MARION CO., Ky.: 347 sq. mi. Co. was est. in 1834 from part of Wash. Co. and named for Gen Francis Marion (1732-?-1795), the so-called "Swamp Fox" of the Am. Rev. (Book-P. 188); Co. was created by act of the Ky. GA approved 1/25/1834. By the same act Lebanon was named its co. seat. (Acts of the GA, 1833-4. P. 367 Bill intro. to leg. in 1833 by Rep. Jos. P. Knott, a Wash. Co. leg. Was opposed by his 2 Wash. Co. colleagues. Ky's 84th co. in order of establishment;
Drained by the tribs. and main stream of the Rolling Fk. of Salt River which crosses the co from east to west. Mostly in the Knobs sect. of Ky. & the rest in the outer bluegrass. Created in 1834 from the s half of Wash. Co. The county line was designed so that the 2 co. seats would be equally distant from it. 343 sq mi. The 1st settlements were made before 1780. Sandusky's Sta. was founded in 1776 on Pleasan Run Creek by Jas. & Jacob Sandusky, ne of Leb. nr the present co. line. Cartwright's Sta. was built by Sam'l. Cartwright, et al. in 1779, 3 mi n of Leb. The co's s. boundary is Muldrows Hill. Tribs of Rolling Fk: Cartwrights, Hardin.
Collamers, North Fork, Pope's, Cloyd's Creeks. Muldrows Hill is the dividing line betw. the waters of Salt & Green R's. The county's 1st settlers came from Maryland & Va. It's considered the most central of Ky's co's. for the state's geog. center lies only 3 mi n of the ct. hse. (Acc. to Bennett Roach). The n part of the co. is part of the outer blue-grass & the s. part is in the Knobs. Mainly agri. co.
On July 5, 1863 Gen. John Hunt Morgan burned the ct. house in Lebanon, destroying all co. records. (Dr. R.W. Wilson, Lebanon, Ky., in a letter to Wm. G. Steel, 6/19/1930);
BRADFORDSVILLE (Marion Co.): po est. in Wash. Co. 3/10/1834, John Scanland (into Marion Co. soon after)...(NA); At the forks of the Rolling Fork of Salt R. c. 1905 was the 2nd largest town in the Co. Had a bank then and several stores, an overall factory and several other factories and businesses. (Souvenir Supplement: The Marion Falcon, Lebanon, Ky. 9/1/1905, Editor=M.F. Hetherington, in the Filson Club Libr); 1st called Centerfield, then Bradfords Mill, then Bradfordsville. Named for Peter Bradford, pioneer settler there. (Ibid., P. 6);
BRADFORDSVILLE (Marion Co.): was 1st called Centerville, then Bradford Mill and then Bradfordsville. Named for Peter Bradford, pioneer settler of vic. (John F. Dahringer, "Hist. of Lebanon..." LEB. ENTERPRISE, 8/12/1965); Est. 1/29/1836 (ACTS, 1835, P. 69); Inc. 2/27/1860 (ACTS, 1859/60, Vol. 2, P. 304) Named for Peter Bradford, 1st settler (Collins HIST. Vol. 2, P. 538); Act to est. this town approved by G.A. 1/29/1836. Had been laid off by Jos. Rose. Town est. on plan of Rose and to be called Bradfordsv. One of the trustees appointed by this act was Jas. Bradford... (ACT 1835/6, Pp. 68-9);
BRADFORDSVILLE (Marion County, Ky.) article by Denny Cabell, LCJ, 4/2/1923. On the banks of Rolling Fork, 9 miles sw of Lebanon. Pop. 500. Named for Wm. Bradford, prominent resident. 8 mi. se (sic) of Lebanon on Ky. 49. Long Hunters had a camp here. Named for 1st settler Peter Bradford, acc. to Collins, Vol. 2, 1874, Pp. 538-9; On So. Fk. of the Rolling Fk., 11 m se of Leb. "John Simpson, Capt. Jas. Wilson & Peter Bradford were hunting in that section in 1780. A settlement was made soon after, and called 'Centerville' because it was the suppose center of the state. The petition praying for its establishment 'upon Dabney Tucker's Plantation' bore more than fifty names. This was in
1825; some time later the name was changed to Bradford's Mill because Peter Bradford operated a large grist and saw mill near the ford on the river." The mill was still in operation by steam, in the mid 1930s, at western end of the town. (O.W. Baylor, WPA ms);
BRADFORDSVILLE (Marion Co.): ("Br(ae)d/ fərdz/ v(ih)l") Early called Centerville and Bradfords Mill. Genealogists have proved that these Bradfords descended from Wm. Bradford of the Plymouth Colony. (cf Miss Patsy Kirkland, tchr. at Calvary Ele. Sch., Marion Co. for the Bradfords) For yrs. it was the 2nd largest town in the county.... Located at the forks of the Rolling Fork R. Now the 3rd largest town in the co. DK when by whom it was called Centerville but it was renamed for Peter Bradford, pioneer settler and Indian scout. DK when the mill was built (cf Mrs. Rainey, a Marion Co. genealogist &
member of the Co. Hist. Soc., who is a descendant of local Coppedge (sic) family...
Now: ele. sch. (had a hi.sch. but it closed
...(Gerald Thompson, interview, 9/22/1978)
✓ This community's po & stores serve the whole section of the co. (Ibid.)
BRADFORDSVILLE (Marion Co., Ky): Nicknamed "the Little City of Homes" because "inside the ordinary structures of these country homes there is a hospitality second to none in the world." At the forks of Rolling Fk. "Completely surrounded by a chain of knobs (except for) the openings made by the streams." In 1800 Adam Bradford & his family settled here (he had 4 sons: Adam, Jr., James, Peter, and Jim (sic). Bradford Sr. built a water-powered grist mill on N. Fk. in 1812. Settlement was called Bradfords Mill. Across the river, the Bradford home is extant (1974) and in good condition. By 1860 the commu. had a pop. of
200 and 2 hotels, tanyard, hat and broom factories, carding machine, grist & saw mill. It was inc. in 1860 as Bradfordsville. It was destroyed by fire (arson) during the CW but rebuilt. In 1922 the com. had a pop. of 250. A resi. nbhd. there called Fairview in the 1920s for the view of the rest of the town and "surrounding country". John Coppage was an early resident. Four chu's: Meth., Pres. Xian, & Bapt. ele. sch., & Masonic hall. ("A Look at Bradfordsville in Days Gone By" LEBANON ENTERPRISE, Prog. Ed., 1/31, 1974, P. 4);
BRADFORDSVILLE (Marion Co., Ky): "This 6th cl. city with po lies just e of the forks of the Rolling Fk. of Salt R., 6½ mi se of Lebanon. Peter Bradford, for whom it was named, is known to have hunted in this vic. around 1780 and later to have est. and operated a large grist and sawmill nr. the ford on the river at the w end of the present town. An early settlement at that site was called Centerville for its alleged location at the center of the state. It soon went by the name of Bradford's Mill, and the po est. on Mar. 10, 1834, with John Scanland, pm, was called Bradfordsville, by which name the town was formally est. in 1836." (Book-P. 34);
BRADFORDSVILLE (Marion Co., Ky): Acc. to Jo Surber, 10/30/1885 the po was on the s side of N. Rolling Fk. R. \ Acc. to J.R. Breeding, 9/1/1917 the po was 150 yards s of the North Fk. R. & 3 mi nw of Popes Creek. \ Acc. to Ella C. Tucker (?), 8/28/1939, the po was 10 ft. n of Ky. 49, 0.2 mi ssw of N. Rolling Fk. R. (SLR); 1st called Centerville, then Bradford's Mill, then Bradfordsville. Named for Pete Brandford, pion. of that vic. (Knott, P. 3);
CALVARY (Marion Co.): po est. 5/12/1881, Jos. A. Mudd...(NA); One of the oldest communities in the county. On the Greensburg Branch RR. At one time it had a ladies school run by the Sisters of the Order of Loretto. (Souvenir Supplement: The Marion Falcon, Lebanon, Ky., 9/1/1905, Editor=M.F. Hetherington, copy in the Filson Club Libr.); Disc 1947;
CALVARY (Marion Co., Ky): Acc. to J.A. Mudd, 4/12/1881, the prop. po would be 4 mi w of Glory, 6 mi e (sic) of Lebanon, 4 mi ne of New Market, ½ mi w of the Rolling Fk. R. & ½ mi w of Cloyds Creek. The po was in the rr depot on the s side of the tracks. Calvary Station. No vil. || Acc. to Jos. J. Walters, 9/18/1917, the po was 400 yards n of the Rolling Fk. R., 1 mi w of Caney Creek, 20 ft. w c the L&N RR with po in the depot. Calvary was the sta. || Acc. to Jos. J. Walters, 7/24/1939, the po was 20 steps from Ky. 325, in the old depot with tracks in front of the bldg, 100 yds. n of Rolling Fk. of Salt R., and 4 mi n
of Phillipsburg and 4 mi s of Lebanon. (On 1/30/1940, Jos. J. Walters, retired pm, petitioned for a site ch. 425 ft. ne of the old site, to a pt. 125 ft. ne of the rr tracks, 1/8 mi n of Rolling Fk. R, 5 mi s of Lebanon, and 4 mi n of Phillipsburg. (SLR);
CALVARY (Marion Co.): ("K(ae)l/vree") One of the oldest Catholic settlements in Ky. 1st called the Rolling Fork Community. Founded 1792 by St. Marys Co., Md. Catholics and a few Charles Co. Catholics. The Spaldings, Lucketes, Thomases, Raileys, Fords, Ables were the major early families; still are. The parish was Holy Name of Mary. Had famous Calvary Academy run by the Loretto Sisters that closed in 1913. Has one of the oldest pioneer cem's. in Ky...DPO, now Lebanon Rt. 1. Now: stores, antique shop, 1 or 2 saloons. Named for the site of Christ's crucifixion. DK why this particular name was chosen but guesses:
"One of Fr. Nerinckx's great devotions was what we call the Stations of the Cross where we say prayers in front of pictures that depict the way of the Cross that Jesus made at the time he was sentenced by Pontius Pilate until he actually was laid in the tomb. And maybe because he (Fr. N.) advised this meditation on the way of the Cross so much—he's responsible for naming St. Charles and so many places—that maybe he named this too in honor of the place Christ died." (Gerald Thompson, interview, 9/22/78);
The Calvary Catholic Church is nearly across Rolling Fork R. from the pion. Rolling Fork Station. The latter was on the sw side of the stream so the chu. is on the e side of the stream.) The sta. was built in 1788 by member of the Maryland Colonization League, Catholic (Baylor, EARLY TIMES IN WASH CO., Cynthiana: Hobson Press, 1942, Pp. 33-5);
CHICAGO (Marion County, Ky.) On Jan. 1, 1938, Chicago ceased to exist as such and became known as St. Francis, Ky. Name-ch: was granted by the US PO Dept. on request of local residents. They had stated in their pet. for n-ch. that mail addressed to their town often was directed to the Illinois city and caused much delay in final delivery. Mrs. Otho Kirkland retained her position as pm. (Acc. to Lebanon Enterprise, 12/31/1937 as quoted in the Louisville Times, 1/11/1938). Now at St. F: Bob Robey's Gen'l. Store. (Bob Hill, "How a Search for a Bootlegger Led to a Ky. Travelogue LCJ, 4/30/1978, P. Bl:1-6);
CLOYD'S CREEK (Marion Co., Ky): Given as Cloyd Creek on top. maps. (F393s) Named for Samuel Cloyd, early pioneer and Indian scout. (P. 5 of Knott's HIST. OF MARION CO., KY.)
