wm. S. Tinsley....(NA); ("T(ie)nz/lee" or "T(ih)nz/lee") On Greasy Cr. n. of Pinev. ("Ghreez/ee") Named for local family who were involved in some way with the E. Jellico Coal Co. in the area. (Dr. Edward S Wilson, tape, 11/27/1978); local rr sta. = Surran on the Cumb. Div. of the L&N. Named for W.L. Surran, a local trainmaster. ("Our Sta. Names—Their Family Trees", L&N EMPLOYES' MAG., 12/1949, P. 17); suspended 9/2/83
TOMSCREEK (Bell Co., Ky): po est. 3/31/1898, Martha E. Campbell, 10/9/99, Jas. A. Campbell...1/19/04, Dora Bingham; Disc. eff. 6/29/1907 (mail to Oaks) (POR-NA); Acc. to Martha E. Campbell, 3/18/1898, this prop. po would be ¼ mi s of the Cumb. R, 100 ft s of Toms Ck, 4 mi sw of Callaway po, 4 mi n of Oaks po, 8 mi n of Cubage po. Not a vil// On 12/27/99, Nannie Bingham pet. for a move ¼ mi e to a pt ½ mi e of the river, 50 ft s of Toms Ck, 4½ mi ne of Callaway po, 7 mi n of Cubage po 10 mi e of Wasioto po. Not a vil. (SLR); T.J. Asher built 12 mi long rr spur with a 2 mi br. along Toms Ck. Fuson II, P. 369);
VANCE (Bell Co., Ky): po est. 8/4/1888, John Partin; Disc. 5/16/89 (papers to Pineville) (POR-NA); Acc. to John Warwick Partin, 4/21/88, the prop. name for this new po was Clear Creek and it would serve the locality of Pine Creek, 16 mi s of the Cumb. R, on the w side of Clear Ck, 16 mi s of Pinev. po. Pine Ck. is betw. the Clear Ck (Vance) po and Boston, on Clear Ck.//Acc. to John Partin, 11/15/88, po was 13 mi w of the river, 20 poles s of Yellow Ck or Clear Ck (sic), 20 mi nw of Cumb. Gap po, 18 mi nw of Yellow Ck po. (SIR); No Vance in 1860 Harlan Co. Census; Rev. W.M. Vance was one of 3 pastors of the Clear Fk. Bap. Chu. org. in 1912. (Fuson, II, Pp. 473-4). He was pastor of Riverview Bapt. Chu. at Calvin, org. in 1921. (Ibid., P. 490
VARILLA (Bell County, Ky.) Wife of Thomas Jefferson Asher, known as T.J. She was nee Howard. Acc. to the Centennial drama, "A Ship in Full Sail" they met at a picnic following a circus parade and fell in love at first sight. After the wedding, they move into a 1-room mt. cabin. TJ got into the timber business with an area of timber land given to the couple by Varilla's parents. Business is good. He buys more timber land in Bell and Harlan Co's. As timber becomes scarcer, TJ turns to coal mining. Built a rr from Pineville to Harlan to move the coal from Harlan Co. The RR later bought by the L&N. Elected judge of
VARILLA (Bell Co.): ("Və/ˈr(ɪlh)lə") c. 9 mi up the Cumb. R. from Pinev. Named for T.J. Asher's wife, Varilla. Coal operation here and for a no. of years the chief generating plant for Ky. Utilities was here. Still coal mining in vic. But mostly staffed by commute. Not much of a miners' community there any more. (Dr. Edward S. Wilson tape, 11/27/1978)

Named for Varilla (Howard) Asher, wife of Thos Jefferson Asher; Varilla, 22, marr. T.J. Asher in 1870; Acc. to 1900 Census, she was nee 5/1848;
VARILLA (Bell Co., Ky.) p.o. est. 4/2/1912 with James T. Morgan, 1st p.m. (Dis. eff. 4/1/1930 with mail to Pineville. (Acc. to the National Archives); T.J. Asher settled at Wasioto, just across the Cumb. R. from Ky. 12 on US119. He bought several tracts on the river; the 1st was several mi. beyond Varilla called Tejay for himself. Then he bought the site of Varilla and named it for his wife. (Letter to me from Mrs. Jane Siler, pm, Calvi Ky., 4/13/1970);
VARILLA (Bell County, Ky.)
