LaRUE COUNTY (Ky): 263 sq. mi. "LaRue Co. was est. in 1843 from part of Hardin Co. and allegedly named at the request of John LaRue Helm, then speaker of the Ky House and later governor, for his maternal grandfather, pioneer settler John LaRue. It is said that those who had petitioned for the formation of the new county had wanted it called Lynn for Benj. Lynn, pioneer Indian fighter and later preacher, but agreed to Helm's suggestion. Before its est., the area was known as the Nolin Section of Hardin County for the major stream that had also been named for Lynn. Yet a highway marker at the co. seat records that "an act to create Helm Co. honoring John LaRue Helm...was amended by [the Ky. Sen.] to give the honor instead to
Gabriel Slaughter [Ky's. 7th gov., 1816-20]. A compromise resulted in naming it Larue (sic) for those of that family who were among the early explorers and settlers of the area." (Book-P. 166);
LaRUE CO. (Ky.): While still a part of Hardin Co. what was to become LaRue Co. was known as the Nolin section of Hardin. LaRue Co. created 3/1843. "John LaRue Helm had it given the name in honor of his mother's family, his grandfather being John LaRue.... (HIST. OF LaRUE CO. KY. compiled by Bessie Miller Elliott, c.1969 or '70, n.p.); The name Lynn appeared on the petit. to est. the co. but the signers later agreed to LaRue as suggested by then Gov. Helm (Ibid.); ("La Ru") (Earl Jones, 10/18/78).
LARUE COUNTY (Ky.): est. 3/1/1843 from sect. of Hardin Co. "After debate over selection of name, an act to create Helm Co. honoring John LaRue Helm, then Speaker of the House, was amended by Senate to give the honor instead to Gabriel Slaughter. Compromise resulted in naming it Larue for those of that family who were among the early explorers and settlers of the area."

(Highway marker in H'ville, US31e, Ky. 61, 84, acc. to GUIDE, No. 1115, P. 229); Co. named for John LaRue. (O.M. Mather, WPA ms);
LaRUE COUNTY (Ky.): "...at the suggestion of John LaRue Helm, who was then influential in state politics and who later became Governor of Ky., the name Lynn was rejected and the new co. was called LaRue in honor of Helm's grandfather, John LaRue, who came from Frederick Co Va., to Phillips Fort in 1784, and who died on his plantation one mi. from this place in Jan. 1792." (O.M. Mather, "The Mather Papers: Hist of Hodgenville & LaRue Co." orig. pub. in 1925 and repro. in THE MATHER PAPERS, pub. by the LaRue Co. Herald-News, 1968, Pp. 1-6, 5);
LaRUE CO., KY: 263 sq. mi. The 98th co. org. 3/4/43 from part of Hardin Co. and named for John LaRue, pion. Roll. to hilly terrain. Drained by main stream and branches of the Rolling Fk. (of Salt R.) and the Nolin in the Green R. system. Some 20th cent. manufacturing: lumber products, clothing, concrete. pop. (1990)=11,676 (Ron Bryant in KY. ENCY. 1992, P. 536); Name source was John P. LaRue (1746-1792), a Virginian. To Ky in 1779. With new wife Mary he settled in 1784 at Nolin Sta. at the mouth of Beech Fk. (of Rolling). His home was on a branch of the Nolin above Hodgenv. His name for the co. was suggested by John LaRue Helm, his mat' grandson, then Speaker of the Ky. Hse. and later Ky.Gov (Mather "Six Generations of LaRues and Allied Families" Hville, 1921, cited in KY ENCY, P. 536).
LARUE COUNTY (Ky): The county was almost named for Benj. Lynn. Walters was another name proposed for the county. For Conrad Walters ("W(aw)l/terz"), with family, early settlers of Phillips Ft. (see highway marker #1114, P. 229; acc. to this, John Walters was born 4/4/1770, Beacon Town, Pa. in the val. of Monongahela. To Phillips Ft., 1780-1. Indian fighter and fought in the war of 1812. Died 4/17/1852 and buried in the S. Fk. Cem. 1/2 mi. w. of the S. Fk. Bapt. Chu. US31e at Hodgenv. is where the marker is located. Conrad's sons included John, the Indian fighter. Beeso town is now Uniointown, Pa. and it was here, acc. to Edna Nichols, that Conrad was born... (Edna Nichols, interview 10/12/1972)
LARUE CO., KY: "(Otis M.) Mather also says that early in 1843 numerous citizens of the southern part of Hardin Co. pet. the leg. of Ky. for the est. of a new co. which should be called Lynn, with Hodgenville as its co. seat. The act creating the co. was approved, but owing to the fact that John LaRue Helm, later gov., was then influential in Ky. State politics, the name Lynn was rejected and the new co. was named LaRue, partly in recognition of the many LaRues who were living or had lived there, but particularly in honor of the fine old pion., John LaRue, who was the governor's grandfather." (Geo. Wm. Beattie & Helen Pruit
Amended bill intro. in the Ky. Hse that, eff. 3/1/1843, a sect. of Hardin Co. will be taken from it to form Helm Co. named for John L. Helm, then Hse. Speaker, and the seat will be Hodgenv. The bill had formerly read LaRue Co. (J. OF THE HOUSE OF REP.;, 2/10/1843, Pp. 234-35); Acc. to the J. OF THE (KY) SEN., 2/15/1843, bill referred from the Hse. to est. Helm Co.. Resolved that the bill would pass but that the name would be amended to read --an act to est. Slaughter Co. (P.230). On 3/1/1843, the Sen. took up the amended bill forwarded to them by the Hse. to est. Helm Co. The 1st, 2nd, & 4th amendments involved the replacement of Helm with Slaughter for the late Gebriel Slaughter, lt. gov. and act. gov. of Ky. "Decided in the affirmative." (3/1/1843, P. 333);
LARUE COUNTY, KY: The Rolling Fk. forms part of the county's e. bound. "follows...the base of Muldraugh Hill (Highland Rim) Mostly "low, rolling plateau." (McGrain & Currens, P. 44); John LaRue, the county's name source, came from Va. and settled at Phillips' Ft. He shortly acquired and settled on land that incl. the Knoll. He was Hodgens' bro-in-law. (Collins, I, P. 397);
ATHERTONVILLE (Larue Co.): "(Ae)th/er/tən/v(ə)n" Named for the family that settled there. Peter was the 1st settler. He had grist and saw mills on Knob Creek. Later his son, John McDougall Atherton, started a distillery there. Thinks Medcalf was at the same site. This was another local family. The Athertons were the most prominent people there, quite wealthy, large slaveholders. They settled there in the 1790s. Mayfields were another local family. DK Peter's kinship with Everett. 

Acc. to the NELSON CO. RECORD: Illustrated Hist'1. & Industrial Supplement, 1896, un-paged re- Boone & Bros. distillery, Wattie
Boone, a near relative of Daniel, and Stephen Ritchie: were the 1st men to attempt to manufacture whiskey in Ky.... In 1776, Boone and Ritchie settled in the co., Boone at the confluence of Knob & Pottingers Creeks and Rolling Fork and began to make whiskey (???) for sale in 1780 ...(Jim Larue, interview, 10/18/1978); Peter died c.1843....They're tearing down the Schenley warehouses but they'll still have the capability of making whiskey but it will need to be shipped out for storing in Indiana. So it will still be a whiskey-
making commu. Once a thriving commu. Just a distillery town on the rr. The Athertons still live in the county but they are not direct descendants of Peter. (Ibid.); (Same site as Medcalfs Metcalfs were a local pioneer family... (Edna Nichol interview, 10/18/1978);
ATHERTONVILLE (LaRue Co.): Wattie Boone's distillery on Knob Creek at the site of Ather­tonville may have been the 1st commercial dist. in Ky. Est. c1780. It may have been a promise of a job here that caused Thos. Lincoln to move to his Knob Creek cabin with the young Abe. In 1867 J.M. Atherton started another distil. at the mouth of Knob Creek. His plant was soon the biggest sour mash dist. in the world. He was ne 4/1/1841 in LaRue Co., son of Peter Atherton. He served LaR. Co. in Leg. for one term. He built a spur to the L&N at New Haven. Company built a union chur., sch., hotel... A sch. served the vic. from 1795 and Abe Linco. (may have) attended it. After repeal of Volstead
a new plant was built on site of the old dist. which was purchased by Seagram in 1946....Gone are hotel, big co. store, rr spur, dpo, and sch. Now: Nevitts store and Seagram plant.(....) "Distillery at Ather-ton. Since 1780" LarUE COUNTY HERALD-NEWS, 8/29/1974, P. 7B:1-6);
ATHERTONVILLE (LaRue Co., Ky): Acc. to Alex'r. Mayfield, 5/22/1885, this po, formerly Medcalf, was serving a commu. locally known as Atherton and was ½ mi s of Rolling Fk. R., on the west bank of Knob Creek 2 mi s of New Haven po, 4 mi n of Oriska po, 9 mi e of Hodgenville po. Acc. to Tonie Cox, 4/25/1914, the po was 1½ mi s of Rolling Fk. R., 40 yds. w of Knob Creek, 2 mi s of New Haven po, 4 mi se of Lyons po, ½ air mi sw of the co. line. On 10/18/1919 Tonie Cox pet. for a site ch. 50. ft. n to a pt. ½ mi w of Rolling Fk. R. and 200 ft. w of Knob Creek, 2 mi s of New Haven po, 1 mi s of co. line. Reason for move: ch. of pm. Had to leave the old pm's home. On 5/20/1935, Rhoda Mattie Beiler pet. for a site ch. 0.2 mi sw to a pt. 1.1 mi s of Roll. Fk. R., 250 ft. w of Knob Creek. Reason: ch. froma home to a busi. house. (SLR);
ATHERTONVILLE (LaRue Co.): Named for J.M. Atherton, Louisv. businessman who est. a distillery and cooperage there. Extension of RR from New Haven. Sch. on nearby hill...

(HIST. OF LARUE CO., KY. compiled by Bessie Miller Elliott, c.1969 or '70, n.p.); Wattie or Watie (Walter) Boone, a kinsman of Daniel, settled at the confl. of Knob Creek & Rolling Fk. at what later became Athertonville in 1776 and made whiskey for sale at that site. He had come from Cox's Creek in Nelson Co. "Who Was First to Live in LaRUE Co. ?" in the LaRUE CO. HERALD-NEWS, 8/29/1974, P. 3B:1);
ATHERTONVILLE (LaRue Co.): po est. as Medcalf 4/10/1884, Alexander Mayfield; ch. to Athertonville 5/8/84, Ibid.; 10/20/85, Everett W. Atherton...(NA); Now: c. 40 homes, Seagrams Distillery, Grocery, Bapt. Church (personal obs., 10/1978); "(Ae)th/er/tan/v(ih)l". The Seagrams Distillery is now being dismantled to avoid excessive taxes. (Susan Cruse & Carl Howell, Jr., interview, 10/18/1978); Named for Peter Lee: Atherton, the distiller. Never heard of a Medcalf po there but there are Metcalf families in the county. (Cruse, Ibid.)

disc 1958
ATHERTONVILLE (LaRue Co., Ky): John M. Atherton's mother was a Mayfield. He was a son Peter Lee Atherton. The 2 distilleries here were the Atherton and the Mayfield. In the late 19th cent. this was the county's 2nd largest commu. The dist's ended with prohibition.

