JESSAMINE CO., KY: Bordered on the sw, s, & se by the Ky. R; Acc. to Eliz. M. Simpson, Blue-grass Houses and Their Traditions, Lex: Trans Press, 1932, Pp. 93-4, "Col. (David) Meade(II himself told the story of the origin of the name Jessamine. In Va. there was a Scotsman, Douglas, who became patentee of a tract of land in Ky. and when his daughter, Jessie, who had loved not wisely but too well, was prompted by remorse to commit suicide, her father named the tract in her memory."; The co. was surveyed in 1796 by Frederick Zimmerman of the Marble Creek settlement. Act est. the co. was passed by leg. on 2/14/1797 but
dint become effective till 8/2/1798. Col. John Price pushed for its estab'ment. and was its 1st leg. Ne Va. Settled on Marble Creek 7 mi s of Lex. in 1788. He was a Rev. War vet. Died 1824 at his home 7 mi e of Nich. He named it Jessamine. It was named for Jessamine Douglas. (sic), daughter of Jas. Douglas, a Scotch staymaker, who arr. in Jess. Co. with the family of Col. David Mead in 1796. The trad. of naming co. for d. is groundless acc. to interviews with oldtimers who were born nr. the Jess. spring before 1797. They knew nothing of any girl killed by a band of Indians there or who had taken her
JESSAMINE COUNTY (Ky): ("Djehs/mən", djehs/ə/mən", djehz/mən"). 174 sq. mi. "This co. was est. in 1798 from part of Fay. Co. and named by Col. John Price, a state legislator, for the jessamine (jasmine) flower, widely grown in that area, and a spring-fed creek of that name that joins the Ky. R. 3 mi s of Wilmore. The pop. legend that it was named for the daughter of a Scottish-born pion. surveyor, Jas. Douglass, is without founda- tion. It is doubtful that Douglass or his daughter ever lived in the vic. of that strea and even less likely that she was tomahawked by an Indian on its banks." (Book-P. 153);
JESSAMINE CO. Acc. to a letter from Col. John Price, 11/13/1820, the name was derived from that of a flower growing on many of the co's creeks. Repro. (Pp. 68-9) in Bennett H. Young A HIST. OF JESS. CO., KY., 1898; Formed from Fayette Co. 1798. Named by Col. John Price, who was to rep. it in the Leg. who claimed that he had named it for the creek and the flower. The creek had already borne this name. The legend that the creek was named for Jessamine Douglass (sic), d. of early settler who had been killed by an Indian "as she rested on the banks of the creek" (is unfounded). (Highway marker in Nich. courthouse yard, acc to GUIDE, No. 947, P. 166).
JESSAMINE COUNTY: Jessamine Douglas (sic) was the d. of James Douglas, a Scottish stay-maker to arr. Jess. Co. 1796. Trad. of her murder by Indians as basis for name is unfounded. Equally unfounded is a less well known trad. that she had drowned herself afte an indiscretion with her lover. Cites an earlier letter by Col. Price to Col. Jos. H. Daviess (sic) in Louisv. 8/28/1799 that he ha named the co. from the flower and a creek of the same name which arrises from spring nr. Jesse Koker's plantation and flows south for almost 20 mi. to the Ky. R. (S.M. Duncan, SKETCH OF JESS. CO. 1886, P. 3).
JESSAMINE COUNTY: Named for Jess. Creek by Col John Price. The creek rises nr. the R.N.I. & B. RR, nr. the Nealton Sta. and ½ mi. from its crossing of the Nich. & Vers. Trk. Named for the jessamine flower that grew in profusion. Pioneers named the creek for the beauty of the plant and of the name. 20 mi. long and a br. of Ky. R. Not named for Jessamine Douglas despite pop. trad. The attractive daughter of a Scot. settler was said to have been killed by Indians as she sat on the banks of this stream. This acct. is given in Collins, V. 2, P. 399. Collin also wrong in statement that Mr. Douglas settle the land at the head of the creek; that land has been settled by Michael Cogar. Impossible for
creek to have been named for her since she did not arrive in Jess. Co. before 1796 and the stream bore this name before 1789. (Bennett H. Young, A HIST. OF JESS. CO., KY. 1898, Pp. 67-8).
JESSAMINE CO: Col. James Douglass surveyed large mil. grants in Jess. & Fayette Co. in 1775 and in so doing for others also staked his own claim. However never actually settled in Jess. Co. nor did his daughter, Jessamine ever live there. Acc. to deposition on Fayette Circ. Ct. Complete Record Book B, Pp. 189, 214: "Sept. 7, 1805. John Smith deposed he was acquainted with the head spring of Jessamine Creek in the year 1775 and shortly afterward heard there was a survey for James Douglass of 1000 acres which included head of Jessamine Creek. The head spring of Jessamine was a large deep spring, now called Cogar's Spring, and
he was informed in the year 1775 by James Douglass that he (Douglass) had named it after his only daughter." Acc. to C. Frank Dunn of Lexington, the source of the above, "The deposition was given in a law suit to establish the boundaries of adjoining land." Dunn discounts legend of the girl's murder by the banks of the creek... (In: Louisville Times, 3/29/1943)
It is known that John Price named the co. for one of its prin. streams. But there has long been a controversy over the name of the latte. Some say it was named by an early surveyor, the Scottish born Jas. Douglas for his daughter back in Va. A local legend that she had been brutally murdered and scalped by Indians while sitting on the stream's bank is pure fabrication. Equally unfounded is another tradition that she drowned herself in the creek after a unhappy love affair. Acc. to yet a 3rd tradition was that Douglas or another early explorer named the stream for the profusion of jasmine or jessamine flowers along its banks (is not
too likely since botanists tell us that such flowers have never really grown to profusion this far north.) From verified hist'c. docu-
ments we've learned that in July 1774 Jas. Douglas headed a group of surveyors assigned to locate land for grants to Fr. & Ind. war
vets. Arriving in what's now the nw sect. of the co., Douglas' party camped on the bank of a particularly attractive spring which, along with the stream that derived from it, he name for his only daughter Janet, which he called Jessie or Jessamine. On his records and the deeds that were based on them he identified the tracts he surveyed as being at the head
of Jessamine Creek. In 1780 he claimed some 1400 acres around the spring itself. His daughter later married and, in 1806, heired her father's land. (Clyde Bunch, "Reminiscing" Jess. TIMES. 10/14/1981);

Thos. Donnelly + lived in lex. till death, spells her name Janet. (Need O. Hammon

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"Bluegrass, 1774" Res. 191, 70

10172. pp. 277-294, 243.)
James Douglass, pioneer surveyor in Bluegrass area of Ky. in summer 1774 "discovered a spring which he named Jessamine after his daughter, an only child. The girl's name was actually Janett, but she was generally called Jesse or Jessamine; later she married Thomas Donnelly and lived in Lexington until her death." (Neal O. Hammon, "The Fincastle Surveyors in the Bluegrass, 1774" REG. of KHS, Vol. 70, 10/1972, Pp. 277-94, citing depo. of Jacob Sodowski, 29 Nov. 1830, Jeff. Co. Circ. Case No. 2107, titled Bate vs. Zachary Taylor
Douglas surveyed 17,000 acres in the vic. of Jessamine Creek; the last was on 7/13/1774. (Ibid., P. 286);
An old record states that (James) Douglas and his party, in making surveys in the fall of 1774, came on a creek and following it to its source, Douglas laid claim to 2 tracts of land near the head of the creek and that Douglas named the spring and the creek which flowed from it, "Jessamine", in honor of his daughter, a young woman, then in Va. and who was not killed and scalped at the spring by the Indians as one legend of how the county to bear the name of 'Jessamine' states." (sic) (Sarah Johnston Price, Nicholasville, Ky., ms of "Stories of Early Jessamine Co., its Life & Homes" in KHS Libr.);
The Ky. R. bounds Jess. Co. for 45 mi. About half the co's boundary is the river.

Jess. Creek is 30 mi. long. It joins the Ky. R. roughly midway between its mouth and the 3 head forks at Beattyville. (Bettye Lee Mastin, "Hist., Scenic Beauty Mark Trip Through Jess. Co.", LHL, Comm. Sect., 3/7/1990, P. 9);

Jess. Co. was the 27th in order of formation from Fay. Co. Assumed its present boundaries when it was est. on 2/1/1799. The law creating the co. was enacted 12/19/1798, acc. to ACTS, 1799, P. 121(Rone); 175 sq. miles (Withington from 1980 Census);
JESSAMINE CO., Ky.: Acc. to a deposition, in the Fall of 1774, Jas. Douglas, et al. surveyed land that included the head of Jess. Creek. The party discovered the creek and followed it to its head. He claimed 2 tracts nr the head and named the creek and the spring from which it emerged Jessamine for his daughter then living in Va. She was not killed by the Indians. (STORIES OF EARLY JESS. CO: ITS LIFE AND HOMES, by Sarah Johnston Price, DAR, ms. in KHS Libr., P. 113);
All but the area se of lower Hickman Creek is in the Inner Bluegrass sect. of Ky. with its gentle to "mildly rolling" topo. The se sect. is more hilly, typical of the Outer Bluegr. Its entire s boundary is the Ky. R. 400 ft. + nearly vertical walls of the Ky. R. palisades. The High Bridge is 281 ft. above the river. (McGrain & Currens, Top. of Ky. 1978, P. 42);
Acc. to Elexene Mastin Cox who wrote the script for and directed an outdoor drama on the co's. hist. in 1990, the co. probably wasn't named for the flower since jasmines did not bloom in profusion this far north. Jessamine Douglas married "a ne'er-do-well who lost the claim her father had willed to her." (IN KY. an article on the co. by her, Aug. 1990, P. 25);
JESSAMINE Co. (Ky.): (Pron. "Dj(eh)s/man or Dj(eh)s/am/an" = 2½ syl.) (Forrest Calico, interview in Lancaster, Ky. 9/28/1969);
("Dj(eh)z/man" or "Dj(eh)s/man") = 2 syl. Prefer the latter pron. (Robt. M. Suell, interview, 6/14/1978);
Douglass Place (sic) is mentioned in Jillson's Pion, Ky. (1934, P. 80) as a pion. settlement;

\[ \text{Hammon} \rightarrow "s" \]

Nich. PO was 12 mi s of the Lex PO (1939);
Several Jess. Co. PO's were named for old mills, a reflection of the importance of these for 19th cent. settlers. e.g. Potts, Union....;