Located on the Ky. and Va. RR, of the Cumberland Valley Div. of the L. & N. RR. Six mi. from Harbell, Ky. Named for wife of T.J. Asher, leading citizen and wealthy landowner of that county. He was pres. of the Wasioto & Black Mt. RR which had antedated the K. & V. (R.R. South, "Our Station Names--Their Family Trees" THE L. & N. EMPLOYEES' MAGAZINE, 9/49, P. 14). Varilla was the daughter of Robt. Howard & Lucinda (Bingham) Howard of the Lowe section of Pucketts Creek, Bell Co. (Fuson, HIST. OF BELL CO., KY. 1947, P. 214);
VARILLA (Bell County, Kentucky) "Named for the wife of Judge T.J. Asher, well known citizen of the county." (Hardy's thesis, U.K., 1949, P. 80.)

T.J. Asher (see Tejay, Ky.) married Varilla Howard, 3/3/1870. The village of Varilla was named for her. She was nee 5/14/1848 in Calloway, Ky. (H.H. Fuson, HIST. OF BELL CO., KY. NY: Hobson House Press, 1947, P. 369); One of T.J's. earliest mines was here;
VARILLA (Bell Co., Ky): Acc. to Jas. Thomas Morgan, 5/19/1912, this po was serving a locality aka Dorothy, 150 ft from the Cumb. R, 1½ mi from Hances Ck, 4½ mi from the co. line, 1½ mi from Hances po. (the rest of the film is too light) (map) // Acc. to no sign, June 1912 (or 1913)? the po was 1½ mi n (across the mt) from Hance po, 200 ft s of the river, a vil. of 350 // Acc. to J.M. Kreey (?), per R.C. Callaway, 1/25/1917, po was 100 ft ne of river, 200 ft e of L&N (Varilla Sta.), 2 mi n of Hance po, 2 mi n of Calvin po, 3 mi sw of Miracle po, 7 mi n of Pinev. po. (SLR);
VARILLA (Bell Co., Ky): "This coal town and sta. on the L&N RR's Cumb. Val. Div. are 5 (air) mi e of Pinev. T.J Asher, wealthy landowner and developer of the region's timber and coal resources, est. the town and named it for his wife Varilla (nee Howard) (1848-1935). A po was in operation here from 1912 to 1930." (Book-P. 303);
WALLSEND (Bell Co.): Wallsend Coal & Coke Co. of this community acquired property 1904 but in 1889 the mine was opened. The company was inc. in Ky. but controlled by Englishmen. (Pp. 374-5) The firm's offices, rr sta. telegraph & express offices were at Wallsend. By 1947 it had become a part of Pineville. Called the Wallsend Mine—the 1st to open in the county, 1889. (P. 376) (Fuson, Vol. 2); The RR was completed to Wallsend in 1887.
WALLSEND (Bell Co., Ky): The Wallsend Coal & Coke Co. (of Pinev.) (1909-10 with 175 workers); the earliest coal op'n. here were Pinev. Coal Co. (1903-4 with 300 workers), Wallsend Coal & Coke Co. (1905-5 with 400 workers) and the Wallsend Coal Co. (1906-08 with 200 workers). The Wallsend Mine was the 1st operating coal mine in B. Co. (1889). After the L&N spur arr. in 1888. The mine was acq. by the Wallsend Coal & Coke Co. in 1904, a Ky. company whose financial backers were mostly Englishmen. (Highway Marker at Pinev. on US 25E);
WALLSEND (Bell Co., Ky): po est. 1/18/1898, Edmund A. Starling, 12/5/99, Reno Short; Disc. eff. 4/30/00 (papers to Pineville); Re-est. 8/27/00, Reno Short, 8/20/04, Chas. E. Hall....Disc. 1950 (POR-NA); Acc. to 1920 Census, Edmund Starling (33) & wife Lula (35) lived on the Straight Ck. Rd in Arjay Prec. 8½. He was listed as a mine super. Obviously, he was not the Starling mentioned above;
WALLSEND (Bell Co., Ky): Acc. to Edward A. Starling, 12/10/1897, this prop. po would be \( \frac{1}{2} \) mi n of Cumb. R, \( \frac{1}{2} \) (?) mi from Straight Ck, 5 yds w of L&N (West Pineville Sta.), 1 1/8 mi n of Pinev. po, 6 mi s of Flat Lick po, 3 mi n of Wasioto po. Vil. of 150// Acc. to Reno Short, 3/18/00, the po was re-est. 8/27/00 and was serving West Pineville, \( \frac{1}{4} \) mi n of river, \( 1\frac{1}{4} \) mi w of Straight Ck, 30 ft s of L&N, 5 mi from co. line, \( 1\frac{1}{4} \) mi w of Pinev. po, 4 mi e of Fourmile po, 3 mi sw of Straight Ck po// Acc. to Axie McDonald, 1/31/17, po was ca. 1250 ft w of river, 1 mi w of the mouth of Straight Ck, ca. 60 ft s of L&N (Wallsend Sta.)// On 10/7/33, Ibid. pet. for a move 208 ft w to a pt.