DAISY (Marion Co., Ky): po est. 9/26/1894, Martha B. Mills; appointment rescinded 1/24/1895 (POR-NA);
DANT (Marion Co., Ky): PO est. 2/24/1885, Frank L. Dant; 12/26/1888, Wallace W. Dant; 10/24/1910, Geo. W. Dant... (POR-NA); Acc. to Frank L. Dant, 2/12/1885, the prop. po would be 2 mi e of Coon Hol. PO, 2 mi w of Chicago PO, 2 mi s of Pottingers Creek, 40 ft. s of the L&N tracks and the sta. of Dants. | Acc. to Geo. W. Dant, 9/19/1917, the po was 1 mi s of Pottingers Creek, 14 mi (sic) e of Coon Hol., 2 mi w of Chicago, 10 ft. n of th L&N sta. at Dants, 7/8 mi e of the co. line. | Acc. to Geo. W. Dant, 7/24/1939, the po was 1 1/2 air & rd. mi from the Nelson Co. line,
300 ft. n of Ky. 52, on the L&N RR at Dants Sta., 1½ mi s of Pottingers Creek, 3 3/4 mi e of New Hope po, and 2 mi w of St. Francis PO (SLR); Named for Geo. Dant but dk when. (Dr. R.W. Wilson, Lebanon, Ky., letter to Wm. G. Steel, 6/19/1930);
DANT (Marion Co., Ky): Dants Sta. had a dist. that burned down. J.W. Dant Whiskey was made here. J.W. was the 4th generation of that family there. His gr. grandfather John Baptist Dant came there from Maryland. The Dant Dist. is on the Nelson Co. line. The Dants were a pion. family that gave the land for Fr. Stephen Theodore Baden's St. Stephen the site of the Loretto Motherhouse and also for Gethsemane Abbey at Gethsemane in Nelson Co. The Dants gave from St. Marys, Md. (Gerald Thompson, interview, 9/22/1978); Acc. to Polk, 1895: W.W. Dant ran po. I. Sidney Dant had gen. store, & J.W. Dant was distiller. Com. had pop. of 100;
VATHER (Marion Co., Ky): po est. 6/20/1900, S.E. Hagan, order rescinded 4/23/1901 (POR-NA);
GILBOA (Marion Co., Ky): PO est. 2/26/1901, Benjamin F. Russell, order rescinded 5/19/01 (POR-NA); Acc. to the C&N map (1942) a Gilboa ngbd. (sic) was shown in the sw part of the co betw. Scotts Ridge & Clear Creek, sw of St. Jos., w of Jessietown, and s of Raywick; Mt. Gilboa Baptist Chu. on the Taylor Co. line, c. 1978, with active cem;
GLORY PO (Marion Co., Ky): est. 11/30/1880, Nicholas L. Ray; 5/13/1881, W.B. Mouser; 8/21? /1881, Orson Ames; Disc. 8/22/1882 (papers to Calvary) (POR-NA); This po was 4 mi (rd) e of Calvary PO (c.1881); 4 mi n of Spurlington (1889 Rand McN.).
GRAVEL SWITCH (Marion Co., Ky.) "...enjoys a local fame similar to that of Podunk or Oshkosh, was so titled because a spur track branched off there from the main line to tap gravel pits nearby." (RR South, L&N MAG., 7/50, P. 23); po est. as Hayesville in Wash. Co. 5/23/1833, Jas. Thompson; Disc. 11/11/33; Re-est. in Marion Co. 2/3/35, Wm. Lawrence; Disc. 7/27/35; Re-est. 4/28/48, Ebenezer G. Martin. Disc. 9/17/61; Re-est. 10/11/61, Ebenezer G. Martin. n.ch. to Rileys Sta. 10/12/65, John C. Riley, Jr. n.ch. to Gravel Switch, 12/2/1870, J.F. Hocken. Disc. 7/7/76; Re-est. 7/31/76, Jas. A. Corley. (NA); —
GRAVEL SWITCH (Marion Co., Ky): "This vil. with po
lies at the jct. of Ky. 243 and the L&N RR tracks, 10
mi e of Lebanon. Sometime around 1870, a spur line wa
extended from this site on the Lebanon Branch of the
L&N to a large gravel deposit tapped by the rr to
supply its rail beds. The small vil. that grew up at
this site was thus called Gravel Switch, as was the po
that was moved here on Dec. 2, 1870 from Rileys Sta."
(Book-P. 123);
GRAVEL SWITCH (Marion Co.): Not the same site as Hayesville or Riley or Rileys Sta. DK if Riley was different from Rileys Sta. (q.v.) - The Riley Sta. po was c. 3-4 mi. from G.S. PO, acc. to the Beers map. Acc. to the 1870 Census, Hayesville had 1505 pop. and Gravel Switch wasn't listed at all. Today these communities are referred to as separate communities. Hayesville was named for the many Hayeses there. DK which particular one it may have been named for. Hayesville is on Landers Creek, a branch of the Beech Fk., n. of US68 while Riley & G.S. are s. of US68. . .(Gerald Thompson, interview, 9/22/1978); no store, only homes.
GRAVEL SWITCH (Marion Co., Ky): Acc. to J.P. Harberson, 11/10/1885, the po was 2 1/2 mi n of Rolling Fk. R., 3/4 mi s of Beech Fk. of Salt R., 1 1/4 mi w of Alicetont PO, 3 3/4 mi e of Riley, on the n side of the L&N at the Gravel Switch Sta. On 10/17/1904, Sallie Rollin pet. for a site ch. 150 ft. w of old site to a pt. 2 1/2 mi sw of Rollings PO, 1 1/2 mi w of Alicetont, 2 mi n of Rolling Fk. R., on the n side of the L&N tracks to serve a vil. of 65 pop. Acc. to Roy O. Harmon, 10/5/1917, the po was 2 1/2 mi n of Rolling Fk. R., 7/8 mi s of Beech Fk., 1 1/8 mi w of Alicetont, 30 ft. s of the L&N tracks, 1 mi w of co. line. Acc. to Roy O.
