

HANCOCK COUNTY (Ky.): 187 sq. miles but this is constantly changing since the Ohio R. "erodes a bit of Hancock Co. every day." (P.3) (Chas. A. Clinton, A HIST. OF HANCOCK CO., KY ms. copy in the Owensboro P.L., n.d.);

ADAIR. (HANCOCKE CO, KY): 80. ept. as  
new chapel 5/7/1890 c Jos. D. Lewis  
ch to ADAIR. 12/15/1892, ibid, 5/25/91  
Jos. D. Lewis — disc 1956 (SR); 1<sup>ST</sup>  
called falcon sta. to serve nearby  
falcon mines. new chapel po = c 1 mi.  
nw of Adair est. 1890 but po moved to  
Adair in 1892 + nch to Adair. Adair  
was a tr siding c 5 ch. + "p";

AYRES. LANDING (HAMMOCK CO, KY) = PO.  
est. 4/9/1888, Jam E. Ayres. Disc. 7/25/9.  
(p. to Hawesville) (SCR);

CLOVERPORT (Breck. Co., Ky): "This 5th. cl.  
c̄kty with po is on the Ohio R. at the mouth o  
Clover Ck, 9 (ār) mi wnw of Gardinsb. The

AYRES LANDING (Hancock Co., Ky): On the Ohio R. at the left of Ky. 271 where it joins the river. Est. by Sam Ayres' grandfather. Had river landing, po, and store. Morrison Chapel Presbyterian Church once on the site of the present Nat'l. Southwire Aluminum Plant on the River Road (Ky. 314). Nearby was Goose Pond School (1 room) The community was known as Goose Pond. The school was built c. 1900. It was first called Goose Pond Seminary (Hancock Clarion, 4/30/1981 & 5/7/1981) The church may have been named for the Rev. J.H. Morrison who helped org. it. (Both of these articles were by Jack Foster. Acc. to Field's Guide, there is a Goose Pond Church in F687nw, Hancock Co.)

BENNETTSVILLE (HANCOCK CO., KY.): PO.  
est. 2/22/1855; Jas. H. Moorman --- 2/26  
1862, Jas. Thompson, Disc 4/30/62 (SLR)  
Town est. for the prod'n of cannel coal  
into oil, c. late 1840's +, several yrs. later  
fact. caught fire + proj. was abandon-  
ed. Later, another co. was org. + town was  
rebuilt as Victoria + mined coal was  
to be used for gas making. This too  
failed thru inept mgmt. (Marilyn McKnight  
ms. "Cloverport: A Bit of Hist." 1932.  
"... + files - Rich. Co. N. Ky.")

BLACKFORD CREEK (Daviness-Hancock Co.. boundary  
First called Otter Creek. Renamed for a  
hunter named Blackford who camped there and  
hunted in 1781-2. Maj. Wm.. Bailey Smith hunt-  
ed along its banks in 1780. (Potter's hist.  
of Daviness Co.. 1974, P. 14);

CABOT (HANCOCK CO, KY) : Po. est.  
7/2/1897, Ada Chancellor, 10/27/98,  
Sarah E BEATTY --- 12/8/1911 Oscar  
Chancellor; Disc 2/28/13 (m to Tom  
in Ohio Co.?). (SLR); named for John  
Cabot, the Engl. explorer, by Alonzo  
Chancellor, storekeeper. (Mary Polly  
Richardson, et al, Han. Clarion);



CHAMBERS. (Hancock Co.): po est. 5/25/1882, Robert J. Chambers..1/9/1894, Ira N. Chambers ... (NA); ("Chām/berz") Named for a settlement of Chambers prior to the est. of the po. Dr. Chambers of Owensboro is a descendant. Used to have 2 stores; now it's all farmland; large farms. Nothing there now of a vil. Blackford Chu. is  $\frac{1}{2}$  mi. w. of site. Locally the name is still known. (C. Dawson, interview, 8/24/78);

DUKES (Hancock Co.): ("Dyūx") Nr. the Breck. Co. line. Named for a local family. DK when they settled there but it was before 1893. Still locally called that. Now: only the Dukes Pres. Chu. (C. Dawson Mayfield, interview, 8/24/1978); ACC to Ethel Morin of Terre Haute, Ind. in Hancock 10/1/1981, 2 local stores (1) John Duke, Sr. who later sold to Chas. Johnson, Charlie Cahal, Richard Lapp, Otis Basham (in order) + Zach Trudle, across the road, Duke's grade sch. (2 rm.), chu.