½ mi w of the river, 2 mi e of 4 Mi. Ck, 80 ft s of L&N, 1 or 1½ mi w of Pinev. po, 2 mi e of Fourmile po// Acc. to Ibid., 7/24/39, po was ½ mi n of the river, 1 mi w of Pinev. po, 3 mi e of Fourmile po, 600 ft w of US 25E, on 4th St., Pinev., 108 ft e of Wallsend Sta. (SLR);
WASIOTO (Bell Co.): T.J. Asher lived and raised his family here and here was his office. Lumber workers' homes had been torn down before the war. (H.H. Fuson, HIST. OF BELL CO., KY. 1947, P. 222); "Little remains of a once prosperous sawmill and later coal town on US 119 and the Cumb. R. opp. Pineville's present so. limits. In 1889 T.J. Asher built one of the largest sawmills in se Ky. at this site and, on Nov. 5, 1889, est. a po to which he allegedly gave the old Cherokee name for the Cumb. Gap--Ouasioto or 'mountain pass'. " (Book-P.310);
WASIOTO (Bell Co., Ky): The name means "land full of deer." The vic. was 1st settled by the W.M. Howard fam from NC, on US 119. Land bought by T.J. Mill there for poplar & white oak. Headq. of the Wasioto-Black Mt. RR Wasioto (or Asher's) Spring. (Acc. to Ella Howard of Corbin, Ky. in KY. EXPL. Vol. 11 (7), 1/1997, Pp. 4-5) The Wasioto-Black Mt. RR extended from Wasioto to Tom' Ck., up the Cumb. R. Later acq. by the L&N and extend to Harlan. (Ella Howard in Ibid., Vol. 11 (2), 6/1996, P. 107);
WASIOTO (Bell Co., Ky): Acc. to Thos. J. Asher, 9/17/89, this prop. po would be ca. 500 ft from the L&N's C.V. Branch, 1 mi s of Pinev. po, 8 mi w of Calloway po, 5 mi n of Roost po. (Wasioto Sta.), a vil. of 100-150// Acc. to Rob't. Asher, 12/29/13, po was 250 ft n of river, 3/4 mi e of Clear Ck, 50 ft n of L&N (Wasioto Sta.), 5 mi from co. line. (map)// Acc. to Emma Smith, 7/28/39, po was on the s side of US 119, 900 ft from the river, 1¼ mi se of Pinev. rr Sta (the nearest), 1½ mi se of Pinev po. (SLR);
WASIOTO (Bell Co.): po est. 11/5/1889, Thos. J. Asher...(NA); In the early 1890s, T.J. Asher & sons built large sawmill on their land at this place. Lumber business till after 1900 when they went into coal business. Their sawmill here was the largest in the county's hist (Henry Harvey Fuson, HIST. OF BELL CO., KY. NY: Hobson House Press, 1947, Vol. 1, P. 11); Allegedly named for the old Indian name applie to the Cumberland Gap and the surrounding mts. (Mrs. Marianne C. Armstrong, paper given 1/1/1942 at a mtg. of the Ky. Path Chapter, DAR, i Middlesboro, Ky. in ms. form, KHS Lib.)
WASIOTA (sic) (Bell Co.): The site of a large mill which prepared logs floated down the Cumb. R. for rail shipment. (Elmon Middleton, HARLAN CO., KY. 1934, P. 44); Wasioto was named for the Iroquois name for the Cumb. Mt. (Ouasioto Acc. to Gist's Journ., Pp. 271-2) or Waseoto or Ono-siota (on Evans 1755 map & Hutchins 1778 map). Meaning mts. of many deer. (Kerr, Pp. 8-9); T.J. Asher was called Jack. (Wm. Beckner in the Winch, Ky. Demo. 10/21/89); The Wasioto site was early called Paulsen Station. The W. name was applied by the Cherokee to the Cumb. Mt. Also sp. Osioto & Disioto. (Michael Steely in KY EXPL. Vol. 11 (6), 11/2/1996, P. 65);
WASIOTO (Bell Co): ("W(ah)s/ee/(oh)ʃta")

An Indian name. Originally a settlement for a saw and timber operation run by T.J. Asher. (Dr. Edward S. Wilson tape, 11/27/1978); Named for an Indian tribe once in the area. (Hardy, thesis; 1949, P. 31);

Cumberland Gap had been called Ouasioto or "Mountain pass" by the Indians. T.J. Asher applied this name but changed the spelling to a sawmill town e. of Pineville. (John Ed Pearce, "Bell Co." P. 10 of "Focus on Ky." series in LCJM, 5/14/1978, Pp. 8ff); Named for a famous Iroquois). Same pron.