Acc. to land records, Jess. Creek was so named at least by survey date of 8/17/1784;
Acc. to Howard Downing, Jessamine Douglass, years later when she was an old woman, transferred land to her children that her father had left her; years before. Downing found evidence of this transfer in old Fayette Co. deed books. East Jessamine Creek runs thru and under Nich. (Robt. Suell, interview, 6/1/1978); Acc. to Bennett Young's Hist. of J.C. (1898) the co. was 1st settled at least by the spring of 1779. It was org. 12/19/1798 a Ky's 36th co. and named by Col. John Price for the flower growing in profusion along many streams. (Suell, Freemasonry);
AMBROSE (Jess. Co.): Est. 1800 and for yrs.
was called Sulphur Well for a large sulphur
well at the site before the vil. est. Many
still refer to it as S.W. Named for Ambrose
Cobb, local resident. Visited early by people
who wished to benefit from sulphur water. The
1st settler was Rev. John Walters, Bapt. min.
who may have built chur. there in 1831. Later
disc. and only Disciples church remained by
WWII....5 mi. se of Nich. on the rd. to Hick-
man Cr. (One of ser. of unid. articles on
bluegrass area communities in an area news...)
(Pron. "S(uh)l/fer/W(en)l") (Forrest Calico,
Lancaster, Ky. interview, 9/28/1969);
AMBROSE (Jess. Co., Ky): Acc. to Ambrose Cobb, 5/10/81, the name prop. for this po was Wolfton and it would serve Sulphur Well commu. It would be 2 3/4 mi ne of Hanly PO, 1 mi n of Hickman Creek. A vil. of 150 pop.\nAcc. to M.W. Spence, the po was serving a commu. callec Sulphur Well and was 1½ mi n of Hickman Creek, 3 mi e c Hanly po, 4 mi s of the Nichol. sta. of the CNO&TP RR. (SLR); Acc. to Henry H. Masters, 5/12/1868, this po as SULPHUR WELL was 2 mi w of Hickman Creek, 4 mi s of Nich. PO, 4 mi e of Hanly po. (SLR);
BETHEL (Meth.) CHURCH (Jess. Co., Ky); (F749c) John Lewis donated 100 acres on the cliff at the bend of the Kentucky R., in what was then "a remote section of Jess. Co." to Bishop Asbury for a new chu. ("Kent., 1790-1815: As Seen by Bishop Francis Asbury" ed. by Walter B. Posey, FILSON CLUB HIS. Q. Vol. 31, 10/1957 Pp. 333-348, 336, 347);
BOON'S KNOB (Jess. Co., Ky): PO est. 12/2/1848 with Philip Keatly, pm; 8/28/1848, R.B. Yontis; Disc. 9/14/1849 (POR-NA); Boones Knob is at the mouth of Hickman Creek, overlooking Curley's Distillery; On the Ky. R. The Union Army fortified this during the CW to protect the covered bridge. Named for Dan'l. Boone. A corner of the knob was cut off when the new bridge was built across there. Boone's Cave is right up from there. (Robt. Suell, interv. 6/14/1978);
BOONE TUNNEL (Jess. Co., Ky): US 68 passes thru the tunnel on its approach to Ky. R. at Brooklyn Bridge. 2 lane. "cut thru solid rock"
\[ \text{BRANNON (Jess. Co., Ky): PO est. as Windom, 7/11/1881, Massie Bryan; 3/29/1886, Sandford C. Lyne; 3/26/1890, Massie Bryan; n.ch. to Brannon; 10/1/1890, Massie Bryan; 6/30/1892, Sandford C. Lyne... 5/10/1899, Chas. M. Smith; Disc. 7/15/1913 (mail to Nich.)(POR-NA); Brannon Rd. is off US 27; No Windsoms or Brannons listed in 1880 Census in Nich. & Plegumine Districts; ("braen/ən") Known as Brannon Station for the rr sta. there. DK of the Windom name. (Robt. Suell, interview, 6/14/1978); No Brannons or Windsoms are listed in obits., marriage records, etc. in 19th or early 20th cent; } \]
BRANNON (Jess. Co., Ky): In 1895, this place had a pop. of 30. McTyre & Smith ran a gen'l. store;
BURDINE (Jess. Co., Ky): po est. 7/19/1888, Geo. W. Burdine; Disc. 1/7/1889 (no papers sent) (POR-NA); Geo. W. Burdine ne 5/12/1859, son of W. Burdine and Mary A. (Barkley) Burdine of Fay. Co.; In the 19th and early 20th cent's., several Burdines were buried in the Maple Grove Cem. in Nich. but not Geo. W; No Burdines listed in 1880 Census in the Nich & Plegumine Districts; Suell dk about this place. (interv., 6/14/1978); John (2/26/1825-1/25/1905 and Wm. Burdine (1/18/1820-7/13/81 are buried at Maple Grove Cem. in Nich. No Geo
CAMP NELSON (Jess. Co.): p.o. est. as Jessamine, 10/17/1853, Wm. J. King; (in Garrard Co. 7/29/61; then it may have returned to Jess. Co. 8/21/63, Zechariah C. Merritt, back to Garrard Co. 10/5/65; Disc. Either 3/27/66 or 10/23/66; Re-est. 11/20/66, John D. Mays in Jess. Co. Disc. 3/28/71; Re-est. 6/13/71, Robt. Bisgle (?). Disc. 4/30/74; Re-est. 11/13/87, John W. Glass. Disc. 5/15/1920 (mail to Bryantsville, Garrard Co.) (NA);
CAMP NELSON (Jess. Co., Ky): Acc. to J.W. Glass, 12/1/1877, the po was serving commu. locally called Crow's Port (?), Hickman Bridge, and Mouth of Hickman, and was on the n side of the Ky. R, 1/8 mi w of Big Hickman Creek, 8½ mi sw of the Nich. Sta. of the Cincy. So. RR

| Acc. to C.C. Glass, Asst. PM, 12/19/1898, the po was 100 yds. n of Ky. R, 1/8 mi w of Hickman Creek, 5 mi s of Hanly po, 8 mi from the Nich. PO, 4 mi sw of Little Hickman PO, 100 yards from the co. line. (SLR); |
CAMP NELSON (Jess. Co.): On the Ky. R. at the mouth of Hickman Cr. Est. 1863 and named for Gen. Wm. Nelson, C.W. officer who was ne Masol Co. Est. as mil. camp and stayed in that cap thru the C.W. 5000 soldiers buried at nat'l. cem. there. Ariel Coll. for the educ. of Negroes once there..... (One of ser. of article on bluegrass area communities, unid. and undated in area newspaper....) Nelson was killed in a fight at the Galt House, 9/29/1862 by Jeff C. Davis, a fellow Union officer. (PATCHES OF GARRARD CO: A Hist. Compiled & Edit. by the Lanc. Woman's Club, c1974, P. 240
CAMP NELSON (Jess. Co.): Nat'l. cem. nr. here. Named for Gen. Wm. Nelson, who commanded Ky's 1st recruiting camp here. Commu. founded "at a natural break in the palisades along the river...and a fording place for travelers (which was) established (there)". A ferry was chartered here by the Va. G.A. Here was located the 1st bridge across the Ky. R. in 1838. The 1st commercial vineyard in Am. here in 1798. For years a river port and distillery center. Transfer of dist. to Lou. & disastrous flood led to virtual demise of commu. by 1972. Recent restoration of the area with vision of a "Gatlinburg along the Ky. R." with a no. of
and specialty and tourist crafts/! shops along the Garrard Co. side of the river. Restoration as an historic area the result of an effort by the Christian Appal. Project to save the...area from oblivion when the new river bridge passed it by ...

(Sue Alexander "Camp Nelson Moves To/ Fulfiling Dream" LEX. HER-LEAD. 11/9/1975, P. B16:1-8);
CAMP NELSON (Jess. Co., Ky): Named for Gen. Wm. Nelson who had been murdered by a subordinate in a Louisv. hotel. This became an important steamboat port after the CW, flourishing till 1872 when the new US 27 bridge over the river bypassed C.N. The OLD CAMP NELSON BRIDGE, a covered bridge built in 1838 by L.V. Werwag, was the longest single-span wooden bridge in the US. It was replaced by a new steel bridge in the 1930s;
CAMP NELSON (Jess. Co.): ("K(æ)mp N(eh)l/san") Doubts these were all at the same site. Garrard Co. is across the river. The old Camp Nelson (the camp during the CW) was in Jess. Co. "where the new bridge goes over what they call 'The Boones Knoll', it's where the Union army had their cannons and had that fortified to protect the old covered bridge at Camp Nelson. Then, they had fortifications on top of the hill, including where the Camp Nelson Nat'l. Cem. is now. And recently (perhaps less than 2 yrs.) they have gotten a new Camp Nelson PO just across the bridge in Garrard Co...Down at the river
used to be a large gen'l. store and there was warehouses (sic) for a distillery there and it's quite possible that the po was the at the gen. store... (To get to this site from the cem.) you'd have to go down the old road... to your left after you pass the Camp Nelson Cem... and you would go right down to the river. And then, of course, the old bridge is there where you'd cross over into Garrard side (sic). (The old bridge is still there; not the covered bridge which has been gone for many years, but a new one. This is the old US27.)" He thinks that
the po was at a different location even when it was in Jess. Co. He thinks there was a commu. (there) at the site of the orig. Jessamine po before it was est. in 1853. People have long lived up and down the rive on both sides, where some of the distilleries are now--these sites had homes. DK what this vic. was called before the CW nor when or by whom the vic. was 1st settled. On the Jess. Co. side of the river, at what was called Camp Nelson, were distilleries and homes, at the mouth of Big Hickman Creek. There are still homes up this creek and up
and down the river. But these sites were more populated in the past than now. (sic) No store anymore on the Jess. Co. side. The distillery occupied the site of a proposed hotel. Recently this was bought by a Cath. priest from Lancaster and converted to a museum. On the Garrard side was a rest. that burned just a few weeks ago, a gro. store, gulC serv. sta., an ex motel, po. (Robert M. Suell, interview, 6/14/78);
CAMP NELSON (Jess. Co., Ky): "This hamlet of indistinct boundaries lies on both sides of the Ky. R. in the area just below the mouth of Hickman Creek, at least 6 (air) mi. s of Nich. and 9 (air) mi n of Lancaster. On the site of a natural ford and ante-bellum commu. on the Jess. Co. side of the river, the 1st Union Army recruiting sta. in Ky. was est. in 1863 and named for Gen. Wm. Nelson who had been killed in a duel with a fellow officer in 1862. The 1st po to serve the area was est. as Jessamine on Oct. 17, 1853. It moved across the river to Garrard Co. in 1861 but returned to Jess. Co. as Camp Nelson on Aug.
21, 1863. Its intermittent existence on both sides of the river ended in 1920 by which time it had come to occupy a site by the old US 27 bridge on the Garrard Co. side. The area was recently developed as a tourist attraction with stores, a motel, craft, and specialty shops. About 1½ min of the river is the Camp Nelson Nat'l. Cem. with the graves of over 5000 Union dead." (Book-Pp. 47-8);
CAMP NELSON (Jess. Co.): Dan'l. Boone regarded this site on the Ky. R. as the safest way to ford the river before the locks raised the water level. Named for Gen. Wm. Nelson, lst a US Navy officer. He was murdered by a subordinate in a Louisv. hotel (P. 274) ...(Acc. to Nor Dean). Camp Nelson was an important steamboat and barge port after the C.W. Agric. prod'ts. were shipped from here. (Pp. 277-8) Flourished till 1972 when new bridge over the river bypassed Camp Nelson. CAP bought 15 acres along the river, 6 of which, betw. the steep cliffs and the river, were leveled off; and here were developed Boone's Landing Campground.
and swimming pool, miniature golf course, gas sta., motel, rest., antique shops, riding stables, Ft. Bramlett restored.... Plans since 1972 flood were the rebuilt above the flood level. (Pp. 278-9); (PATCHES OF GARRARD CO:Hi: Compiled & Edited:by Lanc. Woman's Club, c197
CARVERS FERRY (Jess. Co., Ky): po est. 12/19/1851, Valentine Duncan; Disc. 4/13/1854 (POR-NA); No Carvers or Valentine Duncan are listed in the 1850 Census;
Buried at Maple Grove Cem. in Nich. are: Thos.
M. Cogar (3/5/1825-10/26/1887), son of Thos.
Turk Cogar (4/25/1798 to 9/21/1883); Capt.
Thos. T. Cogar ne 1796 at the head of Jess. CI
was the son of Michael Cogar who had settled
in Jess. Co. 1790. In 1847 he moved to Cogar's
Landing on the Ky. R. aka Brooklyn. Ran ship-
ping business and served the co. in Ky. Leg.
1867-71. Died Nich. in 1882. (Young, 1898,
P. 228);
BROOKLYN is across the Ky. R. from Cogar's Landing, in Mercer Co., Ky.; On the Ky. R. & US 68. Now called Brooklyn Bridge. Steamboat landing owned/operated by Thos. Cogar, nr Indian Creek. (Suell, Hist. of Freemasonry, Pp 23-4); Served Nich. and maybe even Lex. (Suell interv., 6/14/1978);
COGAR'S LANDING (Jess. Co, Ky): Thos. T. Cogar is listed in 1830 and 1840 Censuses, Jess. Co. Wm. Cogar is listed in 1840 Census Capt. Thos. Cogar is listed in 1850 Census but no mention of a Thos. S. Cogar then. Cogar's Landing was later called Brooklyn. It was founded by Capt. Thos. T. Cogar who ran the local store and a meatpacking operation there. (Geo. M. Chinn, THE HIST. OF HARRODSB. AND THE GREAT SETTLEMENT AREA OF KY, 1774-1900, pvt. print., 1985, P. 10-6.) It was a steamboat landing. (Ibid., P. 147); David Sutton erected a grist mill at Todds Ferry in 1804. On the Ky. R. in Mercer Co. (Ibid., P. 264);
GROW WATER MILL (Jess. Co., Ky): On Jess. Creek, at Wilmore, Ky. Owned and operated by a family of Grows (formerly Graus, German immis. from the Black Forest who moved from Pa. to Ky. in early 19th cent. A kinsman was Salucious Grow, a US Rep. from Pa. and speaker of the House. (sic-referring to Galusha A. Grow, Rep. who was speaker from 1861-3.)) (PATCHES OF GARRARD CO. P. 272)
The Camp Nelson name identified this vic. as a mil. installation during the CW. But the name is now limited to the area on the river. The Negro settlement above C.N. on the bluffs is known as Hall. At C.N. during the war, Negroes were being actively recruited into the Union Army. John G. Fee, who was then a teacher to the "black enlistees" arranged for their dependents to be housed nearby in a commu. built for them that was called Hall. No derivation of name given. Built for them were 92 cottages, school, hosp., boarding hal dorms for tchrs. Later a chu. On 130 acres of land he later bought, Fee divided it into
small lots which he sold or donated to the families and built for them a chu. and sch. He est. for them "a self-sustaining commu." (Source: John G. Fee, Autobio. Chi: Nat'l. Xian Assn., 1890, Pp. 179-83) (Acc. to Peter Craig Smith, "Negro Hamlets and Gentleman Farms" UK Geog. Dept., PhD Diss.,, 1972, Pp. 58-9);
HALL (Jess. Co.): DK where the name-derived. Located across US27 at the Camp Nelson Nat'l. Cem. Negro school. Now: a large Negro cem. that's active... (Robert M. Suell, letter to me, 3/24/1978); ("H(aw)l") On a horseshoe shaped rd. opp. the entrance to the nat'l. cem. Was the area that people called "The Hall." Tho' Hall was the official name. A colored commu. during and after the CW. A sch for colored children there. Still a colored commu. With a large cem. Dying commu. It was est. sometime during the CW by the Union Army for the colored people who escaped from rebel owners or were brought there by Union troops.
DK why called Hall. Now: homes. Still locally called Hall. No po. (Robt. M. Suell, interview, 6/14/1978);
HANLY (Jess. Co.): p.o. est. 3/9/1858, Wm. M. Phillips. Disc. 11/15/1917 (mail to Nich.) (NA)