DUKES (Hancock Co.): Founded in the 1870s by John L. Dukes (acc. to V. Starks, "John L. Dukes and Dukes Community" HANCOCK CLARION, c1968. (A HIST. OF HANCOCK CO., KY. by Chas. A. Clinton, ms. copy in the Owensboro P.L., n.d. P. ); In c.1865 the settlement had a saw-mill, grist mill, po, sch., store, 2 homes, blacksmith shop. (Ibid., P. 43); po est. 6/7/1893, John L. Duke...Disc. eff. 9/30/1907 (m. to Patesville) (NA);

EASTON (Hancock Co.): PO est. 3/3/1893, Sam'l Easton; 2/24/1899, Chas. D. Easton...Disc. 12/31/1913 (mail to Fordsville) (NA); Named for Sam'l. Easton, a C.W. vet, who ran the store & po. The po was in his store. He had the 1st store there. His son Chas. ran the store after him, and later his grandson, Jethro Easton. Noted for the manu. of handmade brooms. Before WWII, there were 3 stores in the commu. & another c. 1 mi. away. Pop. then employed in oil field and timber work. Now: only empty store bldgs., 2 churches, and homes. People commute to Fordsville for groceries & mail....(Mary Jolly Richards, etal. "The Southern Part of Hancock Co." HANCOCK CLARION early July, 1968, n.p.); 75th anni. ed.

EASTON (Hancock Co.): ("Eest/an") Named for the Easton family, in the e. part of the co nr. the Breck. & Ohio Co. lines. The last Easton there died. The Eastons ran a store there. Now: nothing there. For the past 40 50 yrs. site of oil producing wells. Still pumping. (C. Dawson Mayfield, interview, 8/24/1978); After the oil supply began to be depleted some 20 yrs.. ago, people left. The name is current. Now: several oil tanks but mostly farming area. Rough terrain. On the Easton Rd. (Ibid.);

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FLORAL (Hancock Co.): po est. 11/2/1889, Thos V.T. Baker...(NA); In 1951, Henry Schafer & his family gave their home and farm as a summe camp for Bapt, children called Schafer Mem. Bapt. Home. (anon. ms. prepared sometime after 1961, P. 4, in the Hancock Co. Library, examin by me, 8/24/1978); A farming commu. past & now ("Fl(aw)/r21") Had: 2 stores and a po. DK why so named or if it had the name before the po was est. Betw. Pellv. & Blackford, on the rd. Nr. Daviess Co. line. A settlement of Bakers; one was a 19th cent. county judge. Known by oldtimers as Floral. Now: only a Bapt. camp called Schafer Camp. (C.D. Mayfield, 8/24/78);

FREE (HANCOCK CO, KY): PO. EST. 1/1/1910  
1910, Wm. McGovern; Disc 5/31/18 (mail  
to Cloverport) (SER);

GLADY (Hancock Co, Ky): P.O. est. 7/31/  
1893, L.A. Chancellor, order rescind  
ed 9/7/93 (SLR);



GOERING: (Hancock Co.): po est. 7/18/1900,  
John H. Glover..Disc. eff. 1/31/1907 (mail to  
Hawesville) (NA); Named for Betty Vance, the  
postmaster at Hawesville at that time. With  
the maiden name of Goering, she helped get  
the Goering po est. (Emmett Layton Hardy,  
LCJ series "In Old Ky." on pn origins, 1/15/  
1950); ("G(aw)r/(ih)") On Ky. 69 betw.  
Hawesv. and Weberstown. DK why so named. A  
family name. Store went out of business a yr.  
or so ago. Still locally called by this name.  
(C. Dawson Mayfield; interview, 8/24/1978);

HALEBURGH (HANCOCK CO, KY): Po.  
est. 9/24/83, Dan'l. S. Hale, 2/22/88,  
Thos. Richards; Disc. 11/11/92 (P. to  
Lyonia) (SER);

HANCOCK MINES (HANCOCK CO, KY) = PO  
est. 12/12/73, Titus Cummings; Disc  
1/20/76 (SLR);

HAWESVILLE (Hancock Co.) <sup>mercantile</sup> The act that created the co. signed by gov. 1/3/1829 fixed the county's seat at the mouth of Lead Creek on Richard Hawes' land to be called Hawesville. The townsit~~e~~ was settled, tho., before 1829. Hawes donated the land on which the town was est. and laid out. Ne Va. brought his family to Ky. in 1810. Sometime after 1820 he came into possession of a large tract at the Hawesv site and sent 2 sons, Albert & Edwin to homestead it. He never lived there himself. Inc. 1836. 1st boomed as result of coal mining in area in the 1840s which lasted until after the CW. Steamboat building and operation and the built homes just W. of town and became successful farmers & coal m'n.

ferry service to Indiana were other major sources of Hawesville's 19th cent. growth. Since 1929 when the depression closed the remaining mines in the area, the town's economy became based on agri. prod'n. (...)  
(Leota Cleaver, "Hawesville Began as Homesteads in 1820's" HANCOCK CLARION Spec. 75th Anni. Ed., c.1968);

early July, N.P.

town grew in response to coal mines opened in the area in the 1840's. -- Pop. and econ. decline followed decline in mining ind. after c.w. (---)

