OWSLEY COUNTY, KY; Jas. Moore, Sr. is believed to have been the 1st O. Co. settler, arriving there in 1795. His home was just beyond the Boonev. limits. He wed Ellender Hamilton, d. of Wm. & Margaret Hamilton. Shortly thereafter arr. Cornelius Bowman Sr's. family from Muddy Ck. in Mad. Co. (1795) [At least his son John did and Sarah (Smith) Bowman and lived nr the Moores. Other early settlers: Jacob & Henry Gabbard on Indian Ck (ca 1814), Sam'l. Woods Sr (Rev. War vet.) also on Indian Ck, John "Rinty" Baker lived in a cliff above the mouth of Upper Buffalo. The Abners also lived at the m. of Upper Buf. (Arch B. Bowman, Rt. 2, Box 39, Boonev. ms. "Geog'c. Hist. & Early Settlement of O. Co., Ky" O.Co. Vert. Files, KHS Libr. n.d.;
OWSLEY COUNTY, KY: The 1st O Co. settlers were: Jas. Moore, John Abner, Henry Gabbard, Wm. Baker, Wm. Neal. Abner & Neal, on a hunting trip up the S. Fk, are said to have named Buffalo Ck. after spotting and killing several buffalo at its mouth. (Fred Gabbard, 7/8/77); The 1st settlers of O. Co. were: John Renty Baker & Joh Abner before 1790, in vic. of Cortland, nr. the Clay Co. line. (Joyce Wilson, This Was Yesterday, 1977, P. 4); The 1st known settlers within the co's present limits were John Abner and John Randy (sic) Baker ca. 1780. (see Jillson I) (Fred Gabbard, 7/8/77); Pion. settlers of O. Co: Gabbards, Bakers, Moores, Wilsons, Bowmans, Sam Woods, a Rev. War vet. (Ibid.).
OWSLEY COUNTY, KY: Acc. to Long, O. Co. was created from Breathitt, Clay, and Estill Co's. 6/1/43. Its orig. terri. was 480 sq. mi. Lost 10 sq. mi to Estill Co. on 5/1/54. (By 1858 it took in most of Lee, and some of Wolfe & Jackson Co's.) Lost 50 sq mi to/ the creation of Jack. Co. on 4/25/1858. Itgained 10 sq. mi from B. Co. on 5/3/60 (that later was a part of Lee Co), lost 60 sq. mi to/ the creation of Wolfe Co. on 7/1/60 and 170 sq. mi. to/ the creation of Lee Co. on 3/1/70. Assumed its present bound. on 2/12/90 after losing "a small area to Lee Co. to accommodate local prop. owners." (Long, Pp. 377-9);
OWSLEY COUNTY, KY: In the early 1850s, an unsuccessful attempt to move the court from Booneville to Proctor. Bill introduced in Ky G.A. in 1851 but tabled and never re-introduced. [Check...](Dennis L. Brewer, *The Land of Lee* (The Formation and County Officials of Lee Co., 1870-1983, ca. 1987?, Pp. 8-9); 198 sq. mi. "This co. was est in 1843 from parts of Clay, Estill, & Breathitt Co. and named for Wm. Owsley (1782-1862), judge of Ky. Ct. of Appeals and 16th gov. of the state (1844-48)." (Book-Pp. 223-24);
OWSLEY COUNTY, KY: Early O. Co. families include: Flan(n)ery, Hampton, Minter, Botner, Baker, Cecil, and Pendergrass; John Abner, a Rev. War vet. and land speculator, with his wife Milly, came to O. Co. ca. 1780 with John "Renty" Baker. Abner's son Wm. was an O. Co. sheriff ca. 1846. (Shackelford in Lex. Lead. 6/20/52); O. was the 96th co. in order of formation; The co. is in the E. Ky. Coal Field. The north-flowing S. Fk. bisects the co. It's drained by the main stream and branches of the S. Fk. and by Sturgeon Ck, a branch of the main Ky. R;
OWSLEY COUNTY, KY: 96th co. org. 198 sq. mi. Org: The S. Fk. of the Ky R. extends s to n thru the co, bisecting it. D. Boone in 1784 surveyed land for Jas. Moore & Col. John Donelson. Earliest settlements by Jas. Moore at Moore's Sta. (aka Boone's Sta.) at site of Boone's camp. Other early settlers were John Renty Baker & John Abner nr Cortland in the 1790s. The only rr's to penetrate O. Co. were the narrow gauge K&P Lumber Co. rr betw. Tallega & Lerose to ship lumber from mill there. Line closed 1909 with timber depletion. And the Ky Rock & Cumb. RR along Wild Dog Ck which ended in 1930. The lumber mills were abandoned by the 1930s. Depopulation. By 1990 had become one of the country's poorest co's. No ind. to speak of. Serv., govt, retail, subsist. agri
Tobacco has been biggest cash crop. These were main employment sources. The most rural co. in the E. Ky. Highlands. Pops: 5000 (1970), 5700 (1980), 5000 (1990). (Morris M. Garrett, Ky. Ency., 1992, P. 703);
OWSLEY COUNTY, KY: Few main highways and only 1 rr spur (narr. gauge). One of the country's and state's poorest Tho'lst settled ca. 1780 "there was no appreciable settlement till ca. 1814." For most of the 19th cent. subsistence farming and later timbering and floating timber down the S.Fk. to the Ky. R. to the Bluegrass. Depleted ca. 1920 and thus co's decline. Outmigration. Hampered by poor roads. Tob. farming. Low Grade coal. (Jas. Herzog, from interv. with Fred Gabbard and Co. Judge Hamp Turner, LCJ, 1/16/1977, P. A20:1-4); Pop. (2000)=4858; Wm. Owsley, name source, was (Ky) Sec. of State 1834-6 during Jas. T. Morehead's adm. and wasn't nominated for gov. till 1844. In 1843 he was merely Judge Owsley who was to become gov. the following yr;
OWSLEY COUNTY, KY: The county's pop. peak was ca. 8000 in 1910. Decline. Dev. hindered by poor roads. Few job opps. for stay at homers exc. in schools, govt, and retail & service businesses. Burley tob. was chief source of farm income till recently. Recent diversification. Appal. Fireside Crafts. Weekly stockyard sales in Leros Ct. hse. burned in 1929, destroying all records. (Joyce Wilson, "South Fork Country" (Spotlight on O.Co. in Back Home in Ky, 7-8/1988, Pp. 24-8);
ARNETT (Owsley County, Ky): po est. 8/30/1927 with Mose Sandlin, pm, 1/20/1931, Wm. M. Eversole. Disc. 1957 (POR-NA & P&G); Acc. to Mose S. Sandlin, 8/24/1927, the prop. name for this new po was Dale and it would be on Cow Ck, 6 mi e of S. Fk, 3½ mi e (sic) of the Cow Ck. po, 4 mi w of Crocketttsv. po, 4 mi n of Houston po, 2 mi w of the co. line. Not a vil// On 12/29/30, Wm. M. Eversole pet. for a move ½ mi e to a pt 50 ft s of Cow Ck, 6 mi e of S. Fk, 3 3/4 mi w (sic) of Cow Ck po, 2 n w of co. line. Eff. 1/1/31// Acc. to Leo Bowling, 7/26/1939, it was 1½ air & 2 rd mi from Breathitt Co. line, 150 yds n of Cow Ck, 7 mi e of S. Fk, 10 mi se of the Boonev. po, 3 3/4 mi e of Cow Ck po, 5 mi w of Houston po// On 5/3/50, Eliza S. Amis pet. for a move 0.1 mi w
to a pt. 1 air & 1½ rd mi from B. Co., 9 mi e of So. Fk, 4 mi e of Cow Ck po, 10 mi s of Houston po. (SLR); [ahr/nat] PO at the head of Cow Ck, next to the B. Co. line. Preacher Ike Gabbard's daughter was a pm. DK why so named. No such families in the co. tho' there are some in Clay Co. (Fred Gabbard, 7/8/1977); No Mose(s) Sandlin nor any Arnetts in 1920 O. Co. Census, nor any Mose(s) Sandlin listed in the Arnett family books at the Mag. Co. Hist. Soc. Library; No Mose Sandlin was listed in 1920 Census; Mose's Sandlin marr. Callie B. Bowling in 1921. He was son of Lewis & Mahala (Helton) Sandlin;
ASH (Owsley Co., Ky): Dennis Brewer includes it with Lee Co. post offices. Est. 3/21/1908 with Hyrasmus (sic) Jett, but no closure given; Listed in Owsley Co. from 1908 to 1909 (P&G); po est. 3/21/1908 with Hyrcamus Jet its only pm, Disc. 7/15/1909 with mail to ? (POR-NA); Acc. to H.C. Jett, the prop. name for this po was Center and it was 2 mi sw of Turkey Ck, 4 mi ne of Turkey po (sic)// Acc. to Ibid., 2/25/09, it was on the n side of Cow Ck, 3½ mi e of S. Fk, 4½ mi sw of Turkey po, 4 mi ne of Cow Ck po, 5 mi s of Lerose po, 2 mi from co. line (SLR); Hyrcanous C. Jett, son of Newton & Eliz. (Cloud) Jett, mar. Caroline McQuinn (1840-1919) in 1857; Acc. to 1910 O. Co. Census, John Jett (28) was son of Hercannus and Caroline (McQuinn) Jett. (the only reference to Herc
in that census). John was living with his wife Lula (Henderson) Jett; No Hyrcanous (in any sp.) listed in the 1900 O. Co. Census; Fred Gabbard didn’t know of a Ash po (1977);
BLAKE (Owsley Co., Ky): po est. 8/3/1904 With Wm. B. Roberts. 11/6/1906, Wm. Blake, declined; 2/5/1907, Elia Wesley....Disc. 1957 (POR-NA & P&G); Acc. to Wm. Roberts 4/1904, this prop. po would be on the n side of Island Ck, 4 mi w of S. Fk, 3-3½ mi s of Major po, ca. 4 mi w of Conkling po, 4 mi n of Island City po. Not a vil.// Acc. to Daisy Moon, 9/30/15, it was 50 yds n of Island Ck and 2½ mi w of S. Fk, 3 mi sw of Major po, 5 mi se of Endee po, 2½ mi w of Conkling po// On 7/1/16, Wm. M. Maj pet for a move (no data) to a pt 75 yds n of Island Ck, 3 mi w of S. Fk, 5 mi from co. line, 4 mi sw of Major po, 5 mi se of Endee po, 3 mi w of Conkling po// Acc. to Nannie Neely, 7/24/39, it was on the right hand fk of Island Ck, 3 mi se of Endee po, 3 mi s of Major po, 3 mi
w of Conkling po, 3 mi n of Island City po, 5 mi e of Sturgeon po// On 3/26/42, Mrs. Audrey Roberts pet. for a move ¼ mi nw to a pt 50 ft n of Island Ck, 4 mi n of S. Fk, 4 mi e of Sturgeon po, 4½ mi w of Conkling po, 3 mi n of Island City po. (SLR); PO named for Wm. Blake (Acc. to Cortland pm to Wm. G. Steel, 10/16/23); On the Right Hand Fk. of Island Ck. Named for a local maybe that of Bill Blake, a wagonmaker. (Fred Gabbard, 7/8/1977); Three Wm. Blakes are listed in the 1900 O. Co. Census: Wm. J. (1/73), a blacksmith, son of Wm. and Caroline (Wolfe) Blake who lived nr Wm. Roberts (1/82) & wife Flora Roberts. Then there was Wm. Blake (4/58), son of Anderson Dalton & Eliz. Blake (all born
in Tenn.) with wife Margrite (Jane) Blake (4/62). And another Wm. Blake (1/42), son of Wm. C. and Hannah Blake, who marr. (1) Caroline Wolfe and (2) Stacy Smitt
BOONEVILLE (Owsley Co.): (Pron. "Bun/v(ih)l" or Bün/vəl or Bün/v(ih)l") Po nr. here before.