A new dist. was opened on the site with repeal in '33 whose plant was purchased by Seagram in 1946. (Bicent. 1974, P. 7B:1-2); Peter Atherton was authorized by the Hardin Co. Ct. in 1799 to operate a ferry across the Rolling Fk. R. nr. the Jackson Highway bridge. (Math."Papers: Hist. of H. & LaR. Co., 1968, P. 4);
ATHERTONVILLE (LaRue Co.): Named for Lou. distiller, J.M. Atherton who in 1844 built a distillery on the Rolling Fk. R. He later built a railspur to his town. ("LaRue County" by John Ed Pearce, LCJ MAG. 2/11/1979, Pp. 6ff)

Medcalf: Acc. to Alex'r. Mayfield, 3/25/1884, the name prop. for this po was Atherton (sic) and he was asked by the POD to select another name. The po would be 2 mi s of New Haven po, 1 mi s of Rolling Fk R. and on the w side of Knob Creek. A vil. of 200. (SLR);
ATHERTONVILLE (LaRue Co., Ky): "This once prosperous distillery town with a post office is on US 31E, 1 mi from the Rolling Fk. R. and 8 mi NE of Hodgenville. Peter Lee Atherton brought his family to this site ca. 1790, and here his son, John McDougall, built a distillery in 1867 and est. a town for his workers. The local post office was called Medcalf for another local family when first est. 4/10/1884, but was renamed Athertonville the following month. Opinions differ on whether the place was named for Peter or John or for the family as a whole." (Book-P. 9)
ATHERTONVILLE (LaRue Co., Ky): Peter Atherton's 2nd wife was a Mayfield. Ca. 1780 Ritchie was living some 10 mi from Boone, up on Beech Fk. (Jim LaRue of Hodgenville, interv., 10/18/1978); Much is known of the Medcalf family in Nelson Co. Several had their names shortened to Calf. They flourished after LaRue Co. was cut off from Nelson Co. (sic) Still many of them there. (Edna Nicholas, 10/18/1978);
ATHERTONVILLE (LaRue Co., Ky): The Metcalfes (sic) [may have been] descendants of the 9 sons of Joe Metcalfe who lived on Cap's Hill nr the Old Boat Lndg. on Rolling Fk. (nr. the present US 31E). They took flatboats down the rivers to N.O. in the early 19th cnet. with timber, whiskey, & hogmeat. (WPA ms. by Prentice Hurst); Acc. to 1880--Census, Alex Mayfield (42), a merchant, with his wife Gennie (25), lived in Price's Mag. Dist. but no Medcaefs in that dist;
ATTIL-LA (LaRue Co., Ky): po est. 6/17/1886, Wm. M. Despain; 7/16/1895, James F. Scott. ..Disc. 1958 (POR-NA); Acc. to W.M. Despain, 8/31/1886, this po was ¼ mi s of Otter Creek, 5 mi n of Brushy po, 6 mi s of Gleanings po, 4 mi ne of Hibernia po. On 3/29/1915, James W. Jones pet. for a site ch. ½ mi e to a pt. 1 mi nw of Rolling Fk. R. and 1½ mi sw of Otter Creek, 4½ mi s of Gleanings po, 6½ mi nw of Hibernia po, 3½ mi ne of Ginseng po, 1 mi nw of the co. line. Reason for move: to better accommodate patrons. On 3/23/1918, Mattie S. Shofner pet. for a site ch. 2½ mi e to a pt. 5 mi s of Rolling Fk. R. and 1 mi n of Otter Creek, 5 mi s of Gleanings po, 6 mi n of Hibernia po, 4 mi nw of Maple po, 2½ mi nw of the co. line. Reason: to supply more people. On 9/26/1932, Betty Abell pet. for a site ch.
50 yds. e to serve the commu. of Dotson’s Store, 1½ mi w of Salt Lick Creek, 1½ mi ne of Otter Creek. 

Acc. t Ibid., 9/27/1939, the po was ca. 1 mi (air) sw of Salt Lick Creek, 4 mi n of Maple po (in Taylor Co.) (SLR);

[aet/ihl/ə] (Cruse & Jones); betw. Gleanings and Hibernia. DPO and store. Once a thriving commu. Store since abandoned. Still known as this. (Jones, 10/18/78); 

Acc. to 1896 Gaz., it was 15 mi se of Hodge. W.M. Despain had gen. store, J.M. Beard was rr, expr., & tele agent. S.S. Stitewell had corn mill;
ATTILLA (LaRue Co., Ky): "The commu. of Attilla where Bethel Chu. is located was not very well pleased when the name for their requested po was sent to them from Wash." Attilla Cox led one of the guerilla bands into this area. One of their victims was the father of pm-designate Wm. M. DeSpains. As requested DeSpains submitted a list of the names to the POD "and in (his) letter he told of the guerilla raids under Attilla Cox." And the postal official selected that name instead of those suggested "without taking note of the unpleasant ass'n. of the name of the guerilla leader who had devastated their commu. But the dislike of the name diminished in later time." Mrs. Abell was its last pm, serving for 30 ys. (Bessie Elliott's hist., ch. 9, n. p.)
ATTILA (LaRue Co., Ky): Attila Cox of Louisville, Ky. pres. of the Louisville Henderson & St. Louis Ry. ca. 1901;
BUFFALO (LaRue Co., Ky): The families of John Brownfield Sr. and other Brownfields owned much of the land in this vic. as well as several hundred acres n of town to Ky 210. Families: Brownfield, Keith, Ferrill, Bloyd, Ramsey, Higgason, etc. were among its merchants. (E.S. Brownfield "Buffalo Early Called a School Town" BiCent. 1974, P. III 13C); Located on the Bardstown-Green River Tpk., the main rd. thru the co. but it was slow to develop. (O.M. Mather "Hist. of H. and LaR. Co' The Mather Papers, 1925, pub. by the LaR. Her-News, 1968, P. 6); In 1854 there were only 2 families at this site: The Jas. L. Morris family and a cobbler named Jim Cheatham. They, with Edmund Sutton who lived nearby, named the com. Mr. Creal opened the 1st store. (Ibid.)
BUFFALO (LaRue Co.): 1st house built by Jas. Créal in 1848. Grist mill built 1854. Store there by 1855 by Rev. John Duncan and W.L. Créal. "One day in the Duncan-Creal store...a large bone that had been brought into the store was noticed and commented upon as to what animal it had been a part of. It was generally agreed that it was the rib of a buffalo since they knew there had always been buffalo wallows along the creek. Not yet having a name for their community someone suggested it be called Buffalo Wallow. All agreed and Buffalo Wallow it was, for several years, then the Wallow part of it was dropped (sic) and Buffalo it has been since." Was a thriving town. C. WWI
it had pop. of c.650 and 11 stores, 2 livery stables, 2 blacksmith shops, 2 churches, sch 1 lumber mill, 1 roller mill, hotel, bank, tob. warehouse, 3 MDs and a dentist, several factories..... Business declined.....(HIST. O LARUE CO., KY. compiled by Bessie Miller Elliott, c1969 or '70, n.p.);
BUFFALO (Larue Co.): ("B(uh)f/ə/l(oh)") (Carl Howell, 10/18/1978); DK if this was ever known as Buffalo Wallow. No Creals left DK how it got its name....DK if anything to th commu. before the po was est. (John T. Mears, Sr., interview, 10/18/1978); (same pron. as above) Name supposedly derived from the fact that buffaloes wallowed there, nr. the creek. It was never called Buff. Wallow. (Edna Nichols, interview, 10/18/1978); Inc. 1/31/1884 (ACTS, 1883/4, Vol. 1, P. 106); Pop. of 200 in 1887 and of 450 in 1896. and 100 in 1879.
BUFFALO (LaRue Co.): On Ky. 61 (the Hodgenville-Greensburg Rd.) at the forks of the So. Fork of Nolin R. 3 mi. se of Lincoln's birthplace. A stage coach stop just so. of town run by John Brownfield, Sr. & fam. House owned & occupied now (1974) by the Russell Flanders family. Site of E. Lynn Coll. which became the Buffalo Grade & Hi. Sch. c.1914. Now the town has only an ele. sch. Had large hotel, rolling mill... Now: po, bank, garage, 2 ser. sta's., body shop, and a no. of stores and other businesses. ...("Buffalo Early Called a 'School Town'" by E.S. Brownfield, in THE LARUE CO. HERALD-NEWS 8/29/1974, P. 13C:1-3);
BUFFALO (LaRue Co., Ky): Acc. to Robert D. Williams, 8/26/1876, this po was at the confluence of So. Fk. of Nolin R. and Beaver Dam Creek, 5 mi ne of Magnolia po, 6 mi s of Hodgenv. po.\ Acc. to no signat., 3/1889, this po was on the n side of the S. Fk. of Nolin R., 5½ mi ne of Magnolia po, 4½ mi sw of Gibson po, 5½ mi w of Otter Creek, 6 mi se of the rr sta. at Hodgenv.\ Acc. to Mary E. Chaudoin, 7/24/1939, the po was 150 yds. ne of the S. Fk. of Nolin R., 50 yds. sw of Buffalo Fk. of So. Fk., 6 mi se of Hodgenv. po.
BUFFALO (LaRue Co., Ky): "Until it was recently disincorporated, this 19th cent. mill town and trade ctr. at the jct. of Ky 61 and 470, 3½ (air) mls sse of Hodgenv., was one of Ky's smallest 6th ct. cities. Acc to one trad., the com. was settled around 1850 by the Creal family and named to commemorate the discovery of a buffalo's rib lying along the bank of a local stream. It is more probable that the name merely recalls that buffaloes had wallowed in the vic. in early pion. times. The po, est. on 9/16/1856 by Wm. L. Creal, local storekeeper, is still in operation." (Book-P. 40)
BUFFALO (LaRue Co.): In 1854, two families lived on the site: that of Jas. L. Morris and that of Jim Cheatham, a shoemaker. Edmund Sutton lived ½ mi. down So. Fk. Creek. They named the place. A Mr. Creal ran a store there about this time. PO est. 9/16/1856...

(O.M. Mather, "The Mather Papers: Hist. of Hodgenville & LaRue Co." orig. pub. in 1925 and repro. in THE MATHER PAPERS, by LaRue Co. Herald-News, 1968, Pp. 1-6); po est. 9/16/56; Wm. L. Creal...Disc. 10/22/60; Re-est. 2/18/1863, Wm. L. Creal...(NA); }
BURLINGTON (LaRue Co., Ky): This prop. town near John Close's mill ½ mi from Lincoln's birthplace. Promoters held an auction here in 1815 and sold lots. Never materialized;
DIGGS (LaRue Co., Ky): po est. 7/3/1902, Wm. M. Despair Disc. 10/31/1916 (mail to Raywick) (POR-NA); Acc. to Wm M. Despain, 4/29/1902, the name prop. for this po was Blue Hill and it would be 3 mi s of Rolling Fk. R., ¼ mi w of Salt Lick Creek. (SLR); Never heard of such a po. (Carl Howell, Jr. and Edna Nichols, 10/18/1978); No 19th cent. or early 20th cent. Diggs families. Wm. M. DeSpain marr. Eliz. A. Gaddie in 1866. He was then age 18 and had been born in LaRue Co;
EAGLE MILLS (LaRue Co., Ky): Acc. to 1896 Gaz., J.C. Baird was pm & blacksmith; [eegh/əl mihlz]. Had a grist mill when she was a little girl. She visited it with her daddy. (Susan Cruse, 10/18/1978); Same pron.