The old red brick store that housed the po is still standing. Suell spells it Hanley....

(Robert M. Suell, letter to me, 3/24/1978); Named for John Hays Hanley. (Ibid.); Should be Hanley. ("H(ae)n/lee") John H. Hanley arr. from Pa. c.1813. He first settled around Nicholasville; then he moved to the Hanley sit in the 1830s. He might have had something to do with the nearby Vineyard. He was well off. His home, on the river cliff, is still there. Actually Suell dk which is the correct spellin
of Hanley's name. But later he said he was sure it was spelled Hanley. The commu. name today is spelled this way. Now: not much there; the old store bldg. is still standing. A sparsely populated vic. John didn't actually live at the site of the po but on down the road. It was probably named for its most influential citizen. He was a real estate broker and had a large farm on top of the Ky. R. cliff. He farmed and raised livestock. Had several hundred acres of land. (cf Suell's book in my possession for Hanley's dates). The old home at the po
site is gone. The old store bldg. which housed the po is still standing, sort of, but hasn't been used for a store in 60 yrs. Still locally called Hanley. (Robt. M. Suell, interview, 6/14/1978);
HANLEY (sic) (Jess. Co., Ky): John Hays Hanley (1788-1867). To Am. from Ireland in 1805. To Nich. in 1813. On land he had acquired on a bluff overlooking the Ky. R., he built his home which he called Cliff Cottage. (that is still standing). (Suell, Hist. of Freemasonry, P. 42); This old home is now unoccupied; another home has taken its place. It was handed down thru the family until the last heir who was childless. So he just left it to the couple who had attended his farm. Informant's father-in-law owned the Hanley farm for 60 yrs and just recently sold it. Informant and wife
went there and secured the pigeonhole where the mail was kept and brought it up to her father and put it in his garage in Nich. One of Hanley's gt. nephews had traced the family hist. from John up and prepared a ms. which he shared with members. Informant has seen the book. He borrowed a copy from the occupant of the old homeplace. (Robt. Suell, interv., 6/14/1978);
(Jess. Co., Ky): "This rural settlement with epo is on US 27, over 1½ (air) miles of Nich. It was named for John Hays Hanley (1788-1867), an Irishman, who came from Pa. first to Nich. in 1813 and then to the site which bears his name in the 1830s. The owner of a large farm in the southern half of the co., he may also have been involved in the operation of the nearby vineyard. The post was in operation from 1858 to 1917. The Hanly spelling on current maps is believed to be in error."

(Book-P. 129);
HANLY (Jess. Co., Ky): John Hanly (Hanley) was not listed in 1810 or 1820 Censuses for Jess. Co. But as John H. Hanley he was listed in the 1830 Census. But not listed in 1840 Census. Maj. John H. Hanly was listed in 1850 Census; Young refers to him as Maj. John Hay Hanly, ne 1784. (1898, P. 251);
HANLY (Jess. Co., Ky): is spelled this was on
Beers 1877 map and in the 1876 Gazetteer
where it's listed only as a po; By 1978 only
the old store-PO bldg. remains, same bldg. as
shown on Beers map. (Survey of Hist. Sites-
Jess. Co., 1979, Pp. 72-3); Maj. J. Hillary
Hanly (sic) from Ireland in 1814. Built home-
Cliff Cottage on a narrow ridge above the Ky.
R. Log bldg. replaced by frame ca. 1875 by
P.S. Fitch, owner of prop. by 1877. (Survey
of Hist'c. Sites in Ky-Jess Co., by the Ky.
Herit. Comm'n. in conjunction with the Jess.
Woodson in her book spells this name Henly;

x also by Young (1898)
HANLY (Jess. Co., Ky): Acc. to C.M. Mathews (sic), 6/14/1886, the po was 2 mi n of Jess. Creek, 3½ mi s of Nich. PO. || On 6/22/1914, Ottie T. Murphy pet. for a site ch. 890 ft. n to a pt. 1 mi n of Jess. Creek, 3 mi s of Nich. PO. (SLR); In 1895, Hanly had a pop of 25. Isaac Carman and Matthews & Land had stores;
HICKMAN CREEK (Jess. Co., Ky): so-called at least by the summer of 1775, acc. to a dep. by Capt. David Williams, 1806. The site of a no. of mil. surveys made in 1775-6ff. 8-10 mi longer than Jess. Cr. In 1810 it was ca. 22 mi long. (?) Little Hickman Creek was also so identified by the late 1770s;
HIGH BRIDGE (Jess Co., Ky): Named for its being North America's highest rr bridge that crosses a navigable stream (the Ky. R.) ½ mi below the mouth of Dix (Dicks) R. Betw. Jess. & Mercer Co's. 308 ft. above the normal water line. The bridge was designed by Chas. Shaler Smith and completed in Feb. 1877. High Bridge Park had musicales and speakers. The towers were removed in 1929 when the rr trackage was doubled. (Curry);
HIGH BRIDGE (Jess. Co., Ky): "This hamlet with epo, 7 (air) mi sw of Nich., is just below and across the river (Ky) from the mouth of Dix R. in Mercer Co. Here the Cinci.-based Queen and Crescent (now Southern) RR built a bridge over the Ky. R. Designed by John A. Roebling of Brooklyn Bridge fame and opened for use in 1877, it was the first cantilevered bridge in N. Am. and the highest rr bridge over a navigable stream in the US. A po called North Tower was est. here by Jas. M Dorman in or before 1878 and renamed for the bridge in 1888. It closed in 1977." (Book-P. 139)
HIGH BRIDGE (Jess. Co.): The bridge "crosses the deep gorge of the Ky. R. at a rail elevation of 317 ft. above normal water level, making it one of the highest bridges in the US. ....John A. Roebling, famed as the builder of ...the Bklyn Bridge was the designer...." (LEX. & THE BLUEGRASS COUNTRY: A GUIDE, by the workers of the Fed. Writers Proj. of the WPA for Ky., Lex. 1938, ms. copy, Pp. 135-6.);

High Bridge Park= several acres "extending from the sheer southern wall of the gorge of the Ky." a pavilion with dance floor. (Ibid. P. 136);
HIGH BRIDGE (Jess. Co., Ky): PO first called North Tower. Acc. to John Dorman, 3/2/1887, the po of North Tower was 3 mi e of Pleasant Hill PO, 10 mi from Nich. PO, 1 mi n of Ky. R., on the Cincy. So. RR. (SLR); Acc. to Jas. M. Dorman, 10/1/1888, the po of High Bridge (late North Tower) was on the n side of the Ky. R., ½ m n of Dicks River, 2 mi ne of Pleasant Hill PO, 30 ft. w of the CS RR tracks. Acc. to Florence H. Strunk, 7/27/1939, the po was 0.3 mi s of the rr sta., 3/4 mi n of Ky. R. On 7/5/1949, Emily Jane McPherson pet. for a site ch. 1800 ft. n. to a pt. on Ky. 29, 200 ft. nw of Highbridge Sta. of the So. Ry. (SLR);
HIGH BRIDGE (Jess. Co.): The bridge over the Ky. R. was completed in 1877. The 1st cantilever bridge on the continent. On the Cinci. So. Ry. For many years was the highest rr bridge over a navigable stream in the US.