Owsley Co. was est. was called South Fork ("Sowth F(aw)rk") on the So. Fork of the Ky. F

This was located c. 2 mi. up the river, to/Manchester. For the 1st few yrs. of its exist-

ence, the po at Booneville was known as Owsley Ct. Hse. ("Owz/lee") Then n.ch. to

Booneville. The po was est. as the O.C.H. wher.

the co. was est. in 1843. Boone had a camp

here by a spring, always called the Boone

Spring. He was in here for close to a year

surveying for some land companies. Some of his

surveys are still on record at Manch. The
Booneville name was 1st applied in c.1845. Originally this site was called Boones Sta. when they were 1st trading land in here. Then some of the 1st permanent settlers in the immediate vic. of the ct. hse. were Moores and they began calling it Moores Sta. ("M(aw)rz") after they moved in here. They were the 1st settlers of this site. The 1st settlers in the county were Bakers and Abners who came in c.1780 about the same time as Boone. Scattered residents...

The Moores founded and laid out the town Jas. Moore and Jas. Moore, Jr. and other sons. They owned the land and gave 1 acre of land to locate the seat. Dan'l.
Boone's son sold part of Daniel's land here as late as 1820. That's a matter of record in the ct. hse. in Manch=the site of the Owsley Co. stockyard... (Fred Gabbard, interview, 7/8/1977);
BOONEVILLE (Owsley Co.): The only service-centered community in the county. pop.=1500 tho' the US Census gives it as less than 200. Their reason for the discrep. = "The original articles of incorporation and boundaries of the town just included this old Moore farm here where he donated an acre and those boundaries have never been changed. But the town, of course, is mostly on the other side of the river, over where the schools are, and out where the Highway Dept.'s on (sic) But they're not in town technically. There'd been about 1500 that would be regular customers of the stores and po live around here (sic) (who'd call this
their home).... A big per cent of the business is not inside the town either. No sch. is inside the town's limits.... The city water system goes about 3 miles in every direction...." (Fred Gabbard, interview, 7/8, 1977); Acc. to S.P. Hogg, 9/1/1875, this po was 1/16 mi e of Buck.Ck, and 1/16 mi s of S. Fk, 10 mi s of Proctor po, 5½ mi n of S. Fk. po// Acc. to Frank Brandenburg, 5/29/39, it was on Ky 52, 300 yds s of S. Fk, 2 mi n of Turin po, 3 mi w of Eversole po, 5 mi w of Lerose po, 3 mi e of Levi po. (SLR);
BOONEVILLE (Owsley Co.): p.o. as Owsley C.H. 5/20/1844, James Moore, Jr. n.c.h. to Booneville, 12/8/1846. Absalom R. Dickinson...(NA)
PO est. as Owsley Ct. Hse. 5/20/1844 when B'vil was only a small settlement on the So. Fk. R. James Moore, Jr. = pm. n.c.h. to Booneville, 12/ 1848. (P.48) Inc. as co. seat 3/1/1847, 3 yrs. after the co. was est. Never had more than 200 pop. Boundaries never enlarged. (P.4) 1st perm. settlers were Jas. Moore, Sr. & his family, betw. 1790-1796. Built cabin in a clearing on Shepherd Hill nr. spring. Other families moved in. Moore's land included Booneville site, Shepherd Hill, both banks of the So. Fk. R.
First called Moore's Sta. Then Boone's Sta. Then Moore's Sta. again. When the po was es it was called Booneville for Dan'l. Boone who (is said to have) first explored that area. (P. 23) Jas. Moore, Jr. was the 1st pm. His younger bro., Elias, deeded the land for the ct. hse. 15 families at Boones Sta. Acc. to Census taken in 1815 (sic) (Ibid.).

...(THIS WAS YESTERDAY: A Romantic Hist. of Owsley Co.) by Joyce Wilson, sponsored by th Owsley Co. Saddle Club, Booneville, Ky. c. 1977);
BOONEVILLE (Owsley Co., Ky): Inc. 3/1/1847. First called Boone's Station and also Moore's Station for the family of its 1st settler Jas. Moore. (Joyce Wilson, "Boone's Mark Left in Owsley" Lex. Herald-Leader, 2/1/1976, P. E12:1-5); Pop. (1870)=111, the same pop. as in the yr 2000; Inc. 31/1847 (Collins II); Assumed the Boonvv. name with inc. Until then Moore's Sta. & Boone's Sta. Boone's camp at a bend betw. Ky 11 & r., ca 1 mi s of town. There 1784 to survey land for Jas. Moore & John Donelson. Cited a large rock at m of Sexton's Ck. Acqu. & later lost title to 2000 acres of area land exc. for a tract on Meadow Ck which his son DB Jr. in 1819 transf. to Wm. Strong. Jas. Moore was town's 1st perm. settler in late 1790s. Other early families: Bowmans, Gabbards,
Bakers, Morrices, Reynolds, Brandenburgs, Gilberths. Town had a pop of 300 (1880). (Joyce Wilson "South Fk. Country" Spotlight on Owsley Co. in Back Home in Ky. 7-8/1988, Pp. 24-8);
BOONEVILLE (Owsley Co., Ky): Acc. to 1876-7 Gaz, it was a vil. and co. seat on the S. Fk. First settled in 1850. Mill, 3 chu's, sch. S.P. Hogg was pm. Gen'l. stores (1) Hampton & Minter, (2) Hogg & Botner, (3) Hogg and Breeding, (4) J.M. Woodward; Acc. to 1895-6 Gaz, it was an inc. town and co. seat, 8 mi from Beattyv, with a pop. of 400. Businesses. W.B. Gabbard was co. judge. Two lawyers named Sebastian; Boonev. was selected co. seat over Proctor. In 1844 the G.A. ruled that the O. Co. cts. be held in Lassiter J. Robertson's home till the ct. hse was built. Pet. ag. this decision was submitted by Archibald McGuire, etal. of Proctor. Election held 4/44. Elias Moore's prop. at Boonev. won. (Fred Gabbard, interv., 7/8/1977);
BOONEVILLE (Owsley Co., Ky): Dan'l. Boone at his encampment, got water from a spring, later called Boone Spring and the later site of a tannery. Acc. to John Breeding, via Allington Crace, O. Co. agent. (WPA ms. on pts. of interest in O. Co., ca. late 1930s); Pop. (2000)=111. At the jct. of Ky 11,30 and on S. Fk. Named for Dan'l. Boone "who is said to have camped by a spr. ...while on a surveying trip in 1780-81." It was named co. seat on inception and first officially called Owsley Ct. Hse. Inc. 1846 as Booneville. In 1843 the c.h. was built on land donated by Jas. Moore, Sr's. son Elias. Some local ind. incl. Hiram Hogg Jr.'s tan-yard (1900), Charlie Minter's mill (1900). 6th cl. city Pops: 126 (1970), 190 (1980), 230 (1990) (Morris M. Garrett, Ky. Ency. 1992, 8.102);
BOONEVILLE (Owsley Co.): Named for Daniel Boone who had camped on a small knob just so. of town; c. 1930s, this was a small cem. (acc to Allington Crace, Co. Agent, Owsley Co., c1930s, WPA). Near the site of the Booneville courthouse, Dan'l. Boone and his party camped 1780-1. This camp was known as Boone's Station until the co. was org. 1843. Then named Booneville. Boone's owned land in this vic. till moved to Mo. Family (Highway Marker in courthouse yard, acc. to GUIDE, #196, P. 32.) Inc. 3/1/47 (Acts 1846/7, p.300); as Booneville
BOONEVILLE (Owsley Co., Ky): "This 6th cl. city and seat of Owsley Co. (the smallest co. seat in the state) is on Ky 11 and 30 and the S. Fk. of the Ky. R.... The 1st permanent settlers were Jas. Moore and his family in the 1790s and thus, for years, the settlement was called Moores Station. Elias Moore donated an acre to locate the new co's. seat there in 1843, and his bro. James, Jr. est. the Owsley Court House po on 5/20/1844. The po was officially renamed Booneville on 12/8/46 because Dan'l. Boone, while on a surveying trip for some land companies in 1780-81, is said to have camped by a spring near the site of the present courthouse. The town was inc. as Booneville on 3/1/1847." (Book-P. 31);
BOTNER (Owsley Co., Ky): Acc. to Wm. Taylor, 1/11/1915, the 1st name proposed for this new po was Hiram and it would be 2 mi e of Sturgeon Ck.; and ¼ mi from the co. line, 6 mi sw of Travellers Rest po, 4 mi e of Muncy po, 2 mi n of Lynch po. On 8/31/1926, Merida C. Mahaffey pet. for a move 1 mi e to a pt 1 mi from Sturgeon Ck, 1 mi from the co. line, 5 mi from Travellers Rest po, 5 mi from Green Hall po. On 11/9/26, Wm. C. Whickers pet. for a move 1 mi w to a pt 1 mi nw of Big Sturgeon Ck, 6 mi sw of Travellers Rest po, 4 mi nw of Green Door po, eff. 12/1/1926, reason: ch. in pm (SLR); Named for a Mr. Botner (PM of Cortland to Wm. G. Steel, 10/16/1923);
BOTNER (Owensley Co.) p.o. est. 6/9/1915, Wm. Taylor. Disc. eff. 1/31/1929 (mail to Travelers Rest) (NA); (Pron. "B(ah)t/ner") Botner families live in that vic. and are scattered all over the county. Now: nothing. DK which particular Botner associated with this place. (Fred Gabbard, interview, 7/8/77); Acc. to 1920 Census, Wm. Taylor (42) & wife Sarah (Jane) (nee Creech) lived nr Hiram Botner (46), a salesman, son of Benj. and Margaret (Patrick) Botner, and nr Wm. Whicker (33); Hiram Botner (1873-1928), son of Ben & Margaret (Patrick) Botner. He marr. Sudie Smith (1882-1940);
BOTNER (Owsley Co., Ky): Botners buried in the Botner Cem. on the Dewey Botner Farm at Trav. Rest incl. Benj. Botner (1830-1927), a C.W. vet; Elias Botner Sr. (1812-1887); Hiram Botner (1873-1928), John E. Botner (1870-1961); Margaret Botner (1849-1934); Robert Botner (1879-1911); Matilda Flannery (1846-1874). (Dennis Brewer in KY ANC. Vol. 4 (4), Apr. 1969, P. 202);
Buck Creek (Owsley Co., Ky): Acc. to W.B. Brandenburgh, 12/16/1896, this po was on the w side of Buck Ck, 5 mi of S. Fk, 3 mi e of Travellers Rest po, 3 mi ne of Sturgeon po, 4 mi sw of Pebworth po. On 10/21/1912, Henry Isaacs pet. for a move 3/4 mi e to a pt 4 2/3 mi w of S. Fk, 40 yds n of Buck Ck, 4 2/3 mi w of Boonev. po, 2 mi w of Levi po, 2½ mi from the co. line (SLR); Acc. to 1895-6 Gaz, it was 5½ mi from Boonev. W.H. Brandenburgh was pm. Also there were several carpenters and blacksmiths; Acc. to 1883-4 Gaz, it was 5 mi sw of Boonev., W.B. Brandenburg was pm and gen. store owner, G.D. Bromley was rr agent. Other businesses; Acc. to 1879-80 Gaz, it was on that ck, 5 mi nw of Boonev. Had sch. & 2 chu's. W.B. Brandenburgh was pm-gen'l. store-
keeper, E. Botner & Son flourmill. John Riley shoemaker. Other businesses; Buck Creek had a pop. of 100 (1930); The stream was named for Col. James Moore having killed a buck at its mouth. (John Breeding, via Allington Crace, O Co. Ext. Agent in WPA ms. on pts. of interest, O. Co., ca. late 1930s);
BUCK CREEK (Owsley Co.): "Buck Creek was so named because Col. James Moore killed a buck at the mouth of the creek with an old flint lock gun which was later made into a more modern gun with a hammer and cap....The gun also has a powder pouch which is said to have been made from the skin of the buck that Col. James Moore killed...." (Allington Crace, Co-Ext. Agent, Booneville, Ky., WPA collector for Fed. Writers Proj., Owsley Co., Ky.)