On the Nolin R. and the Hardin Co. line. Once a settlement but not much left now. Had an old mill. DK why so named. (Earl Jones, 10/18/1978); The mill here had several owners. It was a flour mill. (Straughn in BiCent. 1974, P. 11D:1-3);
EAGLE MILLS (LaRue Co.): The mill was torn down in 1937 and taken to Sonora where the lumber was used in the erection of another bld (Grace Straughn, "Eagle Mills History" in THE LARUE CO. HERALD-NEWS, 8/29/1974, P. 11D:1-3); The po of Eagle Mills was est. 9/15/1893, James M. Morrison; 9/28/1893, John C. Baird...1/8/1903, Jesse B. Bunch; Disc. eff. 6/30/1903 (papers to E'town) (POR-NA) Acc. to Jas. M. Morrison, 3/24/1895 (probably 1893), the name prop. for this po was Stuart and it would be 7 mi w of Hodgenv. po, on the n bank of Nolin R., ¼ mi s of Middle Creek. Vil. of 50. (SLR);
FOOTE (LaRue Co., Ky): po est. 7/3/1900, Jos. A. Foote; Disc. eff. 6/4/1904 (mail to Otter); Re-est. 9/16/1904, Wm. G. Salsman; 10/31/1916, Claude Ferrill; Disc. 1/15/1917 (mail to Otter) (POR-NA); Acc. to Wm. Jackson Salsman, 6/27/1904, this po was in the North Buffalo Prec., 3 mi se of Buffalo po, 3½ mi sw of Otter po, 4 mi n of Mt. Sherman po, on the e bank of the S. Fk. of Nolin R. A rural po. (SLR); Never heard of such a po. (Carl Howell, Jr. and Edna Nichols, 10/18/1978); Jos. Alex'r. Foote (1874-1958) is buried in the Mt. Tabor Bap. Chu. Cem;
GATTON (LaRue Co., Ky): po est. 6/1/1923, Viola Skaggs. Disc. 1958 (POR-NA); Acc. to Viola Skaggs, 2/14/1922 (?) the prop. name for this po was Mt. Tabor and it would be 2 mi e of Millers Creek and 7 mi sw of Rollir Fk. R., 4 mi e of Buffalo po, 6 mi n of Brushy po, 2 r w of Otter po, ca. 3 air mi n of the co. line. Acc. to Ibid., 7/24/1939, the po was 1½ air and 2 rd. mi from the Green Co. line, 10 rd. mi s of Hodgenville Sta. of the ICRR, 3.7 mi s of Buffalo po, 3 mi w of Malt pc 3 mi e of Mt. Sherman po. (SLR); J.S. Gatton was a pastor at the Middle Creek Chu. (Dalph Creal in Bicent 1974, P. III 7C:1); The Mt. Tabor Miss. Bap. Chu. of Jesus Christ was org. 9/18/1850. as U. Bap. Chu. of J. Active. (Ibid., P. 7C:2);
GINSENG (LaRue Co., Ky): Acc. to Chas. S. Ferrill, 4/27/1898, the name prop. for this po was Ferrills and it would be 4½ mi nw of Attilla po, 6 mi ne of Otter po, 5½ mi s of Howardstown po, 1½ mi s of Rolling Fk. and ¼ mi w of Otter Creek. Not a vil. ¶ Acc. to C.S. Ferrill, 2/22/1904, this po was at Ferrill's Store, ca. 3 mi w of Attilla po, 5½ mi s of Howardstown po, 4½ mi n of Malt po, 1½ mi s of Rolling Fk. R., and ½ mi w of Otter Creek. Vil. of 25. ¶ On 1/6/1915, Willard L. Scott pet. for a site ch. ¼ air mi n to a pt. 1 mi sw of Roll. Fk. R. and 400 yds. w of Otter Creek, 2 mi nw of Attilla po, 1 mi ne of the county line. ¶ On 10/25/1915, Claude Ferrill pet. for a site ch. ¼ mi s to a pt. 1½ mi w of Roll. Fk. R. and 1/8 mi
west of Otter Creek, 3½ mi sw of Stiles po, 3/4 mi from the co. line. On 10/31/1919, Claude L. Ferri pet. for a site ch. 3/4 mi s to a pt. 2 mi s of Roll. Fk. R. and 1/7 mi w of Otter Creek, 3½ mi s of Stiles po, 2 mi from the co. line. On 11/19/1925, Mrs. Alda Howell pet. for a site ch. 0.3 mi s to a pt. 2 mi s of Rolling Fk. R. and 200 yds. s of Otter Creek, 5 mi n of Hibernia po, 2 mi n of the co. line. Reasons: to accommodate more patrons more conveniently. Acc. to Mrs. Alda Howell, 8/2/1939, this po was 50 yds. s of Otter Creek, 12 mi from the rr sta. at Hodgenv., 4 mi n of Malt po, 3½ mi s of Stiles po. (SLR);
GINSENG (LaRue Co., Ky): po closed in 1957 (P&G); This plant still grows wild in that region. Some people have tried to commercialize it--to buy the seed and grow it--but haven't been too successful. Herbert Howell ran the local store for years but closed it when his wife died. (Earl Jones of Hodgenville, Ky., interview, 10/8/1978);
GINSENG (LaRue Co.): po est. 12/29/1898, Chas. S. Ferrill...Disc. eff. 5/30/1903; Re-est. 9/14/1904, Ibid. ...(NA); ("Dj(ih)n/s(eh)η") (Susan Cruse, 10/18/1978); There's still a lot of it growing there and that's the derivation of that name...cf Carl Howell, Sr. It's older than 1898. Now: nothing. Can still find a market at Etown and Campbells. (Ibid. & Carl Howell, Jr., interview, 10/18/1978); ("Dj(ie)n/s(ie)η") They're still digging it. Sells now for $90 a pound...Was an old store there but closed. Run by the late Herbert Howell. It was at the fork of 2 creeks coming
down from Bald Hol. Howells Mill was c. 1 mi. above it. Grist mill...Ginseng=3 mi. up Otter Creek from the Rolling Fork R. ((Ah)ter)

(Earl Jones, interview, 10/18/1978); "This ext. com. & po lay nr the mouth of the W. Fk. of Otter Creek, 2½ mi above Otter's conf. wit the Rolling Fk. R. and 9 (air) mi se of Hodgenv. The po was est. on 12/29/1898 with Chas. S. Ferrill, pm, and named for the plant that is still being dug by local residents for a market in Elizabethtown." (Book-P. 116);
GLEANINGS (LaRue Co., Ky): "Little remains of this once thriving trade center on Ky 462 and the Rolling Fk. R., 10 (air) mi e of Hodgenv. It was early settled but not developed until the late 1870s. The new epo was est. on 6/17/1886 with Wm. D. Ford, pm, and named for the gleaners of the Bible." (Book-P. 116);
GLEANINGS (LaRue Co.): Otter Creek United Bapt. Chur. est. 1801. Betw. 1816-19, when membership area expanded the name was ch. to Rollingfork Bapt. Chur. (sic) 1830=new site for chur. bldg. chosen; present chur. at this site. Vil. grew up around this church. Named for the gleaners of the Bible. Church is active...(From Mrs. Elliott's hist. quoted in "Churches of LaRue Co." in LaRUE CO. HERALD-NEWS, 8/29/1974, P. 8C:3-4); po est. 6/17/1886 Wm. D. Ford...(NA); disc. 1959
GLEANINGS (Larue Co.): ("Ghleen/(ih)əz")
Farming town. Now extinct. Never heard of
Hawksmouth. (Susan Cruse, interview, 10/18/1978); Was the site of the proposed city of
Lystra. ("L(ih)s/trə") Never heard of Hawks­
mouth. (Carl Howell, Jr., interview, 10/18/1978);
Never heard of Hawksmouth. (Jim Larue
interview, 10/18/1978); Ibid. (Earl Jones,
interview, 10/18/1978); DK origin of the
Gleanings name. Now: gro. store burned in
the last yr and a half. Scobey Scott=last
storekeeper. The Rolling Fork Bap. Chu. is
active and right at the Gleanings site. A
dozen homes in the vic. now. At one time a
thriving commu. because it was so isolated from other towns. Still locally referred to as Gleanings. (Ibid.); Lystra was at the Gleanings site. Never heard of Hawksmouth. Check for such a place in Marion Co. rec'ds (Edna Nichols, interview, 10/18/1978);

for more on Lystra see Mather's "Expl. & Early Settlers s. of Moldenough Hill' Rep. U.H.S. v. 22, 1/1924, (p. 3f-9). (on file).
GLEANINGS (LaRue Co.): (see Lystra...) A group of English "promoters" in 1794 bought a 15,000 acre tract in the Rolling Fork area of what later became LaRue Co. and planned a model city in the Gleanings area. Detailed map & plans published in Engl. Designed to be a metropolis in central Ky. with wide streets... Dream city. Never built and not known why—may be insufficient financial backing... In that vic. in the late 1870s, Geo. C. Mobley opened a store & po called Hawksmouth. But renamed Gleanings since local people didnt care for Hawksmouth. Named for the gleaners of the Bible. (HIST. OF LA RUE CO., KY., compiled by Bessie Miller Elliott, c1969 or '70; n.p.);
GLEANINGS (LaRue Co., Ky): Acc. to 1896 Gaz., H.D. Guddie was pm. W.D. Ford and Co. had gen. store and sawmill. Jasper Skaggs ran flour mill. John D. Skaggs was blacksmith;
GLEANINGS (LaRue Co., Ky): Acc. to W.D. Ford, 5/31/86, this prop. po would be on the s side of Rolling Fork. Acc. to Othello Moon, 4/25/1914, this po was \( \frac{1}{2} \) mi s of Rolling Fk. R., \( \frac{1}{2} \) mi s of Sulphur Lick Creek, 4 mi n of Attilla po, \( \frac{1}{2} \) mi s of the co. line. On 1/27/1921, Sallie F. Coakley pet. for a site ch. 36 rods s to a pt. 80 rods s of Rolling Fk., 1 mi n of Christy Creek, 4 mi nw of Attilla po. Reason for move: new owner of present bldg.—Masonic Lodge. On 11/3/1928, Ibid. pet. for a site ch. 100 yds. n to a pt. 400 yrd. s of Rolling Fk. R. and 1 mi n of Christie (sic) Creek, 4 mi nw of Attilla po: Acc. to Emma J. Scott, 7/26/1939, the po was 0.6 rd. mi. from the Nelson Co. line, 0.6 mi sw of Sulphur Lick Creek. On 1/13/48 Kenneth Webster Whitfield pet. for a site ch. 110 yds. s to a pt. 0.7 mi s of Rolling Fk. R. (SLR).
HAWKROOST (LaRue Co., Ky): po est. 9/8/1880, James N. Lowe; Disc. 6/6/1881 (POR-NA); Acc. to Jas. N. Lowe, 6/26/1880, the names prop. for this po were Lowes Store, Salt Lick and Coon Hollow Mountain (?) and it would be 200 yds. s of Rolling Fk. R. and 1 mi s of Salt Lick Creek. to serve just a country store. They were told to select another name for the above were apparently unacceptable. (SLR); The Hawke family lived in the Uptonville area in the 19th cent. (Straughn, Bicent. 1974, P. 11D:4); Acc. to 1880 Cens Jas. N. Lowe (37), a drygoods merchant, lived with Thos. Bevel (45) in the Otter Creek Prec. next to Geo Mobley, a blacksmith. No Hawk(e)s in the co. Benj. Ferrill (32), a farmer, lived in that area with his wife Ellen M;
HODGENVILLE (LaRue Co.): Hodgen's Mill was built in early 1789... He also ran a tavern at his home on the bank of the creek nr. the Gum Springs... (P.3) Robt. Hodgen was one of the 1st Justices of the Hardin Co. Ct.... and a member of the Leg. He died in Feb. 1810... His widow, Sarah LaRue Hodgen... and her sons, Isaac & John... filed a pet. in the Hardin Co. Ct. for the est. of a town (on his land) 'to be called and known by the name of Hodgenville.'" (this was 2/7/1818). On 2/9/18, the Ct. officially authorized the est. of the town. The town was not actually developed as such for several yrs. after it was authorized and named. All there for a while was
the mill then operated by his heirs. PO est. 12/7/1826 (P. 4). At this time, "there were probably less than a doz. bldgs. in the vil." (the mill, 1 or 2 stores, 3 or 4 homes, maybe a tannery). (O. M. Mather, "The Mather Papers: Hist. of Hodgenville & LaRue Co." orig. pub. in 1925 and repro. in THE MATHER PAPERS, pub. by the LaRue Co. Herald-News, 1968, Pp. 1-6);
HODGENVILLE (LaRue Co., Ky): "This 4th cl. city and seat of LaRue Co. on US 31E, 43 mi s of downtown Lou., is on the site of Robert Hodgen's mill. Hodgen (1742-1810), an English-born Virginian, acquired a 10,000 acre tract on the North Fk. of the Nolin R., where in 1789 he built his mill. This soon became the social center of a settlement that, in 1818, by pet. of his widow and sons, officially became Hodgenville. When this sect. of Harden Co. became LaRue in 1843, the town became its co. seat. While the town has always been Hodgenville, the po was Hodgensville from its inception on 12/7/1826 till Mar. 2, 1904. Now the names agree." (Book-P. 143);

(Acc. to LaRue HERALD, 11/30/1894) (McClure, 200 Yrs. of Hardin Co. hist., 1979, P. 131);

"In the mid-'60s, Hodgenville actually considered changing its name to Lincoln's Birthplace, Ky."

(Beverly Bartley "Hodgenville" LCJ, 12/30/1991);
HODGENVILLE (LaRue Co.): Robt. Hodgen & family came from that section of Frederick Co., Va. that's now Clark Co. He had title to a 10,000 acre tract lying mostly on the so. side of Nolynn (sic) R. incl. the site of Hodgenville. Town always called Hodgenville but the po was Hodgensville (sic) until 3/2/1904 when changed to conform to the town's name. (O.M. Mather, "The Mather Papers: "Hodgen's Mill & Hodgenville" c1937 and repro. in THE MATHER PAPERS: pub. by the LaRue Co. Herald-News, 1968, Pp. 25-6);
HODGENVILLE (LaRue Co.): Pop. (1978 est) = 2528. A factory: Nationwide Uniform Corp.