HAWESVILLE (Hancock Co., Ky.) Inc. 1836.  
Named for Richard Hawes, owner of land on which  
town was located. (Grubbs, P. 240); Acc. to  
the Act~~s~~ of the G.A. that was signed 1/3/1829  
by Gov. Metcalfe that created Hancock Co., the  
seat was to be located at the mouth of Lead  
Creek on land owned by Richard Hawes and would  
be called Hawesville. PO est. 12/7/1830, Wm.  
L. Prescott, pm. Inc. 1836. (Pp. 24-5) (Chas.  
A. Clinton, A HIST. OF HANCOCK CO., KY., ms.  
copy in the Owensboro P.L., n.p.); po est.  
12/7/1830,, Wm. L. Prescott... (NA);

10/24/29, Sam'l. C. Jennings  
7/17/30, Geo. McGrew

HAWESVILLE (Hancock Co.): In the steamboat era this was a "major fueling station for coal burners on the Ohio R." (P. 12) And the trade "exchange" between the county's hinterland and the "outside world." River freight "unloaded" there and transshipped to upcountry towns. (P. 13) H'ville dominated the county's trade. (P. 13 (Chas. A. Clinton, A HIST. OF HANCOCK CO., KY. ms. copy in the Owensboro P.L., n.p.); (pron. "H(āw)z/v(ih)l") (C. Dawson Mayfield, 8/24/78);

HAWESVILLE (Hancock County): Richard Hawes, a Virginian, to Ky. 1810. In 1820, settled at Yelvington. Gave land for the site of Hawesv. Offered free lot to all who would build homes there. He died a wealthy man, 1829. (From ms. hist. of Hawesville, anon. in the Hancock Co. Libr., P. 1, examined by me, 8/24/1978.); Richard Hawes, ne 2/3/1772, Va. and died 11/29/1829 in Daviess Co., Ky. (Acc. to inscription on stone at Hawes Cem. at the old Hawes place overlooking the Kingfisher Lake on the Owensboro & Yelvington Rd. nr. Y'ton, Ky. 10 mi. e. of Owensboro.) He was ne Caroline Co., Va.



HUFF'S CREEK (HANCOCK CO, KY):

PO. est. 3/24/62, Wm. H. Pills, 9/10/62,

Wm Huff -- 5/26/71, John Steel, Disc.

3/11/72; Re-est. 3/25/72, Wm O. Keown

Disc 3/19/1872 (SLR);

INDIAN LAKE (Hancock Co.): On US60 on a man-made lake. ("Ihnd/yən Lak") A pvt. club est. & inc. 1916 on 118 acres bought in 1914 by 3 O'boro businessmen: Josh T. Griffith, D.C. Simpson, and Elmer Miller. They est. a hunting and fishing lodge for limited membership. Cottage and dam built and created a small lake or pond. Acc. to "The Story of Indian Lake" typescript by James Van Winkle, Pres. Indian Lake Club, Inc. Now: cottages as permanent dwellings & summer homes. Club house is also yr. round. In the summer a resort commu. No commu. there before 1916. (C.D. Mayfield, 8/24/1978);

LEWISPORT (Hancock Co.): A descendant of Samuel B. Pell, Jos. Curtis Pell write a short hist. of Lewisport, 1839-1939. From this: acc. to records in the Co. Clerk's office, the settlement was chartered 9/15/1839 as Lewisport for the co-owners of the land, the Lewises, with the Prentis (sic) family. "Some wanted the town to be named Prentisport, as James Prentis was the 1st settler in Lewisport. He was closely followed by Dr. Lewis, for whom the town was named. The old family tradition is that, because of the warm friendship existing between Jas. Prentis and Dr. Lewis, Mr.

Prentis insisted that the new town be called Lewisport instead of Prentisport." It was 1st called Little Yellow Banks before it was surveyed and laid out as a town. "So called because of the river bank being so yellow and high which caused the settlers to select the site above high water. Owensboro was then called Big Yellow Banks." It was laid out with "main st. about 100 yards from the bluff bank." A flatboat landing in early days. In 1849 the town was destroyed by fire. Due to its location amid large virgin forest of large trees, the

local pop. developed important timber industry. (P. 97) Logging, shipping logs by rafts floated down to markets in the south. Whipsaw mills est. Became center for ~~the~~ flatboat ~~industry~~ building. Later became major steamboat shipping pt. The town grew. (P. 98) The 1st permanent store was started by Jos. Curtis Pell (son of Sam'l. B. Pell (of Pellsville), ne Bracken Co. 6/5/1822....) in 1841.... (P. 99, 105) (The Lewisport Hist. by Pell was examined by me in the Hancock Co. Library, 8/24/1978);

in Edna S. Pell, The Descendants  
and of Wm Pell, Sr. of Kent Co. Md. 1922 pp. 96-100.