po est. 5/8/1876 with Wm. R. Brandenburgh; 8/6/1912, Henry Isaacs; 8/17/22, Jas. O. Isaacs; Disc. eff. 6/30/1925 (m to Levi) (POR-NA and P&G);
BUFFALO CREEK (Owsley Co., Ky): John Abner & Wm. Neal, pioneers, on a hunting trip, are said to have named this stream after spotting and killing several buffalo at its mouth. (Fred W. Gabbard, 7/8/77); Acc. to Wm. Cradlebaugh's deposition, on a hunt with 2 companions, Thos. Brooks & John Calloway, he killed 5 buffalo and named this stream in the fall of 1779. (Joyce Wilson, This Was Yesterday, 1977, p. 2);
BURLEY (Owsley Co., Ky): po est. 7/29/1907 with Jesse G. Barger, only pm; Disc. 6/30/1914 (mail to Saul) (POR-NA). Acc. to Jesse G. Barger, Jan. 1907, this prop. po would be 50 yds n of Buffalo Ck, 4½ mi w of Saul po, 5 mi ne of Brutus po, 8 mi sw of Middle Fk. (SLR); Fred Gabbard didn't know about this po; Acc. to 1900 Census, Jessie (sic) Barger (1/1860) and wife Susan (nee Baker in 1870) had a son Burrel (9/1895) called Burley in 1910 Census; Thinks that this po was at the mouth of Gabriel Fk. Name for Burley Barger. 3 mi from Whoop, (Whoop, was at the very head of Rt. Fk.) (Leon Sandlin, Richmond, Ky., letter to me, 2/12/02);
CONKLING (Owsley Co., Ky): Acc. to Robert Wilson, n.d., this po was 10 mi s of the S. Fk. po and ca. 10 mi e of Sextons Ck po// On 4/9/1902, C.G. McCallum pet. for a move ¼ mi sw to a pt ¼ mi s of the Ky. R, 1/20 mi n of Island Ck, 5 mi ne of Island City po, 3 mi sw of S. Fk. po, 7 mi e of Sturgeon po// Acc. to Jesse Wilson, 9/28/1915, it was ¼ mi w of S. Fk, 100 yds e of Island Ck, 3½ mi s of S. Fk. po, 5 mi n of Island City po, 3 mi se of Blake po, 5 mi from the co. line// Acc. to Ruth Wilson, 7/29/39, it was 3 air & 5 rd mi from co. line, ¼ mi sw of S. Fk, 20 yrds se of Island Ck, 3 mi se of Blake po, 3½ mi sw of S. Fk. po, 4 mi nw of Taft po, 6 m e of Island City po. (SLR);
CONKLING (Owsley Co.): Roscoe Conklin re-signed as US Sen. from NY on 5/16/1881 but ran unsuccessfully for "the vacancy caused by his own resignation" (P. 1009 of the BIO. DIR. OF THE AM. CONG 1774-1949, USGPO, 1950)

Acc. to 1895-6 Gaz, it was 8 mi s of Boonev. and had a pop. of 50. Jesse Wilson was pm. Gen. stores: (1) Sam'l Bailey, (2) Comes & Hill (sic), (3) J.&A. Wilson, (4) R.C. Wilson; Acc. to 1880 Census, there were no Conklin families in co. Robert Wilson, a miller, son of Robt. & Sarah, lived with wife Caroline (34) (nee Combs) nr. Jas. C. Ball (26), son of Enoch & Eleanor Ball, and wif Mary J. (McDaniel) (15);
CONKLING (Owsley Co.): po. est. 4/19/1881, Robt. Wilson....(NA); (Pron. "K(ah)n/l(ih)n")