Celia McDonald, a county native and daughter of the late Dalph Creal = publisher of the Herald-News. Nolin Sta., later Hodgenville, was surveyed by Benj. Lynn. The 1st permanent settlers of the county included Howells, Ferrills, Lynns, arr. c.1780. Philip Phillips built fort at Nolin Sta. The LaRues arr. summer of 1785. French Huguenot refugees from France who had been Le Roux. ("LaRue Co." by John Ed Pearce, LCJMAG, 2/11/1979, Pp. 6ff);
HODGENVILLE (Larue Co.): ("H(ah)dj/ən/v(ih)l
No "s". Never heard of any attempt to ch. th
name to Lincoln's Birthplace. "Way back in
the very early 1800s, a man named Robert
Hodgen had a mill that was the center or
focal point of the commu. and people said
'Let's go to Hodgen's Mill' and for a while
there it could have transformed into Hodgens-
ville, but throughout the 1900s, it has alway
been Hodgenville."
(Carl Howell, Jr., interview, 10/18/1978);
Never heard of any attempt
to ch. H'ville to Lincoln's Birthplace.
(Jim Larue, interview, 10/18/1978);
HODGENVILLE (Larue Co.): Robt. Hodgen built his mill at Gum Spring on Nolynn River (as it was spelled in those days). He was one of the 1st J.P.'s of Hardin Co. & later served as its rep. in Ky. Leg. Pet. for mill 12/1788 and was in operation within a few months. Also est. an inn for travelers. Died 2/5/1810. Later his widow & sons accepted the request of neighbors for the est. of a town on his farm. Founded 2/9/18. By 1843, the town had 2 churches, sch., hotel, stores, 30 homes. po est. 1826. 1st train 1888 with a branch line built by ICRR from Cecilia thru Etown & Tonieville.....(HIST. OF LaRUE CO. KY. compiled by Bessie Miller Elliott, c1969 or '70, n.p.);
HODGENVILLE (LaRue Co.): Robt. ne England, July 1742 and died 2/5/1810. Acc. to inscript. on monument in Nolynn Chur. cem. where he's buried. On so. side of Nolynn Creek nr. Gum Spring he built home and mill; actually a sawmill and a grist mill.... "Old Hodgenville" by O.M. Mather, 3/29/1920, repro. in LaRue Co. HERALD-NEWS, 8/29/1974, Pp. 4B-6B, 4B:2;

Then Commonwealth Atty. Shelby Howard proposed back in 1964 to change the name of the town to Lincoln's Birthplace presumably to cash in on the lucrative tourist trade attracted to nearby Abraham Lincoln Birthplace Nat'l. Hist'c. Site, 3 mi. to south. Idea was then "in pet. stage." (Phil Roman, "Hodgenville Ties Its Future To Lincoln," 1964.)
HODGENVILLE (Larue Co.): Est. 2/1818 "by order of Hardin Co. Ct. on 27 acres owned by Robt. Hodgen, tavernkeeper." Born in Pa. Built grist mill on Nolin R. 1789. P0 est. 1826. Inc. 1839 Made co. seat when Larue Co. est. (Highway marker there at jct. US 31e, Ky. 61, acc. to GUIDE, No. 1096, P. 223); Pron. Hoggville. Named for Robt. Hodgen, one of the 1st settlers who built Hodgen's Mill there, 1789. Est. as town 2/1818. P0 est. 1826. (O.M. Mather, WPA, 1/1936); For yrs. an agri. trading ctr--corn, tob, and livestock, served area farmers. The e end of (ICRR) spur line to Cecilia & Etown Hodgen also ran an inn nr. mill He died 1810.
Abe Lincoln born on farm 3 mi. s. of town. It was to this farm that his father, Thos. moved family from Etown the yr. before. Was here till 1811 and for next 5 yrs. lived on Knob Creek, also in Larue Co., 6 mi. e. of H'ville. Thence to Indiana. The Lincoln Birthplace Mem. is on the Lincoln Farm, on US31E. Rec'd. as US prop' 9/1916....(Mather, WPA ms
JERICHO (LaRue Co.): The Jericho Nghbrd. was mentioned by name in 5/6/1885 issue of the LaRue Co. Herald, Vol. 1 (1), P. 1:2; (Pron. "Dj(eh)r/ee/k(oh)") (Cruse, 10/18/1978); DK name's derivation. (Ibid. & Carl Howell, interview, 10/18/1978); Same pron. 6 mi. from Hodgenv. on Ky. 210 to/ Campbellsv. Had a Meth chu. & sch. Both gone. Two goodsized sawmills there now that employ a lot of people. A small country store is also gone....Still called the Jericho community but dk why so named. (Earl Jones, interview, 10/18/1978);
JERICHO (Larue Co.): DK how it got its name. No sawmills there. Nothing there now. Was only a Meth. Chu. and a sch. across the rd. from each other. People call it this yet. (Wayne Howell, interview, 10/18/1978); ("Dj(eh)r/ee/k(oh)") Two lumber yards are ½ mi. from J. It wasn't anything but the site where the road teed. Had a small store, chu. & sch. And that is all there ever was. The chu=Jericho Meth. Chu. and the commu. took its name from this, DK why the chu. was so named. The vic. is still called the Jericho Commu. (John T. Mears, Sr., Buffalo, Ky., interview, 10/18/1978); The nam of the local Meth. chu...DK why est. the chu.. (Edna Nichols, interview, 10/18/1978);
LEAFDALE (Larue Co.): ("Leef/dāl") cf Lillian Brown, daughter of Nannie Kane. The Bowie's store is closed...(Susan Cruse, interview, 10/18/1978); DK if Gibson & Leafdale were at the same site. Lots of Gibsons still in that area, the most prominent family there...DK how old the commu. is. (Ibid. & Carl Howell, Jr., interview, 10/18/1978); same pron. 1st called Gibson. DK which Gipson (sic) named for. Local families of this name. Nannie Kane was Jim Larue's grandmother. A n.ch. for the two po's were at the same site. DK why the name was ch. Nannie ran her small country store there from 1899
to 1949 or '50. Commu. gathering place, a gen'l. store. Not on the rr but on the Bardstown-Green R. Tpke., a cobblestone rd. built in the 1830s, a main Lou-Nashv. rd. DK why renamed Leafdale. Now: vacant store bldg. The Oak Grove Chu. is also gone. The bldg. was converted into a home. Still called Leafdale. The store bldg. still stands. An older store bldg. is gone. (Jim Larue, interview, 10/18/1978); Same pron. Same site as Gibson ("Gh(ih)b/sən"). Dr. Thomas, a Hodgenville dentist, bought the Wm. L. Nichols farm in 1908 and he got the name just a-cross the road.
changed from **Gibson** to **Leafdale**. (Chas. Nichols, interview, 10/18/1978); DK why it was called **Leafdale** or where Dr. Thomas got the name. There were Gibson families living there and the po was probably named for them. (Edna Nichols, interview, 10/18/1978);
LEAFDALE (LaRue Co.): Named for the oak grove in the vic. of the Meth. Chur., store & po.
1st called Gibson but renamed to avoid confusion with similarly named po's in Ky. N.ch.
by the late M&M Wallace Kane. (HIST. OF LARUE CO., KY., compiled by Bessie Miller Elliott,
c. 1969 or '70, n.p.); po est. as Gibson, 1/21 1888, Wm. H. Brown...7/12/1907, Nannie F. Kane;
n.ch. to Leafdale, 4/22/1910, ibid. ...(NA);
Acc. to Wm. H. Brown, 12/1887, this prop. po as Gibson would be 5 mi n of Buffalo po, 4½ mi e of Hodgenv. po.
(SLR); po closed in 1937 (P&G); No Gibsons listed in th 1880 Census;
LEVELWOODS (LaRue Co.): "Somebody said there was at least room to turn around on a level spot." (HIST. OF LA RUE CO., KY. compiled by Bessie Miller Elliott, c.1969 or '70, n.p.);
LYONS (Larue Co.): Was called Lyons Sta. c. 1924 when she taught there. That's all it was locally known as. The rr went thru there. She dk if W.R. Lyons=Bill Lyons or if the Lyons(es) were local people. (Edna Nichols, interview, 10/18/1978); "This onetime lumber town with rr sta. and epo is on Ky 52, 9 (air) mi ne of Hodgenv. The po was est. as Lyons Sta. of the L&N RR on 4/8/1890 and probably named for Wm. H. Lyons, the 1st pm, who may also have been the mgr. of the local operations of the Adler Lumber Co. of Louisvill In 1902 the po became simply Lyons." (Book-P. 182);
LYONS (LaRue Co.): po est. as Lyons Sta. 4/08/1890, W.H. Lyons; n.ch. to Lyons, 1/22/1902, Wm. H. Lyons...(NA); ("L(ah)nz") DPO on Hodgenv. rte. Aka Lyons Station. DK if Wm. Lyons=Bill Lyons. (Susan Cruse, interview, 10/18/1978); Acc. to Earl Johnson, of Sherwood, Lyons Sta. is not correct; it is Lyons. He's very emphatic about this. DK if Wm. Lyons=Bill Lyons. (Carl Howell, interview, 10/18/78 ("L(ah)/NZ") Real name=Lyons Sta. ("L(ah)/NZ Sta/shn")...RR sta. People now call it Lyons. Never heard of any local people called Lyons. (Earl Jones, interview, 10/18/1978);
LYONS STATION (LaRue Co., Ky): Acc. to Wm. H. Lyons, 3/6/1890, this prop. po would be 2 mi nw of New Haven po, 4 mi se of Nelsonville po, 3 mi from Athertonv. po. On the L&N RR. \ Acc. to Ibid., 3/20/1902, Lyons (late Lyons Station) was 1 mi s of Rolling Fk. R., 2 mi w of New Haven po, 15 ft. e of L&N. On 1/16/1939, Ernest R. Langley pet. for a site ch. 260 yds. se to a pt. on Ky 52, 110 yds. e of the Lyons (RR Sta) 1½ mi from Rolling Fk R., 2 mi from New Haven po. (SLR) The trains no longer stop there. They have to go thru New Haven to get to it. (Jones); Acc. to 1896 Gaz., Lyons Sta. had a pop. of 200. It was 2 mi s of New H. W.H. Lyons was pm, lumber business, and rr agent. Stilwell & Crady had sawmill. T.L. Vittiton store. On the L&N;
LYONS (LaRue Co.): Named for local sawmill operator and lumberman. (HIST. OF La Rue Co., Ky. compiled by Bessie Miller Elliott, c1969 or '70, n.p.): Named for Bill Lyons, mgr. of the Adler Lumber Co. nr. the rr sta. The L&N Ry built depot there. PO. Adler Lumber Co. of Louisv. manu. porch & lawn furn. & prepared timber for organs & pianos. Union chur. and a MD. Roller mill. Now: mill & lumber fact. are gone, depot, po also gone. Only 1 gro. store run by Jay Edlin is left. and a truck line run by Gordon Edlin. A farming commu. ...("Lyons Sta. Was Lumber Center" in THE LARUE CO. HERALD NEWS, 8/29/1974, P. 9D:4-6);
LYSTRA (LaRue Co., Ky): map was pub. in London in 1794 showing Lystra as Ky's. metropolis. Acc. to Collins (II, P. 646) English speculators laid out the town in 1794 on the s side of Roll. Fk. between Otter and Salt Lick Creeks on 15,000 purchased acres; It was 15 mi se of Hodgenv. The site of the present Gleanings. It never developed. (Mathers "Explorers and Early Settlers S. of Muldraugh Hill" REG. Vol. 22, Jan. 1924, Pp. 21-39, 38-9); Acc. to its orig. plan, Lystra would be 37\(\frac{1}{4}\) N and 85\(\frac{1}{2}\) W from London. The 1st pub. reference to Lystra was in Winterbotham's "Hist'l. Geological, Commercial, and Philosophical View of the American United States" pub. in London in 1795. Incl.a map. The town never developed;
LYSTRA (Marion Co., Ky): nr the site of the later New Market which was then in Wash. Co. Envisioned as a great ship. pt. for world markets of central Ky. prod's. The promoters acquired 15,000 acres. Acc. to Deed signed 8/2/1797 in the Wash. Co. Clerk's office. Sold by Cullen Barrell, Henry Servante, and Henry Pickett of London to John Walker & Wm. Mee. Lots were sold to a number of London businessmen. Some sites were purchased. A few persons came and were disappointed in finding nothing there. Several stayed. (O.W. Baylor in Marion Co. WPA ms--folklore and legends); While neighboring M. Co, lays claim to the prop. Lystra, strong arguments but with little corroboration have placed it on the sit of the later Gleanings. It may have been for it's said
by Collins II, P. 640 to have been on the s. side of Rolling Fk. betw. Otter and Salt Lick Creeks. [I may need to redo P: 3 of my Marion Co. ms. for Patera revising my disc. of New Market];
MAGNOLIA (LaRue Co., Ky): "This vil with po, centered at the jct. of US 31E and Ky 470, 8 (air) mi s of Hodgenv., extends about a mi along both roads. The po was est. on 4/14/1851 at a stage stop on the Lou-Nash. Tpke. (now US 31E), one mi n., and is said to have been named by the 1st pm, David J. Harris, for his wife. After the CW, Aaron F. Smith moved the po to its present site, by then called Centerpoint, either for its location (1) on the dividing line of the headwaters of the Green and Nolin Rivers, (2) midway betw. Lou. and Nashv. and at the highest pt. on the pike betw. those 2 cities, (3) betw. Hodgenv. and Aetna Furnace (it is known to have early served as a shipping pt. for the iron works there), or (4) midway between the stage stop and the Tate House to the s; or because it served as the nbd. soc. ctr." (Rnk-P. 185)
MAGNOLIA (LaRue Co., Ky): The 1st po was not at its present site but at the stage coach stop on Jediah Walters' farm. He built a 12 rm. house for overnite guests who didn't want to continue the journey but would spend the night and take another stage the next day. Aaron F. Smith, son of Aaron & Rebecca (Fry) Smith, had a store there. (Was this at Centerpoint?) He'd go to the po at Magnolia, n of Centerpoint, and bring the mail back for his customers. (Nichols). The po serving Magnolia has been in 4 different sites in that commu. as long as informant can remember. PO was moved to Magnolia from Centertown and was in Billy Bush's drugstore. Magnolia's 1st po was at Jediah (Jedediah) Walter's stage stop & home. (Ibid.);
MAGNOLIA (LaRue Co., Ky): Acc. to A.F. Smith, 8/25/76, this po was 4 mi e of Hammonville po. On 3/18/1912, Malissie J. Warren pet. for a site ch. 65 yds. n to a pt. 2 mi s of South Fk., 11 mi from Hodgenv. po, 1 mi from the co. line. Acc. to Dora Mae Miller, 7/27/193 this po was 1 mi from the Hart Co. line on US 68/31E. (SLR); Aaron Smith built the 1st home in Centerpoint (Nichols, and E.W. Creel, 1920);
MAGNOLIA (LaRue Co.): PO est. and called Magnolia "because that was the name of the man who was to be the postmaster..." (sic) Earlier there had been a stage coach stop 1 mi. n. of the (site-of-the-place) site of the present town. Baptist & Pres. Churches, school. (HIST. OF LARUE CO., KY. compiled by Bessie Miller Elliott, c.1969 or '70, n.p.); po est. as Magnolia 4/14/1851, David J. Harris...Disc. 12/6/54; Re est. 4/3/55, Wayne Ferguson...Disc. 3/30/65; Re-est. 12/21/65, Aaron F. Smith; Disc. 10/5/1866; Re-est. 11/20/66, Aaron F. Smith...(NA)
MAGNOLIA (LaRue Co.): The present site of the town was 1st called Center Point or Centerpoint because of its site betw. Hodgenv & Aetna Furn. (it early served as shipping pt for the iron works there) or because it was midway betw. the stage stop at Jediah Walters (1 mi. n. of CP) and the Tate House south of C.P. or else it served as the "central point for the neighbors to come and get the news". After Walters' death in 1844, the stage stop was maintained by Dr. Dave Harris who, in 1855, obtained a po for the site and named it for his wife. PO est. 4/3/1855 with Wayne Ferguson as pm. About 10 yrs. later it was moved to Centerpoint (exact date not known)
and retained the Magnolia name. Magnolia Coll. (1880-1903) Now: clinic, bank, etc.