(''Queen and Crescent' Runs Through Lincoln County'' LINCOLN COUNTY BICENT. 1775-1975, published by the Interior Journal of Stanford, c1975, n.p.); The High Bridge site is identified on Filson's 1784 map as Curd's Dwelling. (Jillson's Pion. Ky., 1934, P. 79);
HIGH BRIDGE (Jess. Co., Ky): The park is close now. There's a "No Trespass" sign at the entrance. So it's no longer in use for anything. Tho' the sta. & po are gone, freight trains still cross the bridge. The High Bridge was dedicated on 9/17/1879. It was a cantilever bridge. (Curry's book, Pp. 33, 119, 123);
HIGH BRIDGE (Jessamine Co., Ky.)
One of the highest rr bridges in the world. c. 1 mi. ne of Pleasant Hill (Shakertown). A popular scenic gathering spot for college students who may stay till the wee hours of the AM. Site of death of 21 year old UK co-ed Kathy Grant of Cincy. who was killed by a south-bound freight train. on Wed., 10/10/73, 10:25 P.M. (LCJ, 10/12/73, P. B-1:1-3); A pretty good sized settlement on the Mercer Co. side of the Ky. R. across from High Bridge in Jess. Co. Called High Bridge. (Rebecca Conover interview, 4/21/1978);
HIGH BRIDGE (Jess. Co.): ("H(ah)\rightarrow(eye) Br(ih)dj"
It is a high bridge. A lot of Dormans still live in that area. DPO. When the pm retired in 1977, the mail was sent to Wilmore. DK about North Tower or why it was named this. Renamed after the bridge was built. Used to have a couple of gen. stores. The rr had a park there for dancing, etc. To reach this site from Wilmore, you'd go under the bridge and straight on into the park or you could bear to the left and come on up to what was then the High Bridge rr sta. Doesnt think the park is still in use. A relig. org. (maybe Episc.) bought it sever-
al years ago for their state mtgs. Doesn't think they still own or use it. Before the bridge was built, there were probably just homes in that area. Lock No. 7 and a ferry were on the river under the bridge. The vic. was 1st settled very early in the co's hist. Now: a store up the road from the bridge. The old po was closer to the bridge on a road that runs more or less parallel to the bridge. Was a sch. Several chu's. in the area. Still referred to as High Bridge. (Robt. M. Suell, interview, 6/14/1978);
HIGH BRIDGE (Jess. Co., Ky): Shaker Ferry was below Hi Bridge. This was the wharf from which the Pleasant Val. Shakers shipped their prod's. to market. (Acc. to Thru 200 Yrs, P. 231); The Lex. & Danv. RR Co. was org. in 1856 and was forced to abandon construction of the bridge in 1857 due to nat'l. recession. Roebling had been hired to build it for them. (Chinn, HIST. OF HARRODSB. 1985, P. 106); Roebling's work on the bridge ceased with the failure of the rr co. Construction began again on 10/16/1876 (sic) and was finished 2/20/77. Built by the Balti. Co. with Shaler Smith, chief engineer. (Thru 200 Yrs., P. 226);
John Curd lived on the Mercer Co. side and ran his ferry across the river to Jess. Co. This was a public ferry authorized in 1786 act, the same act that authorized the est. of New Market on 20 acres of his Mercer Co. land. (Acc. to W.W. Hening, LAWS OF VA., Vol. 12, Pp. 400-03) In 1830 the Shakers bought the landing from Newton Curd’s heirs. Courtney Ramsey Lewis ran the ferry. Acc. to a 1834 map it was then called Lewis’ Ferry. He ran it till death in 1847. Benj. Bradshaw ran ferry also but dk when. (Chinn, op. cit., 1985, P. 308); New Market was on the Mercer Co. side of the river;
HIGH BRIDGE (Jess. Co., Ky): North Tower was one of the two stone towers flanking the Ky. R. that was built between 1854-1858 by John A. Roebling, who was later to build NY's famed Brooklyn Bridge. He never completed the Ky. R. bridge for the panic of 1857 and then the CW led to the demise of his employers, the Lex. & Danv. RR Co. The towers have remained as a landmark overlooking the r., unused to this day since the bridge, completed in 1877, did not need them. (Pp. 21-2); A vil. founded around the N. Tower and a po named North Tower was est. 6/27/1877 with Jas. M. Dorman.
the 1st pm. (P&G says it was est. 1876). By 1877 the site was referred to simply as The Towers which name the Cincy S RR had given to its local sta. Until the completion of the bridge's construction, it was called the Ky. River Bridge and was (named) renamed High Bridge only at the time of its dedication. The name was then applied to the commu. and, on 7/21/1888, to the PO. (P. 58). In the early 20 cen the po was run by a Mr. Humble and was across the road from Wainscott's store. It closed on 3/26/1976. (P. 59) (Source: Howard Curry, HIGH BRIDGE: A Pictorial Hist., c. 1984);
HIGH BRIDGE (Jess. Co.): p.o. est. as North Tower, 6/17/187 , James M. Dorman. ... n.ch. to High Bridge, 7/21/1888, ibid. ... (NA);
The bridge spans the Ky. R. betw. Jess. & Mercer Co's. The H.B. land was once owned by the Shakers since Pleasant Hill is directly across from the present H.B. The rr acquired the bldg. site from them. The Shakers maintained the post there too. The bridge itself was originally designed by Roebling who later designed the Bklyr Bridge. HB served as its prototype. This is the highest rr bridge over a navigable stream. It was the 1st cantilever bridge in US. Nr. the bridge was the High Bridge Park which attracted tourists from Cinci. Built by the Queen &
Crescent RR. Still there.(...) (Col. Geo. M. Chinn, in interview by Mrs. Mary Margaret McGohon, in KY. ANCESTORS, Vol. 13 (2), 10/1977, Pp. 59-67); Located nr. confluence of Ky. & Dix R's. 4 mi. from Wilmore and 20 mi. from Harrodsb. The bridge was opened for use in 1877. Owned by the City of Cinci. which owned the Southern Ry. Co. ("High Bridge" in Ibid., Pp. 69-70); In 1895, High Bridge had a pop. of 300. A.G. Winscott was pm and ran a gen. store. A no. of other businesses;
JESSAMINE (Jess. Co., Ky): Acc. to John D. Mays, 5/13, 1868, the prop. name of this po would be Camp Nelson and it would serve a commu. locally known as Fitch Port. It would be on the n bank of Ky. R. (30 ft. n) and 300 yards w of Hickman Creek, 8 mi s of Nich. PO. (SLR); 8½ mi s. of down.
JESSAMINE (Jess. Co. Ky): po est. 4/23/1887, Mrs. Mattie E. Corman; 1/2/1890, James Cook; 1/31/1890, Wm. T. Woodward...4/17/1900, Susie Hutchison; Disc. eff. 11/15/1904 (mail to Wilmore) (POR-NA); Acc. to Mattie E. Corman, 3/15/1887, the name proposed for this po was Crow and it would serve the commu. and sta. called Jessamine. It would be 2½ mi ½ of Nich. PO, 3½ mi n of Wilmore, 4 mi w of Hanley PO (sic), ½ mi w of Jess. Creek, 30 yds e of Cincy. So. RR tracks. (SLR);
KEENE (Jess. Co., Ky): "I will be 85 on my next birthday and I never heard Keene called 'Hardscrabble.' I asked a man who is several years older than I am, who said he never heard it called that. However, Keene was called Liberty until 1843 when the post office was established there. Trad. says that three of Keene's pioneers came from Keene, N.H. and as there was a Liberty, Casey Co., Ky. with a p.o., the name Liberty, Jessamine Co., Ky. had to be changed. Trad. says that it was the influence of one of these Keene, N.H. settlers that Keene was chosen. (sic)... My father always told me that it was Ephraim Carter (who) was the 1st
pm and showed me the small brick house (now destroyed) where he lived. (he was) from Keene, N.H./ I believe Keene was known as Liberty prior to 1843. I had a letter sent to my gr. gr. grandfather in 1828...and both Keene and Liberty were on the address...."

(Mary Lee Mahin, Mariana Farm, Keene, Ky., letter to me, 4/21/1985)
KEENE (Jess. Co.): 6 mi. from Nich. on the Versailles Rd. Nearly all of the inhabitants are Negroes. Acc. to trad., the 1st house was built 1780 on hill, at present site of Keene and the place was called Hardscrabble. About the turn of the cent. it was renamed Liberty. An early house there was built by a Mr. Young nr. a spring from which local people still get their water. Monoah (sic) Singleton built an old stone mill in 1785 and it was run by both water & horse power. In use till 1875. A few yrs. after Liberty name applied, there was an effort to est. a po' but Liberty could not be used since another Liberty then in Casey Co. Several names offered. Ephraim Carter named it
Keene for his home town in N.H. Vill. grew. In 1848 a stream of sulphur water was struck while drilling for water. Leroy See built a hotel. Two others built, by Mason Singleton and Fielding Deane. "Town laid out on a rocky hill." Three hemp factories there before the CW. Sometime after the CW the white pop. began to move away, their homes sold to Negroes. Eventually, nearly all of the houses in town, exc. the stores and the homes of the storekeepers. Declined till 1890 when Louisv. & Atlantic RR was built c. ½ mi. from town but didn't cause town to grow.... ("Hist. of Keene by J.T. Sallee, Jr., reproduced in an unindent newsp. undated, in the UK Spec. Coll.)
KEENE (Jess. Co.): Inc. 3/2/1844 (ACTS 1843/ Vol. 2, P. 255) 1st called North Liberty. Laid out 1813, n.ch. to Keene, 1848 (sic) (Clift, KY. VILL... P. 25); A federal commu. dev. grant awarded the community in 1979 to renovate or demolish ½ the bldgs. there. A pop., 19th cent. resort developed around its "sanitive waters". Hotels. Black families moved in after hotels closed. By 10/1980, 29 of 37 bldgs. had been renovated. Pop. (80) = 300. After the C.W., freed slaves bought land sold by resort owners. The Keene Spring Hotel built in 1843 still stands, across road from gro. store & p.o. Just down the road is jct. with 4-way stop signs. These dirt roads were recently paved. Near the jct. is one of
KEENE (Jess Co.): Pre C.W. resort commu.
developed around "health restoring...sulfur (sic) water" from local wells. Economic peak before CW. Decline. "Land became cheap...and newly freed slaves began buying" lots there. Today, c.260 pop., 90% black. 12 mi. sw of Lex. Bob Wilson, native of Keene, is pm and owns the only gen. store, across street from the hotel his family purchased in 1867. One resi. of the hotel now. Capped well down Ky. 1267 all that remains of spa. But the sulphur water "still flows under Keene" acc. to Wilson. Macedonia Bap. Chu. on a near by hill.

KEENE (Jess. Co.): Once site of pop. summer resort because of nearby medicinal springs. Had 3 hotels. Keene Springs. Laid out as town 1812. 1st called North Liberty. Harvey Huggins and Ephraim Carter from New Hamp. developed it as a trade center and renamed it for Keene, their home town in N.H. Carter was 1st pm and Huggins had the gen. store, the only one then to serve a large area...Huggins retired to Almahurst. Medicinal qualities of local springs discovered Apr 1848. On the Shawnee Run Rd., the stagecoach route betw. Harrodsb. & Lex., the route of the buffalo trace....Site 1st settled 1776 by a party of 10 men who built their cabins nr. Keene Springs...("Railroad Bypassed Keene, Spelling Doom as Gay Watering Place for the Blue Grass")
KEENE (Jess. Co., Ky): Manoah Singleton built the local mill in 1794. Mt. Pleasant Bap. Chu was org. in 1801. Town was laid out in 1813. It was first called North Liberty. Keene Springs Tavern was moved here in 1843 from its 1st site at S. Elkhorn by Mason Singleton and Fielding Dean; Keene as such is identified on David H. Burr's 1839 map of Ky. & Tenn;
KEENE (Jess. Co.): c. 5½ mi. nw of Nich. Inc. 1843. On the Shawnee Rd. The New Hamp. men ar1 c.1812 and named it. Summer resort before the C.W. (...) (J. Winston Coleman in LEX. LEADER, date=?); The town of Keene was 1st called Liberty. n.ch. in 1840 at the request of the pm who came from Keene, N.H. or for successful merchant who had lived there; or for a Mr. Keene Singleton. Reuben Young & family built house in vic., and a mill in 1791. (Jessamine Woodson, SKETCH OF JESS. CO.; 1969, P. 14); Clear Creek was discovered 1774 by Jacob Sodowski, Abraham Hempenstall, et al. on a hunting trip. Acc. to Sodowski, it was named by Hemp for its great "clearness" nr. the
Henry Prather and others, in 1776, made 1st settlement at site of Keene and built their cabins there. (Sarah Johnson Price, Nicholasville, Ky., ms. copy of "Stories of Early Jessamine Co., its Life & Homes" in KHS Libr.); Acc. to Pat. & Gal., there was a North Liberty PO in Jess. Co. 1830-1830; Prows Food Store across rd. from site of Keene Springs Hotel, antebel. spa. (Acc. to Bettye Lee Mastin, "Hist., Scenic Beauty Mark Trip Thru Jess." LHL, 3/7/1990, P. 9).
KEENE (Jess Co.): Predominently black commu. c. 1970s. Pop.=c.275. (Rex Bailey, LCJ, 4/27/1973.) Had a hotel; Vill. 6 mi. nw of Nich. on the rd. to Versailles. Laid out 1813 and called North Liberty. Nich. to Keene in 1848 for the N.H. hometown of Thos. Jones, a hatter, who arr. in 1845. About that time, a stream of sulphur water was accidentally discovered. Several stores & hotel then. Mt. Pleasant Baptist Chur. (P. 187) A stone mill built 1794 by Manoc Singleton & powered by water and horse...(P.188 Bennett H. Young, A HIST. OF JESS. CO., Louisville, 1898)

*Yet a Keene PO. was in existence at least by
KEENE (Jess. Co.): cf PM J. Robert Wilson, Jr.
Keene, Ky. 40339 who is a native and knows
more about the place than anyone else. He'll
be glad to help. (Robert M. Suell, letter to
me, 3/24/1978); Dr. Robert Wilson, PhD, local
storekeeper and pm is authority on local hist.
Age in his mid. 30s. He's 3rd generation pm.
His bro. is magistrate from there...Never hear
of it called Hardscrabble but it could have
been. Was 1st called Liberty, or it may have
been North Liberty. Ask Wilson which, and why
and when it was renamed. Clear Creek runs
thru Keene and to/ Troy (Woodford Co.) Keene
has been primarily a Negro commu. for a long
time... 50-60% of the pop, at least, is colored. Now: the old store & po were in the old hotel bldg. But Wilson, above, moved it across the road and built a sep. bldg. next door for the po. Another store that had been run by a Mr. Runnels, is no longer in operation. (Robert M. Suell, interview, 6/14/1978);
KEENE (Jess. Co.): Resort whose guests were attracted by white sulphur water. Discovered in 1849. The water was advertised as having the power to cure "nearly all diseases that are usually (considered) chronic." (Coleman, OLD KY. WATERING PLACES). Keene Springs Hotel which c1967 was the home of M&M Bob Wilson, local storekeepers. The ads, above, appeared in the late 1840s and 1850s. Resort potential destroyed with the coming of the rr.... (Bettye Lee Mastin "Fourth Generation Runs Store at Keene..." HER-LEAD., LEX., KY. 5/21/1967, P. 60:1-8);
KEENE (Jess. Co., Ky): Manoah & Edmond Singleton were bros. Manoah built the mill at Keene. They were founders of the S. Elkhorn Creek Bap. Chu. (now a Xian chu.) and fought at Blue Licks. Edmond marr. Margaret Haydon. (Acc. to a descendant, Dr. Jack Nelson, 525 Westchester Dr., Decatur, Ga. 30030, in KY. ANC. Vol. 27(3), Winter, 1992, P. 169;
KEENE (Jess. Co., Ky): "This vil. with po lies at the jct. of Ky 169 and 1267, 4½ (air) mi nw of Nich.. It grew up around a stone mill built in 1794 and was laid out in 1813 as North Liberty. Its po was est. on July 14, 1830 and named Keene by Ephraim Carter, the 1st pm, and Harvey Huggins, the storekeeper, for their hometown in N.H. Under this name it was inc. in 1844." (Book-P. 158);