On the South Fk. of the Ky. R. nr. the Clay C line. No county families by that name. He assumes it was named for some nationally prominent person of the time the po was est. Disc. within the past 10 yrs. Wilsons=the 1st settlers, acc. to old deeds back in Clay Co. days. It was an old settlement. The area betw Beattyv. & Manch. was all settled at about th same time tho' sparsely. Now: Store, farms. Progenitor Wilson=Philip Wilson who 1st settl on Red Bird, then moved to Cow Creek in Owsle Co. (Fred Gabbard, interview, 7/8/1977); DISC. 1974
CORTLAND (Owsley Co., Ky.): Before 1880 when it was given this name, the community was known as Constantinople. "Up Laurel Fork to the top of the flat and rolling ridge near the Breathitt County line." May have been first settled by Robert "Julius Bob" Baker and his family who had come from Redbird below Oneida, Clay Co. In 1801 he had come from Lee Co., Va. to the mouth of Bullskin. "Today this is one of the most isolated areas in this part of the state...." (Jess D. Wilson, WHEN THEY HANGED THE FIDDLER, Berea, Ky: Kentucke Imprints, 1978, P. 23)
CORTLAND (Owsley Co., Ky): ["kawrt/land"] Some outsiders est. a mission here ca. 1898 on a site settled very early by Bakers, etc. nr some falls. Scenic spot. Some people this was called Constantinople but dk why. When missionaries came in they got to calling it The Falls of Buffalo and Cortland. But some of the old Baker descendants still refer to it as Constantinople. Cortland was named by/for a Pres. missionary Sam'l. Cor who built a little chu. there ca. 1898. (Fred Gabbard, 7/8/1977); No Cort listed in 1900 Census but there was a Margeret (sic) J. Court, nee 7/1847, no occup. given, and no mention of a Sam (any spelling) She lived nr. Harvey Rice and a no. of Eversoles;
CORTLAND (Owsley Co., Ky): po est. 11/21/1900 with Daniel B. Baker, 1st pm...Disc. 1957 (POR-NA and P&G); Acc. to D.B. Baker, 10/15/00, this prop. po would be 1 1/2 mi w of Buffalo Ck, 4 mi se of Sebastian po, 4 1/2 mi ne of Doorway po. Not a vill// Acc. to Ibid, 9/30/15, it was 1 mi w of Buffalo Ck, 1/4 mi from co. line, 5 mi w of Crockettstv. po// On 10/28/35, Myrtle B. McIntosh pet. for a move 1 1/2 mi nw to a pt. 1 mi from Breathitt Co, on Buffalo Ck, 4 mi e of Sebastian po, ca. 3 mi n of Dalest po, 3 mi w of Morris po, 3 1/2 mi s of Arnett po// Acc. to Ibid, 8/25/37, the po, now as Lucky Fork, was 1 1/2 mi from Breathitt Co, ca. 30 ft se of Lucky Fk of Buffalo Ck, 3 1/2 mi sw of Morris Fk po, 3 1/2 mi nw of Dalestb. po, 4 mi ne of Sebastian po, 5 mi se of Ricetown po// Acc. to x Ford
Rob't. C. Million, 7/24/39, the Lucky Fk po was 2½ air and 3 rd mi from B. Co, 5 mi w of S. Fk, ca. 6-7 mi s of Ricetown po, 5½ mi w of Morris Fk po, 5 mi e of Sebastian po, 5½ mi n of Dalesb. po// On 8/4/42, Ethel Caudill pet. for a move 1½ mi e to a pt 1½ air and 1 3/4 rd mi from B. Co, 50 yds e of Steel Trap Ck, 100 yrds ne of Lucky Fk of Buffalo Ck, 4 mi w of Morris Fk po, 6 mi s of Ricetown po, 5 mi e of Gabbard po, 5 mi. nw of Dalesb. po (SLR); Named for Miss M.J. Cort, a missionary (Cort. pm to Wm. G. Steel, 10/16/1923); Named for Margaret Cort, a tchr there from 1900-05 (cf Leon Sandlin, 277 Harris Rd, Richmond, Ky. 40475 who was writing a hist. of Buffalo Ck. Acc. to an item in the Ky. Expl. 12/93-1/94 Vol. 8 (7), P. 5);
COUCH (Owsley Co., Ky): po est. 7/18/1902 with Andrew J. Couch, 1st pm; 8/7/1903, Macoy L. Gay; Disc. eff. 7/31/1905 (mail to Saul) (POR-NA and P&G); Acc. to A.B. Couch, 6/23/1902, this prop. po would be on Buffalo Ck, 10 mi e of S. Fk, 6 mi s of Doorway po, 6 mi sw of Shoa po, 6 mi s of Lois po. (SLR); Rockhouse Ck, early in the 20th cent., was nicknamed Couch Fk. because every home on it was occupied by a Couch family. Now there's only one home on it, owned by Al Baker. (A.B. Couch, pm of Mistetoe, letter to me, 11/26/1985); Rockhouse Fk. of Buffalo Ck. [rahk/howw fawrk] was known as Couch-town because all of his residents were Couches. Now called Rockhouse Fork. (Fred Gabbard, 7/8/77);
COUCH (Owsley Co., Ky): Acc. to 1900 Census, Bige (Abijah) Couch (5/1876), son of Elijah & Eliz. (Estep) Couch, lived with wife Nancy (3/72). No Andrew Jackson Couch listed. Bige lived nr McCoy L. Gay (6/63) and other Couches, as well as Jessie Barger. No Lucy Couch of Taft listed either;
COWCREEK (Owsley Co., Ky): po est. 8/10/1900 with Alfred Eversole, 1st pm; 6/4/04, Stephen A. Gabbard...Disc. 1957 (POR-NA and P&G); "This epo on Ky 28, at the forks of Cow Creek, 4 (air) mi se of Boonev., was est. on 8/10/1900, with Alfred Eversole, pm. The ck, an 8 mi. long br. of S. Fk. of the Ky. R, was named for the buffalo cow said to have been killed on its banks by Richard Reynolds in 1815." (Book-P. 70); This place is on a large stream paralleling Ky 28 betw. Boonev. & Buckhorn. One of the better farming areas of the co. Settled mostly by Reynolds, Gabbards, and Eversoles. [kow/kreek] (Fred Gabbard, 7/8/1977);
COWCREEK (Owsley Co., Ky): Acc. to Alfred Owsley, 6/20/1900, this proposed po would be on the n side of Cow Ck, ca. 4 mi se of S. Fk, ca. 4 mi se of Eversole po, 4-5 mi ne of Gabbard po, ca. 5 mi nw of Crockettsv. po// Acc. to Stephen A. Gabbard, 3/7/1917, it was 20 yds s of Cow Ck, 2 mi e of S. Fk, 3¼ mi nw of Ricet. po, 4 mi e of Eversole po, 3 mi from the co. line// On 3/21/28, John C. Moore pet. for a move 200 yds e to a pt 3 mi e of S. Fk, 20 yds s of Cow Ck, 3 mi se of Eversole po, 3½ mi n of Ricetown po, 2½ mi w of Arnett po. Moved 2/1/1928// On 10/8/30, Ibid. pet. for a move 25 yds w to a pt 30 ft s of Cow Ck, 3½ mi e of S. Fk, 3½ mi s of Arnett po, 3½ mi w of Eversole po, 3 3/4 mi n of Ricetown po, 5 mi from the co. line// Acc. to
Ibid., 7/25/39, it was 20 yds s of Cow Ck, 3 mi nw of Arnett po, 3 mi se of Eversole po // On 10/17/46, Ethel Turner, act. pm, pet. for a move ca. 200 yds nw to a pt 120 ft n of Cow Ck, 100 yds n of Beach (sic) Fk, 3 mi w of Arnett po, 4 mi of Eversole po // On 8/16/47, H.J. Henry (?), P.O. Insp., pet. for a move 0.8 mi nw to a pt 2 mi w of Cane Ck, 1½ mi s of Cow Ck, 3.2 mi nw of Arnett po, 2 mi se of Eversole po, 5 mi n of Ricet. po, 7 mi s of Lerose po. (SLR); This commu. had a 1930 pop. of 250; In 1815 Richard Reynolds killed a buffalo cow on its banks. 8 mi long. 300 homes on it by 1890. (Joyce Wilson This Was Yesterday, P. 21);
COW CREEK (Owsley Co., Ky): In ca. 1940-42, the po was on Beech Fk of the Rt. Fk. of Cow Ck, a short distance above the mouth of Beech Fk, nr the home of Peter McIntosh. Another po (unidentified) was up Rt. Fk. betw. the Lee Bowling Mill and the Lee Bowling Cem. and just below the sch. and church. The chu. is at the mout of Smith Fk. of Right Fk. (map of Cow Ck's forks in the Owsley Co. vert. files, KHS Libr., showing homes, chu's cem's, etc. in the vic.);
The Doorway was est. 8/8/83 by James Eversole. By 1886 he was a Manchester atty. but still owned a tract of land in the Doorway vic. (Acc. to the Three Forks Enterprise, 7/9/1886, from an article penned 6/25/86.) The same article referred to a haunted rockhouse called the Whoop Falurry Rock House. (Leon Sandlin of Richmond, Ky., in a letter to me, 2/12/2002);
ENDEE (Owsley Co., Ky): Acc. to Henry Clay Smith, 2/15 1902, this prop. po' would be 6 mi e of Sturgeon Ck, 5 mi w of S. Fk, 21/2 mi e of Sturgeon po, 3 mi s of Buck Ck po, 4 mi w of Major po. Acc. to Emily Bowman, 9/27/16, it was 5 mi s of Ky R, on the n side of Sturgeon Ck, 3 mi sw of Scoville po, 41/2 mi n of Blake po, 31/2 mi n of Sturgeon po. On 1/15/18, Ibid. pet. for a move 600 yds w to a pt 6 mi w of Sturgeon Ck, 5 mi from co. line, 31/2 mi w of Scoville po, 41/2 mi nw of Blake po, 4 mi e of Sturgeon po. Eff. now in the pm's husband's store to be more convenient to patrons.