LEWISPORT (Hancock Co.): When known as Little Yellow Banks it was but a "stopping off place on the Hardinsburg Trail." between Breck. Co. and Big Yellow Banks (Owensb.) and north to Indiana. Timbered land and "prox. of Ohio R." attracted early settlers. In 1837 platted and recorded by John & Jas. Prentice. By 1839, it had already become a prosperous commu. focused on several lumbering businesses. In the early 1900s it became a tob. shipping port with the decline of lumber shipping since the timber supply was depleting. By WWI, the rr had "replaced the river as (chief) means of transportation." Then US60 & auto. transp. Decline in econ. base & pop. But resurgence

with diff. econ. base. 7/1955, Murray Tile Co., now American Olean Tile Co., a div. of Nat'l. Gypsum. New subdivisions just off US60. Harvey Aluminum's plant built 1964... (Unsigned article on town for the HANCOCK CLARION's spec. 75th anni. ed., early July, 1968, n.p.);

LEWISPORT (Hancock Co.): po est. 3/7/1844,  
Wm. B. Schoolfield; 7/17/1845, Gabriel J.  
Pate....(NA); 1st chartered 9/15/1839 and  
named Lewisport for one of the 2 early land-  
owners, the Lewis and Prentice families. Effort  
to name it Prenticeport for Jas. Prentice, 1st  
settler, was not successful since Prentice,  
acc. to family trad, insisted that the town be  
named for Dr. Lewis, a later arrival, for who  
he had est. a very "warm friendship". Before  
town was laid out, the site was called Little  
Yellow Banks "so called because of the river  
bank being so yellow and high (sic) which  
caused the settlers to select the site above  
high water. Owensb. was then called Big



Yellow Banks." Flatboat landing in the early days....1st main industry was lumbering: lumbering and shipping logs down the Ohio R. since town was in midst of "vast primieval (sic) forest of immense trees." Whipsaw mills. Flatboat building. Later steamboat port. Town peopled first by Virginians. Woodyards to supply fuel for steamboats...(Rose Pell Henderson for the city's Centennial, 9/15/1939 and repro. in THE HANCOCK CLARION, spec. 75th anni. edit. early July, 1968, n.p.);

Lewisport (Hancock Co., Ky) = until #

1839 was called Little Yellow Banks.

John Lewis, Jr., he 1763, was 1st permanent  
settler. Rec'd. a site patent 1785 in/

around old Fortification ch. → Yellow  
ch. (of Ohio R.) (see Foster "So. Hi. Bee"

Told = Footnotes To Hancock Co. Hist."


in Hancock Clarion, 8/6/1981);

LEWISPORT (Hancock Co.): Named for one of the county's earliest settlers, John Lewis who surveyed the land betw. Salt & Green Rivers in 1788. He brought his wife to a fort on Yellow Creek in 1799 (Perrin, 1885, Pp. 6-8). He named Lewisport in 1839. This is a small town in the ne part of the co. (P. 2) Considered a town, as is Hawesville....(P. 3) A trading ctr. and shipping pt. (P. 13) Platted by the Prentiss bros. & John Lewis, 1839. Inc. 1844. (P. 25)... In 1849 a "fire destroyed much of Lewisport." Rebuilt. Trading commu. served Lewisp. and the Tywhapity (sic) Bottoms and Waitman Ngrbrds. Agri. prod's. & timber and timber prod'ts. were chief exports. (P.27) (A HIST. OF HANCOCK CO., KY. by Chas. A. Clinton, ms. copy in the Owensboro P.L.. n.d.):

LEWISPORT (Hancock Co.): Fast growing commu. From pop. of 610 in 1960 to 1695 in 1970. Some of the increase due to annexation but primarily to industrialization. Early a trading center for lower Hancock & e. Daviess Co's. farmers. Now has medical clinic, commu. ctr., nursing home, pvtly owned tel. co., Amer. Olean Tile Co. plant to manufacture ceramic tiles attracted by the rich fireclay and shale resources in the area., bank, po. Nearby rolling mill of the Harvey Aluminum Co. ("Lewisport: A Small City Moving Ahead" OWENSBORO MESS-INQ.. 3/14/1971, Sec. C, P. 1:1-8);

LEWISPORT (Hancock Co.): 1st called Little Yellow Banks, a riverbank settlement. Residents "wished to dignify their hamlet with a proper name." Honored John Lewis, a pioneer settler in that area who owned much land in the county and about half the lots in the hamlet itself. He was a Virginian. John & Jas Prentis had come after Lewis but had settled in the immediate vic. of the hamlet before he had. They too came from Va. and owned much land in the co. and owned the rest of the pla of what became Lewisport. Acc. to Rose Pell Henderson (in the HIST'L. ED. OF THE HANCOCK CLARION), the Prentises "insisted the new settlement be called Lewisport..." (Chas. A. Clinton, A HIST. OF HANCOCK CO., KY. ms. in O'horo P.L. ... P. 26).