Harmon, 7/26/1939, the po was 7/8 mi se of Ky 52, 12 mi from the Lebanon rr sta., 50 ft. se of the L&N tracks, 1 1/2 mi w of Aliceton, 4 1/2 mi e of the Riley PO. (SLR);
GRAVEL SWITCH (Marion Co.): Large gravel deposit nr. Rolling Fk. R. 3 mi. so. of US68 & 10.5 mi. from Lebanon. Spur line extended from an L&N branch line to the gravel deposit. At the jct. of the spur & the L&N tracks a small vil. sprang up and was called Gravel Switch. (Joe Creason, LCJM, 11/20/1955, Pp. 7-10, 8); ("Ghr(ae)v/əl Sw(ih)ch") of Lammoms of that vic. who have a store there. The larger G. area includes the communities of Riley, Buffal Creek (part), Hayesville, Pleasant Grove (or is it Run?), Penick, and the Logan Creek area .... (Gerald Thompson, interview, 9/22/1978);
GRAVEL SWITCH (Marion Co.): "It is said that Penn's store may be the oldest store west of the Alleghenies (sic) still operate by the same family. Dick Penn opened the Gravel Switch store about 1852 and he operated it until he died. Then his son, Martin took over. After Martin died, his wife, Sue, ran the store for several years. She then turned it over to her son, Haskell, who is the current owner. The first building burned, but the current building, on the same site, is more than 100 years old."

"..." (Byron Crawford, "Shop Talk: They Tell Some Tales about Country Store that Dates from 1852" LCJ, 1/5/1981, P. B1:1-6)
GRAVEL SWITCH (Marion County, Ky.). (F272e) Named c. 150 years ago. (doubtful-FMR) "The L & N railroad was expanding their lines to the southeastern part of Kentucky for the purpose of hauling coal from the mountains. They needed gravel to make the bed for their road so they built a Switch and a spur line to the North Rolling Fork River to obtain gravel for the fills of their rail beds, and Gravel Switch had its beginning." (Quimby SCRATCH ANKLE, p. 150, from local postmaster)
HAPPY HOLLOW (for Burke Springs, Marion Co.): A commu. with distillery called Makers Mark. But dk why this nickname. The road from Loretto to Manton is also called Happy Hol. and informant thinks he's seen on a map that the creek that flows into Hardins Creek and parallels that road is also called Happy Hol Branch (but check....) (Gerald Thompson, St. Mary, Ky., interview, 9/22/1978) IlS as geoq. feature is on top maps & fields guide (FY160/W) so it may not be nickname.
HARCOURT (Marion Co., Ky): po est. 6/6/1890, J. Harcourt Smith; Disc. 2/16/1891 (papers to Raywick) (POR-NA); Acc. to C. Harcourt Smith, 5/6/1890, the prop. po was 4½ mi s of Raywick, 5 mi ne of Maple PO, 5 mi n of Willow-town PO, 4 mi s of Rolling Fork R. and 2 mi n of Salt Lick Creek (SLR); check on his first initial, was it C or ?;
HARDINS CREEK (Washington-Marion county boundary) (F416) Named for Martin Hardin, father of lawyer Ben Hardin. Early settled by the Hardins. (P. 6 of W.T. Knott's HIST. OF MARION CO., KY.)
HAYESVILLE PO (Marion Co., Ky): A Hayes PO was est. in Wash. Co. on 1/28/1826 with Green R. Hayes, 1st pm. A Hayesville po was listed for Wash. Co. before 1832. (POR-NA): Were these the same? Were these the Hayesv. PO tha was, after 1834, in Marion Co?
HOLY CROSS (Marion Co.): "The 1st perm. Cath. settlement in Ky. was made in the spring of 1785 along Pottinger's Creek. A log chapel, Holy Cross, was built there in 1792. A brick chu. replaced it in 1823, but an alter and cross in the nearby graveyard mark the site of the first Cath. church in Ky., at Holy Cross." ("Ky's. Cath. Hist. Had its Origin in M. Co." THE LEB. ENTERPRISE, 6/5/1969); The above info. came from "Re-Discover 'Cath. Ky.' This Summer" THE RECORD, the official newsp. of the Archdio. of Lou, c.1st week of 6/1969);

x FROM WEBB, CENTENNARY (1884) P.33.
HOLY CROSS (Marion Co.): po est. 5/15/1886, Thos. E. Ferriell...Disc. 5/31/1914 (mail to Loretto) (NA); Vil. in the extreme SW part of the county. (Souvenir Supplement: The Marion Falcon, Lebanon, Ky. 9/1/1905, Editor=M.F. Hetherington, copy in the Filson Club Libr.); In 1785, the 1st Cath. commu. in Ky. was est. here. "Descendants of the families of 1st settlers from Md...still (live there).... ("Holy Cross Chu. is Rich in Marion Co. Hist.' LEBANON ENTERPRISE, 3/18/1974);
HOLY CROSS (Marion Co., Ky): Acc. to Thos. E. Ferriell, 4/12/1886, the preferred name for the prop. po was Holy Cross; if not acceptable, he offered Rohan. It would be 4 mi n of Dant, ½ mi w of Pottingers Creek. T.E. Ferriell, date not given, pet. for a site change 30 rods west to a pt. 1 mi w of Pottingers Creek, to serve the vil. of Holy Cross with a pop. of 46. (SLR); Acc. to Polk, 1895: John A. Ferriell had a store there. C.M. Ballard, the pm, had anothe store. Other businesses. Pop. 75;

500 ft.
HOLY CROSS (Marion Co.): Served by the Lorettine po. It's the oldest Cath. community w. of the Alleghenies. ("H(oh)l/ee Kr(aw)s") On the Nelson Co. line. The Holy Cross (Roman Cath) Chu. is active. The community was named for the chu. The settlement was est. by a group of Md. Catholics led by Basil Haden, Sr. The 1st priest there was Fr. Michael Wayland (ch. sp) And then Fr. DeRohan. Then some Trappist monks from France....Now: chu., stores, ele. sch. Maybe an antique shop and garages. 1st called Pottingers Creek ("P(ah)t/ən/djerz Kreek") (Gerald Thompson, interview, 9/22/78)
HOLY CROSS CHURCH (Marion Co., Ky): at the settlement of Holy Cross, 20 mi from Leb. & 1 mi from Nelson Co. line. "In early 1785, 25 Cath. families came from Maryland and settled at the head of Pottingers Creek." In 1788 Fr. Chas. WheTeland came here to serve them. Fr. Wm. de Rohan arr. here 1790. In 1792 he built the 1st Cath. chu. w of the Alleghenies. Fr. Stephen T. Badin, 1st priest ordained in Am., here from 1793 to 1819. The brick chu. at H.C. (extant in 1961) was built 1823 by Fr. Chas. Nerinckx, from Belg., to Ky. early 19 cent. He pastored here in 1822 and was succeeded in
1825 by Fr. Robt. Byrne till 1845. Other priests listed....("Historic Ky" col. by J. Winston Coleman, Jr. in LEX. HERALD-LEADER, 1/1/1961);
JESSIETOWN (Marion Co.): ("Dj(eh)s/ee/town" DK origin of the name,... Right where you start up Muldrows Hill to/ Finley. Could Pikesville have been an early name for Jessietown? About 2 mi. from New Market. The Muldrow Hill Chu., a Bapt. chu. about 104-05 yrs. old. Also a Cath. chu. called St. Matthews, built in the late 19th cent., at least before 1880 and torn down c. the turn of the cent...(Gerald Thompson, interview, 9/22/1978);
LEBANON (Marion Co., Ky): "This 4th cl. city and seat of Marion Co. lies at the head of Hardins Creek and is centered at the jct. of US 68 and Ky. 55, 50 mi sse of downtown Lou. Historians credit Benedict Spalding with having petitioned the Ky. Leg. for the est. of the town in 1814 and John Handley with having laid it out in 1815. The town grew up around the Hardins Creek Meeting House built in 1798 by a group of Va. Presbyterians led by Jas. McElroy. Historians, however, do not agree which of these men named the town for the abundance of cedars on the nearby hills, reminiscent of the biblical Cedars of Lebanon. The po was est. on Feb. 1, 1816 with Robt. S. Fogle, pm, and the town became the seat of the newly created co. in 1834." (Book-P. 168);
LEBANON (Marion Co., Ky): Named by Ben Spalding for "the groves of cedar that surrounded it in early times." (Ferrin, P. 616); DK if Lebanon was named by John Handley or one of the pion. McElroys. (Ger. Thompson, 9/22/78); 1st called Hardins Creek Meeting Hse. for the log chu. built there in 1789. A union chu. Benedict Spalding, Jr. built the 1st store & John Purdy the 1st home. First settled 1789 by people from Va. & Md;
LEBANON (Marion Co., Ky.) Inc. 1815. In the midst of cedar groves. Named for the mountain in the Holy Land on which the cedars grew, acc. to the Bible. (Grubbs, P. 241); po. est. in Wash. Co. 2/1/1816, Robert S. Fogle.. (into Marion Co. when that co. was est.)... (NA); Settled 1774-75 and was est. as a town in 1815. "Named for the Biblical Lebanon on account of the cedars on the surrounding hills by John Handley who helped to plot the town and lay off the streets." (Dr. R.W. Wilson of Lebanon, Ky. in a letter to Wm. G. Steel, 6/19/1930);
LEBANON (Marion Co.): According to an article by Judge Sam'l. J. Boldrick of Lou, THE ENTERPRISE, 1/5/1934, the Act est. town was approved 1/31/1815. At the head of Hardin's Creek on land owned by Wm. Purdie (or Purdy), Robert H. Fogle, Benedict Spalding, Jr. and others.... The town was founded around a church est. c. 1789. The 1st homes within the present city limits was built by Nathaniel Douglas. This was later than the tavern of Wm. Parris; it was built 1791 or '2. Earlier home built nearby by Ben Cork on Hardins Creek, c.1788. (HIST. OF LEBANON, by Dr. J.F. McElroy, written c.1880's and reprinted in the Lebanon Enterprise, 1910, ms. copy of latter in the Marion Co. Libr.).