On 5/19/28, Orla Kidd pet. for a move 1/2 mi s to a pt, 5 mi s of S. Fk, 50 yds s of Sturgeon Ck, 3 mi sw of
Scoville po, 3 mi ne of Blake po, 2½ mi e of Sturgeon po, 6 mi from the co. line// Acc. to Ibid., 7/25/39, it was 4 air & rd mi from Jackson Co. line, 5 mi w of the Ky R., 3 mi w of Scoville po, 2 mi e of Sturgeon po, 2 mi s of Vincent po, 3 mi n of Blake po. (SLR); Acc. to 1900 Census, Henry Clay Smith (3/43), son of Richard and Margaret (Evans) Smith lived with wife Mar C(ecilia) (3/50, daughter of Wm. Roberts) and their so Henry Clay Smith (2/78). Another Henry Clay Smith (5/77), son of Wm. and Lucy (Gibson) Smith. He marr. (Mary) Jane (nee Couch) Smith (4/78). No N.D. or Endee
ENDEE (Owsley Co.): p.o. est. 3/4/1902, Henry C. Smith...(NA); (Pron. "(Eh)n/dee")
On Buck Creek, across the hill from South Fl and Turin. Sam Addison, a recent pm. Used to be a settlement and Kidds and Addisons and Bowmans. Good farming country. DPO. Never did know how it got its name and asked Addison and he didn't know either. Now: farms.
(Fred Gabbard, interview, 7/8/1977) Disc. 1957
EVERSOLE (Owsley Co., Ky): On 7/29/1901, John S. Reynolds pet. for a move ½ mi se to a pt ½ mi e of S. Fk and 10 rods s of Cow Ck, 3 mi w of Cow Ck po, 4 mi. from Boonev. po// Acc. to Maggie Bowlin, 9/28/15, it was 200 yds n of Cow Ck and 1 mi e of S. Fk, 3½ mi w o: Cow Ck po, 2 mi ne of S. Fk. po, 5 mi from co. line// On 9/30/16, Ibid. pet. for a move 1 mi s to a pt ¼ mi. e of S. Fk, 35 rods n of Indian Creek, 4 mi nw of Rice Town po, 4 mi w of Cow Ck po, 3 mi n of S. Fk. po// On 1/31/1924, Breck Rose pet. for a move 1 mi n to a p 1/8 of a mi from S. Fk, 3 mi from Boonev. po, 3 mi from Cow Ck po, 3 mi from Lerose po. Moved 3/31/1923// Acc. to Mrs. Florence Moore, 5/17/38, it was 300 ft e
of S. Fk, 400 ft w. of Cow Ck, 3 mi s of Boonev. po, 3½ mi n of Cow Ck po, 4 mi sw of Lerose po// Acc. to Ibid 7/25/39, it was 4 air & 6 rd mi from Lee Co. line, 100 yds from S. Fk, 3 mi se of Boonev. po, 4 mi nw of Cow Ck po, 3 mi ne of S. Fk. po, 6 mi n of Ricetown po (SLR); [ehv/ər/sohl] DPO at the mouth of Cow Ck. DK which of the many county Eversoles it was named for. (Fred Gabbard, 7/8/1977); Acc. to 1895-6 Gaz, it was 3½ mi se of Boonev. Eversole & Co. gen. store, M.F. Reynolds gen. store; Acc. to 1883-4 Gaz, it was 6 mi e of Boonev;
EVERSOLE (Owsley Co., Ky): Acc. to an interv. by J.J. Dickey with Wm. B. Eversole of Cutshin, Ky. (on 1/15/98 he was ne Perry Co. 1837, the son of Jos. & Sally (nee Bowling) Eversole and grandson of the Rev. Jesse Bowlin who lived nr. Crockettsv. Wm. B's gt. grandfather was Jacob Eversole. Lists some of that family in Owsley, Letcher, Clay, Wolfe, and Harlan Co's. Owsley had an Eversole po. (KY EXPL. May 2000, P. 103); John C. Eversole (ne 1863 or 1865), son of Jas. and grandson of Abraham. His mother may have been an Abner. John's bros were Wm. (Turtleneck) and Dick (or Rob't.) John's wife was Nancy Eliz. Deaton, d of Bill & Susanne Deaton. John & Nancy's issue: Nathan, Will, Jimmy, etc. lived on Wol: Ck. of S. Fk. (Linda McKee Kipp of Dayton, O., a grandd
in Ky. Anc. Vol. 29 (3), 1993-94, P. 171); Acc. to the 1880 Census, Eli R. Reynolds (44), son of Richard & Jemima (Scribner) Reynolds lived with wife Susan (43, nee Dalton) in the Boonev. Prec. Abel C. Gabbard (39) son of Isaac H. and Jane (Isaacs) Gabbard, lived with wife Lucy (21), d. of Wm. and Barbara (Chappell) Eversole in Boonev. Prec. Wm. Eversole (65), son of Woolery & Lucy (Cornett) Eversole who were marr. 2/20/1844 in Clay Co. Barbery (sic) (57) was his wife and they lived in the Indian Ck. Prec;
EVERSOLE (Owsley Co., Ky): Abraham Eversole, ne ca. 1794-5, came from New R. in Ash Co. (sic), NC to the mouth of Cutshin Ck. with his father Jacob and his bro Woolery ca. 1810. Jacob was a Pa-born wagoner in the Rev. War, of Ger. descent. Acc. to Abraham's son John (ne 1815) of Manchester, Ky. interv. by J.J. Dickey on 1/31/1898. (KY EXPL. Vol. 8 (7), Jan. 1994, P. 5); Wm. Eversole was ne Perry Co, 1837, son of Jos. & Sallie (Bowling) Eversole. (She was d. of Rev. Jesse Bowling). Jos. was the son of Wollery & Lucy (Cornett) Eversole. Woolery was the son of Jacob. Woolery's sons were John, Peter, Woolery, Jos., Abraham. Abraham Eversole, son of Jacob, lived and died on Buffalo Ck, in O. Co. His sons: John (above), Woolery, Wm, Elijah,
Lewis, James (a Clay Co. judge). Woolery, the son of Jacob, was marr. to Lucy Cornett and they had these children: Wm, Eliz., Jos. (father of respondent), (Maj.) John. John was the father of Joe, Harry, Geo. Clark, John, and Abraham. W, died on Cow Ck, 11/1879, age 82. Jos. Eversole (father of respondent) marr. Sallie Bowling, d. of John B. who was the son of the Rev. Jesse Bowling. Maj. John, bro. of Jos., was killed 5/2/1865. Joseph's issue: Wm. (respondent), Anderson, Abner, Lucy (Mrs. Johnson). Wm, a C.W. vet, mar. Mary Lewis in 1857 and then Mrs. Alice Nanz in 1880 and then Mrs. Susan Begley. Wm. was elected Leslie Co. judge 1890-94. Joseph (his father) represented Clay, Perry, & Letcher Co's. in Ky Hse. Before
that he was a magistrate. Wm's. bro. Abner represented Clay and Rock Co's. in the Ky. Hse. (J.J. Dickey's interv. with Wm. of Cutchin, Ky. 1/15/1898. (KY EXPL. Vol. 8 (1), May 1993, Pp. 73-74);
EVERSOLE (Owsley Co., Ky): po est. 8/27/1877 with Abel C. Gabbard, 1st pm; 8/3/80, Eli Reynolds; 5/21/81, John S. Reynolds. Disc. 1957 (POR-NA and P&G);
GABBARD (Owlsley Co., Ky): po re-est. in 1940 and operated till 1943 (P&G); po est. 1940 and disc. 10/4/1943 (POR-NA);
GABBARD (Owsley Co.) aka Sebastian. p.o. est as Gabbard 9/24/1883, Mrs. Lucy Gabbard... 2/15/1895, Geo. W. Gabbard; 4/06/1907, Wm. P. Gabbard; Disc. 8/31/1909; Re-est. 6/10/1910, Wm. P. Gabbard; Disc. 2/28/1914; Re-est. 9/14/1915, Wm. P. Gabbard; Disc. eff. 6/14/24 (mail to Riceville); A Sebastian P.O. was est 8/8/1890, Wm. E. Rice... 6/8/1904, Daniel B. Gabbard; 7/22/1905, Matilda Gabbard; Disc. 2/28/1914; Re-est. 7/23/1920, Arthur Johnson; 4/1/1924, Daniel B. Gabbard; 9/3/1926, Matilda Gabbard; (NA). p.o. ordered disc. eff 10/4/43. Check on this—which p.o. was this? (BGN, Case brief, 2/8/1950.) 2.1 mi. S. of Gabbard (1940-43) Rice town.
GABBARD and SEBASTIAN (Owsley Co., Ky): These po's once served separate commu's. When Sebastian was disc. Gabbard served both commu's. Later Gab. closed. Ca. 192 the Gab. po was at the forks of Buffalo Ck, 2 mi below the Seb. po. (Gab. was earlier on Indian Ck). This was a timber producing area till the end of WWII when, with the depletion of supply, people began to move away. These names no longer identify the commu. for its few remaining residents say they now live "up on Buffalo Ck." Orig. Gebhardt, the Gabbards were Palatinate, to Am. (Pa) from Bavaria 1731. Henry to O. Co. from Va. with 7-8 sons. Their descendants still live in Owsley, Breathitt, Jackson, Madison, & Rock. Co's. (Fred Gabbar 7/8/1977);
GABBARD (Owsley Co., Ky): Acc. to Lucy Gabbard, 9/4/1883, the proposed name for this new po was Arthur and it would serve the locality of Hogg (?), on the w side of Indian Ck, 3 mi e of S. Fk, 7 mi se of the Boonev. po, 10 mi nw of Doorway po, 5 mi se of Eversole po. (H.C. Hogg was then act. pm of Boonev.)/
Acc. to W.B. (sic) Gabbard, 11/10/08, it was 2½ mi e of S. Fk, 150 yds w of Indian Ck, 6 mi from Boonev. po, 1½ mi n of Ricetown po, 6 mi nw of Doorway po, 2 mi w of Cow Ck po// In May 1910, Matilda Gabbard reported the establishment of the Gabbard po at Buffalo, 4 rods e of Buffalo Ck, 3 mi w of Sebastian po, 1½ mi e of S. Fk, 5 mi s of Ricetown po// Acc. to W.P. (sic)
Gabbard, 10/27/1914, it was 2 mi e of S. Fk, 100 yds s of Buffalo Ck, 2½ mi nw of Mistletoe po, 3½ mi se of Ricetown po. (SLR); Acc. to 1895/6 Gaz, it was 8 mi se of Boonev. G.W. Gabbard was pm, N. Welder was a stone-mason, other businesses; The Gabbards have always been one of the co's. largest families, living in every section. (Fred Gabbard, 7/8/77); The Ricetown po (q.v.) was est. to replace the Gabbard po when the latter was moved from Indian Ck to Buffalo Ck. (Ibid.); Acc. to 1880 Census, Lucy Gabbard (21), wife of Abel C. Gabbard (39) lived nr other Gabbards & Perry M. Reynolds (24) and wife Nancy (Gabbard) (24);
GABBARD (Owsley Co., Ky): Acc. to the 1900 Census, there were two Matilda Gabbards and neither was the wi of a Wm. P. or a Wm. B. Gabbard. (1) Matilda Gabbard (3/1870) was wife of Edward (2/1866). She was daughter of Geo. & Rebecca Eversole; (2) Matilda Gabbard (10/78) wife of Wilson Gabbard (11/73). She was daughter of Enoch & Eliza Bishop; Acc. to 1910 Census, Wm. P. Gabbard (32) was son of Elisha & Mary Gabbard and was marr. to Laura (24) nee Rice;
(Chappell) Eversole in the Boonev. Prec;
Gabriel Recording Angel gave his name to Gabriel's Run (Gabriels Fork of Right Fork, in Owsley Co.). He came from NC, thru the Cumb. Gap, as a hunter. Finding game plentiful he settled on the creek. On his 2nd trip home, he brought back his wife. She was Flora. He was called Rec. Had 2 children. Rec. opened his Bible at random to select their names: Nathan and Talithy Cumi. (Pp. 1-2) Bee-Tree Branch and Still-House Fork joined to form Gabriel's Run at the foot of the Indian Head Hill. (P. 3) (Louise Saunders Murdoch, ALMETTA OF GABRIEL'S RUN, NY: Meridian Press, c1917.) (check: are these names for real?....)
Acc. to DAR Hist. of Perry Co. (p. 69, Gabriel's Run is the name Mrs. M. gave to Squeezable Creek) in her novel DAR author implies the family was real and says that Gabriel's grave may be seen today in Tusc. Amed Cem., N.Y., at the head of Squeezable (pp. 69-70).