Indian chief. DK who named it. (Red Harp, 3/24/79)
WASIOTO (Bell Co.): Logs were sent down the Cumb. R. to the mill built here by Asher in 1889 to be prepared for rail shipment from this place. The mill closed in 1910. (Fuson, P. 368 and Elmon Middleton); Acc. to 1895-6 Gaz, this place was on L&N, 1 1/2 mi from Pinev. Pop.=100. T.J. Asher was pm. With his sons he had a hardware, lumber, and gen. store. Jos. Davis was rr & expr. agent; T.J. lived in Calloway 1870-81 when he moved to Wasioto site. He timbered in both places. Built a sawmill at Wasioto site in 1889 with a circ. saw. In 1895 converted to use of bandsaw. Got into coal mining 1910. Pres. of the Asher Coal Mining Co. with mines at Colmar, Varilla, & Tejay. (Kerr, P. 198);
WASIOTO (Bell Co., Ky): T.J. Asher & Sons Lumber Co. was est. in 1886 by Rennebaum & Slawson with their circular saw mill 2 mi above Pinev. The Ashers acq. the mill & prop. in 1890 and converted it to a band sawmill. The mill was at the site where the rr leaves the river to proceed south....T.J.'s oldest son Robt. was the co's. busi. mgr. Other sons were also involved (T.C. Tipton The Cumb. Coal Field and its Creators, M'borough: The Pinnacle Printery, 1905, qtd. in Fusor II, Pp. 363-6); T.J. lived in Wasioto. He dev'd. lumber & coal ind's. in Bell & Harlan Co's and built rr's and roads (incl. what became US 25E, the so-called "Dixie Highway"). More on family history....
T.J. built 12 mi long rr with a 2 mi branch along Tom's Creek (Ibid., Pp. 366-9). ca. 1910, when T.J. gave up the lumber business he built rr from Wasioto up the river to Tejay and dev'd. mines on his land there. The line was later extended ito Harlan Co. (Ibid., P. 380); Acc. to 1870 Harlan Co. Census, Thos. J. Asher (22), son of Jackson & Margaret Hendrickson Asher. He married Verilla (sic) (22) in 1870 and they lived in the Callaway po Dist. #7; Acc to 1900 B. Co. Census, Thos. J. Asher (5/48) & wife Verilla (sic) (5/48) & son Rob't. (6/72), son Andrew (5/79) lived in Pinev. Town;


WASIOTO (Bell Co., Ky): Acc. to Chas. Asher, the Cumb R. area was called Quisoto by the Indians, referring to a land full of deer. Here were the offices of T.J. Asher & Sons Lumber Co. Mouth of Clear Ck. The site was visited by Dr. Walker who called it Wasioto Gap, where the river cuts thru Pine Mt. cf Robert L. Kinkcaid's The Wilderness Road. T.J. of Beverly, Ky. bought out Rennebaum & Slawson's sawmill operation in 1886. The mill was nr the later Wasioto Bap. Chu. Asher bought it in 1890. Then the mill was converted from a circular sawmill to a board sawmill. Nr the po was the Asher Springs, source of local drinking water
The Light Hole...DPO. Great Southern Refining Co. there before 1927. Sold to Texaco who later moved it to M'boro (1927). Standard Oil of Ky built a bulk plant nr the 119 bridge. Ceased op. 1979. (1994 hist. Pp. 52-53);