LEBANON (Marion Co.): ("L(eh)b/an/an") So-named because of the abundance of cedars that grew around it when est. The 1st settlers were Presbyterians named McElroy, Purdy, etc. from Va. Catholics from St. Mary's and Charles Co's., Md. came later. DK which group named the place. cf hist. by Paul Owens, c1958(?). Spalding was a Catholic... When it was made the co. seat it was either smaller or the same size as Raywick and there was much talk about making Raywick the co. seat but after debate Lebanon was selected for its central location (Gerald Thompson, interview, 9/22/1978);
LEBANON (Marion Co., Ky.)

"The first pioneers to settle in Marion Co. was particularly impressed by the abundance of cedar trees and being of a religious turn of mind named the county seat, Lebanon, from the Biblical reference to the Cedars of Lebanon." (RR South, I&N MAG., 8/1949, p. 15) (Pron. "L(eh)b/an/an"") (Mrs. Mary D. Kelly, Springfield, Ky., interview, 8/10/1977); "First settled and church built, 1789, by colony of Presbyterians from Va., led by Sam'l. & Jas. McElroy. Benedict Spaulding led in founding town, 1815..." (Highway marker there, acc to GUIDE, No. 867, p. 142); the geog. center of Ky. is 3 mi. nnw, just e. of Ky. 429. (Ibid
LEBANON (Marion Co.): c.1784 or '5, John Purdy & family settled nr. the site. His sons John, Henry & Wm. owned farmland on the present site of town... (HIST. OF MARION CO., KY. by W.T. Knott, nd, P. 6); Inc. by Leg. act 1815. Named by John Handley for the abundance of cedars on the nearby hills. In 1815 he laid off the town. The Lebanon Hotel built that same yr. There had been a settlement on the site around a chu. built 1789, a 16 ft. sq. log bldg. called the Hardin Cr. Chu... The 1st home built on the site of Lebanon, in 1791 or '2 by Nathaniel Douglas and housed
the Wm. Parris Tavern....Ben Spalding's store, built 1813, was the 1st....PO est. 1816, Robert Fogle...Became seat of newly est. Marion Co. in 1833....Inc. as a city in 1854. In c.1784-5, John Purdy & family settled nr. the present site. His sons, John Henry, and Wm. had farms adjacent to his, or the site of the future Lebanon...(Souvenir Supplement: The Marion Falcon, Lebanon, Ky. 9/1/1905, Editor=M.F. Hetherington. Copy in the Filson Club Libr.);
LEBANON (Marion Co.): DK when site was 1st settled. Chas. White may have raised a corn crop at the confluence of the N. and S. Fks. of Hardins Cr. The Hardin Creek Chu. built of logs, 11/1789. Considered the "nuqleus" of what became Lebanon and its founders may be considered the "orig. founders of Lebanon. Th commu. surrounding the chu. was known for yrs as the Hardin Creek Mtg. Hse., there being at that time a Lebanon Town which later was name Georgetown.... Historians credit Benedict Spalding for organizing and establishing the town." With other local businessmen he petitioned the Ky. G.A. to est. town to be called
Lebanon. The Act was approved 1/31/1815.... Laid out by John Handley. Acc. to J.F. McElroy, in his Hist. of Leb., Handley named the town. Most historians, tho, credit Benedict Spalding with this, for the "abundance of cedars surrounding the town." Geo. Whitfield McElroy, another Lebanon historian and Dr. W.W. Cleaver recalled that Jas. McElroy settled on Hardins Cr. in 1789, c. 1 mi. w. of present city and called his home Bashan, meaning a rich valley, and that late he called the new town Lebanon "for Bashan is nigh unto Lebanon". (Cleaver stated this in his article in the Leb. Enterprise, 1/22/1908. . . . (John F. Dahringer, "Hist. of Leb."
LORETTO (Marion Co.): Po est. in Washington Co. 3/14/1833. Thos. Livers. (into Marion Co. when that was est.)...Disc. 11/18/1863; Re-est. 12/24/1863, Chas. F. Lancaster...(NA); (Pron. "L(oh)/r(eh)t/ə") "...it was named when the Sisters of Loretto at the Foot of the Cross, the Loretteines Order which was founded in St. Charles Church right here at St. Mary's in 1812. I believe (ch. in Webb). (sic) They had a convent they called Little Loretto. They said that some of the foundation stones are still there to this day. (cf marker)...They moved to the present site which is now the Nerinckx PO about 1820 (ch. date)...Fr. Nerinckx left c.1819. And I
think that the town took its name because Loretto didn't appear in early deeds and all (sic) I don't think that it was a town until probably 1840, 1850, and I think that it took its name from those sisters. And they took the name—Loretto in the Bible or in Catholic tradition or something was supposed to be the name of the home of the Blessed Mother, of Mary...the Mother of Jesus. And so their official title is the Sisters of Loretto at the Foot of the Cross. Now we just usually...speak of them as the Sisters of Loretto or Lorretines. And their mother Loretines
house is at Nerincks." The town itself has a pop. of c.1000 with a bank, 3-4 garages, laundromat, several stores. It's "still a farming area but it has grown faster and more than any other town in the county in the last 25 years." Thinks there was a trading post there before the est. of the Academy "Where the school moved to had been the center of Catholicity before the St. Joe Pro Cathedral in Bardstown was erected...and it was called St. Stephens...because Father Stephen Theodore Badin ("B(ae)d/ən"), who was the
1st priest ordained in the US, was one of the 1st missionaries..." (Nerinckx = St. Stephens, q.v....) Loretto has a large ele. sch. and had a hisch. until c.1968. Now: the motherhouse and the convent of the Sisters but no longer their academy or their junior coll. St. Francis of Assisi Sch. is there. A distillery is still standing, unoperated, and will be torn down. (Gerald Thompson, interview, 9/22/1978);
LORETTO (Marion Co., Ky): is the site of Makers Mark distillery. (Lex. Her-Leader, 6/23/1988, P. B2:5); the county's 2nd largest town;
LORETTO (Marion Co., Ky.)
"The Sisters of Loretto, a Catholic group, established a school (here)...and the station (on the L&N RR) takes its name from the Order. The Order, in turn, takes its name from Loreto, Italy." (RR South, L&N MAG., 3/1950, P. 34).
"Motherhouse & Novitiate of the Sisters of Loretto an Amer. Congregation founded in 1812 by Rev. Chas. Nerinckx, dedicated to education of youth. Located on the site of home of Rev. Stephen T. Badin, the 1st priest ordained in US (1793)." (Highway marker at Nerinx, Ky. 49, 152, acc. to GUIDE, No. 207, P. 34); Inc. 2/17 1866 (ACTS 1865/6, P. 777)."
LORETTO (Marion Co., Ky): "This 6th cl. city with po is centered at the jct. of Ky. 49 and 52, 7 mi nw of Lebanon. It was named in the early 19 cent. when an acad. was founded here by the Sisters of Loretto at the Foot of the Cross, an order est. at nearby St. Mary's in 1812. The order had been named for the town in the Italian Marches noted for its shrine to the Blessed Mother. The po of Loretto was est. on Mar 14, 1833, with Thos. Livers, PM, and the town was inc. in 1866 and re-inc. in 1966." (B-178); Acc. to Wm. R. O'Bryan, 5/12/1868, the po was 2 mi e of Chicago, on the L&N, 10 mi from Lebanon. N acc. to Wm. Jos. Smith, 11/2/1885, the po was 3 mi s of Hardins Creek, 1.7 mi e of Chicago, 16 ft. s of the rr tracks at the local sta. (Acc. to Mary H. Buckler(?), 8/2/1939, the po was
30 yards s of the L&N sta. at Loretto, 3½ mi's of Hardins Creek, 2½ mi's of the Nerinx PO, 2½ mi ne of St. Francis PO. (SLR);
NERINX (Marion Co.): PO est. 9/5/1899, Sr. Mary Rosina Green...(NA); Location of a Cath. Convent occupied by the Sisters of Loretto. (Dr. R.W. Wilson, of Lebanon, Ky. in a letter to Wm. G. Steel, 6/19/1930); site of a Cath. retreat & retirement center. (Bob Hill, "How a Search for a Bootlegger Led to a Ky. Travelogue" LCJ, 4/30/1978, P. B;L-6); Spelled Nerinck. 2 mi. from Loretto Sta. is the site of Loretto Acad. (Souvenir Supplement: The Marion Falcon, Lebanon, Ky., 9/1/1905, M.F. Hetherington, editor. copy on file at the Filson Club Libr.)