GREEN HALL (Owsley-Jackson co. line, Ky.): Acc. to W.M. Minter, 2/19/1896, this po was in Jackson Co, ½ mi e of Sturgeon Ck, 10 mi w of S.Fk, ½ mi from Owsley Co, 3½ m of Sturgeon po, 4 mi ne of Maulden po, 3 mi n of Ethel po// Acc. to Dale Minter, asst.pm, for Liza Mahaffey, 10/28/15, this po was still in Jack. Co, 1½ mi se of Sturgeon Ck, 3½ mi sw of Sturgeon po, 2 3/4 mi nw of Nathantown po, 4 mi se of Lynch po (Jack. Co). (Jack Co SLR); Acc. to 1895-6 Gaz, this Jack. Co. com/po was 12 mi se of McKee and had a pop of 200. Wm. M. Minter was pm, Richard Marcum and J.B. Minter had feedmills, Anderson Peters had a flour mill, Newell Whickers was a wago
maker; No such po was listed anywhere in 1876-7 Gaz; Acc. to 1883-4 Gaz, this Jack Co. po was 12 me se of McKee and had a pop of 100. Wm. M. Minter was pm and gen. storekeeper, Andreas Bowler and Jas. Flanary had corn mills, Newell Whickers was a wagonmaker, John Wilson also had a corn mill. Other businesses; Acc. to 1878-9 Gaz, this Jack. Co. place had a pop. of 50. Wm. M. Minter was pm and gen. storekeeper, Three cornmills Andreas Bowler, Calvin Coldiron, and Jas. Flanary, Newell Whickers was a wagon maker; Acc. to 1865 Gaz, this was an Owsley Co. po;
GREEN HALL (Jackson Co.)
p.o. est. in Owsley Co. 1/2/1855, James D. Foster. In Jackson Co. by 1858. (NA). So-named because the 1st po had an open hallway in it and it was painted green. (pron. Green/hawl (Jess Wilson, 7/9/77); DK origin. No one around who can tell me anything about it. (Jack Moore of Tyner, Ky., 7/9/77); The open hallway in James D. Foster's home was painted green, acc. to Carter Mahaffey to Vernon Wilson, my source 7/9/1977); Still has po-store. (observ. 7/9/77)
GREEN HALL (Owsley Co., Ky): "This post is on Ky 30 and th
Jackson Co. line, 8\(\frac{1}{2}\) (air) mi sw of Boonev. Est. on 1/2/
1855, it is believed to have been named for the green
painted open hallway of pm James Foster's home, which
may have been its first location." (Book-P. 125);
HAWK (Owsley Co, Ky): po est. 10/5/1904 with Sherman Cooper, only pm; Disc. eff. 8/15/1905 (with papers to Beattyville) (POR-NA and P&G); Acc. to Sherman Cooper, 7/18/04, this prop. po would be on the n side of Lower Buffalo Ck, 2 mi e of S. Fk, ca. 6 mi due s of St. Hellens (sic) po, ca. 4 mi due n of Boonv. po. Not a vil. (SLR); Fred Gabbard (7/8/77) didn’t know about this po; Acc. to 1900 Census, Sherman Cooper (4/73) marr. Minnie Herd and lived with his bro. John (9/75). They were the sons of John & Rachel (Chambers) Cooper. No Hawk (any spelling);
ISLAND CITY (Owsley Co., Ky): Acc. to Wm. Morris, 9/5/1887, this po was 1/8 mi se of Island Ck, 4 mi n of S. Fk, 7 mi s of S. Fk. po, 7 mi n of Sextons Ck po, 6 mi sw of Conkling po// In June 1910, Rob't. Morris pet. for a move ca. ½ mi w to a pt. 5 mi w of S. Fk po, 5 mi w of Conkling po, 4 mi ne of Sextons Ck po, 3 mi sw of Blake po. Not a vil// Accto Mrs. Minnie Morris, 9/28/15, it was 5 mi w of Ky R, 50-60 ft n of Island Ck 1 3/4 mi from co. line, 4 mi e of Sextons Ck po, 5 mi of Conkling po, 3 1/2-4 mi sw of Blake po// On 9/23/16, Ibid. pet. for a move 1/2 mi e to a pt ca. 4 1/2 mi w of S. Fk, 300 yds n of Island Ck, ca. 2 1/2 mi from co. line, ca. 4 1/2 mi w of Conkling po, ca. 4 mi ne of Sextons Ck po, ca. 4 mi sw of Blake po. Eff. asap// On 3/13/1928,
Ibid. pet. for a move $\frac{1}{2}$ mi w to a pt $5\frac{1}{2}$ mi e of S.Fk, 25-30 steps n of Island Ck, ca. $1\frac{1}{2}$ mi from co. line, $3\frac{1}{2}-4$ mi n of Sextons Ck po, $5\frac{1}{2}$ mi sw of Conkling po, $3\frac{1}{2}-4$ mi sw of Blake po// Acc. to Martha Peters, 8/1/39 it was $1\frac{1}{2}$ air and $1\frac{1}{2}$ rd mi. from Clay Co, 50 yds sw of Island Ck, 6 mi w of S. Fk, 4 3/4 mi s of Sturgeon po, $5\frac{1}{2}$ mi w of Conkling po, 4 mi ne of Sextons Ck po// On 2/1/50, W.B. Walker, Jr., P.O. Insp., pet. for a move 100 yds se to a pt. $1\frac{1}{2}$ air & rd. mi. from Clay Co, 20 yds s of Island Ck, $6\frac{3}{4}$ mi w of Conkling po, $4\frac{1}{2}$ mi e of Maulden po, 4 mi s of Sturgeon po, 7 mi nw of Taft po. (SLR);
ISLAND CITY (Owsley Co, Ky): po est. 2/15/1867 with Thos. Bowman, 1st pm; 4/24/71, Jesse B. Rowlett; 2/18/1874, Thos. Bowman; Disc. 6/10/1887 (papers to S. Fork) Re-est. 1/28/88, Wm. Morris; 6/4/1894, Wm. Carley or Farley; 7/21/99, Rob't. Morris; 5/26/10, Minnie Morris; 7/23/29, Martha Peters, acting; 6/30/30, Rob't. Morris, acting.... (APO, acc. to P&G) (POR-NA); Acc. to 1876-7 Gaz, this po was on Island Ck, 11 mi from Boonev. A.J. Bowman was pm; Acc. to 1895-6 Gaz, it was 13 mi s of Boonev; Acc. to 1883-4 Gaz, the po was 13 mi s of Boonev The Rev. Thos. Bowman was pm; [a:l/and siht/ee] Country store next to the Clay co. line. Bob Callihan had the po in his store. DK why so named since no island nor city. Much older than Is. Ck. Coal Co. (Fred Gabbard, 7/8/77);
JOSHUA (Owsley Co., Ky): po est. 6/6/1889 with Elijah H. Begley, only pm; Disc. 7/11/1895 (mail to Teges, Clay Co (POR-NA and P&G); Acc. to Elijah H. Begley, 2/9/1889, the prop. name for this po was Goose Rock and it would be on the n side of Sextons Ck, on the w side of S.Fk, 3 m i s of Conkling po (SLR); [djahsh/ũ/ee] PO is unknow to Fred Gabbard (7/8/77); No Elijah or Joshua Begley in 1880 Census; Corr: Acc. to 1880 Census, an Elijah Begle (22) was son of Henry & Eliz. (Roberts) Begley marr. Mary Combs, d. of Sam'l. & Nancy (Cornett) Combs ca. 185 but no Joshua; This po was in Clay Co. from 4/2/1901 to 11/15/01 with Ida C. Wilson, its only pm. Its papers were sent to Conkling. (POR-NA);
LEROSE (Owsley Co., Ky): "This hamlet with po lies at the forks of Meadow Ck and the jct. of Ky 30 and 1717, 3 (air) mi e of Boonev. The po, est. on 7/1/1905, with Wm. Napier, pm, was named for Lee C. Rose, local land­owner." (Book-P. 170); Acc. to Wm. Napier, 5/29/05, the first name prop. for this new po was Nogi and it would be on Meadow Ck, 4 mi n of Middle Fk. of the Ky R, 5 mi ne of Boonev. po, 4 mi s of Tallega Sta. po (sic), ca. 4 mi w of Hawk po. Not a vil// Acc. to J.M. Campbell, 7/26/39, it was 2 mi from Lee Co, 1/8 mi n of Meadow Ck, 3.8 mi e of S. Fk, 4 mi e of Boonev. po, 6 mi sw of Tallega Sta. (L&N), 3 mi se of Stay po, 4 mi w of Lone po, 3½ mi n of Eversole po. (SLR);
LEROSE (Owsley Co., Ky): Acc. to 1900 Census, Leander Crawford Rose (8/1849), son of Rob't. & Francis (McQuinn) Rose, lived with his wife Emma (or Eliz.) Rose. No Nogi or Wm. Napier in this census;
LEROSE (Owsley Co.): Named for Mr. L.C. Rose (p.m. of Cortland in letter to Wm. G. Steel, 10/16/1923). p.o. est. 7/1/1905, Wm. Napier ...(NA) (oneword); Pron. Lee/r(oh)z") Named for local landowner, Mr. Lee Rose. The UNC-Charlotte coach, Lee Rose=gt. grandson of the above who died c. 25-30 yrs. ago, as an old ma Old Lee's grandfather was among the early settlers. Napiers still live in the vic. The Roses and Wilsons were among the lst settlers. Now: store & po, farms; sch. closed. Lee Rose's big farm has since been cut up into a no. of small c. 4-5 acre farmsteads. Some of the Roses still there. (Fred Gabbard, interview, 7/8/77):
Levi (Wolfe Co., Ky): Acc. to 1850 Census, Levi Ross (34) lived with wife Sally (28) and sons John Burns & Hiram (2), etc. No occupation given; Acc. to 1860 Census, Levi Ross (44), a farmer, lived with wife Sarah (38) & son John D. (9) and son Hurom (sic) (11); Acc. to 1880 Census, Levi Ross (64), a Mulatto farmer, had a 58 yr. old wife Sarah (nee Burns). Levi lived next to his 35 yr. old son Wm. H. Ross and Wm's. wife Emily and next to Hurom Ross (sic) (31), another son. No Junius connected with Levi or with Mary Treadway;
LEVI (Owsley Co., Ky): po est. 6/3/1902 with Mary C. Treadway, 1st pm; 6/4/04, Jas. G. Price (followed by several other Prices, etc....Disc. 1963 (POR-NA and P&G); "This epo at the jct of Ky 11, 30, and 847, 1½ (air) mi w of Boonev., was named for Levi Ross, who is said to have been a whiskey taster for the fed. govt. Acc. to trad., he erected a bldg. there in 1848 to store the whiskey that was brought in from local distillers. The po was est. on 6/30/1902 with Mary C. Treadway, pm." (Book-P. 170); Named for Levi Ross. (PM of Cortland in a letter to Wm. G. Steel, 10/16/23); 3 mi from Boonev. Levi Ross, in 1848, built a structure to store whiskey. He was a "taster" for mt. whiskey bought by the govt. and lived on the upper fork of Buck Ck to/
Vincent. (Joyce Wilson, This Was Yesterday, P. 25); A xrds vil. at the jct. of Ky 11/30. Built around Levi Ross' saloon selling products from govt-licensed dist. at a spring across the ck. (Shackelford in Lex. Leader, 8/24/1953); Store & po was all there ever was to this com. and they closed several yrs ago. Named for Levi Ross, a C.W. era resi. He was ne ca. 1816 and came here with his bro. Geo. and is bur. nr the Ky 11/30 curve. On one of the forks of Buck Ck. The ck is said to have been called Sneaking Ck by D. Boone on his area survey because it runs in every direction. Now Buck Ck. (Fred Gabbard, 7/8/1977);
LEVI (Owsley Co., Ky): Acc. to Mary C. Treadway, the 1st name prop. for this new po was Junius and it would be 0.1 mi e of Buck Ck, 3 mi w of S. Fk, 3 mi w of Boonev. po, 3 mi s of Pebworth po, 3 mi e of Buck Ck pc serving a vil. of ca. 30 pop// Acc. to Sarah E. Price, it was 2 mi w of S. Fk, 125 yds e of Buck Ck, 3 mi w of Boonev. po, 2 3/4 mi from co. line, 2 1/4 mi s of Pebworth po, 2 1/4 mi n of Scoville po// Acc. to Mary Flanery, 8/12 1939, it was ca. 300 yds e of Buck Ck, ca. 2 mi s of S. Fk, 2.7 mi w of Boonev. po, ca. 2 mi s of Pebworth po, 2 1/2 mi n of Scoville po, ca. 4 mi e of Vincent po (SLR);