WEST PINEVILLE (Bell Co., Ky): po est. 5/10/1890, Wilkerson P. Durham; Disc. 10/31/1891 (mail to Pinev.) (POR-NA); Acc. to Wilkerson P. Durham, 10/28/1889, the prop. name for this new po was Cumberland and it would serve the vil. and rr sta. of West Pineville, ca. 6 rods from the C.V. Br. of the L&N, 3 mi se of Conant p 1½ mi nw of Pinev. po, 7 mi n of Roost po. Vil. of 350-400 pop. (SLR); The 1st coal mine opened here in 1888 Owned by some Englishmen. (Bell Co. Story, 1967). This was the co's. 1st coal mine; In the 1890s Wallsend was founded after the dev'mt. of the Wallsend Coal & Coke Co's. mine at West Pineville. (1994 Hist., P. 22);
WHERRETTY (Knox Co., Ky): po operated from 1829-1830. (P&G); Jenny Lynch could find no listing of a Wherretty po in Knox Co. But she did find a Peter Wherrett as being a pm at Cumberland Ford po (in Bell Co.). The Cumberland Ford po (forerunner of Pineville) was est. in then Knox Co. 3/31/1818 with Moses Dorton, pm. It was disc. 5/31/1823 and re-est. 3/11/1824 with Moses Dorton. He was succeeded 6/6/1826 by Jas. Renfro. On 11/19/1829 it became Wherretts with Peter Wherrett. Then back to Cumberland Ford 2/11/1830 with Jas. Renfro and to Bell Co. in 1868. But Jenny could find no record of Peter Wherrett as pm of Cumb. Ford or that the office was briefly called Wherretts. (her letter to me, 5/14/2003)
WHITSETT (Bell Co., Ky): po est. 2/28/1898, Jas. B. Robinson, declined, 4/4/98, David B. Whitsett; Disc. 4/5/99 (papers to Wallsend) (POR-NA); Acc. to J.B. Robinson, 1/1898, this prop. po would be 300 yds w of the river, ¼ mi s of 4 Mi Ck, 300 ft e of L&N, serving a coal mine and a densely pop. ngbd., 4 mi n of Pinev. po, 4 mi s of Flat Lick po. (SLR); D.P. Whitsett acq. 13½ acres on a br. of Greasy Ck and it was surv. on 6/17/1895. He also acq. 18 acres on Greasy Ck (3/27/96 and 60 acres on Oatfield Br. (3/28/96) (Jillson II, P. 1831);
The Winona Coal & Coke Co. up Mingo Hol. In 1905 it succeeded the Bennetts Fk. Coal Co. (1906-1909, 1914-192 acc. to Dodrill). Winona was the Cherokee name applied t the Yellow Ck. val. J.L. Manring was pres. ca. 1907. P.T Golgan was then G.M. (Mayes, Pp. 17-18);
YELLOW CREEK (Bell Co., Ky): The 1st settlers were led by John Turner from Chadwell Sta, Lee Co., Va. They erected a block house. DK when but after the Rev. This bldg. is now "covered" by Fern Lake. (Marianne Armstrong DAR ms, 1942). Col. Arthur Campbell from Wash. Co, Va. came here and bought a "large tract of land on (both) sides of the Cumb. Gap." (Ibid.) Col. John Colson acq. land on the ck in the area that became M'boro. and built the 1st store. He was a dr, lawyer, preacher, & judge for that settlement. Built the 1st brick bldg. in Ky. before the CW and the 1st M'boro. bldg. This was his home. (Ibid.); This was the only po in that val. ca. 1877. It was just below the tannery on the old Wilderness Rd (Fuson, P. 136) The 1st settlers in this val. were Turners, Raines, & Marsees. (Ibid., P. 139);
YELLOW CREEK (Bell Co.): po est. in Knox Co. 2/11/1839, Robert George...into Josh Bell Co. when that co. was est. ...Disc. 1/30/1890 (papers to Middlesborough) (NA); Yellow Creek Valley was 1st settled (in the vic. of Middleboro) in early 1780s. (H.H. Fuson, HIST. OF BELL CO., KY. NY: Hobson House Press, 1947, Vol. I, P. 9); Yellow Creek (stream) was 1st called Flat Creek (by Dr. Walker who describe it in his journal as "a branch that made a great deal of flat land...Several other branches coming in to make it a large creek..."