NERINX, NERINCKX (Marion Co., Ky): "This religious community with po, the site of the convent of the Sisters of Loretto, lies 1 mi n of the jct. of Ky. 49 and 152, and 9½ mi nw of Lebanon. The com. was founded in the very early 19 cent. as the home and headquarters of Fr. Stephen Theodore Badin, the first priest ordained in the US (1793), and named St. Stephens by him for his patron saint. It may also have been called Priestland. The Sisters of Loretto moved to this site around 1820 from St. Mary, where the order had been org. by Fr. Charles Nerinckx in 1812. The commu. was later renamed for Fr. Nerinckx, a Belg.-born missionary. The Nerinx po was est. on Sept. 5, 1899 with Sr. Mary Rosina Green, pm. Though
the name is spelled Nerinx on all current maps and documents, historians still accept Nerinckx as the proper spelling." (Book-P. 211); Acc. to Sr. M. Rosina Green, 11/3/1898 or 99, the po was 2 mi n of Loretto, 3 mi s of Holy Cross, 4 mi sw of Blincoe PO, 3 mi n of Beech Fk. R., 1 mi w of Hardins Creek. (SLR)
NERINCKX (Marion Co.): The Sisters of Loretto moved to their present site which is now the Nerinckx PO (?)("Neer/(ih)y-s") about 1820 (ch. date)... The motherhouse is at Nerinckx. "Where the school moved to had been the center of Cathlicity (sic) before the St. Joe Pro Cathedral in Bardstown was erected... and it was called St. Stephens... because Fr. Stephen Theodore Badin, who was the 1st priest ordained in the US, was one of the 1st missionaries.... He est. his hdqtrs. at the present site of Nerinckx and called it St. Stephens in honor of his patron saint. St. Charles Chu. was
similarly named for Fr. Charles Nerinckx's patron saint..."so when the nuns went there, a lot of the buildings, the beginnings of them were already there for them ...." The St. Chas. Chu. is at St. Marys (q.v.) The Sisters moved to Nerinckx which was named for Fr. Chas. Nerinckx who was a Belgian missionary.... This place name is spelled on all recent maps, brochures, etc. The correct spelling is NERINCKX. Fr. N. founded half of the parishes in Marion, Wash., Nelson, & Casey Co's. This place was founded by his
colleague, Fr. Stephen Theodore Badin and it was first called St. Stephens ("Sänt Steev/änz") or Priestland ("Preest l(ae)nd") "In an early deed I found in my Dants (records) they called Priestland meaning a place for the Roman Cath. priests to live.... When the land was deeded it was called Priestland. He started calling it St. Stephens, I think, because his name was Stephen Theodore Baden. His cabin is still standing there and Fr. Nerinckx's is also." Fr. N. is said to have lived there before he went to Mo. where he died
but informant doesn't know this for sure. Active po and the Motherhouse and several homes. The sisters have a huge dairy farm there and that's it. Several large bldgs. there connected with the Motherhouse, inc: a library, infirmary, etc.... (Gerald Thompson, interview, 9/22/1978);
NEWMARKET PO (Washington then Marion Co., Ky): po est 4/15/1820 with James F. Mahan; 10/31/1821, Wm. McAfee. Both listed in the 1820 Census in Wash. Co. (not in Mercer Co.).
NEW MARKET (Marion Co.): Town est. in then Wash. Co. 9/1817 on lands of Nathan H. Hall, Robt. Scott, and David Thurman, to be known as New-Market (sic).... (Acc. to information contained in act of 2/11/1828) (ACTS 1828, P. 128); PO was est. in Wash. Co. on 4/15/1920 with Jas F. Mahan, 1st pm; 10/31/1821, Wm. McAfee.... (POR-NA);
NEW MARKET (Marion Co.): po est. in Wash. Co. 11/10/1832, Daniel Singleton; Disc. 9/15/1834; Re-est. in Marion Co. 2/3/1835, Wm. Smith; Disc 9/30/36; Re-est. 4/24/37, Wm. H. Hawkins... Disc. 9/8/1849; Re-est. 12/17/49, Henry Carter... Disc. eff. 11/30/1906 (mail to Lebanon) (NA)

Est. 1817 and laid out at the site of the proposed City of Lystra. Proposed name for the town was Pikesville but on the town map or plan this was inked out and "New Market" written above it. Surveyed & platted by John Handley, Surveyor of Wash. Co. Town included 80 acres.

(Springfield Sun, 4/9/1936)
NEW MARKET (Marion Co.): On Rolling Fork, 6 m sw of Lebanon. (P.3) Pioneer settler Wm. Muldrow or Muldraugh (for whom Muldraugh Hill was named) located the "City of New Lystra" which existed only on a map used to attract eastern capital. New Market is now on the site of the proposed city. (P. 6) (Souvenir Supplement: The Marion Falcon, Lebanon, Ky., 9/1/1905, M.F Hetherington, editor. copy in the Filson Club Libr.); Inc. 3/21/1870 (ACTS 1869/70, Vol. 2, P. 596);
NEW MARKET (Marion Co.): Est. by order of Washington Co. court in 1817. Surveyed and platted by John Handley, Wash. Co. surveyor, on site of what was to have been the city of Lystra. 30 acres. The name first chosen was apparently Pikesville but Handley or someone else had crossed this out on the map and penned in New Market instead. ("Map or Plan for Town of New Market Laid out in 1817" SPRINGF. SUN, 4/9/1936);
NEW MARKET (Marion Co.): Wm. Muldrow located the "City of New Lystra" which never materialized but is the site of the present New Market. "He (made) maps of the new city, showing the great importance of the location as destined to be a great city, with its navigable streams, the rich & fertile land surrounding, and in the most enchanting & picturesque scenery.... To the Quaker bro's. (of Phila.) the scheme was too grand to attract his (sic) sober ways of looking at things.... So the little city died suddenly...." (HIST. OF MARION CO., KY. by W.T. Knott, unkn. date, in KHS Libr., P. 5);
NEW MARKET (Marion Co.): Engl. land developers in 1794 selected 15,000 acre site on the Rolling Fk. R. in a location that's not precisely known now but includes the present vil. of New Market. As an income producing venture for the co.'s stockholders. The deed to Lystra , 8/2/1797, recorded in Deed Book B, P. 32 in Springfield lists several sellers from London, Engl. and several buyers (Amer.) ... Many persons located on site but never succeeded in realizing a successful settlement there and left. It's believed that 2 of these families remained, VanDykes and Sanders... Discounts the allegation of other sources that Lystra was nr. the present Gleanings just over the LaRue Co. line.
NEW MARKET (Marion Co.): cf Vol. 3 of Winterbotham's HIST. COMMENTARY, GEOLOGICAL TO
PHILOSOPHICAL VIEW OF THE AMERICAN UNITED
STATES, pub. London, England, 1795. Acc. to
this, Lystra was laid out on the south fork
of the Rolling Fk. of Salt R. on 15,000 acres
37\frac{1}{2} degrees Lat. and 85\frac{1}{2} degrees long. ...
(Mariam S. Houchens, "Three Ky. Towns that
Never Were" FILSON CLUB Q. Vol. 40(1), 1/1966
Pp. 17-21, 17-18);
NEW MARKET (Marion Co., Ky): Acc. to L.J. Carter, 6/7/1876, the po was \( \frac{1}{4} \) mi nw of the Rolling Fk. R., 6 road mi s of Lebanon. Acc. to L.J. Carter, 12/26/1898 the po, by then spelled Newmarket, was 1 mi n of Roll. Fk. R., 3\( \frac{1}{2} \) mi n of Finley PO, and 3 mi w of Calvary PO (SLR);
NEW MARKET (Marion Co.): ("Nyū M(ah)r/kat") or ("Nyū M(ah)r/kat") On US 68 betw. Leb. & Jessietown. (qv) Just the Lebanon side of the Rolling Fk. R. Until recently there was a house there that, acc. to trad., was slept in by Andrew Jackson on his way from Nashv. to Wash. to be inaugurated Pres. The house may have recently burned. Two large cem's there. Now: not even a store nor any road-signs indicating such a place. But a clustering of homes at the site. For years there was a covered bridge over the Rolling Fk. there. N.M. is said by some to be on the site of Ne Lystra ("Nyū L(ih)s/trə"). Others strongly
disagree, saying N.L. was in the Raywick area, on Salt Lick. Informant thinks the N.L. scheme was a money-making venture, a ripoff or swindle by persons who had no title or rights to that land. Speculators. Didnt succeed because some one was able to prove they were a bunch of phonies. Before 1792. Muldrow lived in that area...dk that he played any role in the N.L. scheme. Never heard of a Pikesville in the co. Could it have been an early name for Jessietown, about 2 mi. away? (qv)...DK the origin of the N.M. name. It goes back
to the 1820s, acc. to genealogies. So it was a very early name. A farming area. (Gerald Thompson, interview, 9/22/1978);
PENICK (Marion Co., Ky): B.N. Penick was st. rep. from Marion Co, 1843 (Knott, P. 23); Acc. to 1860 Census, Buford N. Penick, 57, was a farmer who lived with his wife Easter (48) & other children, incl. son Buford, Jr. (13) in the Bradfordsv. PO area; Acc. to Jillson, one James Penicks (sic) acquired land on Hardins Creek in 1781. It was then in Jeff. Co;
PENICK (Marion Co., Ky): PO est. 5/14/1867, Henry Wilkin; Disc. 11/21/1867; Re-est. 8/4/1868, B.B. Riffe; 7/15/69, Michael A. Snyder; 10/19/1871, B.A. Penick; Disc. 4/15/1873; Re-est. 7/10/1873, Wm. H. Smith. (POR-NA); Acc. to Henry Wilkins, 5/6/1867, the prop. po would be 3.4 mi w of Rileys PO, 6 mi e of Lebanon, 1 mi n of Brandfordsville, ½ mi w of Lick Run. Acc. to Wm. H. Smith, 10/29/85, the po was serving Penick's Sta. on the L&N, po in the depot, ½ mi n of Popes Creek, 3 mi w of Riley PO, 6 mi e (or ne) of Lebanon, 6 mi s of Texas. Acc. to W.G. Mays, 9/17/1917.