....(Edna Bloyd Nichols, "Magnolia Was on Early Coach Route" LaRUE COUNTY HERALD-NEW 8/29/1974, P. 18C:1-2); Acc: to 1850 Census, David Harris (45), a Ky. born farmer, lived with his wife Marg. (50); No record of his marr. in LaRue Co. 1843-76; Wayne Ferguson marr. America Dodson;
MAGNOLIA (LaRue Co., Ky): 1st pm was Wayne Ferguson on 4/3/1855. He was succeeded by Aaron S. Bayne on 1/16/1857 and then Aaron F. Smith on 2/11/62....No Harris; Some 50 yrs. before (1898) Dave Harris (an MD) ran a stage stand on the road 1 mi n of the later site of Magnolia. He obtained the po and named it Magnolia for his wife. Ten yrs. later the po was moved to its present site (1898) that was then called Centerpoint. At this latter site, Alfred, bro. of Aaron Smith, built a log home at this jct. of the main rd. and a road betw. Hodge. and Aetna Furn. Here he had a wagon yard. It was a "central point for (his) neighbors to come in and get the news." (THE MAGNOLIA QUARTERLY, Vol. 1 (1), July 1898, P. 3:1);
MAGNOLIA (Larue Co.): \(\text{"M(ae)g/n(oh)l/yə"}\)
(Susan Cruse, 10/18/1978); Several trad. acct of the name: "The man who had the 1st po, Mr Harris--his wife is supposed to have been named Magnolia. He named the po for her." Located in the Barrens on the headwaters of the S. Fk. of Nolin. 1st called Centerpoint \(\text{"S(eh)n/ter/point"}\) for 2 reasons: for it was the dividing point for waters heading to/ Green R. to the south and to/ the S. Fk. of Nolin R. to the north. It was also midway betw. Lou. & Nashv. It was the highest pt. betw. these 2 towns on the Lou-Nashv. TPK which had already been built.
The 1st po was at the stage coach stop. The 1st stage stop was on Jediah Walter's farm. A tavern for overnight stays. PO est. here. Aaron F. Smith had store there in the 1850s. The 1st po site was n. of Centerpoint. .... ("M(ae)g/n(oh)l/yə") (Edna Nichol interview, 10/18/1978);
MALT (LaRue Co.): 6 air mi. e. of Buffalo & 2 mi. n. of Green Co. line. 1st po at site was called Otter for its location on Otter Creek which, in turn was named for the animals. Est 1883. In 1897, a Republican got control of the po and moved it 3 mi. w. where it was continued under this name. J.M. Howell, owner of local mill at orig. site petitioned for another po at orig. site, at the mill, and Cong. D.H. Smith got the new po est. and named Malt, in 1898. J.M. Howell was the 1st pm of Otter which was originally located at his mill and remained in that cap. till it was moved. The 1st pm at Malt was Joe Howell. The 1st store at Otter-Malt was J.M. Howell's opened in 188
(E.W. Creal, article on the commu. in the LaRue Co. NEWS, c1920, repro. in THE LARUE CO. HERALD-NEWS, 8/29/1974, P. 10D:1-3); The editor of the Herald-News (1974), probab. Dālph Creal, thinks that the following derivation might be true: "It seems the place had been chosen as a p.o., but was nameless A postal inspector and the postmaster to be were unable to agree on a name. Glancing about the store the inspector saw a shelf full of cans of 'malt.' 'How about the name 'Malt' for the P.O.?' It was agreed on and became the official name thereafter." (Ibid P. 10D:4);
MALT (LaRue Co., Ky): Howell Mill, the county's only overshot water-mill, was built in 1860 and operated till 1940 in the vic. of Malt br. the gro. & po. On Otter Creek. It was family-run for several generations. (Carl Howell, Jr. in BiCent. 1974, III, P. 20C:4); The gen. store at Malt was built in 1880 on the Ball Hol. Prong of Otter Creek by J.W. Howell. Later the Malt po was est. here. The store operated continually till 1941. Across the creek, ca. 50 yds., was the water-powered grist mill built in 1881 by Robt. Salsman. J.M. Howell ran that mill from 1881 to 1931. Malt pm's: J.M. Howell, Henry Lewis, Henry Bloyd, Jack Thompson, T.D. Noe, Joe Howell, Wayne Howell (Joe's son), Jim Ward,
Wayne and Stella Ennis, Fred Howell till his death in 1941. Store & mill were torn down. (Wayne Howell in the Bicent. P. 10D:2-4); The Howells came from Va. James and John, brothers, and their nephew Wm. Ferrill arr. in 1780. They settled on the Rolling Fk. R., at the foot of the (present) Louis-Lick Hill. (Bicent. P. 3B:1); Howell's Mill was the last known water-mill in the co. The Ferrills used to own all that country. Young people went there to square dance. (Jones, 10/18, 1978);
MALT (LaRue Co., Ky): "This ext. mill town and po were on the West Fk. of Otter Creek, a branch of the Rolling Fk. R., 8 (air) mi se of Hodgenv. At the site of his mill and store, Jas. M. Howell est. the Otter po on 7/31/1886, named for the creek that in turn had undoubtedly been named for the animals found by early settlers on its banks. In Dec. 1897 the po was moved by Robt. J. Skaggs some 3 mi w., where it continued to operate as Otter. In 1899 Howell requested another po at the orig. site, but since the Otter name was still in use, another was sought. Acc. to local accts., the name Malt was suggested by a store clerk who had spotted some cans of malt on a gro. shelf." (Book-P. 186);
MALT (LaRue Co., Ky): There were three Howell's Mills in that vic. (at least). The first was acquired in 1829 by Jimmie Howell (grandfather of J.M. Howell or "Uncle Mace") from Geo. Cypese, on Otter Creek. A flour mill. A short distance up Otter Creek was Nattie Howell's Mill (ca. 1850s). Other mills in the vic. were built by Geo. Uptegrove (1862), Amos Houston (1854), Bill Skaggs (1885). All were water mills. The present (1920) Howell's Mill was built in 1861 and completed in '64 by Bill Brownfield, et al. It had several other owners till it was acquired in Dec. 1879 by J.M. Howell in partnership with R.Y. Salsman (from 1880-1902). Howell bought out Salsman
in 1902. It was a grist and flour mill. When the Otter po was moved in 1897 3 miles away, it was no longer on that creek. Henry E. Lewis was J.M. Howell's son-in-law. J.M. Howell and Joe Howell cooperated the Malt store for a few years after 1898. Then J.M. and his son James. (E.W. Creal in LARUE CO. NEWS, 1920, in Bicent., 1974, P. 1OD:1-3); Acc. to 1896 Gaz., the Otter po--Howell & Lewis gen. store, Howell & Salsman flour mill.
MALT (LaRue Co., Ky): Acc. to Joe Robert Howell, 4/26, 1894, the name prop. for this po was Carlo and it would be 3 mi e of Otter po, 4 mi w of Hibernia po, 3 mi s of Ginseng po, on the e side of Otter Creek. Acc. to H.M. Bloyd, 3/8/1909, the po was on the s bank of Otter Creek, 2½ mi se of Otter po, 4 mi n of Brushy po, 2 mi from the co. line. Acc. to Fred Howell, 8/10/1939, this po was 3 rd and air mi from Green Co. line, 3 mi n of Wards po (Green Co.), 2½ mi sw of Ginseng po, 5 mi w of Hibernia po. (SLR);
MALT (LaRue Co.): po est. as Otter, 7/31/1886, Jas, M. Howell... (NA); Malt po est. as such or 7/1/1899, Jos. R. Howell... (NA); ("M(åh)lt")
The Malt po bldg. was torn down c1942, the same yr. the Howell Mill was torn down. Had a gro. store...Jas. Mason Howell=informant's gt. grand father. Jos. R. Howell=Jas. Mason's father. Jas R. Howell, Carl's grandfather, ran the po there briefly and also the roller mills in Hodgenville.
"There was a man who came down wanting to name the po and the fellow--happened to be just a ki working there at the time. And he said 'What ar we going to name the po?' And the kid said 'Well'--of course he didn't have too much on the
ball and he couldn't think of anything original. So—he was there at the store, at the po, and they had a gro. store. He looked back on the shelf and he saw some Carlow (ch. sp.) Dog Food, or some dog food with the name Carlow on it. He said 'Let's try Carlow.' Then he saw some malt, just some regular malt which you'd find in a normal store. And he said, 'Okay, we'll pull that name down.' And they pulled down a third one; three different things. And the fellow just kind of laughed and he wrote down
Carlow, Malt, and whatever the 3rd one was, and he sent them off and, believe it or not, Carlow had already been in use. So they said that Malt was the only one that hadn't been used. That was the actual derivation of the name of that community--because some little boy pulled that container of malt off the shelf." It was on the main prong of Otter Creek. ("(Ah)/ter"