The Singletons came originally from Orange Co, Va;
KEENE (Jess. Co., Ky): Acc. to (no signature), 6/1886, this po was 4½ mi s of Clear Creek, 3 3/4 mi e of Troy po, and 6 mi nw of Nich. PO. \Acc. to Ben Wilson, 2/3/1909, the po was on a branch of Clear Creek, 4 mi from that creek itself, 1092 yards s of the L&A RR, 2½ mi w of Nealton PO, 2 air mi. from the co. line. \Acc. to Ben Wilson, 7/25/1939, the po was 2 3/4 air mi from the Woodf. Co. line, 100 yards s of Mt. Pleasant Br. of Clear Creek, 6 mi nw of Nich. PO. (SLR);
KEENE (Jess Co.): Vil. est. around a stone mill erected 1794. Called New Liberty in 1813. n.ch influenced 1848 by Thos. Jones, a hatter, who had arr. 1845 from Keene, N.H. (M. Ladd, WPA, c. 4/1941); 6 mi. nw of Nich. Founded 1831(s. and called North Liberty but name later ch. to Keene, thru influence of Thos. Jones, a hatter who arr. from Keene, N.H. in 1845. About this time, a sulphur stream (sic) was accidentally discovered while digging a well. Its medicinal value attracted a no. of Lexington and other residents to the vic. to settle. 1794, Manoah Singleton built stone mill powered by horse & water. Operated for 100 yrs. Spring-water powered....(from one of ser. of unid. articles on bluegrass area communities....)
KEENE (Jess. Co., Ky):
KEENE (Jess. Co., Ky): 1st called Liberty but was renamed in 1840 at the request of the pm for his hometown of Keene, N.H. or, some say, for a local storekeeper, or for Mr. Keene Singleton. (Jessamine Woodson, Sketch of Jess Co., pub. by the J. Co. Hist. Soc., 1969, P. 14); Acc. to 1850 Census, Wm. R. Keene (34) was ne Ky. and lived with wife Eliz. (28) in Dist. #2, nr. Tucker Woodson (45) and Thos. Foster (60);
LITTLE HICKMAN (Jess. Co., Ky): "This hamlet is centered on a store and epo on Ky 1268 and Little Hickman Creek, 6 (air) mi s of Nich. The po, in operation from 1867 to 191 was named for the creek, which, with neighboring (Big) Hickman Creek, also a br. of the Ky. R., was probably named for Rev. Wm. Hickman (1747-1830). This Va-born Bapt. preacher arr. in Ky. in 1779 and is said to have preached the first sermon in the Bluegrass and helped to est. many area chu's. Now a part of the extended Little Hickman commu., in the vic. of the Little Hickman
Chu., 1½ mi ne, was the store and po of Pink (1887-1904) named for storekeeper John Pink Overstreet. This area has also been called Pluckemine, the name of the voting dist. Some claim this name is a corruption of Plaquemine, which is alleged to have derived from that of some Indian tribe, the Piakemines, about which nothing is known. Robt. M. Suell, a co. historian, recalls that a Thos. Wade had rec'd. a Rev. War grant in this vic. and moved here sometime before the co. was est. It is possible that he brought the name with him. Could there be some connection with the N.J. Pluckemin or
Louisiana Plaquemine, the latter referring to the persimmon tree?" (Book-P. 175);
LITTLE HICKMAN (Jess. Co., Ky): Acc. to J.C. Herrell (?), 8/21/1876, the po was 2 mi n of the Ky. R., ¼ mi n of Little Hickman Creek, 5 mi se of Hanly PO, 8 mi se of Nich. PO. \ Acc. to J.W. Overstreet, 4/23/1914, the po was in a country store, 2 air mi w of the co. line, 2 mi n of Ky. R. and 50 yards se of Little Hickman Cr., 5½ mi se of Hanly PO. (SLR);
LITTLE HICKMAN (Jess. Co.): The name of a gen. store on the Sugar Creek Rd. Also had a po at one time. Store is current and is c. ½ mi. below the forks of the Little Hickman Pke. & the Sugar Creek Rd. DK why it was called the Little Hickman Store though it's still a part of the Little Hickman commu. and Little Hickman Creek runs in front of the store. But at Little Hickman-Pink commu. (q.v.) is the Little Hickman Chu. and Little Hickman Sch. and the Plaq. voting prec. The creek runs between the chur. & the sch. (Robert M. Suell, letter to me, 3/24/1978);
LITTLE HICKMAN (com) (Jess. Co., Ky): May have originally been owned by Tucker Woodson on 3000 acres in the Plegumine or Little Hickman Dist. Acc. to trad., he gave land for the Little Hickman Chu. before 1841. (Suell, Hist of Freemasonry, Pp. 56-7); The Rev. Wm. Hickman (1747-1830) was ne King & Queen Co., Va. and licensed to preach in the Bapt. chu. in 1776. To Ky. in 1779 and may have preached the 1st sermon in this terri. Returned to Ky. in 1784 and settled in Fay. Co. Founder of many area chu's. The 2 creeks may have been named for him. (Ibid., Pp. 59-60);
LITTLE HICKMAN (Jess Co.): p.o. est. 2/15/1867, Geo. Blakeman...Disc. 6/30/1917 (mail to Nich.) (NA); Big & Little Hickman Creeks are believed to have been named for the Rev. Wm. Hickman (1747-1830), ne King & Queen Co., Va. Lic. to preach in Bapt. church in 1776. To Ky. 1779. Alleged "to have preached the 1st sermon in the new settlement." Settled in Fayette Co. 1784. Founded many Bluegrass area churches... (Robt. May-Suell, HIST. OF FREEMASONRY IN JESS CO., KY., 1974, Pp. 59-60); The last pm of LH was John W. Overstreet, 7/30/1877 till closing 6/30/1917 (NA); G.N. Pink...)

Ramstore at Lrh. From 1811-1921.
LOGANA (Jess. Co.): p.o. est. 10/21/1889, John C. Walter...Disc. 9/15/1917 (mail to Nich.) (NJ ("L(oh)/gh(ae)n\)) A sta. on the L&N betw. Irvine & Lou. Was a gen. store there. DK if the rr est. commu. Store bldg. is standing but not in use. DK origin of the name. cf Robt. Fain. (Robert M. Suell, interview, 6/14/1978); Jas. B Logan; Archibald Logan, a wealthy tanner with shop in Lex., owned part of the Craig Survey in Jess. Co., betw. Nich. & Cogars Ldg., in vic. of Black's Sta. He left Jess. Co. in 1826 and deeded land to his daughter, Mrs. Hord. It was ultimately conveyed to the G.B. Bryan heirs.

(Young, 1898, p. 46); acc to Beers (1877) owned site
Archibald, James, and Patrick Logan are listed as heads of separate households in the 1810 Census, Jess. Co. No Logan is listed in 1830 Census for Jess. Co.; James B. Logan, son of John & Malinda Logan, was ne 8/11/183; on Logans Creek in Lincoln Co. Came to Jess. Co. to settle on 200 acres on banks of Hickman Creek, called "Sunny Side". His wife was Lucy (nee Arnold) Logan. Children included Wm. A. Logan and John L. Logan;
LOGANA (Jess. Co., Ky): Acc. to John C. Walter, 8/31/1889, this prop. po would be 3 mi nw of Mt. Lebanon PO, 4 mi sw of Spears PO, 4 mi s of Union Mills PO, on the Riney-B RR being constructed. Logana Sta. Vil. of 100.

Acc. to J.C. Walter, 4/23/1914, the po was 1 mi n of Ky. R., 1 mi s of Hickman Creek, 3 mi sw of Union Mills PO, 20 ft. n of the L&N RR, 1 (air) mi from the co. line. Logana Sta. (SLR); In 1895, Logana had a pop. of 100. J.W. Walters (sic) was pm, local grocer, and rr agent. There were several other stores and businesses there, including a hemp factory run by J.L. Logana. (sic);
MARRS (Jess. Co., Ky): po est. 6/30/1881, John Marrs; Disc. 7/29/1881 (POR-NA); Marrs Family Cem. on the Ash Grove Pike; No Marrs listed in 1880 Census in the Nich. & Plegumine Districts; Suell dk about this place. (interv. 6/14/1978); Acc. to John Marrs, 6/13/1881, the name proposed for this po was Blue Grass and the po would be 6 mi s of Lex. PO and 6 mi n of Nich. PO, 4 mi se of S. Elkhorn PO, 4 mi s of Elkhorn Creek, on the Cincy. So. RR. To serve the sta. of Bryan, on the rr midway betw. Lex. & Nich. and ne of Keene PO. (SLR);
MOUNT FREEDOM (Jess. Co., Ky): PO est. 6/12/1844, David P. Sutton; Disc. 6/3/1846; Re-est. 7/21/1846, David P. Sutton; 6/30/1851, John J. Evans...3/30/1863, Geo. W. Durham; Disc. 5/14/1863; Re-est. 8/30/67., John Dickerson; 1/3/68, H.C. Hamilton; Disc. 1/28/1870; Re-est. 6/30/1892, John G. Laughlin, resc. 5/9/1894. Thus i closed in 1870: (POR-NA); ("Mownt Free/dam")

Midway betw. Wilmore and High Bridge. At one time this was quite a commu. There's a Mt. Freedom Bapt. Chu. in Wilmore now. Had a gen. store. On the S. Ky. RR at one time but since the route has been changed and the rr no long­er runs thru there. DK name's origin. (Suell, interv., 6/14/1978);
The Mt. Freedom Bapt. Chu. was est. 9/1832 at a site midway betw. Wilmore and High Bridge. The site was sold in 1902 and the chu. was moved to a lot in Wilmore, retaining the name (LEX. LEADER, 6/30/1938, III, P. 2:1-8); The Mt. Freedom com. & Bap. chu. was nr. the head of Handy's Bend Rd. Chu. org. in 1832. A union chu. The bldg. (with the Meth's.) was erected in 1850. Chu. was moved in 1900 to Wilmore and land was sold to J.C. Cox. (Acc. Rev. D. Richard Suell in Jess. J. 10/11/1973, P. 25:1-3);
MOUNT LEBANON (Jess. Co., Ky): Acc. to L.F. English, 1/31/1889, the prop. po would be 6 mi e of Nich. PO, 2 mi w of Ky. R., on the e side of E. Hickman Creek. To serve only a country store. [1] Acc. to Lewis Albert Price, 1/29/1902, the po was 2 mi n of Pollard PO, 4½ mi ne of Ambrose, 3½ mi sw of Logana. A vil. of 25.