the po was 1 mi n of Popes Creek, 4 mi w of Riley, 30 ft. n of the L&N at Penicks Sta. (Acc. to W.G. Mays, 7/24/1939, the po was ½ mi n of Ky. 52, on the L&N RR at its sta., ½ mi n of Popes Creek, 3 mi w of Riley, 5 mi e of Lebanon. (SLR); Named for Buford Nash Penick, owner of most of this part of the co. Named ca. 1862. He was local resi. Est. & named whe rr was extended thru this site. (Dr. R.W. Wilson, Lebanon, Ky., letter to Wm. Gladstone Stone, 6/19/1930);
PHILLIPSBURG (Marion Co., Ky): Mentioned in L&N time tables, 1881, 1883, 1890, and later as being on the Cumb. & Ohio Br-S. which late became the Greensburg Br. 4 mi s of Calvary (sta.) and 3 mi n of Spurlington (sta.) No mention of Glory. The Glory PO could have served this vic. 1880-82 and have been located here or a site to the ne;
\textbf{PHILLIPSBURG} (Marion Co.): po est. as Phillipsburgh, 4/8/1886, Wm. T. Bass; Disc. 10/13/1893; Re-est. 5/31/1894, Nicodemus Rice; Disc. 11/28/1894; Re-est. 4/22/1904, Alex Lyor ...(NA); Named for the pioneer Phillips family. DK progenitor but he came to Marion in 1799. DK the date the commu. was founded. (Dr. R. W. Wilson of Lebanon, in letter to Wm. G. Steel, 6/19/1930); the pion. Phillips family is mentioned in Knott, P. 7; disc. 1948;
PHILLIPSBURG (Marion Co.): ("F(ih)l/aps/berg") Thinks it was named for a Phillips family but has no proof of this. Right at the foot of Muldrows Hill. On the branch of the L&N that goes to Greensburg. A farming area. Small vil. Cath. chu.=Our Lady of Fatima was built there in 1940. 1 or 2 stores ...(Gerald Thompson, interview, 9/22/1978); Thinks there were Phillips families there at an early date. (Ibid..)
PHILLIPSBURGH (Marion Co., Ky): Acc. to Wm. Tyre Bass, 2/18/1886, the prop. name was Bassville. It was apparently unacceptable. The prop. po would be 4 mi s of Calvary PO, 4 mi n of Spurlington, on the w bank of Cloyds Creek, 10 yards w of the rr tracks and the Phillipsburg Sta. Serving also a vil. of 75 pop. Acc. to Nicodemus Rice, 5/11/1894, the po was 400 yards w of Cloyds Creek, 30 ft. w of the Phillipsburg Sta. of the L&N RR (Cumb. & Ohio Branch). Acc. to A. Lyons, 6/17/1903, the po was 3 mi n of Spurlington, 4 mi s of Calvary, 200 yards w of Cloyds Creek, 4 mi s of Rolling Fk. R., 75 ft. from the rr tracks (Southern Div. of the Cumb. & Ohio RR), vil. of 100 pop. On 7/1/1912, Ollie W. Murphy pet. for a site change 20 rods se of the former site to a pt. 500 ft. w of
Cloyds Creek, 80 ft. w of the L&N RR. In 7/1939, the po was 300 yards e of Cloyds Creek. (SLR);
PHILLIPSBURG (Marion Co., Ky): The Phillips family settled at or nr the mouth of Station Run of Hardins Creek. Three brothers: Thos, John, & Benj. Phillips with their families settled there before 1795 and built Phillips Station at the mouth of the run. The stream was named for the station erected at the s. side of the run. (Springfield SUN, 11/30/1939. Felix Grundy Phillips ne 9/12/1807 in Marion Co., the youngest child of Wm. & Margaret Phillips. Wm. & 3 older bros. came to Ky. in 1779 from M'd. via Pa. and settled on Hardins Creek and built Hardin's Creek Fort. In 1800 Wm. moved to a farm nr. Leb. where he lived.
till his death on 3/22/1834, age 75. Felix Grundy Phillips was a Marion Co. Surveyor. He was highly respected and well known. In 1841 he moved to a farm nr. Bradfordsville on the Leb. Rd. and died there on 9/12/1875. (Westerfield's vol. 5 of Perrin, 4th ed., pp. 233-4); Jas. G. Phillips, Jr, a prosperous Leb. merchant, was ne Wash. Co. 11/9/1830, sc of Thos. & Julia Phillips, also natives of Wash. Co. In 1846 J.G. came to Leb. where he lived with his uncle David Phillips. (Ibid., p. 234);
POPE CREEK (Marion Co., Ky): (F391s) Named for Gov. John Pope. (P. 5 of W.T. Knott's HIST. OF MARION CO., KY)
RAYWICK (Marion Co., Ky): "This vil. with po is on Prather Creek, a br. of the Rolling Fk. R., and at the jct. of Ky. 84 and 527, 9½ mi w of Lebanon. The site was 1st settled by Jas. & John Ray and Henry Prather in 1778 and named for the pioneer Ray & Wickliffe families whose ass'n. was solemnized with the marriage in 1811 of Loyd Ray & Nancy Wickliffe. The po was est. on Jan. 28, 1833 with John S. Ray, pm, and the commu. was inc. in 1838." (Book-P. 248); Acc. to Geo. W. Miller, 7/8/1880, the po was 1/8 mi n of Rolling Fk. R. and 1/8 mi s of Prathers Creek. Acc. to Lillie G. Bickett, 9/18/1917, the po was 1/4 mi n of the Rolling Fk R. and 1/2 mi s of Prathers Creek. Acc. to Lillie E. Bickett, 7/24/1939, the po was 75 ft. e of Ky. 84, ¼ mi
n of Rolling Fk. R. and 0.3 mi n of Prather Creek. (SLR);
RAYWICK (Marion Co.): In 1979 the community's board of trustees was reorganized. The old Bank of Raywick was converted into a city hall: ("Around Ky." col. in the LCJ, 6/12/1981, P. B3:1-2);
RAYWICK (Marion Co.): PO est. in Washington Co. 1/28/1833, John S. Ray (soon into Marion Co.) ...(NA); Named for the pioneer families of Ray & Wickliffe. "The incident originating the name being the marriage of Loyd Ray to Nancy Wickliffe somewhere about 1778." (Dr. R.W. Wilson of Lebanon, Ky. in a letter to Wm. G. Steel, 6/19/1930); Jas. & John Ray, as early as 1778 at the site of Raywick. Commu. named for pioneer families of Ray & Wickliffe. "The incident originating the name being the marriage of Loyd Ray and Nancy Wickliffe." (HIST OF MARION CO., KY. by W.T. Knott, in KHS Lib., date unkn., P. 4);
RAYWICK (Marion Co.): Jas. & John Ray and
Henry Prather settled the site of the present
Raywick in 1778 which was later named for the
marriage of Lloyd Ray and Nancy Wickliffe.
(Souvenir Supplement: The Marion Falcon, Leban
on, Ky. 9/1/1905, M.F. Hetherington, Editor.
A copy on file at the Filson Club Libr.);
Town is on Prather's Creek; Site was lst set­tled 1778 by Jas. & John Ray and Henry Prather
on Prather's Creek. Name derived from the
pioneer Ray & Wickliffe families...(HIST. OF
MARION CO., KY. by W.T. Knott, P. 4); Inc. 2/
1838 (ACTS, 1837/8, P. 130); see also act of
2/18/1846 amending the act of incorporation.