This flat land is the site of the present cit of Middlesboro. (Mrs. Marianne C. Armstrong, paper given 1/1/1942 at a mtg. of the Ky. Pat Chap. DAR, in M'boro, Ky)
YELLOW CREEK (Bell Co., Ky): Acc. to J.C. Slusher, 3/2, 1886, this po was 8 mi sw of Cumb. R, 75 yds w of Yellow Ck, 4.7 mi s of Roost po, 5.3 mi n of Cumb. Gap po, 7 mi w of Clear Fk po// In 2/1888, Wm. H. Evans pet. for a move 3/4 mi nw to a pt 11 mi s of the river on the n side of Big Yellow Ck, ca. 6 mi s of Roost po, 5 mi w of Cumb. Gap po (Tenn.). (SLR); Acc. to 1883-4 Gaz, this po/com. was named for a small ngbd stream. 2 gen. stores: (1) J.C. Colson, (2) W.G. Colson; Acc. to 1879-80 Gaz, it was a po; Acc. to 1876-7 Gaz, this was a small settlement on that named stream, 11 mi from Pinev. Exports: feathers, beeswax, & furs. John C. Colson was pm & gen. storekeeper;
YELLOW CREEK (Bell Co., Ky): The creek heads at 36°36'16"N/83°44'16"W. Extends e and n to the Cumb. R. at 36°43'10"N/83°38'30"W. Flows thru Middlesb. Only the lower sect. is properly known as Big Yellow Ck. (BGN memo, 11/15/1966); Little Yellow Ck heads 36°33'13"N/83°47'00"W on Fork Ridge in Claiborne Co. It extends ne and e. (DGN Proposal, 11/15/66); In the late 19 cent. the po was at a site opp. the present L&N freight depot (ca. 1939) (Fuson, P. 158); The stream is 14 mi long. (ca. 1981); The ck. was so identified in 1782 surveys; It heads at the confl. of Stony & Bennett's Fks, w of M'borough. Flows thru town and n for 15 mi to the r. at Ponza. (Fuson, P. 48);
YELLOW CREEK (Bell Co.): ("Y(eh)lɔ Kreek")
(Dr. Edward S. Wilson tape, 11/27/1978);
1st called Flat Creek by Walker. Refers to the fairly flat bottom land. DK why renamed Yellow Creek... (Kenneth Red Harp, interview, 3/24/1979); "In looking from Pinnacle into Ky in the early days one saw a large level space caused by a branch. Several other branches flowing into this made of it a large creek which Dr. Thos. Walker called Flat Creek."
Now called Yellow Creek from the color of the water. (JUST THE LITTLE STORY. OF CUMB. GAP, by Lawrence Meredith Vaughn; pub. by the Middlesb. Ch. of Com. 1927, Pp. 7, 14);

1 Y mi long. Joins Cumb. R.
YINGLING (Bell Co.): R.G. Yingling was vice pres. of East Jellico Mine, Coalport, Ky. (Rept. of Insp. of Mines, of Ky., Lex. 1905, P. 168);
The Premier Coal Co. of M'boro 1927-1942 (Dodrill). It succeeded the Bellman Coal Co. in 1927. J.L. Manring was pres. in 1927. (Mayes, P. 18);
The Continental Coal Corp. had op'ns. at Rim, Straight Ck, Cary, Wallsend, Arjay, and Heyburn (1909-1915). It's said to have been Bell Co's. largest coal co. over the years. It acq. these coal co's: Black Raven, Black Bear Edward Blake, Left Fk, Highland Rim Mining, Central Coal: Straight Ck. Coal & Coke, Straight Ck. Colliery Co., Straight Ck. Coal Mining, Wallsend Coal & Coke. Prop's. sold at auction (bankruptcy) in Pinev. 9/1917 and subsequently acq. by the Liberty Coal & Coke and the Fed'l Coal Co. (Mayes, P. 143); (The Cumb. Coal Field and Its Creators (a pict'l. hist. of M'boro. and the Am. Ass'n. Land Co's. Coal Mines in Mingo Hol., comp. & pub'd. by Clyde Mayes, Apr. 2000);
Wallace Williamson suggests that I tele. Co. Judge Willie Hendrickson, former basketball coach and only recently elected judge. Say that Wallace suggested I call, that he might be able to suggest someone to head up the Bell Co. P. N. Survey. He's a political colleague of Wallace's. He knows everyone in Bell Co. and has been in the school system. But he never answers letters and this is why it is suggested that I call him. (7/5/1972)

Jack Colson, 70, retired airport mgr., Middleboro, Ky. (suggested by R.B. Campbell, 1972.)
Mr. Lou Croley of the Pinev. Weekly (no longer in publication). Acc. to Gypsy Wilson, he'd once asked his readers for Bell Co. place name accts. Check if these were ever reported to and recorded in issues of his publication.