Acc. to L.F. English, 12/3/1894, he pet. for a site ch. ¼ mi sw to a pt. 1½ mi w of the Ky. R. and 1 mi e of Hickman Creek, 3 mi s of Logana. (SLR);
Mount Lebanon (Jess Co., Ky); In 1871 Lafayette English (1835-1923) bought a 71 acre farm here and opened a gen. store. He is buried in the local English Graveyard. He and his family were members of the Little Hickman Chu. (Suell, Hist. of Freemasonry, 1974, P. 39);
MT. LEBANON (Jess. Co.): p.o. est. 2/9/1889, LaFayette English. Disc. 7/11/1901; Re-est. 3/4/1902, Lewis A. Price...Disc. eff. 11/30/1903 (papers to Nich.) (NA); ("Mount L(eh)b/ən/ən"). A Meth. Chu. there called Mt. Lebanon which does sit up on a hill. DK if the commu. was named for the chu. (cf Robt. Fain). Lafayete English ran the local gen. store for yrs. The English cem. is a short distance out the ridge from the Engl. home. There was a settlement there before the po was est. DK when the chu. was est., certainly before 1889 when the po was est. It was an old chu. Active chu. Commu. still locally referred to as Mt. L. (Robt. M. Suell, interview, 6/14/1978);
NEALTON (Jess. Co., Ky); po est. 5/21/1892. Jesse C. Neal; 4/27/1894, Wm. T. Crutcher... 3/26/1910, Jas. P. Minor; 7/31/1911, Albert McC. Holmes; Disc. 7/15/1912 (mail to Nich.) (POR-NA); On the n end of the Almahurst farm on the e side of the present US 68. On the old Riney B-L&N RR. Named for family. Its prog'. Geo. O. Neal had a grant for Rev. War serv. The Neals owned the gro. store which was operated by a Mr. Webb, since the 1870s. Nealton Sch. and Neal family cem. RR stop. 1 rm. sch. Store was just n of the sch. (Krista King in "Remember When" by the Class of Jess Co. Hi.Sch. Vol. 1, 1988, Pp. 12-17, in KHS Libr.); Wm. C. Neal (c.1842)
NEALTON (Jess. Co., Ky): David Neal (10/12/1807-7/18/1891) is buried on US 68, nr. Catnip Hill Rd; Geo. Neal died 3/2/1854, age 70. He was ne Jess. Co., son of Geo. Neal; The Almahurst name is applied just to the horse farm, not to any commu. there. ("Ael/ma/h3st" Owned by the Knight family. Where Dixie Knight was murdered, at the old home place, since torn down. Active horse farm, on US 68, right in betw. the 2 roads, the ones to/ Nich. & to Keene. The Knight’s prog. had secured the prop. from a land grant and it was passed thr the generations. The older Knights have died out and the younger family members didn’t care
enough to keep it going. So the farm was sold Split up into 2 farms; one is still called Almahurst. DK the name's origin. (Robt. Suell interv., 6/14/1978); Almahurst Farm: a part of Jas. Knight's Rev. War serv. grant. Trotting and later thorobred horses raised here. (Guide to Ky. Highway Mar ters, #565, P. 55); David Neal (10/12/1807 to 7/18/1891) is buried at Fount Baker Farm on Catnip Hill Rd. His wife was Rebecca (nee Elmore);
NEALTON (Jess. Co., Ky): Acc. to Jesse C. Neal, 4/28/1892, the prop. po would be 3½ mi e of Keene PO, 4½ mi nw (sic) of Nich. PO, 3/4 mi w of Jess. Creek, on the Riney-B RR. Acc. to James Perry Minor, 2/1/1909, the po was ½ mi w of Jess. Creek, 2½ mi e of Keene PO, 4½ mi w of Nich. PO, 45 ft. n of the L&A tracks. (SLR); Geo. Neal lived at the head of Jess. Creek in Nov. 1796;
NICHOLASVILLE (Jess.' Co., Ky): Where the Lex. and Danville Rd. crossed the road that came from the early Jess.' & Hickman Creek settlements. These were old buffalo and Indian traces. It was named by Rev. John Metcalf for his friend, Col. Geo. Nicholas. (Robt. Suell, Hist. of Freemasonry); a 3rd cl. city; Named the seat of the new co. in 1789. Then only a few log bldgs. incl. Ben.' Netherland's Mingo Tavern. Site had been owned by Chesley Gates and Thos. Caldwell who donated 20 acres for the town. Rec'd. its 1st charter on 2/8/1812. Mingo Tavern was built in 1793; Maj. Benj.
Netherland's wife was Theodosia Bramlette (1760-1852), d of Col. Ambrose Bramlette of Surry Co., NC., a Rev. War vet. Among their children was Powhatan Netherland (1788/9--1813) who was named for Benj's. co. of birth Pow. was mortally wounded in the siege of Ft. Meigs in the W of 1812. Benj. arr. at the Nich. site in 1793 and built home and opened tavern he called Mingo Tavern which he ran till he died in 1838. In 1852 his son & heir, Benj. Jr. sold the tavern. The bldg. was torn down in 1884. Benj. was a large land owner. He was appointed 1st pm
of Nich. on 9/20/1801 and served for 20 yrs
Benj. was ne 2/29/1755. (Acc. to Muriel M.C.
Spoden ANCESTRY AND DESCENDANTS OF RICHARD
Netherland, ESQ. 1764-1832, 1979, Pp. 272-7
in Withers Libr. in Nich., examined by me on 2/20/1992);
NICHOLASVILLE (Jess. Co.): ("N(ih)k/əl/əv(ih)l") = 3½ syl. (Robt. M. Suell, 6/14/1978 Named for Geo. Nicholas, ne James City Co., Va. c. 1743. Died Lex., Ky. 7/1799. Rev. War vet. To Mercer Co., Ky. 1788. 1st Atty. Gen. of Ky.... (Margaret Hartman's tour guide to N.Ky., P. 46); "This 4th cl. ind. city & seat of Jess. Co. is on US 27, 64 mi ese of downtown Lou. It was laid out as the co's. seat by Rev. John Metcalfe and named by him for Geo. Nicholas (1743-1799), Va-born lawyer & Rev. War vet., who was Ky's 1st atty-gen. and was instrumental in framing its 1st constitution. The po was est. on 1/14/1806 by
Maj. Benjamin Netherland and the city was chartered by the leg. in 1812." (Book-P. 214)
NICHOLASVILLE (Jessamine Co.): Seat of Jess. Co. laid out 1798 by Rev. John Metcalf, Meth. preacher who had started 1st sch. in area, 1794. Chartered by Leg. 1812. Named for George Nicholas (1754-1799), officer in Am. Rev. and considered "Father of Ky. Const." (Highway marker, courthouse yard, acc. to GUIDE, No. 947, P. 166); P.O. est. 1/14/1806, Benj. Netherland...(NA); Founded 9/16/1798 by Rev. John Metcalf who named it for Col. Geo. Nicholas. By then it was the place of intersection of several rds. (P. 79). Attracting est. of the town were 4 large springs "presumed to be never failing" around which the town was located.
Also its location on roads betw. Lex. & Danv. and E. Hickman to Jess. Creeks which intersected there. (P. 80). Started as a trade ctr for local farmers. Prior to est., at least 2 factions had wanted the town located elsewhere. Sam'l. H. Woodson, Co. & Cir.Ct. Clerk and a lawyer, wanted it c. 1 mi. so. of present site, and Frederick Zimmerman, Co. Surveyor, wanted it c. 3/4 mi. n., on top of the hill. Due to influence & persistence of Metcalf the town was laid out at present site. Nathaniel McLean built 1st log cabin in Nich. (P. 81). Maj. Benj. Netherland, another early settler; 10/1801. Secured po and served till 1822. (Pp. 82, 164) (Bennett H. Young, A HIST. OF JESS. CO., 1898)
NICHOLASVILLE (Jess. Co., Ky): Benj. R. Netherland built a cabin at this site in the spring of 1783. At that time the place was called Mingo Tavern by Maj. N. who ran a tavern there. He was 1st pm in 1801. On 9/1/1801 he wrote to the PM-Gen'l. requesting the establishment of a mail route from Lex. to Nich., etc. He was appointed pm of Nich. that yr. He accepted 9/21/1801. Town was laid off 9/16/98 by Rev. John Metcalf. (S.M. Duncan, Jess. Co., 1886, 1964 reprinting, Pp. 4-5);
JNICHOLASVILLE (Jessamine Co.): Benj. Netherland died 1838. (reproduces the letters exchanged by Netherland and the Postmaster Gen. re- the procedure for certifying Neth. as pm) (Pp. 82-3) Town laid out by Metcalfe 7/1798. In a letter sent to Nicholas by Metcalf, 9/16/98, he states that he had named the co. seat Nicholasville in his honor. (P. 84)…Col. Geo. Nicholasville 8/11/1753, Williamsburg, Va. son of Robt. Carter Nicholas, lawyer & member of Va. H. of Burgesses. Rev. War officer. Charlottesville atty. Member of the Va. Convention to Ratify the Const. (P. 92) To Ky. 1789, settled in what later became Boyle Co. One of august body to frame Ky's. 1st Const. in 1792. (P.93) …Died 7/1799. (P. 95) (Bennett H. Young, HIST. 1896)
NICHOLASVILLE (Jessamine County, Ky.) The only town in the US with that name. Proof of this is in the account of a letter sent after WWI to a former doughboy stationed in Germany, addressed merely to him, Nicholasville, USA. And he received it. (Acc. to Robert Wilson, Pres. of the Jessamine Co. Hist. Soc., 1/11/72)