A rural commu. with mills and stills in the area. c. 10-12 mi. from Hodgenv. to/ Campbellsv. Now: farms and timberland. Tw Thompson bros. have separate stave mills
this side of Malt. No longer a store there. Fred Howell was the last one with a store there. (Carl Howell, interview, 10/18/78); Otter and Malt are 2 different places. Nothing at the Otter site now. (Wayne Howell, interview, 10/18/1978);
MATHER'S MILL (LaRue Co., Ky): 1st called Kirkpatrick's Mill for it was est. by Gabriel Kirkpatrick (1788-1858), son of Jos. & Eleano Kirkpatrick of Philip Phillips Fort. Mather's Mill was named for Cary W. Mather, Gabriel's bro-in-law. Nr. Thos. Lincoln's farm at Sinking Springs (McClure, 200 Yrs. of Hardin Co. hist., 1979, Pp. 170-1); On S. Fk. of Nolin R. Named for Gabriel (Gabe) Kirkpatrick who built it. Cary W. Mather was Gabe's son-in-law. (sic) (Ibid., Pp. 691-2);
MAXINE (LaRue Co., Ky): ['maex/een'] DK origin of the name. (Edna Nichols, interv., 10/18/1978) Ask Glay Maggard to ask his father for info. on this place. (Car Howell, 10/18/1978); Acc. to Wm. Judson Tucker, 5/17/1901, the names prop. for this office were Guess and Hells (Hello-?) and it would be 3 mi sw of Parkers Grove po, 4 mi n of Hammonsville po (sic), 4 mi s of Tanner po, 1 mi s of Barren Run Creek. On 11/14/1903, Wm. T. Brooks pet. for a site ch. ½ mi e to a pt. ½ mi s of Barren Run, 2½ mi sw of Parkers Grove po, 3 mi s of Tanner po, 4 mi nw of Magnolia po, 2½ air mi from the county line. (SLR);
MAXINE (LaRue Co.): po est. 5/29/1901, Wm. J. Tucker. Disc. 1/31/1905 (mail to Sonora, Hardin Co.) (NA); "M(ae)x/een") Now: nothing. The com. is extinct. (Susan Cruse, interview, 10/11/1978); DK why so named. Little store run by Mr. Maggard is still there. cf Glay Maggard, his son, a Munfordville atty. The Tuckers have since died off. Still locally called Maxine. Used to be a voting prec. by this name. (Carl Howell, Jr., interview, 10/18/1978); Same prc.
Now: xrds & gro. DK origin of name. At one time a voting prec. (Earl Jones, interview, 10/18/78)
MAXINE (LaRue Co., Ky): The Tucker Cem. on Ky 357 betw. Tanner and Maxine. No Wm. J. or Maxine buried there. Other Tuckers were buried here and at Oak Hill Bap. Chu Cem;
MOBLEY (LaRue Co., Ky): po est. 9/23/1880, Benj. F. Ferrill; Disc. 1/11/1882 (POR-NA); Acc. to Benj. F. Ferrill, 9/7/1880, this po would serve Boones (?) Grove and the name prop. for it was St. George. It would be 12 mi se of Hodgenville po, ½ mi s of Rolling Fk. R. and ¼ mi w of Otter Creek. (SLR); Dr. Mobley, an Etown physician whose wife, before their marriage, was Katie Sweets who taught school at Tonieville. (Mather Papers on Tonieville); Geo. Mobley married Sarah J. Allen in 1874. She was the daughter of Geo. W. Allen. Geo. Mobley was age 27;
MT. SHERMAN (Larue Co.): Never heard of Felixville. DK how it got its name. At Old Mt. S. now=the Old Mt. S. Cem. It was almost on the Green Co. line. The chu. at this old site is also gone. The original Mt. Moriah Chu. was not at the Old Mt. S. site. Today no distinction is made betw. Old Mt. S. and New Mt. S. except historically....DK if the site of Old Mt. S. ever had another name.... (Edna Nichols, interview, 10/18/1978): Clyde Benningfield has been pm for 47 yrs. Never heard of Felixville. DK origin of the Mt. S. name. DK when/by whom 1st settled but probably before 1861. Local chu. was est. 1856.
Never heard of any other name for either the old or the new site. (Clyde Benningfield, interview, 10/18/1978); Felix Terrill and his bro. Moten were teachers at the (old) Shermar Sch. in the 1870s. [Were they sons of David?-RMR] (Creal on Mt. Sherman in LaRue Co. Her-News BiCent., 8/29/1974, III P. 17C:1-3). [The Felixville and Rock Hill post offices were probably in Green Co. Check Green Co. sources for them....]; No Sherman or Shearman listed in the 1850 & 1860 Censuses;
MT. SHERMAN (LaRue Co.): It's alleged that Gen. Sherman's army camped on a nearby hill. (HIST. OF LA RUE CO., KY., compiled by Bessie Miller Elliott, c1969 or '70, n.p.); po est. in Green Co. as Rock Hill, 5/5/1854, David Terrill; ch. to Felixville, 9/28/54, Ibid. ch. to Mt. Shearman (sic), 11/21/1861, Sydney L. Johnson (into LaRue Co. about this time) Johnson succeeded as pm 8/30/67, by Jas. H. Hoover 9/18/67, Sidney (sic) L. Johnson...(NA); Clyde retired in 1980 as postmaster. His store, called Clyde's, is still in operation. More on him....("Clyde-a-scope: Storekeeper-Postmaster Views, Changes" by Byron Crawford, LCJ, 6/17/81 P.1:1-4); A90 10/23/31, Clyde Benningfield
MOUNT SHERMAN (LaRue Co., Ky): Acc. to H.J. Benningfield, 12/23/1898, this po was 1 mi from the co. line. Acc. to E.W. Childress, 3/23/1909, the po was 3½ mi nw of Dezarn po. On 3/11/1932, Clyde R. Benningfield pet for a site ch. 100 yds. s to a pt. ¼ mi s of Wathen Creek. On 8/8/1932, Ibid. pet. for a site ch. 80 yds n. Acc. to Ibid., 7/29/1939, the po was 1 rd and air mi from the Green Co. line, on Ky 61, 3 mi n of Creal po. (SLR); Acc. to 1896 Gaz., it then had a pop. of 500 and many businesses;
Mt. Sherman (LaRue Co., Ky): Acc. to the 1860 Census, David Terrill (41), an MD and farmer, lived with his wife Lucy M. (38) and sons Felix (8) and Jackson (18) at Catalpa Grove po in Green Co. Mag. Dist. #1; Acc. to LaRue Co's. 1860 Census, Sydney L. Johnson (35), a farmer, lived with wife Louisa June (39);
MT. SHERMAN (LaRue Co.): Est. just after the C.W. and believed to have been named for Union Gen. Sherman by the POD or by the 1st pm. The commu. then, however, was not particularly enamoured of Gen. Sherman. Some residents have said that Rev. Jesse P. Bryant, local minister & storekeeper "had a special liking for the name 'Mt.' and placed the Mt. to Sherman." People (1920) distinguished betw. Old Sherman and New Sherman. O.S. = 1 mi. so. of the later Mt. Sherman (or New Sherman) and ½ mi. n. of Green Co. line. At O.S., S.L. Johnson was 1st pm & merchant, 1865. Rev. Bryant became pm & merchant c. 1867-8. In 6/1875, Jas. H. Hoover opened store at New Sherman and moved the po

In 1974, pm=Clyde Benningfield since 1931 Henry Bloyd preceded him. Sch. gone. Now:
po, Mt. Moriah chu. nearby, 2 gro. stores, hardware-lumber & bldg. supply store, used car lot, beauty shop, feed store, Ash. Oil Sta. large sawmill...("Mt. Sherman 1974" in Ibid., P. 17C:3);