LEWISPORT (Hancock Co.): DK when it was named  
Lewisport. ("Lū/(ih)s/p(aw)rt") (C. Dawson  
Mayfield, interview, 8/24/1978);



✓ LOVERS LEAP (Hancock Co., Ky): Across the street from the ct. hse. at Hawesv. and up a hill. Up a narrow path about 150 ft. Seven large "rocks jutting out of the hill side, flat on top, but very rugged on the sides. The sides distinctly showed water marks of many ages ago." On the top there<sup>w</sup> hundred of names "carved in every inch of the rocks...in layers going back to untold years, though most of the dates were indecipherable. At one end of the largest over-hanging rock I noticed the end looked like a seat had been worn in it. I asked about it and (here) is the story of why

'Lover's Leap' is so called. The end of the rock was the trysting place of a young Indian couple who were very much in love with each other, but were forbidden to marry or to see each other, and the rock was their meeting place. The story goes that the young chief was killed and his sweetheart, Negahnakee, went to the trysting place, climbed up on the rock and threw herself off. Since then it has been the meeting place of all the lovers in that vicinity. For at least 60 years young lovers have been



carving their names.... (Acc. to Cecelia M  
Laswell of Hancock Co., from interview with  
Judge G.W. Newman of Hawesville, WPA ms.)

✓ LOVER'S LEAP (Hancock Co., Ky): "on top of a high hill (opposite the south side of the Courthouse in Hawesville, county seat of Hancock is Lover's Leap) are seven huge boulders carved with hundreds of names and dates. Local legend explains the names by not one but several Indian maidens who died for love in the traditional fashion." (WPA notes from Ky. Guide and Collins, V. 2) (Ky. Writers Guide, p. 405) Negahwakee's brave was probably killed in action. "grief-stricken, she plunged over the rock edge." (Ibid.)

LYONIA (Hancock Co.): po est. 6/7/1876, John J. Huff...Disc. eff. 9/30/1901 (papers to Herbert); Re-est. 1/31/1902, Geo. B. Miles.. Disc. eff. 10/15/1906 (mail to Reynolds Sta., Ohio) (NA); po 1st called Lyonia. Site was the old Calvin Voyles farm. On Rt. 69. The Roseville Chur. (so-called) was est. 1865. At that time, only the chur. was called Roseville for the town was Lyonia. The Lyons(es) were an early family. Calvin Voyles was an early preacher...(D.M. Watkins, from Mmes. Beulah Wright Payne and John Stamples, "Former Residents Tell of Roseville" HANCOCK CLARION spec. 75th anni. ed. early July, 1968, n.p.);

Nina Hughes HANCOCK CO. ROSEVILLE BAPTIST CHU.  
CEM. ON WEST SIDE OF HIGHWAY 69, Lyonia, Ky.

MARTINDALE (HANCOCK CO, KY): PO.  
est. 7/2/1898, Wm. E Martin, 7/23/03,  
Emmett G. Gregory; disc 7/30/07 (mtc  
Hawesville) (SLR);

NORTH PANTHER (HANCOCK CO, KY):

PO. EST. 8/9/1837, THOS. OYLES, DISC.  
7/15/39 (SLR);

PATESVILLE (Hancock Co.): DK how Wm. Minor Pate and Minor E. Pate were related. Never had another name. A timber town in the past. A farming commu. now. Lot of waste land. Now: only a Bapt. chu. ("Pats/v(ih)l") (C. Dawson Mayfield, interview, 8/24/1978); Patesville po est. 4/1/1813, Wm. Pate... (KY. POST OFFICES, 1794-1819, Submitted to KHS Lib by Thelma M. Murphy, Indianapolis, Ind., n.d)

PATESVILLE (Hancock Co.): Rt. 144 goes thru this town. Est. c.1803 and named for Wm. Mino Pate, early settler and large landowner. 1st called Pates Sta. Pate lived 2 mi. e. of the present town on Hardinsburg & Yellow Banks Rd which had been an old Indian trail. He ran an inn for through travelers. Acc. to trad., the Lincolns stayed here in 1816 on their way to Indiana. 1st business bldg. on present town-site was put up by the Grange...sawmill and cooperage. By 1900 incl. 8 stores, 3 MDs, 2 churches, 2 gristmills, po, several shops. A thriving vil. in the past but declined when good roads brought people to larger towns...