For yrs considered a commuter suburb of Lex., since the late 1960s has succeeded in attracting several industries: packaging materials, water heaters & storm doors, security devices, etc. Regarded as one of the fastest growing cities in Ky. since 1950... ("Nicholasville: It's Been a Place to Grow" CJ&T, 5/19/1974, P. D11:1-6).
Geo. Nicholas ne 1754(?), acc. to DAB. which notes that he was son of Robt. Carter Nichol as who was born in 1728. I goofed in my book on Geo.'s birth date. Make a footnote to thi in the Jess. Co. PO article;
PEKIN (Jess. Co., Ky): PO est. 11/30/1848, David P. Watson; 2/2/1852, Woodson Dickerson ... 9/8/1857, David J. Noonan; Disc. 3/27/1858; Re-est. 4/9/1858, David J. Noonan; 12/2/1861, Nimrod Nooney (?); Disc. 12/26/61; Re-est. 5/2 1862, Brown Young; Disc. 2/6/65; Re-est. 4/22/1865, Brown Young; Disc. 12/29/1876 (POR-NA); In 1876 this was a small vil. 8 mi from Nich. on the Lex-Harrods. Rd., just ne of Cogar Lng Acc. to Brown Young, 5/18/1868, this po was 2 mi n of K R. and on the s side of Indian Creek, 7 mi w of Nich. P and 4 mi dw (sic) of Mt. Freedom PO. (SLR);
PERRY (Jess. Co., Ky): po est. 4/30/1915, Ira D. Sharp; Disc. eff. 2/28/1922 (mail to Nich.) (POR-NA); PERRY STATION was at jct. of Bethany Rd. & the Riney B. Ira D. Sharp was the son of Wm. Draft Sharp who acquired the local mill ca. 1895. It was a flour mill called the Hickman Lily Mill till ca. 1921 when flood destroyed the dam. In the Union Mills area. On or nr. Ashgrove Pike and nr Red Oak Sch. (Acc. to Geo. Sharp, son of Ira, to Trac; Miller & Ed Hughes, in "Remembering When" by the class of Jess. Co. Hi.Sch. Vol. 1, 1988, Vol. 1, Pp. 63-4); Robt. S. Perry was co. ct. clerk ca. 1886. (JESS. CO. by S.M. Duncan, c.
11/22/1886, reprinted in 1964 in Anchorage, Ky. Copy at KHS Libr. and LPL, P. 13); John Perry ne Jess. Co. and died 12/9/1904, age 56. Parents unknown; Could this have been named for John Perry?; Suell didnt know about this place. (interv., 6/14/1978);
PERRY (Jess. Co., Ky): Acc. to Ira D. Sharp, 9/24/1914, this prop. po would be 3 mi n of Ky. R., 3/8 mi w of Hickman Creek, 2½ rail mi w of Logana PO, 3 mi e of Nich. PO, 50 ft. s of L&N sta. of Perry, 3 air mi n of the co. line, on the rr tracks betw. Nich. & Logana. (SLR);
PINK (Jess. Co.): "The large log house in which Pink Overstreet lived and in which the po was located is still standing and is a beautiful country home..." (Robert M. Suell, letter to me, 3/24/1978); (P(h)ickman) Little Hickman is the name of the community there. ("L(h)ickman") Named for pm J. Pink Overstreet=John P. Overstreet whom everyone called "Pink." Pink=3-4 mi. from the Little Hickman po which was on the Sugar Creek Rd. c. 1 mi. from the forks of the Little Hickman Pike and the Sugar Creek Rd. (sic) At one time the Little Hickman gen. store and maybe the was completed 1970.
po too was at the forks. Then they moved to the present site, they being the Overstreet sites. DK if John W. Overstreet was kin to Pink. At the site of the Pink po was the Little Hickman sch. and the Little Hickman Chu. Has been a gen. store there for yrs. and is still in operation. The sch. was one of the last in the co. to be closed and the bldg. is now a home. Pink is now still called Little Hickman since they've changed the voting prec. to Little Hickman but the Pluckemine name now identifies this vic. ("Pl(uh)k/'ə/m(ih)n") is a
corruption of Plaquemine ("Pl(ae)k/ə/mən") =2½ syl...No longer referred to as Pink and has not been for years...DK why the other po was called Little Hickman as the Little Hickman commu. was at Pink. The Little Hickman po was the older of the two Thus the Pink po had to have another name. Neither po has been in existence for yrs. Now the site of the old Little Hickman po is still also called Little Hickman. It's really all just one large commu. now. Only the Pink vic. has been called Pluckemin however. The district which included
several voting precincts at that time was the Pluckemine District... Thos. Wade, an Englishman, arr. age 15 to Am. and fought in the Rev. War, was given a land grant in the vic. and moved there, before the co was est. The Plaquemine name was derived from that of some Indian tribe, the Piakemines, but dk where they were from. Most of the settlers came from Va. but some could have come from elsewhere. ...(q.v. Little Hickman....) (Robt. M. Suell, interview, 6/14/1978);
PINK (Jess Co.): p.o. est. 5/14/1887, Mary H. Letcher...Disc. eff. 2/29/1904 (papers to Nich (NA); Pink was the po that served the Little Hickman community. Named for postmaster J. Pink Overstreet. The voting prec. was Plaquemine named for an Indian tribe, the Piakemine. Pink=c. 8 mi. se of Nich. on the Little Hickman Creek and the Little Hickman Pike. Plaquemine runs from Ky. 39 to Sugar Creek Rd. Pron. "Pl(uh)k/ə/m(eye)n"
...(Robert M. Suell of Jess Co., Ky. in a letter to me, 3/24/1978); John P Overstreet was the 3rd pm of Pink, 4/28/1888.. (NA); Handaway, in his LCJ article (c.WWII) s it Plaquemine Prec. and said it was nicknamed Pluck-em-im.
PINK (Jess Co., Ky): J. Pink Overstreet (3/6/1835-4/14/1910) was buried in the Maple Grove Cem. in Nich; Pink Overstreet's po was in his home; Acc. to 1880 Census, it's Plegumine Dist.; Billy Wade built the house where the Pink po was. The front room was the store. The present store was built above the road from Overstreet's home. (Suell, interv., 6/14 1978); In 1895, Pink had a pop. of 47. J.T. Wilson, the pm, ran a gen. store;
PINK PO (Jess. Co., Ky): Acc. to Houston Scott, 4/18/1887, this prop. po would serve a commu. called Deans and would be 2 mi ne of Little Hickman PO, 3 mi sw of Ambrose PO, 3 mi w of Ky. R., and 2 mi e of Hickman Creek. (SLR);
POLLARD (Jess. Co., Ky): Alice (nee Pollard) was the wife of Taylor Adams. She was from Jes: Co. and he was from Fay. Co. (?); (ca. 1876); Kissing Ridge. Had an ele. sch. (Suell, Mason. ry, 1974, P. 54); Wm. Pollard was an early su: veyor; Acc. to Milford Fain, 2/4/1899, the prop. po would be 2 3/8 mi sw of Mt. Lebanon PO, 4 mi ne of Pink 3½ mi se of Ambrose, 2 mi n of Ky. R., and 1 mi e of Big Hickman Creek. (SLR);
POLLARD (Jess. Co.): p.o. est. 2/23/1899, Milford Fain; Disc. eff. 11/30/1903 (papers to Nich.) (NA); cf Robert ("Bob") Fain at the Lex. Lead. who is a native. His father ran the gen. store there for yrs. Fain may be source o info. on Mt. Lebanon and Logana too. (Robert M. Suell, letter to me, 3/24/1978); ("P(ah)l/3rd Named for local family....Now: store. The comm preceded the est. of the po but dk if it was then called Pollard. Not on the rr but on the rd. that goes down to a ferry on the river. (Robt. M. Suell, interview, 6/14/1978); No Pollards listed in 1880 Census in the Nich. & Plegumine Districts;
POTTS MILLS (Jess. Co., Ky): po est. 4/28/1848, Wm. N. Potts; 10/24/1854, Aaron Blake-\-man...12/14/1858, Wm. N. Potts; Disc. 6/7/62 (POR-NA); Potts Mill was named for Wm. Potts who built the mill on (Big) Hickman Creek, by the Sugar Creek Rd. (P. 50). This was later called Sageser's Mill and was destroyed by the 1932 Hickman Creek flood. (Robert May Suell, Hist. of Freemasonry in Jess Co., Ky., Nich, 1974, Pp. 18-19); ("Pahts Mihl") On Sugar Creek Rd. An old grist mill. In 1932 flood water came as high as 6-8 ft. thru there, destroying the dam and practically
washing away all the old covered bridges and the mill. Later known as Sageser's Mill ("Sə/ghəs/ərz Mihl") which was named for Breen (?) Sageser who was the last to run it as a mill. The mill was originally built by Wm. Potts in the early 19 cent. He died in the 1850s and is buried on the hillside above his old homeplace. The mill served as the meeting place of an old Masonic lodge which was later moved up the road to a bldg. of its own. Potts was a member of the lodge. (Robt. Suell, interview, 6/14/1978);
Sagersy, Sageser, or Sagerser (c.1810); Wm. Nixon Potts (11/1/1818-in Jess. Co., son of Wm. N. & Anne (Beatty) Potts, and died 2/7 1893 in Richmond, Ky. and buried there.) Wm. Jr. designed water mills before and during th CW. Moved to Rich. in 1865. (Maurine Coleman Schmitz on the Nave Family... ms. in the Withers libr. in Nich., 1980);
PROVIDENCE (Jess. Co.): ("Pr(ah)v/ədəns")
Just s. of the Fayette Co. line, on the e. side of US27. A large brick chu. which is the Providence Xian Chu. Commu. now includes the Brannon Pike, across the rd, going west, and the site of the Brannon Sta. (check on this...) Nr. the chu. is an antique shop that used to house the local sch. DK the origin of the name; maybe from the chu which was or in 1817. Not a log home just before you get to the chu. but a brick one. The home was built in 1818...cf Betty Lee Mastin's articl
in the LEX. LEAD. A Mr. Dale who lives across the rd., and is pres. of a Nich. bank, owns that home now and much of the adjacent area. DK if the vic? around the chu. is actually a commu., as such, but it's locally called Providence... (Robt. M. Suell, interview, 6/14/1978);
PROVANCE (Jess. Co.): Very near the Fayette Co. line. The Provance Chu. was org. 1817 and later became a Christian Church. The large log bldg. on the same side of the rd. as the chu. was build c1818-9. (Robert M. Suell, letter to me, 3/24/1978); This should be Providence. Today, this place is just site of church and old school bldg. with several nearby homes. No stores, at least none visibl from US27. (Observation, 6/14/78);
RUDICILL (Jess. Co., Ky): po est. 4/26/1898. Jeremiah Rudicill; Disc. 11/3/1898 (papers to Wilmore) (POR-NA); Suell dk about this place. (interv., 6/14/1978); Jerry Rudicill died in 1899, acc. to an obit. in Jess. Journ. dated 6/30/1899; Elihu Rudicil (sic) married Netti Corman in 1898; Acc. to Jeremiah Rudicill, 3/17/98 the name prop. for this po was Mt. Freedom and the po would be 2 1/2 m i s of Wilmore, 2 1/2 mi n of High Bridge PO 1 mi n of the Ky. R., 2 mi W of Jess. Creek, 100 ft. n of Cincy. So. RR. A vil. of 40. (SLR);
SPEARSVILLE (Fayette Co.): On Tates Creek Pike c. 13 mi. from Lex. Straddles the co. line. po: Spears P.O. is in Jess. Co. and half of the other bldgs. in the vil. are in Fayette Co. Store, po, blacksmith shop, warehouse, 5 homes sch. & chur. (c.1880). (Robert Peter, HIST. OF FAYETTE CO., KY. Chi: O.L. Baskin & Co., 1882 P. 546); po and store called Spearsville was named for the Spears family, local landowners. Riley Spears ran the store for years until his death. Name gradually shortened to Spears. (Martha R. Davis, "Some Fayette Co. Source Names" DAR ms, 1940); (From "Spersz") (Burton Milward, 4/27/1970);
SPEARS (Fayette Co.): Named for John Spears who built a store in which the po was later located. Spears had settled on the Tates Cr. Rd. nr. Taul's Spring on Marble Creek, in the early 1790s. Dan'l. Boone and his son-in-law Wm. Hays, 1783, built large log homes nr. there on Marble Creek. (C. Frank Dunn, "Slickway and Donerail--Why Those Names?" in the Bluegrass Review Ed. of the LEX. SUN. HERALD-LEADER, 1/15/1950, Pp. 90-91); po est. as Spears in Jess. Co. 8/30/1867, John Messick. 3/28/1871, Geo. W. Spears (in Fayette Co. on or about 4/30/1874 with Riley F. Spears; then back into Jess. Co. but d.k. when, with ibid, 1/23/1909, John R. Wilson...Disc. 3/15/1918 (mail to Lex.) (NA);
SPEARS (Fayette Co.): Earlier called Spearsville on the Tates Creek Pike, "split by the Jess-Fay. co. line" ese of Lex. Settlement est in late 18th cent. 1st settlers were John L. Spears & family from Va. Surveyor & sch. tchr. Other settlers soon followed. Commu. named for him out of respect. Riley F. Spears= one of his 10 children, was pm and local store keeper. Mt. Eden Christian Chu. nearby. & sch All but two homes (1970) in Jess. Co."Relative ly compact commu. of 15 acres, only 4 are in Fayette Co."(38/40 homes in Jess. Co. 24/40 homes are mobile homes in a mobile home park A vacant store & 1 chu. in Fay. Co. A store in Jess. (Xrds commu.) at jct. of Tates Creek Pike, Ky. 169, Spears Rd. & Newman Rd.
SPEARS (Jess. Co.): Named for a family that had arr. in this area in 1759 (sic) from Va. (Pat Davis "Hist. of Valley View Area...." un-pub. ms. for the Wilderness Rd. Girl Scout Council, Lex., Ky. 10/1979, on file in Lex. PL P. 1); Acc. to MacCabe (1838, P. 133), John Spears lived on the Tates Creek Rd., Fay. Co., 13 mi from the ct. hse. and Lee W. Spears live on same, 14 mi.; The commu. is on both sides of the road on top of the hill from Marble Cr. ("speerz"). The 2 commu's. Spears and M.C. are now combined. Spears is claimed by both co"s. An interco. feat. The gen. store is in Fay. Co
The ele. sch. (gone) was in Jess. Co. One chu. is in Jess. and another is in Fay. Co. Now a large colored pop. (Suell, interv., 6/14/1978); Acc. to John R. Wilson, 3/25/1914, this po was 2½ mi n of Ky. R., 1 mi e of Marble Creek, 4 mi ne of Logana PO, 2½ mi nw of Valley View PO, on the cc line. (SLR); In 1895, Spears had a pop. of 40. Sam'l. Moore and Riley F. Spears had gen'l. stores;
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WHITE SERVITUDE IN COLONIAL SOUTH CAROLINA