It was the 1st home at "May" Mt. S.
MOUNT SHERMAN (Larue Co.):  "Mownt Sher/man
Never heard of Felixville. DK why so-named.
(Susan Cruse and Carl Howell, Jr., interview
10/18/1978); - Never heard of Felixville and
dk the origin of the Mt. S. name. An old cem
is all there is now at the Old Mt. S. site.
(Jim Larue, interview, 10/18/1978);  DK why
so named. Now: supermarket, smaller groc., p
bldgs. materials-hardware store. It's reason-
ably flat right there tho' it's higher grade
than Hodgenville and Greensburg. Never heard
of Felixville. A little community called
Benningfields Chapel=1 mi. from Mt. S. Focus
ed on the church. DK why so-named. (Earl Jones, interview, 10/18/1978); Never heard of Felixville. Mt. S. = 3/4 mi. from the Co line. (John T. Mears, Sr., Buffalo, Ky. interview, 10/18/1978); At Old Mt. S. site now is only an old cem. DK if the commu. was there before 1861 when the po was est. DK how it got its name. (Ibid.); Now: Vaughns Gro., Clyde Benningfield's gen'l. store & po, Mt. Moriah Miss. Bapt. Chu., a paint store, 2 filling stations. On Ky. 61. (Personal obs., 10/1978);
MT. Tabor (LaRue Co., Ky): [mownt ta/bar] used to be Gatton po [gaet/ən]. The Mt. Tabor Bap. Chu. is extant and there's a cem. there. Two families have local apple orchard and sell thousands of bushels of apples in the fall. Store & po are gone. Thinks that Gatton was a family name tho' knows nothing about them. Informant's cousin is a descendant of the Skaggs family that ran the store. The cousin's first name is Gatton. (Earl Jones, 10/18/1978); Same pron. Was a store run by Mr. Skaggs. Now known as the Mt. Tabor commu. Same pron. Only a chu. there now. The store is gone. When the informant was a child the Rev. Gatton was its longterm pastor Skaggs est. the store & po and must have given it its name. Rev. Gatton's son Henry died an old man a yr. or
so ago. (John T. Mears, Sr. of Buffalo, interview, 10/18/1978); Mt. Tabor is considered a ngbd; The Rev. Gatton was a Bap. minister ca. before 1920. (Mather papers on Tonieville); Gatton was a po nr. Mt. Tabor that was named for the Rev. J.S. Gatton a "beloved ole pastor". (Bessie Miller Elliott's hist.); The Mt. Tabor Miss. Bap. Chu. was named by Wm. Brown for the biblica mt. on the plains of Galilee. He was the 1st clerk. The 1st structure was built 1853 on land acquired from Dan'l. Hill. New bldg. erected 1889 and another (the present) in 1937. (Mrs. Ernest Bennett in BiCent. 1974 III P. 7C:2);
NICHOLAS (Larue Co.): c. 5 mi. ne of H'vill
Named for the fact that the 1st sch. & the 2
which followed were erected on land owned by
pioneer Nicholas families. The sch. was the
center of the commu. Two churches: Middle
Creek Bap. Chu. org. in 1832 and the Union
Xian Chu. org. 1844 are on Middle Creek. Bot
have cem's. The 1st sch. was built 1847-8 on
the Nicholas farm....The 1st store in the
commu. was the Silva Gen. Store built in the
early 19th cent. (sic) nr. the Middle Creek
Chu. Called Silva "because a large heating
stove which heated the building bore the
word SILVA in large letters across the front. The store was a large frame structure about 60 ft. long and 25 ft. wide..." It was a general store. Later the Nicholas general store and grist mill were erected close to the Nicholas Spring and the Nicholas Schoolhouse. They were owned/run by Wm. M. Nicholas and midway betw. Silva and Roanoke. Now: Nicholas is a thriving farming community with dairying, corn, and small grain crops, hay and tobacco. Little left of the community....("Nicholas Commu." by Patti Rock, 4/21/1975, ms. in the KHS Vert. File: Larue Co., examined by me, 10/22/1978);
NOLIN STATION or PHILLIPS STATION (LaRue Co., Ky): built 1780-1. Fort was ½ mi. n. of Hodgenville. Abandoned by 1790. (LaRue Co. Herald-News, 8/29/1974, P. 4B:1); Phillip Phillips built the Nolin Fort, Capt. of Militia of Jeff. Co. 1784 and sheriff of Nelson Co. when it was est. that yr. With the creation of Hardin Co. he was appointed one of the 3 Justices of the Ct. of Quarter Sessions 2/1793.... (O.M. Mather, "Explorers and Early Settlers South of Muldraugh Hill" REG. of KHS Vol. 22, Jan. 1924, Pp. 21-39, 33);
OAK HILL (LaRue Co., Ky): po est. in Hardin Co. 5/22/1843, Jefferson Brownfield. (To LaRue Co. when it was est'd.) 2/12/1850, Wm. W. Brownfield; Disc. 7/10/56 (POR-NA); The Oak Hill Bap. Chu. was org. 4/1856. It's current. Brick bldg. (its 3rd) was built in 1949. (Bicent. 1974, III P. 7C:4-5); Oak Hill is a Bapt. Chu. [ohk hih-----heel]. (Cruse); [ohk hih] one mi n of Maxine. A Bapt. chu. there. (Jones); Oak Hill and Maxine were considered one ngbd; The Oak Hill Bap. Ch and cem. nr. Maxine. The chu. was est. 1856 and the cem. in ca. 1860. No Brownfields are buried there;
ORISKA (LaRue Co., Ky): po est. 4/10/1884, Hatton Price; Disc. 11/30/1885 (papers to Hodgenville) (POR-NA); Acc. to Hatton Price, 3/25/1884, the name prop. for this po was Price but he was asked to select another name. The pm-designate requested the POD to select it for them. The prop. po would be 7 mi n of Buffalo po, 7 mi s of New Haven po, 4 mi e of Hodgenville po, ½ mi s of Knob Creek (stream). Not a vil. (SLR); A commu. in Barnes Co., N.Dak. (w. of Fargo) that was named for an Indian princess in a poem by Lydia Sigourney. (Stewart AM. P.N., 1970, P. 347); Hatton Price was a ca. 1890s member of the Pleasant Grove Bap Chu. (org. 1852) (Bicent. 1974, III, P. 8C:1-2); Never heard of this po. (Nichols & C. Howell, 10/18/78);
ORISKA (LaRue Co., Ky): On the 1884 Postal Route map, this place is shown on the road betw. Buffalo and Athertonv., 7 mi from ea. and due east (ca. 5 mi but not on a road) of Hodgenv; and due west of Luner; Acc. to 1880 Census, Hatton Price (51), a farmer, lived in Price's Mag. Dist.; He is buried at the Pleasant Grove Chu. Cem. with his wife Sarah (54). The cem. is on Ky 84, just e of White City. Chu. was org. 1852. Price's dates=1831-1913; Price School nr. White City, on top of Muldraugh Hill; Hatton Price designed and built the 2nd Pleasant Grove Bap. Chu. bldg. and is bur. in its cem. (Bessie Miller Elliott's Hist., 1969, n.p. but in Chap. 9);
83-97); Nee Norwich, Ct. Became a prof. writer to "supplement her family's income." Indian epic "Traits of the Aboriginees of America" was published anon. ir 1822. The 1st maj. coll'n. of her verse was pub. in 1834, rev. and reprinted many times. "Contributed prose and verse to many periodicals" and authored 6+ books incl. POCAHONTAS AND OTHER POEMS (1844). "Noted" for commemorative poems. "Active in many causes including higher ed. for women and temperance' (AMER. POETRY: THE NINETEENTH CENT., The Libr. of Amer Vol. 1, 1984, P. 1023). This incl. only her "Indian Names" (Pp. 111-12) but Oriska was not mentioned.
She was "well known and revered in her native Conn." Sentimental verse. (Jane Benardate in AMERICAN WOMEN WRITERS, ed. by Lina Mainiero, NY: Frederick Ungar, 1982, Pp. 78-81). She wrote on the burial of an Indian maiden. [Could this have been Oriska?] I examined Gordon Haight's MRS SIGOURNEY: THE SWEET SINGER OF HARTFORD, Yale U. Press, 1930. [UK stacks=B/Si26h] and Mrs. L(ydia) H. Sigourney LETTERS OF LIFE (1866) repub. by Arno Press, NYT, 1980. [UK stacks=PS2833/A424].
OTTER (LaRue Co., Ky): Acc. to James M. Howell, 6/1881, the name prop. for this po was Altonia and it would serve Howell's Mill. He was instructed by the POD to select another name. The po would be ca. 4 mi ne of Mt. Sherman po, on the w side of Otter Creek. Acc. to Robert J. Skaggs, 4/12/1909, this commu. was aka Walnut Lane Farm and it was 2 mi e of Otter Creek, 2 mi w of S. Fk. and 4 mi e of Rolling Fk. R., 3 mi ne of Foote po, 2½ mi w of Malt po, 4 mi w of Ginseng po. On 4/16/1912, Ella F. Jones pet. for a site ch. 1 mi se to a pt. 2 mi n of Otter Creek, 2 mi nw of Malt po, 3 mi e of Foote po, 3 air mi from the co. line. (SLR);
PARKERS GROVE (LaRue Co., Ky): [pahr/kerz Ghrohv] There was a col. there a long time ago. Now nothing but a rural area. (Susan Cruse, 10/18/1978); Settlement. Same pron. (Jones, 10/18/1978); Same-pron. DPO and college. DK origin of the name. Assumes that a Mr. Parker once lived in this grove. (Nichols); Acc. to 1896 Gaz., it was 9 mi sw of Hodge. G.M. Dixon ran gen. store; Acc. to 1880 Census, Mary Parker (40) lived in Hodge. with her sons John E. (21) and Wm. B. (19). J.A. Lamkin (52), a merchant, lived with his wife Nannie M. (30) in Magnoli Mag. Dist;
PARKERS GROVE (LaRue Co., Ky): po est. 9/29/1879, James A. Lamkin; 10/23/1895, Geo. M. Dixon; Disc. 12/1! 1909 (mail to Hodgenv. po) (POR-NA); Acc. to Jas. A. Lamkin, 6/7/1879, this prop. po would be 4 mi n of Hammonville po, 3 mi w of Magnolia po. On 10/14/1895, Geo. M. Dixon pet. for a site ch. 1 mi n to a pt. 6 mi n of Hammonville po, 7 mi s of Hodgenv. po, 3½ mi nw of Magnolia po, 1½ mi n of South Fk. (stream). (SLR); Had one store, sch., blacksmith shop. Another store was 1 mi north. It was 9 mi s of Hodge. J.A. Lamkin offered a bldg. for a depot if the H&E RR would est. a sta. there. Acc. to a 4/11/1889 letter to the edit. of the LaRue Co. Herald. (LARUE CO. HER-NEWS BiCent. Ed., 1974, 8/29/1874, III P. 1:6);
The Phillip Phillips Fort was probably abandoned before Mar. 1790. Hodgen's Mill was so identified by that time Robt. Hodgens was one of Harden Co's. 1st appointed co. judges (1793) (Mather). The vic. was identified as Hodgen's Mill till the town was est. in 1818. (Ibid.) Before that yr. there was probably nothing at that site but the Hodgen's home and mill. (Ibid.); Robt. Hodgen built his mill in 1789 on the Nolin R., on part of 10,000 acre tract. Town was org. 1818 by Hardin Co. Ct. and inc. 2/18/1839. It was made the co. seat 3/4/1843 when LaRue Co. was org. Pop. (1990)=2721. (Bryant in KY. ENCY., P. 435).
Phillips Fort was on the N. Fk. of Nolin R. The site of the county's 1st permanent settlement, 1780. Abandoned in 1786. (Guide to Ky. Markers, #1098); The 1st permanent settlement was Philips' Fort (sic) est. in the winter of 1780/1 by and named for Philip Phillips, a Pa. surveyor, who had acquired land there. Till 1786 this was the only place of settlement in what was to become LaRue Co. No evidence of the fort remains. Among its inhabitants were: Robt. Hodgen & his bro-in-law John LaRue. They were there by 1784. (O.M. Mather "The Mather Papers: Hist. of Hodgenville and LaRue Co' (1925) in THE MATHER PAPERS, pub. by the LaRue H-N, 1968). While still in Nelson Co. this site was an early contender with Etown site for the new Hardin Co. seat. (Ibid., P. 4);
REDMOND CEMETERY (LaRue Co., Ky): is said to contain the remains of Abraham Lincoln's younger brother, Thomas, who died in infancy (Francis E. Wylie, "Grave of Lincoln's Infant Brother Believed Found" LOUISV. HER- POST, 10/23/1933) (McMurtry, THE KY. LINCOLNS ON MILL CREEK, 1939, P. 60);
REID MILLS (LaRue Co., Ky): po est. 3/17/1892, Ellen Reid; Disc. 1/11/1895 (mail to Hodgenville) (POR-NA); Acc. to Mrs. Ella Reid (sic), 2/1892, this prop. po would be ca. 4 mi w of Buffalo po, ca. 5 mi ne of Parker Grove po, 4.6 mi se of Hodgenville po. Her stepsor Robinson H. Reid will have the contract to carry the mail. (SLR);
ROANOKE (LaRue Co., Ky): [roh/an/ohk] (Cruse & Jones) Modern store at xrds. Growing commu. An old place but it's being revised. Had a store long ago too but it closed. The new store is at that site. DK why named this. (Jones). Carl Howell questions the accuracy of Homer Trumbo's acct. of Roanoke, etc. cf Ruth Daugherty; Named for a large oak tree used "as a shelter for voting purposes." W.E. "Bee" Williams had another store and a blacksmith shop in the late 1890s-early 1900s. John Isaac Morgan ran local sawmill in the 1870s. John Cashup Devers flour mill closed ca. 1900. J.W. Spencer started a store and blacksmith shop in 1903. In 1907 W.E. Williams' store with po burned. In 1908 J.W. Spencer became pm and ran the po
in his store. Spencer's store burned in 1922. The store was re-est. by Spencer in 1932 as a gro. and feed store which closed in 1950, 2 years after his death. (Acc. to Spencer's son Curtis, in the BiCent. 1974, P. 9D:2);
ROANOKE (LaRue Co., KY): was earlier called Cave Spring nr Middle Creek. Acc. to LaRue Co. Herald-News, 1894, D. Boone led 5 men from Boonesb. to this site where they built a small fort at the spring...