(Lillie Pulliam, "Patesville: Once a Way-Station...Then a Busy Community...Now Nearly a Ghost Town" in HANCOCK CLARION, 75th anni. ed., early July, 1968, n.p.); Wm. Minor Pate died 1/10/1853, age 77 yrs., 10 mos., 1 day. Acc. to his stone in cem., 1½ mi. e. of town. PO on Wm. Minor Pate's place 1 mi. w. of town (to which he had moved). DK when est. Miss Pulliam retired a pm 10/31/1966. PO disc. 6/17/1966 with Mrs. Maudie Ashworth, last pm. Mail order business in the 1920s and '30s. (Miss Pulliam, "Patesville PO was One of State's Oldest" Ibid.);

PATESVILLE (Hancock Co.): A rural trading center. Wm. Minor Pate started an inn on the road betw. Hardinsburg & Yellow Banks in 1803. This later became Patesville. (Acc. to Lillie Pulliam, in article in the HIST'L. ED. OF THE HANCOCK CLARION, cited by Chas. A. Clinton in A HIST. OF HANCOCK CO., KY., ms. copy in Owensboro P.L., n.d., Pp. 20-1); In the late 19th cent., acc. to Miss Pulliam, it had 8 stores, 3 MDs, 2 gristmills, po, sawmill, a blacksmiths etc. (Ibid., P. 43); po est. 11/4/1865, Minor E. Pate...(NA);

PELLVILLE (Hancock Co.): 1st called Buck Snort. A little to the w. of Patesville was named for "a deer that was heard but hidden from sight in brush along the road." B&tw. 1799 and 1830. So called for years until it became known as Pellville for Sam'l. Pell, Hancock Co.'s sheriff in 1870. (Acc. to E.H. Barlow in the Hist'l. Ed. of the Hancock Clarion, cited by Chas. A. Clinton, A HIST. OF HANCOCK CO., KY., ms. copy in Owensboro P.L., n.d., P. 21); Acc. to Barlow, the town was inc in the late 19th cent. at which time it had po, sch., chu., 2 gristmills, hotel, 2 blacksmiths, tob. warehouse, sawmill, 4 stores... (Ibid., P. 43);

PELLSVILLE (Hancock Co.): Inc. 1870. Named for Curtis Pell, gt. grandfather of Joe Pell of Lewisport... (Anon ms. prepared sometime after 1961, P. 2, examined by me in the Hancock Co. Libr., 8/24/1978); ("P(eh)l/v(ih)l)  
The Blackford Bapt. Chu. nr. the site of Chambers. It's the oldest chu. in the co. On the Pellville Rd. betw. Hawesv. & Pellv. ("Bl(ae)k/færd"). This was a ch. in site as well as name for Blackford ≠ Pellv. DK which Pell named for. Agri. commu. Improved rds. now into Daviess Co. Now: store, chu., sch. will be discontinued, and replaced by the S. Hancock Ele. Sch. Will be a part of

the co. that will be built up since it's  
now on Daviess Co. water line. (C. Dawson  
Mayfield, interview, 8/24/1978);

PELLVILLE (Hancock Co.): Sam'l. B. Pell of Pellsville was the son of Wm. Pell, Sr. and Margaret Pell, ne Va. 1796. To Ky. with his parents as a child. Raised to adulthood in Bracken Co. Settled at Lewisport, 1839. For 14 years he was sheriff of Hancock Co. and in the State Leg. 1855-6. The town was named for him. No Pells lived there but he visited so often as Sheriff and est. the po there. Had 9 children. He died 1864 while still sheriff. (THE DESCENDANTS OF WM. PELL, SR. OF KENT CO., MD. by Edna S. (Mrs. Ernest) Pell, 1968, Pp. 94-5); Inc. 2/25/70 (ACTS 1869/70, v. 1, p. 411)

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PELLVILLE (Hancock Co.): po est. as Blackford,  
5/29/1851, Richard C. Jett...4/2/1866, James W.  
Snider; ch. to Pellville, 5/23/68, Ibid. ...  
(NA); 1st called Bucksnoort allegedly because a  
pioneer heard (or thought he did) a deer snort-  
ing. Also acc. to trad., it became a rough town  
as result of whiskey trade, many fights. DK who  
became known as Pellville or for which Pell. In  
in the early 1890s. City was then laid off. In  
the Knobs section. Knobs were named Pellville,  
Temple, and Stephens. Indian relics found near-  
by suggest it was the site of Indian camp(s).  
Past: hotel, several grist mills, chu., sch., po  
sawmill. Oil production in vic. in 1920s. Tob.

factory... (E.H. Barlow, "Pellville Hist.--A Blend of Folklore and Fact" HANCOCK CLARION spec. 75th anni. ed. early July, 1968, n.p. Ky. 144 is main street thru the town. Prosperous town in early 20th cent. PO est. 5/29/1851, Richard C. Jett...po 1st est. as Blackford, 5/29/1851.n.ch. to Pellville, 5/25/1868... (Ibid., another article but unsigned);



PETRI STATION (sic) (Hancock Co.): A RR  
wayside 5 mi. w. of Hawesville....(Chas. A.  
Clinton, A HIST. OF HANCOCK CO., KY., ms. in  
the Owensboro P.L., n.d., P. 44); po est. as  
Petri Station, 10/4/1889., Fred Petri..Disc.  
eff. 2/13/1904 (papers to Lewisport) (NA);  
Petrie is the proper spelling of the name.  
Commu. is at the site of the sta. Was a  
store there. Now: nothing but a rr siding  
for freight. ("Pee/<sub>a</sub>tree") Named for family;  
dk when they 1st settled there. People still  
call it Petrie Sta., not Petrie. (C. Dawson  
Mayfield, interview, 8/24/1978);