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SULPHUR WELL (Jess. Co.): p.o. est. 4/7/1852, Wm. W. Newland...in Shelby Co. 3/25/65 but d.k. when returned to Jess. Co. ...Disc. 11/15/1869 (NA); 5 mi. from Nich. in se part of co. Prosperous vill. in 19th cent. Named for well of sulphur water which attracted many persons to receive its medicinal benefits. 1st settler= John Walters, Bapt. preacher, who built a chur. there 1813. n.ch. to Ambrose in late 19th cent. (Bennett; A HIST. OF JESS. CO., 1898, P. 181); Ambrose p.o. est. 6/15/1881, Ambrose Cobb...Dis eff. 2/29/1904 (papers to Nich.) (NA); Young
SULPHUR WELL (Jess. Co., Ky): "This 19th cen. vil., now a hamlet on Ky 39, 2 (air) mi sse of Nich., was settled by Rev. John Walters, a Bapt. preacher, and later named for a large well of black sulphur water whose medicinal benefits attracted many persons. The well was accidentally discovered while digging for a supply of drinking water sometime before 4/7/1852 when Wm. W. Newland est. the Sulphur Well PO. This po was disc. in 1869 and re-est. on 6/15/1881 as Ambrose for pm Ambrose Cobb, as the Sulphur Well name had recently been applied to a new po in Metcalfe Co. Ambrose closed in 1904." (Book-P. 287);
SULPHUR WELL (Jess. Co.): The well had sulphur in it. Had already been dislodged. They were trying to clear out the well because the water was druggy. But there was still plenty of sulphur in it. But when they did attempt to clean it out, they stopped up the sulphur flow. DK when. The well still produced water. Still standing. cf Virgil Snowden or Marion Miller Ware of Nich. Joe and Nancy Breiner run the store there now. The well was discovered accidentally when a drinking well was being dug to supply the community with water. Before that it was called Ambrose. Since the discovery of the sulphur water, it's been called Sulphur
Well which it's still called. Only oldtimer would remember the Ambrose name.... (Enoch Davis of Lexington, interview, 7/15/1978); Ambrose Cobb is buried at Pleasant Hill Cem. on Elm Fork. He died 7/3/1921, age 74. Wife was Catharine;
SULPHUR WELL (Jess. Co.): Named for a large well of black sulphur water, c. 3 mi. e. of Nich. on Ky. 39. (Robert M. Suell, letter to me, 3/24/1978); For more on Sulphur Well, cf to Lucile Davis Woodford Co. PN tapes for interview with Newton Davis of Lexington, 7/15 1978. Also cf Mary Miller Ware of Nicholasv. She is daughter of Forrest Miller. Nancy Briener & her husband run the gro. there. Mr. Virgil Snowden, age 80. His wife, Hattie, is an ex-tchr. They'll know that section of the county. S.W. was 1st called Ambrose but dk how it got this name. A well was being dug in the center of town. Struck sulphur. One of the
best sulphur wells in Ky. Since depleted 4 mi. se of Nichol. Fed. Judge B.T. Monyhan. lives there. People now call it Sulphur Well or merely "The Well". DK when they discovered the well. See Mr. Snowden about this. (Newton Davis, interview, 7/15/1978);
SULPHUR WELL (Jess. Co.): ("S(uh)l/fer W(eh)l") Recalls an Ambrose but has forgotten where it was. Now called Sulphur Well. Now gen. store, Sulphur Well Xian Chu., nice homes. Well still there and may still be in use. (Robert M. Suell, interview, 6/14/1978); Ambrose Cobb was 'ne ca. 1830 (Census);
UNION MILLS (Jess. Co.): p.o. est. 5/23/1888, Alonzo W. Woodward. Disc. eff. 12/14/1903 (papers to Nich.) (NA); E. of Nich. on the Big Hickman Creek & Ky. 169.DK the origin of the name. (Robert M. Suell, letter to me, 3/24/1978); (Pron. "Yūn/yən M ih l") The largest of a number of mills on Hickman Creeks was located here, called Union Mill. Before that it was called Bells Mill. The mill had several different names at different times. The U.M. ruins are still there. The U.M. Rd. runs from Nich. to Spears. . . . (Burton Milward, interview, 4/27/1978);
UNION MILLS (Jess. Co., Ky): On Hickman Creek built by Jos. B. Crockett. Or was it his father, Capt. Robt. Crockett (1786-1834) who had been appointed by Pres. Jas. Madison as US Marshal for Ky. in 1809. (Suell, Hist. of Freemasonry, P. 36); Acc. to Alonzo W. Woodward, 5/10/1888, the po was 3½ mi ne of Nich. PO, on the e bank of Hickman Creek, 7 mi nw of the Ky. R. (SLR);
UNION MILLS (Jess. Co.): ("Yun/ýən M(ih)lz")
On the Big Hickman Creek. Dk why named this. There was a grist mill or mills, blacksmith shop, gen. stores. Capt. Robert Crockett est the commu. His old stone home, built c.1816 (cf Young's Hist.). He built the mills, etc. At least 2 mills there. Crockett owned them. Not a good businessman and didn't succeed. Left for W. Ky. and died there...Crockett wa
born in the co. His father, a Virginian, cam in with Geo. R. Clark. Married a widow who had a son named Sam'l. Woodson. Crockett, S brought his family to the present Jess. Co. They're all buried in J. Co. incl. Woodson, exc. Robert Crockett. The commu. long preceded
ed the po at that site. Crockett, Jr.
fought in the War of 1812. Active commu.
on Union Mill Rd. (sic). Locally referred
to as Union Mill tho' historically it was
known as Union Mills. DK if anything sub-
stantial was there before Crockett came in
c. 1816. (Robert M. Suell, interview, 6/14/
1978); In 1828 Robt. Crockett (who had pur-
chased mills in 1816, acc. to Deed Bk. D)
sold land to John Brand & Elisha Warfield o
which Union Mills was later built. Union
Mill was built in 1821;
UNION MILLS (Jess. Co., Ky): Meredith Wright built the mills. He was an early Ky. settler from Culpeper Ct. Hse, Va. (Young, 1898, Pp. 51-53); Union Mills: the mills so-called, on Hickman Cr., was in 1799 called Bell's Mill for it had been built by Montgomery Bell, the owner of some 1500 acres in the area. In 1805 he sold the mill land to Morgan Brown of Mont Co., Tenn. This included several mills: saw, grist, distillery. The following yr. Brown's two sons acquired the prop. In 1816 Robt. Crockett bought the mill. Sold out to Elisha Warfield, John Brand, & John Tilford. They came to be called Union Mills in 1821. (Billy Jackson Bower, "Old Mills of J. Co. 1799-1850 ms., 1979, in Withers Lib. in Nich.)
VINEYARD (Jess. Co.): Named for a large vineyard with all kinds of grapes. Before the CW, it was worked by slaves; later by freed labor. (Robert M. Suell, letter to me, 3/24/1978); ("V(ih)n/yard") Vineyard not in operation for yrs. Active commu. with a gen. store and old homes in good condition. DK who owned the vineyards. On Hoover Pike, going e. from US27, and south of the pike where the vineyard was. It was a cultivated vineyard. DK who est. it or when. A mi. or two down the road is Hanley....The vineyard was still in operation with freed labor for quite some time after the C.W. Down the road from the gen. store is a
feed store that also sells farm equipment. Still locally referred to as "The Vineyard." (Robt. M. Suell, interview, 6/14/1978);
WILMORE (Jessamine Co.): On the Cincys. So. Ry, 5 mi. sw of Nich. Asbury Coll. founded 9/2/189[0] (P. 181)... Late 19th cent. Wilmore was an impor
shipping pt. on the rr...(P. 183) (Bennett H.
Young, A HIST. OF JESS. CO., Louisville, Ky.,
1898); ("W(ih)l/m(aw)r") A commu. there before
the rr came in. The rr didnt est. the commu.
DK when/by whom 1st settled/est. (Robert May
Suell, interview, 6/14/1978);
WILMORE (Jess. Co.): Chosen for Asbury Coll. site "because a group of leading citizens agreed to raise the sum of $1600 to the 1st bldgs. and land." Named for Meth. Bishop Francis Asbury "who was directly responsible for the org. of Bethel Acad. nr. Wilmore on the banks of the Ky. R. Bethel Acad. was the 1st chu. sch. w. of the App. and the 2nd oldest in Amer."(....) Nothing on Ky. Holiness College. (ASBURY COLL. BULL. 1978-80, P. 6);
WILMORE (Jess' Co.): 4 mi. sw of Nich. Est. 1882 as Scott's Sta. for John Scott who owned land on both sides of rr track...Co. ch. name to Wilmore for John R. Wilmore, another big landowner. Bob Scott, son of John, had 1st store. Asbury Coll. opened 9/2/1890 as "The Ky. Holiness Coll." Soon ch. name to Asbury Coll. for Bishop Asbury...Town inc. as 6th class city on 2/24/1918.... ("Fence Fight Caused Scott's Sta. to Become Wilmore" LEX. LEAD., 6/30/1938, Sec. 3, P. 2:1-5)
WILMORE (Jess. Co., Ky): "This 4th cl. city with (a)po is on the Southern Ry & Ky 29, 3½ (air) wsw of Nich. The po was est. on 9/17/1877 with Jas. A. Sparks, pm, and named for John R. Wilmore, a local landowner. In 1882 the then Cinci. & Chatta. RR located a flag stop here and called it Scott's Station for John D. Scott, the owner of that site. The station's name shortly changed to conform to that of the po and a commu. soon grew up around both. The town was inc. in 1918." (Book-Pp. 320-21);
WILMORE. (Jess. Co.): Started as a flag stop on the Cinci-Chatta. RR (Southern Ry) named Scott Sta. for John D. Scott, a farmer, who owned nearly all the land on that site. The rr changed the name to Wilmore after Scott sued the co. for the loss of prize horses by a locomotive. Commu. owes its growth & dev. and its present situation to Asbury Coll. & Theol. Sem. The coll. was est. by Rev. John Wesley Hughes in 1890 and the Sem, in 1923. The town is tied in most ways to the schools...(Larry Pryor, "Wilmore" LCJ, 10/18/1964).

P.O. est. 9/17/1877, Jerome A. Sparks...
WILMORE (Jess. Co., Ky): In 1876 John B. Scott deeded prop. for the rr's right-of-way. Depot built in 1882 was named Scott's Sta. A business conflict betw. Scott & the rr led to the rr's securing another right of way from a neighbor, J.R. Wilmore, and a new commu. was formed by the new sta. and called Wilmore. By 1890 had a store there and a pop. of 20, 3 chu's. A flour mill, more stores and shops were soon added and Asbury Col. also in '90. This was est. as Ky. Holiness Col. which was founded in W. on 9/2/1890 by Rev. J.W. Hughes. Renamed Asbury Col. in '91 for Bish.
Asbury... (SURVEY OF HIST. SITES-JESS. CO., 1979, P. 66); Acc. to Jerome A. Sparks, 9/10/1877, the prop. name for this po was Sparks and it would serve Scotts Station. It would be 5 mi sw of Nich. PO 2 mi w of the Ky. R. and 1 mi e of Jess. Creek. (SLR)
WINDOM (Jess. Co., Ky): Massie Bryan ne 1840
in Jess. Co. A farmer till 1867 when he opened a rr agency at Windom and had a grain comm. business till 1883 when he became pm at Windom and opened a store. Wife was Nannie (nee Ashurst) of Jess. Co. (Perrin, 5th ed., 1887, P. 771); Acc. to Massie Bryan, 6/10/1881, the name proposed for this po was Bryan and it would serve the commu. of Bryan, 6 mi from the Lex. PO and 6 mi from Nich. PO, on the e side of the Cincy. So. RR. It was called Windom. (SLR); Acc. to Massie Bryan, 3/8/91 the po as Brannon (late Windom) was on the head of S. Elkhorn Creek, 6 mi n of Nich. PO and 6 mi s of Lex.PO 4 mi e of S. Elk. PO, 50 ft. e of the Brannon Sta. of the CS RR. (SLR);
For more info. on Jess. Co.: See Mr. Virgil Snowden, age 80, of Sulphur Well. See also Cornelius Hager at U.Ky. Also Lucille (Mrs. Tom) Hare, 105 Richmond St., Nicholasv. She lives with Wm. Perry Walters. And Mrs. Ora Schiender (ch. sp.) She's a retired Nich. HS tchr. (Newton Davis of Lexington, Ky. 7/15/1978);
Jessamime Woodson's SKETCH OF JESSAMINE COUNTY c.1969. (not at UK, LFPL, KHS, Ky. Libr at WKU; but Mrs. Jerry Simpson of Nicholasville has a copy.....)