9/7/1902

X 10/6/1915
LUCKY FORK (Owsley Co., Ky): "The pioneers of this community were a thankful group. Named because of the abundance of game birds and animals found here (giving them the lucky feeling of having something into which to dig their fork.)" (Armond & Winifred Moyer, comp. THE ORIGINS OF UNUSUAL PLACE-NAMES, 1958, P. 81. No source given)
LUCKY FORK (Owsley County, Ky.) (F474se)

"...is located approximately 12 miles from Booneville, Kentucky, where Daniel Boone used to camp. Legend has it that his party often hunted from Booneville, up Indian Creek and through Wolf Gap, to this creek where they always found game plentiful. Boone called it a 'lucky fork,' and when a village was formed here and a post office established the people chose to call it Lucky Fork." (Quimby, SCRATCH ANKLE, P. 201, from local postmaster)
LUCKY FORK (Owsley Co.): (Pron. "L(uh)k/ee F(aw)rk") On the Left Hand Fork of Buffalo Cr that heads up against Breathitt Co. A Pres. preacher, Chester Ranck from Phila., Pa. had a mission center there for years. He died 3-4 yrs. ago. Had a big church, little hosp., sch. ...DK why so-named. He doesn't think the stream so known as Lucky Fork of Buffalo Cr. till the po was est. It had been called simpl; The Left Hand Fork of Buffalo (Creek)... (Fred Gabbard, interview, 7/8/1977); po in op. from 1937 to 1972 (P&G);
MAJOR (Owsley Co., Ky): Acc. to Wm. W. Mainous, June 1900, the 1st name prop. for this new po was Hobart and it would be 3 mi w of S. Fk, ¾ mi nw of White Oak Ck, 5 mi e of Sturgeon po, 5 mi s of Boonev. po, 2½ mi w of S. Fk po (?). Not a vil// On 4/13/03, Martin V. Roberts pet. for a move 3/8 mi s to pt 1½ mi w of S. Fk on the n side of White Oak Ck, 5½ mi s of Boonev. po, 2 mi w of S. Fk. po// Acc. to Cassie E. Seale, 10/1/15 it was 2 mi nw of S. Fk, on the n side of White Oak Ck, 3 mi e of Blake po, 2½ mi sw of Turin po, 3½ mi w of S. Fk po// On 5/5/31, G.W. Seale pet. for a move 45 rods w to a pt 1½ mi w of S. Fk, 50 yds n of White Oak Ck, 3 mi ne of Blake po, 4½ mi sw of Turin po, 3 mi w
of S. Fk. po// On 4/27/1935, Rob't. Wilson pet. for a move 600 ft e to a pt 40 ft n of White Oak Ck// Acc. t Rachel Wilson, 7/29/39, it was 15 ft w of White Oak Ck 3 mi n of Blake po, 3 mi w of S. Fk. po, 5 mi s of Turin po, 4 mi e of Endee po. (SLR); The Mainous famil historian is Glenna Vickers Burton, 1806 (or is it 13C Hartland Ct., Bowl. Green, Ky. 42103 (check), acc. to KY. EXPL. Vol. 15 (3), 7-8/2000, Pp. 61-2); Acc. to 1900 Census, Wm. Mainous (9/1859), son of Lazarus & Louisa (Cecil) Mainous lived with wife Mary Eliz.(1/62 nee Flannery). No Major in family or among neighbors. Not nr. Martin V. Roberts. No Hobart but a Hubart Mainous (11/97), son of Geo. W. (3/75) & Mollie (5/78) Mainous. Geo. W. was son of Lazarus & Louisa. The M's. were neighbors;
MAJOR (Owsley Co.): p.o. est. 9/29/1900, Wm M. Mainous... (NA); (Pron. "Mä/djer") on White Oak Creek. DK how got its name. Mainous = family in that area. (Fred Gabbard, interview, 7/8/1977);
MISTLETOE (Owsley Co.):
p.o.est. 11/15/1900, Jeremiah Burns...Disc.
eff. 12/31/1915; Re-est. 7/7/1926, Jesse Dean