ROSEVILLE (Hancock Co.): so-called in the Chas. A. Clinton book, A HIST. OF HANCOCK CO., KY., ms. copy in the Owensboro P.L., n.d.); Road sign on highway indicating Roseville: now --2 stores at a xrds, but col. in the Hancock Clarion is headed "Lyonia". (obs. 8/1978); DK why and when n.ch. ("Leye/(oh)/nee/ə" and "R(oh)z/v(ih)l") Named for the several local Lyons families but dk when. They owned most of the land there. Huffs were the other prominent family. Now there are more Huffs there than Lyons. Now called Roseville but dk why. Not called Lyonia any more. Some 30-40 yrs. ago, had a voting prec. called Lyonia. Now: 2 gro. and a chu. (C. Dawson Mayfield, 8/24/78);

SCUFFLETOWN (HANCOCK CO, KY): Before  
1900, a nsgbd. of 40-50 black fam's  
centered at jct. of Ky 144 + governing  
Rd. (1 1/4 mi. n. of Patesv), founded by ex-  
slaves right after c.w. people "drifted  
away" in late 19 - early 20 cent. many  
to Cincinnati area for jobs, sch. closed in  
1922. (Clinton - Hist of H. Co. 1970, p. 53),

SCUFFLETOWN (Hancock Co.): On the rd. to Patesville. Strictly a colored settlement. Oldtimers still refer to it by this name. DK why so-called or when it was 1st settled. Now: nothing but farms. (C. Dawson Mayfield, interview, 8/24/1978);

SKILLMAN (Hancock Co.): Named for A.B. Skillman who donated the land for the rr station there. (Acc. to L.S. Powers of Hawesville Ky. (~~top~~) WPA researchers); po est. 7/26/1889, John C. Jarboe; Disc. 4/22/1895 (mail to Hawesville); Re<sub>g</sub>est. 2/13/1896, Frank Bartles ... (NA); ("Sk(ih)l/mən") Skillman Bottoms name is locally known now but not Skillman itself. A family of Skillmans owned most of the land there and had 1st settled there. cf Harold Hagman, age c80s, nr. Skillman. Now: nothing but 2 paper factories at the site. They own land where the old po stood; Western Craft at the site of the old chu. and Wescor. (C.D. Mayfield, interview, 8/24/1978);

Disc. 1954

TRIBUNE (HANCOCK CO, KY) = Post  
9/28/93, H.R. Jain, order rescinded  
5/9/94 (PLR);

TYWHAPITY BOTTOMS NGBR. (Itanchoch

Co, Ky): "named for the sound of  
Blackford ck. Lapping against a  
log." (Clinton, Hist of H. Co, Ky, 1970, p47,

TIWAPPITI (<sup>Hancock</sup> Todd Co.): referring to a creek by this name betw. Owensboro and Louisport. A small commu. of settlers on the rich farming land of its bottom. The discovery of a drowned man's body in the creek inspired superstitious among the local pop. "As a lone traveler rode across the creek one night [windy, he heard a sound--'Tiwappiti, Tiwappiti' (pron. Teye/wahp ih/tee)--as if something was brushing across the water. Having heard of the dead man found in the creek, he spurred his horse to a gallop and got out of there. He spread his story far and near. Some time later an investigation was made. It was discovered that when the branches of the willow trees along the bank brushed on.



the water, they went 'Tiwappiti, Tiwappiti.' Ever since the creek has been called 'Tiwappiti Creek' and the area Tiwappiti Bottoms." (Jean Kirkland from the J.J. Reynolds family of Owensboro, Ky. 1952. Appeared in Herbert Halpert's, "Place Name Stories of Ky. Waterways and Ponds" KFR, Vol. 7 (3), 7-9/61 Pp. 85-101, 97).

TYWHAPITY (Hancock Co.) This is proper spelling. Located s. of Lewisport on ~~the~~ Blackford Creek, on the Estes Rd. In slave days, the lowland bottoms were (~~overflow~~) flooded by overflow. Kids or slaves or Indians on horse back would come up to the creek bed and hear the water making noise like "ti-wopity", scared them. An old story. No proof.

↳ Couldnt figure what caused the noise.  
(C. Dawson Mayfield, interview, 8/24/1978);

Tywhapity Bottoms (Hancock Co, Ky)

on Blackford Ck. (FY29). "Early  
settlers --- heard of strange noise ---  
pressing on through the forest. They  
came upon rain-swollen Blackford  
Ck --- the swift water slapping against  
a log lodged in a drift greeted them c̄  
another chorus of 'tywhapity ---'."