(ACTS, 1845/6, P. 230);
RAYWICK (Marion Co.): ("Ra/w(ih)k") Farming town and trad. ctr. The 1st trading post at the Raywick site may go back to the 1770s. Deteriorating. Named for the marriage in 1811 of Lloyd Ray and Nancy Wickliffe...1st called Sheeps Defeat because of the fate of flocks to the wolves. Acc. to tradition. DK if this was an official name, appearing in deeds. Informant 1st came across this name in Miss Florence Amelia Edmonds articles in ENTERPRISE in the late 1950s or early '60s on the old homes in Lebanon. (She died within the past yr.)...Raywick was
founded by the Prathers, Rays, and Beards, Va. and Md. Protestants, and then \(\text{the}\) Catholics: Cecils, Martins came in from 1785 on... Now: po, 2 stores, Cath. chu. The Meth. Chu. was moved in 1937 to a little commu. called High View... The St. Francis Xavier Chu. in Raywick was est. in 1834... Raywick's heyday was 1880-1900 with bank, mill, 4-5 blacksmith shops, 4-5 MDs, Meth. & Cath. churches, 2 big cem's. stores... Town has had a bad reput. due to its prox. to the dry counties of Taylor & Larue. People would come to Raywick for
their liquor. From 1880-1900 the town was inc... PO serves much of sw section of the county.... (Gerald Thompson, interview, 9/2 1978);
Raywick (Marion County, Ky.) messrs.
Named for two residents, Ray and Wickliffe.

Nearby Lebanon was named for the surrounding growth of cedars. Incorp. 1815. Founded and named by Ben Spalding. Nearby communities like Chicago, Raywick, etc. were settled mostly by Maryland Catholics. (W.H. Watkins, THE MEN, WOMEN, EVENTS, INSTITUTIONS & LORE OF CASEY COUNTY, KENTUCKY, Louisville, Ky., 1939, p. 9.)
RILEY (Marion Co.), po est. as Riley's Sta. 2/8/1871, Jos. F. Hockem...9/5/82, John Hays; n.ch. to Riley, 11/29/1882, Ibid. ...(NA); Name for an early settler named Riley; it may have been George Riley, acc. to local informants but this is not certain. Named c.1862. (Dr. R.W. Wilson, Lebanon, Ky. in a letter to Wm. G. Steel, 6/19/1930); ("R(eve) ⇛ (ah)/lee") DK if Riley=Rileys Sta. The Riley commu. is now off of US68 to/ Danville. The Riley Sta. po was c. 3-4 mi. from Gravel Switch po, acc. to Beers map. Thinks that Riley is still locally called that but now only a cluster of homes and one wouldnt know he was passing thru there. No store...(Gerald Thompson, interview, 9/22/78);
RILEY PO (Marion Co., Ky): This po was est. as Riley's Station. Acc. to J. Hocken, 2/1871, the prop. po was \( \frac{1}{2} \) mi s of Landers Branch, est. to serve a vil. of 100-125 pop.\( \frac{2}{2} \) Acc. to John Hays, 3/29/1883, the po was called Riley and served Riley Station, and was 2\( \frac{1}{2} \) mi n of Rolling Fk., 1 mi s of Landers Creek, 3 mi w of Gravel Switch PO, and 3 mi e of Penick. \( \frac{3}{3} \) Acc. to John Hays, 10/30/1885, the Riley PO was serving Riley Sta. and was 2 mi n of Rolling Fk. and on the L&N RR. \( \frac{4}{4} \) Acc. to Franola (?) Whitehouse, 1/11/1930, the Riley PO was 3 mi n of Rolling Fk., 1 mi se of Landers Creek, 3 mi e of Penick, 100 ft. n of the L&N's Rileys Sta. \( \frac{5}{5} \) Acc. to Franola Whitehouse, 7/24/1939, the po was 100 ft. n of the L&N sta., 2 mi n of Rolling Fk., 1\( \frac{1}{2} \) mi se of Skinners Creek, midway betw. Penick & Gravel Switch.\( \frac{6}{6} \)
On 12/12/1949, Lora E. Smather pet. for a site ch. 0.1 mi s of old site to a pt. 1½ mi s of US 68, 0.1 mi e o the rr sta., and 100 ft. s of the tracks, 3 mi n of Rolling Fk. R. (SLR); The Riley family name may have derived from Reighly or Railey. (Gerald Thompson, 9/22/1978);
RILEY STATION/RILEY (Marion Co., Ky): John C. Riley (63) and wife Mary (62) lived in the Haysville PO area next door to John C. Riley, Jr., also a farmer, age 31. Also in the Haysv. po area were the family of Jas. Riley (38) and Harrison Hayse (46), both farmers. No Geo. Riley or Dan'l. Stark were listed (1860 Census Acc. to Jillson). John C. Riley acquired land on Beech and Rolling Fk. Rivers in 1832 and also on Follow Wells or Fallowills Creek in 1835–6;
ROHAN KNOB (Marison Co., Ky): The Trappist Abbey is on the top of this knob. It's the 2nd highest pt. in the co. (Gerald Thompson, interview, 9/22/1978); The knob (elev. 1090 ft.) is on the Nelson Co. line and was named for Fr. Wm. de Rohan ("de Rohan") (Thompson);
RUSH BRANCH PO (Marion Co., Ky): PO est. 4/20, 1864, Wm. T. Weatherford; Disc. 11/30/1865; Re-est. 8/22/1872, Perry C. Powar; Disc. 1/29, 1873; Re-est. 2/12/1874, Wm. W. Conder...4/11 1903, Jos. C. Weatherford; Disc. eff. 11/30/ 1906 (mail to Brandfordsville) (POR-NA); Acc. to Kellie (?) Coppage, 12/26/1898, the Rush- branch PO was 1 mi s of South Fk. R. and on the s bank of Rush Br., 1 1/2 mi from the co. line.||On 9/28/1905 Jos. C. Weatherford pet. for a site ch. 120 rods e of the old site to a pt: 4 mi n of Merrimack, 7 mi e of Brand fordsville, 4 mi w of Chilton, 40 yards s of South Fk. R. and 300 yards e of Rush Br. No Vil. (SLR);
RUSH BRANCH (Marion Co., Ky): in the Bradfordsville area, se of Bradfordsv., to Liberty, on the S Fk. of Rolling R. (Gerald Thompson, interview, 9/22/1978); Killis Coppage, the pm had a sawmill here, c.1895. Also at site then distillery, gen'l. store, and wagonmaker. (Poll
ST. FRANCIS (Marion Co.): po est. as Chicago, 9/14/1858, Robert O'Bryan; Disc. 11/8/1865; Re-est. 1/31/1866, Jas. H. Mattingly...n.ch. to St. Francis, 1/1/1938, Mrs. Otho Kirkland who had been pm. before the n.ch. also)...(NA); On the Knoxv. Br. of the L&N RR, c. 12 mi. of Lebanon. (O.W. Baylor, WPA ms); "Chicago was named so in a fanciful hope that it would some day rival the Illinois metropolis. The namer is uncertain but was probably named by all who lived there at the time--date not known either (sic) (Dr. R.W. Wilson of Lebanon, Ky. in a letter to Wm. Gladstone Steel, 6/19/1930);
St. Francis (Marion Co.): Older than Lorett. Was called Chicago until c.1937. Renamed to avoid confusion with the better known po at Chicago, Ill. Post masters all over the country wouldn't bother to look at the state after the address, just assume it was Ill. and send it there...The local priest may have gotten the name changed to St. Francis for the St. Francis of Assisi Parish that was est. in c.1870. DK how Chicago got its name. He'd heard that the Ill. city was named for this Chicago but doubts this. Assumes it was the other way around...The
distillery here is being dismantled... Thinks but doesn't know that the Chicago name was applied before the rr was built through. The Smiths and Blairs were there before the rr, before 1870. Thinks that the Chicago settlement, if not the name, predates the est. of Marion Co., i.e. back to the 1820s or '30s. DK when the Chicago name was 1st applied; maybe not until the po was est....Oldtimers still refer to the place as Chicago. Now: po, one of the largest Cath. parishes in the state. 1 or 2 stores and 1 or 2 saloons.