Jas. C. Peters; 9/27/1888, John A. Basham (POR-NA); Acc. to 1896 Gaz., this place had a pop. of 40. J.A. Basham was pm and poultry dealer. J.T. Deavers carpenter, blacksmith, and flourmill operator. Jos. Spencer & Son gen. store. Wm. Watters had corn & saw mill. Calvin Spencer was wagonmaker;
ROANOKE (LaRue Co., Ky): 1st written as Roan Oak but later became Roanoke. Named for a large oak tree. PO est. 1888, Clarence Peters pm. He was also local storekeeper. In 1896 he sold out to Joe & John Spencer who, in 1900, sold store to Lon Redmon (or Redman). Before the CW was site of race track where many famous horses were trained. Military drills were held here in the 1840s and 1860s. c. 1900: po, stores, mill, sawmill, blacksmith, farm trade ctr. PO closed in 1919. (....) (BiCent. Issue, LaRue Co. HERALD-NEWS, 8/29/1974, P. 9D:1-2)
ROANOKE (LaRue Co., Ky): Acc. to Jas. C. Peters, 10/5/1886, this po would serve Peters Store and would be 1/8 mi ne of Middle Creek and 5½ mi s of Rolling Fk. Only one store there. On 6/15/1904, W.E. Williams pet. for a site ch. 200 ft. ne to a pt. 3 mi ne of Silva po, 300 yds se of Middle Creek, and 7 mi se of Rolling Fk. R. Acc. to J.M. Spencer, Mar. 1909, this po was 4 mi w of Rolling Fk. R., ½ mi n of Middle Creek, 5 mi sw of Lyons po, 3/4 air mi from the co. line. (SLR);
SALT LICK (LaRue Co., Ky): po est. 7/26/1855, Jacob T. Miller; 12/7/1858, Joseph A. Nevitt; Disc. 5/11/1865 (POR-NA); A settlement above Gleanings on Salt Lick Creek. Aptly-named—wild animals came to one or more licks there to lick the salt. Still come. Mineral beds up in there tho' informant doesn't recall where they are. Nearly abandoned. Never much of a settlement anyway. Just 2-3 homes. (Earl Jones, 10/18/1978); Salt Lick Creek is a trib. of the Rolling Fk. R. It was earlier called Cristal Stream (sic). Known as Salt Lick Creek at least by early 1811 when it was surveyed. (KY. ANC. Vol. 11 (2), 10/1875, P. 71); This creek is the boundary of LaRue and Marion Co's;
SILVA (LaRue Co., Ky): Acc. to Wm. Walters, 1/26/1891, this prop. po would be 3½ mi sw of Roanoke po, 4½ mi n of Hodgenville po, 5 mi ne of Tonieville po, ¼ mi e of Middle Creek. (SLR); Thinks Middle Creek was named for its being between 2 other tribs. of Nolin R. (Nichols)
SILVA (LaRue Co.): aka Middle Creek. "Named from a large heating stove put in a store built by Wm. Walters, called by his friends 'Silva Bill.'" Later he built a larger store and the orig. store was used for a school which was called Linwood Lake College for a large pond nearby. Two churches: Middle Creek Baptist & Union Christian... (HIST. OF LaRUE COUNTY, KY compiled by Bessie Miller Elliott, c1969 or '70 n.p.); po est. as Silva, 2/11/1891, Wm. Walter: Disc. 4/9/1907, eff. 4/30/07 (mail to E'town) (NA);
SILVA (Larue Co.): ("S(ih)l/vē/ə") cf Ruth Daugherty, Rt. 4, Hodgenv. or to Florence Walters, Rt. 2, H'ville. The latter was the daughter of "Silva Bill" DK why called this. Now: agri. commu. Younger people would not know the name now; it's pretty much died away Now: Middle Creek Bap. Chu. Now people would refer to the commu. as Middle Creek. ("M(ih)d/əl Kreek") (Susan Cruse, interview, 10/18/1978); (Pron. "S(ih)l/və") DK origin of name (Carl Howell, Jr., interview, 10/18/1978); (Pron. "S(ih)l/vee/ə") Still called the Silva commu. DK the origin of the name. (Edn Nichols, interview, 10/18/1978);
SILVA (LaRue Co.): Wm. Walters built large general store in early 1890s nr. Middle Creek Chur. on his farm. Named for "a brand name on the large sign that sat nr. the back of the store..." He was called "Silva Bill" for years. This was his 2nd store; he'd owned a smaller store for several yrs. before he built the Silva store. Sometime before 1914, he sold out to Monza Middleton and moved to H'ville. Several other owners until store burned c. 1933....(Ruth Daugherty, "Silva Store Was Center of Commu. and P.O." in THE LARUE CO. HERALD-NEWS, 8/29/1974, P. 9D:4-6)
Wm. Walter's daughter May (later Mrs. Wash McCubbin) helped him in his store. Bill Carter was the local blacksmith. Guy Sherrard ran Walter's store till it burned in 1933. (Ibid.);
TANNER (LaRue Co., Ky): po est. 3/25/1898, Samuel T. Wyatt; Disc. eff. 3/31/1908 (mail to Sonora) (POR-NA). Acc. to Samuel Thos. Wyatt, 4/1/1897, the name prop. for this po was Wyatt's and it would be 2½ mi nw of Parkers Grove po, 5 mi s of Hodgenv. po, 5 mi w of Buffalo po, 5 mi s of Nolin R. and 1 mi e of Barren Run. (SLR); [taen/gr] DK name's origin. (Susan Cruse, 10/18/1978); Once a thriving com. with a store run by L.N. McCubbin. DPO. DK name's origin. On the road to/ Munf. McCubbin, the pm, also owned the store. (Ibid.) A little settlement. Extant. Just before you get to Maxine, on Ky 357. Always been a store there. Used to have a grist mill. Doesn't think there was a tannery there. DK why so named. (Jones);
TANNER (LaRue Co., Ky): Mr. Wyatt had the local store. Named by postal officials in Washington but there had once been a local family of that name. (Bessie Miller Elliott's hist.); No Tanner burials or marriages nor listings in late 19th cent. Censuses;
THREE SPRINGS KNOB (LaRue Co., Ky): (F290sw)
A little less than a mi. n of Ky. 224 and 1½
mi. nw of Talley, 1½ mi. n. of the Hart Co. line, in sw section of LaRue Co. 2 mi. ne of the jct. of LaRue, Hart, & Hardin Co's. Was it aptly named? 3 mi. ne of Upton, just off Oak Hill Rd. in Bark of Wonderland Subdivision Co-owned by David Froggett and his cousin, Edwin. He didn't know how & why it was so named and referred me to Harold Cruse of E'town. (Letter from David Froggett, 3/29/88)
TONIEVILLE (LaRue Co., Ky): "This epo and sta. on an ICG RR spur line were merely yards from Middle Creek, 3/4 mi sw of Ky 61, and 3½ (air) mi nw of Hodgenv. The po was est. on 6/6/1888 with Robt. A. Hubbard, pm and like the sta. set up at that time was named for 2 local landowners Anthony Vernon Goodin and Anthony Kennedy, who were both apparently nicknamed 'Tone.'" (Book-P. 296);
TONIEVILLE (LaRue Co.): Farming commu. Sta. on the RR which came thru in 1888 to handle farm shipments and merchandise for 2 stores. Two rm. sch. po. Named for 2 local landowners Tone Goodin and Tone Kenneday... (HIST. OF LaRUE COUNTY, KY. compiled by Bessie Miller Elliott, c1969 or '70, n.p.); Now (1973): gone are rr sta., distil., po, sch., chur., & store. ("Tonieville Today", THE LARUE CO. HERALD-NEWS, 8/29/1974, P. 9D:3); po est. 6/6 1888, Robert A. Hubbard... (NA); disc 1938
TONIEVILLE (LaRue Co.): 4 mi. n. of Hodgenv. On the ICRR. Est. just after the rr built thr there in 1889. But vic. settled before 1820. (P. 26) The rr "divided the farms of Tone Goodin and Tone Kennedy almost from one end to the other, almost on the line between the farms." Then was est. the depot, po, & 1st store. DK whether named for Tone Goodin, Tone Kennedy or both, probably for both. John Kennedy built store just after rr built. (P. 27) (O.M. Mather, "The Mather Papers: A Description of Tonieville in Past & Present" 3/18/1920, repro. in THE MATHER PAPERS, pub. by LaRue Co. Herald-News, 1968, Pp. 26-8);
TONIEVILLE (Larue Co.): ("T(oh)n/ee/v(ih)l" Extinct. But still locally called this. Now: Ben Crawford's store but its not active. Bld still standing. Homes and good farms. Spur-line of rr passes thru it....Lots of Goodins and Kennedys in that vic....Cant explain the "Tone" spelling. (Susan Cruse and Carl Howel interview, 10/18/1978); Same pron. Small commu. c. 5 mi. w. of Hodgenv. and named for Anthony Vernon or Tone ("T(oh)n") Goodin and Anthony Kennedy. They were kin. Doubts a commu. there before 1888. It became a stop o the rr. The rr arr. there in 1888. Doubts anything at the site before then. (Jim Larue interview, 10/18/1978);
TONIEVILLE (LaRue Co., Ky): Acc. to Robert A. Hubbard 5/14/1888, this prop. po would be 4 mi nw of Hodgenv. po, 500 yds. se of Middle Creek, 7 mi se of Etown po, 20 ft. from the Hodg. & Etown RR tracks, no vil. only a rr sta. there. (SLR); The Hodgenv. & Etown (H&E) RR made its 1st run 3/14/1888. Tonieville was on this line. (Dalph Creal in Bicent. 8/29/1974, III P. 1:3-6) For awhile the local po was in the depot but it was mostly in the stores run by its several pm's. Bill Bell's dist. was 500 yds. n of town, on the rr tracks. Livestock shipper. (Mather papers on Tonieville); Acc to 1896 Gaz., it was 4 mi nw of Hodge. W.E. Jeffries was pm & gen. storekeeper. W.D. Bell had dist. E. Jeffries was rr & expr. agent. Other services;
WHITE CITY (Larue Co.): DK why so-named. Acc to Chas. Nichols, a Mr. Bill Anderson had a store out there and somebody painted some buildings white and he said why not call it White City. He built one of the lst tourist camps in the country....(Edna Nichols, interview, 10/18/1978);
WHITE CITY (Larue Co.): Now: c. 15 homes, grocery, & gas pump, church (pers. obs. 10/78 ("W(eye)\(\Rightarrow\)ah)t S(ih)/tee") DPO. Only a little country store and a Bapt. Chu. there now...cf Amos Carrico for that area. He's H'ville, Rt. 4. (Susan Cruse, interview, 10/18/1978); (Pron. with emphasis on 2nd syl.) On top of Muldrows Hill. Has a Bap. chu. Price Voting Prec. Named for local families. Never known of any people called White there Locally called White City still. (Earl Jones interview, 10/18/1978);
WHITE CITY (LaRue Co.): Small vil. nr. the top of the Muldraugh Hill Rd. Local store-keeper, a Mr. Anderson, is said to have painted all his buildings, rock fences, and gate posts white inspiring his neighbors to do the same. A Mr. Morrison from another commu. suggested that the town be named White City. Residents responded accordingly. Believed that 1st store there was owned by Hatton Price who was also a harness & coffin maker. .... (HIST. OF LaRUE CO., KY. compiled by Bessie Miller Elliott, cl969 or '70, n.p.)
WILKINS (LaRue Co., Ky): po est. 4/22/1890, Thos. J. Wilkins; 5/24/1893, Thos. J. Slack, Jr...1/21/1904, Wm. H. Wilkins; Disc. eff. 11/15/1904 (mail to Hodgenville) (POR-NA); Acc. to Thos. Jefferson Wilkins, 4/7/1890, this prop. po would serve Wilkins Mill and would be 5 mi e of Hodgenv. po, 6 mi s of Roanoke po, 7 mi n of Rolling Fk. R., 3 mi s of Nolin R. On 2/4/1895, J.W. Slack, Jr. (sic) pet. for a site ch. ½ mi s to a pt. 3 mi n of Nolin R. (sic), 6 mi w of Rollin Fk., 5 mi n e of Hodgenv. po, 6 mi s of Roanoke po, 5 mi e of Silva po. (SLR);
WILKINS (LaRue Co., Ky): [wihl/kənz] A schoolhouse community some 4-5 mi from Hodge. Wilkins School. (Jones); Thos. Wilkins was a pioneer resident and Rev. War vet; Acc. to 1896 Gaz., this was 5 mi from Hodge. Pop. 75.
J.W. Slack, Jr. was pm. J.M. Morrison & Son had gen. store. Wilkins & Co. grist & sawmill; T(homas) J(efferson) Wilkins (1842-1913) is buried at Union Christian Chu. Cem. in LaR. Co. nr the Hardin Co. line;
YEAMANS (LaRue Co., Ky): po est. 2/10/1880, Van Yeamans Hall; Disc. 11/4/1880 (POR-NA); Acc. to Van Yeamans Hall, 1/9/1880, the name prop. for this po was Mount Holly and he was asked to select another name. It would be 5 mi e of Mt. Sherman po, 5 mi s of Rolling Fk. R. (SLR); Acc. to 1880 Census there is no listing of a Van Yeamans Hall;
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c/o Lincoln Memorial Library
Hodgenville, Ky. 42748
(please forward)

She was pres. of the Larue Co. Hist. Soc., 1967, which has its headquarters in the Libr.

(If Mrs. Bessie Miller Elliott doesn't answer my letter (2nd), write her and ask if copy of Mrs. Elliott's book is available and can be purchased.)
Mrs. Charles L. Nichols, 106 E. Forrest Ave., Hodgenville is chairman of Co. Highway Marker Program. No answer to 1st letter, 7/13/71; resent c. 7/4/72, no answer to 2nd letter either.
MAGNOLIA — Clyde Benningfield, 77, former of Mount Sherman, died Friday in Louisville. His wife, Almer, survives. Funeral, 1:30 p.m. Monday, Dixon-Rogers Funeral Home. Visitation after noon Sunday.
HODGENVILLE — Susan R. Cruse, 87, died here Friday. Funeral, 11 a.m. Monday, Bennett-Bertram Funeral Home. Visitation after 2 p.m. Sunday.