(Will Lott, Owensb, Ky. letter to me, 1/11/  
1980);

UTILITY (Hancock Co.): Breckinridge Cannel Coal Co. opened mine nr. Utility. It contended with Hawesville for the county seat. Hawesville won by one vote. (anon. but Check in Collins....); Named "because the first rich vein of coal was found here and mined by a large utilities corp".... (Mrs. Kay Emmick, Lewisport, Ky. 3/13/1973, ms. in Hancock Co. Pub. Libr., examined by me, 8/24/1978); "The 1st ct. house was temporarily est. at Utility on the site of the Dupee farm which is now owned by relatives of the late Ed Swan." ("Illuminating Our County and Our City" by Ilene W. Olson, ms. in Ibid., P. 3); Hancock Co.'s 1st ct. was held on the Dupee farm, c.

6 mi.. s. of Hawesville. (P.2) (From Ms.  
Hist. of Hawesville, anon, in the Co. Libr.  
examined by me 8/24/1978);

UTILITY (Hancock Co.): In the uplands so. of the Ohio R. Had Meth. & Bapt. churches, temperance hall, blacksmith shop. Betw. 1850-60. (CHas. A. Clinton, A HIST. OF HANCOCK CO., KY. ms. copy in the Owensboro P.L., n.d., P. 31); 6 mi. s. of Hawesville. At Jas. Dupuy's home here, the county's 1st circ. ct. was held in 4/1829. (Leota Cleaver, "Hawesville Began as Homesteads in 1820's" in HANCOCK CLARION spec. 75th anni. ed. c.1968); po est. 10/15/1884, John J. Roehm...Disc. 8/28/1890 (papers to Gate wood); Re-est. 5/10/1894, David R. Lamar.. Disc. eff. 11/15/1904 (mail to Hawesville) (NA

early July, 1968, N.P.

UTILITY (Hancock Co.): 1st co. seat with log  
ct. hse. DK why so named or who settled there  
Jas. Dupuy ("Dū/pee") gave land for both 'chu'  
c.1840. Dupuy owned all the land there, c1840  
But he was probably not the 1st owner of the  
site. No mines there. ("Yū/t(ih)l/(ih)/tee")  
Now: 1 chu. and a 2nd chu. is close by. (C.  
Dawson Mayfield, interview, 8/24/1978);

VICTORIA (Hancock Co.): ("V(ih)k/t(aw)r/yə"  
Named for the English queen. DK that it was  
ever called Bennettsville. No such place in  
Hancock Co.; it may have been in Breck. Co.  
Cannel coal production. Still mining cannel  
coal there. None of the old bldgs. are left.  
Was a company town; all of the land was own-  
ed by the Am. Cannel Coal Co. Had a rural  
sch.. Nothing at the site now to mark a com-  
munity. (C. Dawson Mayfield, interview,  
8/24/1978); Po est. 7/9/86, Chas. W. Satterfield,  
.. 3/11/07, John Ryan, Disc eff. 1/31/08 (m  
to Easton) (SLR);



WALTMAN (HANCOCK CO., KY); local  
gristmill (steam-powered) attracted  
farmers from wide area. "P" 1<sup>st</sup> I  
called Swamp Dale c̄ store - post - rr  
depot, named for early settler  
Edward Waltman. Tho' bldg. remains  
the roof is gone. (Run Dixon in  
Owensb. mess. Inq. 11/16/69, CI:1-6)

WAITMAN (HANCOCK CO., KY) = po. est.

11/16/1894, Eli. T. Thrasher, 11/23/00,

Geo. W. Robinson --- 4/26/18, Jas. Hector

Disc 6/14/19 (m. to Lewisport); re-est.

8/24/22, Robt. L. Watson --- Disc 1940

(SLR);

WAITMAN STATION (Hancock Co.): ("Wāt/mān  
Stā/shān") On US60. Had stores. On Black-  
ford Creek. Now: nothing; strictly good level  
farmland. A. Waitman family lives there yet.  
And still owns the land there. Mrs. Lemuel  
Waitman in her 80s. DK of Swamp Dale. (C.D.  
Mayfield, interview, 8/24/1978);

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WEBERSTOWN. (Hancock Co.): po est. 2/28/1928,  
Real D. Morris... (NA); A Weber po was est. 6/22  
1900, Jas. R. Hardin..Disc. 11/23/1908 (mail to  
\_\_\_\_\_ (?) (NA); ("W(eh)b/erz/town") On Ky.  
69 before you get to Pellyville. Same site as  
Weber po. DK why 2 names. Farm settlement on  
good land. On Horse Fk. of Blackford Creek. A  
settlement of Browns. DK why so-named. cf Mr.  
R.I. Glover, ex. super. of schools, in his 80s  
but still alert with a good memory. Born and  
raised there and now owns a farm there. Now:  
nothing. Garage and store buildings|still stand-  
ing but not in use. (C.D. Mayfield, 8/24/1978);  
Still called weberstown. (Ibid.)