Residents are farmers or commute to Lou. ('"Sant Fr(ae)n/səs") (Gerald Thompson, intern, 9/22/78)
ST. FRANCIS (Marion Co.): Acc. to ms. of Francis L. Hayden of Loretto, Ky. on the paris of St. Francis of Assisi, St. Francis, Ky., the Catholics of Chicago were served by a small frame chu. until 1896 when it was replaced by the present brick structure, by Fr. Francis Wuyts.... Had its 1st resi. pastor in 1872. (P.2 In 1872 Geo. Washington Goodrum deeded the chu prop. to the R.C. Bishop of Lou. It then lay within the corp. limits of Chi. At that time, John A. Creary was pastor. (P. 16)... (qt. Thompson): "Fr. Jos. J. Fitzgibbon, who was made pastor of St. Francis Assisi Chu. in Feb. 1935, made one of his first efforts the chang
ing of the town's name. He applied to the postal authorities in Wash. to ch. the town name from Chicago, Ky. to St. Francis, Ky. This request was granted and became effective in the early part of 1938. (Pp. 55-6 of the book). The chu. is on KY 52 nr. its jct. in the middle of the vil. with KY 527. Chu. is active.. (Gerald Thompson, letter to me, 12/6/1980);
ST. FRANCIS (Marion Co., Ky.): "Ky's Chicago is now officially known as St. Francis. This Marion Co. vil. with an apo and some 350 residents is centered at the jct. of Ky. 52 and 52 some 9 air mi wnw of Leb., the co. seat. It grew up around an unnamed settlement that may have preceded the co's est. in 1834. It is not known if the Chi. name had been applied to the com. before the po was created on 9/14/1858 and it can only be surmised that it was given in the fanciful hope that some day it would rival the larger Ill. town. The name was also applied to the sta. on the Leb. Br. of the L&N RR, that had been built through there
by 1866, and to the town itself when it was inc. in 1870./On 1/1/1938, to end the frequent misdirection of mail to Ill., the POD approve Fr. Jos. J. Fitzgibbon's request for a ch. of name to that of the local St. Francis of Assisi Chu., of which he had become pastor 2 yrs. before./The chu., in the center of town, was org. ca. 1870. Two yrs. later, Geo. Wash. Goodrum deeded some land to the Bishop of Lou on which a small frame bldg. was erected. Thi was replaced in 1896 by the present brick structure that still serves one of the largest rural Cath. parishes in Ky." ("New York and Chi. as Ky. Place Names" COE, XIX (7), April 1990, 24-6)
ST. FRANCIS (Marion Co.): Inc. as Chicago, 3/21/1870 (ACTS 1869/70, Vol. 2, P. 620);
ST. FRANCIS (Marion Co., Ky): "This vil. with po centered at the jct. of Ky. 52 and 527, 9 mi wnw of Lebanon, grew up around an unnamed settlement there before the co. was created in 1834. The po, est. on Sept. 14, 1858 was named Chicago, allegedly in hopes that someday the place would someday rival the city in Ill. This name was applied to the sta. on the Lebanon Branch of the L&N RR built thru in 1865-66, and under this name the town was inc. in 1870. On Jan. 1, 1938, the POD, having approved the local request for a ch. c name on the ground that frequently been missent to Ill., renamed the po St. Francis. By this name, that of the local St. Francis of Assisi Church, the commu.
has been officially known ever since, though oldtimers may still also refer to it as Chicago." (Book-P. 260)

Acc. to Jas. H. Mattingly, 12/27/1898, the Chicago po was 1.8 mi w of Loretto, 2 mi e of Dant, 100 ft. n of the L&N. Accord. to Mary C. Noms (?), 11/ /?, the po of Chicago moved 150 ft nw to a pt. 2 mi e of Dant, 2 mi w of Loretto, 50 ft. nw of the L&N. The rr sta. there was aka Chicago. Accord. to Maggie Kirkland, 8/23/1937, this po was 2 air mi from the co. line, 2¼ mi w of Loretto, 2 mi e of Dant, and 30 ft. n of the L&N RR sta. It was soon called St. Francis. (SLR);
ST. JOSEPH (Marion Co.): ("Sant D(jch)s/ef"
Locally called St. Joe, 1st called Tutter-town ("T(uh)t/er/town") for the Tutter family
When the Catholic chu. was built there c.
1910 (ch. date) residents stopped calling it Tuttertown and began calling it Little St.
Joe because this area was being served by sisters from a place called St. Joe in Daviess Co., specifically Mount St. Joseph.
That and the fact that in nearby Bardstown was St. Joseph Cathedral, it was called Little St. Joe to avoid confusion with the other 2 St. Joe's. It's still called this.
DK when the Tutters arrived there. It must
have been a Tutter settlement early in the history of the county. There are still some Tutters left in the county. ..n.ch. from Tuttertown c. 1910 when the church was established there. The church is active. Now a full-fledged parish with a resident priest. But until c. 3-4 yrs. ago it was still a mission...(Gerald Thompson, interview, 9/22/1978);
SAINT MARY (Marion Co., Ky): "This hamlet with po is centered at the jct. of Ky. 84 and 327, 4 mi w of Lebanon. It is said to have been part of the pion. Hardins Creek Settlement, settled by the Hardin family shortly after 1785. Catholics from St. Charles Co., Md. arr. in the 1790s and est. an early chu. they named St. Charles, by which name their parish and the local schools are still called. This was the home of the famed St. Mary's Coll. founded in 1821 by Rev. Wm. Byrne, and the town was named for the col. when its pc was est. as Saint Mary's on June 7, 1858, with Green Forest, pm. It was renamed Saint Mary in 1893 but the sta. on the Lebanon Branch of the L&N RR has always been Saint Marys. It was inc. as a town in 1865." (Book-P. 261);
ST. MARYS (Marion Co.): Inc. 5/26/1865 (ACT 1865, Vol. 2, P. 396); An attempt by several citizens in early Nov. 1985 to dissolve the city. Filed suit for this purpose, 11/1/85. The col. bldgs. were sought as site for a new 200 bed fed. min. sec. prison. Endorsed by Fisc. Ct. in 8/85. St. Mary's was inc. in 1865 but by 1985 had been inact. for some time. (Judy Bryant, "St. Mary Group Tries to Dissolve City as State Seeks New Site for Prison" LCJ, 11/2/1985, P. B5:1-3);
SAINT MARY (Marion Co.): po est. as Saint Mary's, 6/7/1858, Green Forest (sic)...n.ch. to Saint Mary, 11/6/1893, Thos. T. Blanford ....(NA); "In a log cabin, on this site, Rev. Chas. Nerinckx, a pioneer missionary, founded the Sisters of Loretto at the Foot of the Cross, April 1812. Since that time their educational work has expanded to many parts of the US and So. Am." (Highway marker, at St. Mary, Ky. 84, 327, acc. to GUIDE, No. 206, P. 34); Now: po, store, carpet dealer, auto service, etc. (Personal obs., 9/1978);
Saint Mary PO (Marion Co., Ky): po was est. as Saint Marys. Later became St. Mary tho' the com. continued to be called St. Marys. Acc. to Thos. T. Blanford, 12/28/1893, the po was 3½ mi n of the Rolling Fk. R. and 1 mi s of Hardins Creek, 4 mi w of Lebanon, 5½ mi se of Loretto. St. Marys Sta. on the L&N. Acc. to E.J. Butler, 9/1917, the po was 1½ mi s of Hardins Creek, 2C ft. n of the L&N sta. at St. Marys. Acc. to Wm. R. Logsdon, 7/29/1939, the po was 20 ft. s of Ky. 327 and 84, 100 ft. s of the L&N sta., 1 mi s of Hardins Creek, and 5 mi due w of Lebanon. (SLR);
ST. MARY (Marion Co.): Saint Mary's College there is the "oldest extant Cath. Coll. for me w. of the Alleghenies and third oldest in the nation. Founded in 1821 by the Rev. Wm. Byrne ....Since 1871 directed by the Resurrection Fathers. (Highway marker, there, Ky. 84, 327, acc. to GUIDE, No. 1026, P. 196); The coll. is the 3rd oldest Cath. coll. for men still in operation in US. Founded 1821 by Fr. Wm. Byrne of Ireland who arr. at the vil. of St. Mary in 1821 (sic). School is 5 mi. w. of Lebanon. In 1929 the coll. became a seminary. The coll. is on a 500 acre rural campus. (...) ("150th Birth day of Historic St. Mary's College" HISTORIC KY. Summer, 1971, P. 25);
ST. MARYS (Marion Co.): ("Sānt Mər/eez")
1st called Hardins Creek Settlement. Est. by
the Cecil, Russell, Mattingley families...
Also Bevins or Bivins, Rhodes, Smith, Mudd
families. Commu. was founded very shortly
after 1785....The St. Marys name may have no
been applied before the po was est. because
this name was not mentioned on early deeds;
rather "nr. the Hardins Creek Chapel" or the
Hardins Creek Commu." The Hardin family was
on this creek too...One of the Martin Hardin
was here (cf Mr. Harding at the Nelson Co.
Ct. Hse. who has done a lot of research on
the Hardin & Harding families) The creek and
early commu. were named for the early Hardin settlers there. The Catholics at St. Marys & vic. came originally from St. Charles Co., Md. Only the church, not the commu. here, was called St. Charles. The chu. bldg. was erected in 1806 but the Cath. parish and an earlier structure probably go back to the 1790s. But it may not have been called St. Charles Chu. that early...Informant thinks the town was 1st called St. Marys Depot and that it took its name from the men's college here...which educated so many prominent persor
Prot. and Cath's...incl. Gov. Proctor Knott, Gov. Morrow, Rep. Frank Chelf...
Became a seminary for the training of priests c.1930. The college was est. in 1822 (ch. marker) by Fr. Wm. Byrne...
Later taken over by the Soc. of Jesuits... later governed by the priests of the Diocese until the CW. Closed for 2 yrs. during the war. It reopened under the direction of the Resurrectionist fathers out of Canada in 1872. Closed the summer of 1976....The Sisters of Loretto order was founded here at the St. Charles Chu.
by Fr. Chas. Nerinckx, c1812... (Gerald Thompson, interview, 9/22/1978); cornucopia just now occupies coll. bldgs. (ibid)