.....(NA) "Named for the mistletoe plant that
grows in profusion thereabouts." (Hardy in
LCJ, 12/18/1949). Active po. "...Because of
its postmark (it) attracts nat'l. recognition
each yr. during the Xmas season." (THIS WAS
YESTERDAY: A Romantic Hist. of Owsley Co. by
Joyce Wilson, sponsored by the Owsley Co.
Saddle Club, Booneville, Ky., 1977, P. 48);
MISTLETOE (Owsley Co., Ky): 18 mi from Boonev. A.B. Couch is still pm. Serving the Rt. Fk. of Buffalo Ck. Still cancels Xmas mail. Commu. founded 1900 and named for the profusion of mistletoe clinging to trees. Couch has been pm since 1969. PO in the front room of his home. (Andy Mead "It's Mistletoe" Lex. Herald-Lead, 12/20/92, Pp. A1-A10); This po was at the m. of Rockhouse, ca. 3 mi below Gabriel Fk (Sandlin, 2/12/02);
MISTLETOE (Owsley Co., Ky.): "It got its name from the mistletoe that grow (sic) in the trees around here." (A.B. Couch, pm, in a letter to me, 11/26/1985); The post office is still at the mouth of Rockhouse where the church is now located. Couch has been pm for the past 16 yrs. He didn't know of a Couch post office in the vicinity. (Ibid.); post office est. 11/15/00, Jeremiah Burns; 9/16 1901 (post office never in operation); 10/5/04, Isaac S. Gilbert; 3/11/07, Jas. McIntosh... Disc. eff. 12/31/25 (m. to Doorway); Re-est. 7/7/26, Jesse Dean; 11/14/29, Irven Daniel... APO (P&G) (POR-NA);
MISTLETOE (Owsley Co.): (Pron. "M(ih)s/əl't(oh"
Current po. During the Xmas season, great vols
of mail are rec'd. by the po for postmarks.
Named for the profusion of mistletoe and holly
growing in that vic. Still growing there.
Missionaries in there used to market it years
ago during the holiday season. Don't anymore.
(Fred Gabbard, 7/8/1977); Burns(es) are a prom-
inent family in that section, on the Clay Co.
line. Now sparsely populated. Now: just the po
and homes every ½ mi. or so on the creek. Not
really a settlement with services. (MXX)Doesn't
think the store is still there. There's a
"considerable oil field" there but not being
pumped anymore after 30 years. Stripping. Small farms. (Ibid.); "This po lies at the mout of Rockhouse Br. of the Rt. Fk. of Buffalo Ck., 11\frac{1}{2} (air) mi sse of Boonev. It was est. on 11/15/1900 with Jeremiah Burns, pm, and named for the profusion of mistletoe and holly that grew in that vic." (Book-P.199
MISTLETOE (Owsley Co., Ky): Acc. to Isaac S. Gilbert, 7/18/04, it was on the n side of Buffalo Ck, 4 mi w of S.Fk, 4 mi s of Sebastian po, 4 mi w of Doorway po, 6 mi sw of Cortland po// Acc. to Sallie B. Carmack (?), 10/12/15, this was merely a rural po, 4 mi e of S.Fk, ca. 30 yds n of Buffalo Ck, 4-5 mi w of Doorway po, 6 mi s of Ricetown po, 5 mi e of Newfound po// On 4/22, 16, Perry D. Burns pet. for a move 1 air mi se to a pt. 6 mi se of S. Fk, 50 ft e of Buffalo Ck, 1 mi from co. line, 4½ mi sw of Gabbard po, 3½ mi nw of Doorway po, 4 mi e of Newfound po. Eff. 5/1/16// On 7/7/19, Martha Morris pet. for a move 1 mi nw to a pt 5 mi e of S.Fk, 5 mi n of Doorway po, 3 mi s of Cortland po// Acc. to
Jesse Dean, 2/5/26, this re-est'd. po would be 5 mi w. of S.Fk, 30 ft n of Buffalo Ck, 1½ mi from co. line, 4 mi w of Doorway po, 4 mi se of Sebastian po. On 11/9/29, Irwin Daniel, act. pm, reported that this po had moved ½ mi s to a pt 6 3/4 mi e of S.Fk. on the s side of Buffalo Ck, ca. 1 mi from co. line, 3 mi e of Newfound po. On 3/15/30, Steve Burns pet. for a move 3/4 mi sw to a pt 5 mi ne of S.Fk, on the ne side of Buffalo Ck, 1½ mi from co. line, 3 3/4 mi sw of Doorway po, 3 mi e of Newfound po. Eff. 3/30/30. Acc. to Elisha Baker, 7/29/39, it was 200 ft n of Buffalo Ck, 4 mi sw of Dalesburg po, 4 mi nw of Whoopf. po, 3 mi ne of Newfound po, 4 mi nw of Doorway po, 5 mi sw of Lucky Fk. po.
NEWHOPE BRANCH OF LITTLE STURGEON CREEK (Owsley Co, Ky): Incorrectly labeled Rowlette Branch on top maps. Earlier known as Bowman Branch. (Jas. Bowman of Sturgeon, Ky, interviewed 8/16/1971);
PEBWORTH (Lee Co., Ky): Acc. to John ?, 10/1887, this
po was est. 10/19/1887, 4 mi w of S. Fk (Ky R), on the
n side of Elk Ck, 5 mi sw of Proctor po, 5 mi nw of
Booneville po, 4½ mi n of Buck Ck po. (last name of pm
was too light) (SLR); In Dec. 1895, Stephen H. Handy
reported on its move from Lee Co. 1 mi se into O. Co.
in 11/95, 2 mi w of S. Fk, 2½ mi n of Buck Ck, 5 mi n of
Boonev. po, 5 mi ne of Buck Ck po, 6 mi s of Proctor po
7 mi from Trav. Rest po// Acc. to Jas. S. Combs, 9/29/1
it was 2 mi e of S. Fk, 300 yds s of Sturgeon Ck, 2 mi
nw of Levi po, 5 mi s of Proctor po, 2½ mi ne of Idamay
po, ¼ mi from rr, 3/4 mi from co. line// Acc. to Wm. A.
Garrett, 9/25/39, it was 3/4 mi from Lee Co, 2½ mi sw o
S. Fk, 2 mi e of Sturgeon Ck, 2 mi nw of Levi po, 3½ mi.
se of Congleton po. (SLR); Acc. to 1895-6 Gaz, this was a Lee Co. po, 6 mi from Beattyv. and 9 mi from Lumber P the nearest rr sta. Pop. 30. John W. Handy was pm & gen storekeeper. Burrell Steele had a flour mill. Stonewall Steele had a corn mill; Named for a Mr. Pebworth. (Acc. to letter from Cortland pm to Wm. G. Steel, 10/16/23); PO est. 1888 in Lee Co. Into O. Co. 11/15/1895 with Stephen H. Handy....Hampton Flannery House built here in 1867 (check); The only Pebworth family listed in the 1880 O. Co. Census, was that of Stephen (62), a machinist, with wife Matilda (62) and son (Wm.) Butler (20) and daughter Frances (16). (Wm.) Butler mar. Lucy later. In the Indian Ck. Prec. No Stephen Handy;
PEBWORTH (Owsley Co., Ky): One family of Pebworth in the O. Co. 1900 Census, that of Stephen (2/16), a machinist. His wife Matilda was then probably deceased. Living with him then was his son Wm. Butler (6/59) and daughter (sic) Lucy Pebworth (9/65) and grandsons Walter (7/94) and Wm. (1/96) Pebworth. Also listed in the 1900 Census was Stephen Handy, a postmaster, ne Va. in Oct. 1823 with wife Sarah A. (nee Peoples) Handy, but not nr. Pebworth; po est. in L.Co. 9/13/87 with John W. Handy. 7/26/94, John C. Smallwood. 10/29/95, Stephen H. Handy. On 11/14/95 it was moved from Lee to O. Co.... Ruby Evans was pm 10/8/1945.... (POR-NA);
PEBWORTH (Owsley Co.): p.o. est. 11/14/1895, Stephen H. Handy....(NA); (Pron. "P(eh)b/ werth") Never any local family of this name. So must have been named for some outsider. On the Lee Co. line. Active po. No Handys in the county either, to his knowledge. Stephen too must have been an outsider...Probably settled c. early 19th cent. maybe by the McGuire... (I'll check the Congressional Dir. c. 1895 to see if there was a Pebworth...) (Fred Gabbard, interview, 7/8/1977); Est. 1887
POSEY/SCOVILLE (Owsley Co., Ky): Acc. to 1910 Census, Hubert Flanery (12), son of Morgan Flanery (40, who was the son of Wm. & Jane Flanery. Hubert's 1st wife was Bertha Porter and his 2nd wife was Posey. Thus she was not the source of the po name. Syntha (sic) E. Flanery the d. of Wm. & Eliz. Minter, was wife of Lazarus Flanery (50). Polly Mainous, a pm, was nee Morgan. In Dec. 1889 she mar. John Tyler Mainous (60), son of Lazarus and Rebecca (Flannery) Mainous. No Posey in family;
RICETOWN (INDIAN CREEK) (Owsley Co., Ky): "This po at the mouth of Stringtown Br. of Indian Ck, 5 1/2 (air) mi. se of Boonev., was est. as Floyd on 9/13/1901. It was named by Jos. Baker, its 1st pm, for his son. In 1905 Harvey Rice, the local storekeeper, renamed the office for himself and had his wife Mary appointed pm. The commu. served by this po is now locally called Indian Creek for the stream which flows into the S. Fk. of the Ky R, some 5 mi nw." (Book-P. 250); Acc. to 1900 Census Floyd, son of Jos. Baker, was ne 1/1891;
VIRICETOWN (Owsley Co.): Named for H.H. Rice (acc. to postmaster, Cortland, Ky. in a letter to Wm. G. Steel, 10/16/1923); p.o. est. as Floyd, 9/13/1901, Jos. Baker.... 3/27/1905, Ma: Mary Rice; n.ch. to Ricetown, 8/9/1905, Mary Rice.... (NA); (Pron. "R(ah) (eye)s/town") PO est. by Harvey Rice in his store. He named it for himself. Active po, 1st called Floyd ("Floyd") for Floyd Baker, son of Joseph, the 1st pm. Floyd was a Berea Coll. student who may have lost his mind and then disappeared. He's dead now. Mary Rice was one of Harve's 5 or 6 wives. Harve's son, S.H. Rice, was a circ. judge here. He still lives in Irvine, a
very scholarly man. Floyd=Ricetown. N.ch. because of a new postmaster. It was easy to change po names in those days....Local people call their commu. now Indian Creek ("(In)dyän Kreek"); only occasionally does one refer to it as Ricetown. Mr. Brown Minter is the present pm. (Fred Gabbard, interview, 7/8/1977); Apo (1987);
RICETOWN (Owsley Co., Ky): Acc. to Jos. Baker, 8/10/1901, the 1st name prop. for this new po was Indian Ck and it would serve the Indian Creek locality, but it was called Floyd and would be 5 mi n of S.Fk, 30 yds n of Indian Ck, 3 mi nw of Sebastian po, 3 mi se of Gabbard po, 5 mi s of Cow Ck po. Not a vil// Acc. to L.G. 12/14/09, this po, as Ricetown, was 3 mi e of S.Fk, on the n side of Indian Ck, 3 mi from co. line, 3 mi s of Cow Ck po, 3 mi n of Sebastian po// Acc. to Mary Moore (?) 7/26/39, it was 4 air & 5½ rd mi from Clay Co, 100 yds n of Indian Ck, 4 mi e of S.Fk, 5 mi se of Eversoll po, 3 mi ne of Sebastian po, 5 mi nw of Lucky Fk po// On 3/15/44, Fannie Jane Minter pet. for a move ½ mi nw
to a pt 2 mi e of S.Fk, 10 ft e of Indian Ck, 4 mi s Eversole po, 6 mi nw of Lucky Fk po, 4 mi from the co. line. Eff. now (SLR); This po was est. to replace the Gabbard po when it was moved from Indian Ck to Buffalo Creek. (Fred Gabbard, 7/8/77); Acc. to 1900 Census, Harvey H. Rice (8/68), son of Richard & Catherine (Brandenburg) Rice lived with his wife Mary (5/75, nee Dunnigan. This Mary was probably the pm; The stream was followed, north and south, by Indians; hence its name. (PM of Cortland po, in letter to Wm. G. Steel, Correction—Allington Crace, WPA ms on pts. of interest ca. late 1930s);
The Right Fork of Buffalo Creek (Owsley Co., Ky): is split into the main fk. and Gabriel Fork. The Beatty Fk. of Gabriel heads to the Meadow Fk. of Cortland Fk. The Cortland Fk. was called Powder Springs Fk. before it became Cortland. Cortland was named for Margaret J. Cort. Knows nothing about a Sam. Margaret had a bro. Arthur B. Cort. Confirms Constantinople but dk its origin. Vic. was settled in the 1840s. The Rt. Hand Fk of Buffalo was settled betw. 1815-1830 1st by Abners, Bakers, and Burns. They moved up the Rt. Fk., up Gabriel, and Beatty, over to Meadow Fk, and down the Left Fk. The Falls are nearly to the head of Cortland Fk. In the 1890s and early 1900s Cortland was a thrivir
commu. with grist mills, stores, etc. Wm. S. Riley (informant's gt. grandfather) once owned a mill there. Doubts that Chester Ranck had anything to do with the naming of Lucky Fork. It was called that by the early 1900s. The po was named for the ck. A 12/15/04 item in the Berea Citizen refers to Miss Cort and a 1905 item mentions her bro. Prof. A.B. Cort of Greensburg, Ky. He was probably a preacher. The Lucky Fork School House was referred to in a 7/27/1911 item in the Citizen. Chester Baker was tchr. (Leon Sandlin, Richmond, Ky. letter to me, 2/12/2002); Another 1905 Citizen item refers to Prof. Arthur B. Cort of Greensburg, Ky. (Ibid.).
SCOVILLE (Owsley Co., Ky): PO est. as Posey 10/6/1909 with Polly Mainous, 1st pm; 3/14/14, Cynthia E. Flanery n.ch. to Scoville 6/7/1915, with Cynthia E. Flanery; 12/12/1916, Wm. L. Flanery...Disc.1957(POR-NA and P&G); Acc. to Mrs. Polly Mainous, 9/09, the prop. Posey po would be 100 ft e of Buck Ck, 2 3/4 mi w of S.Fk. po, 5 1/2 mi n of Idamay (rr) Sta, 2 1/2 mi w of Turin po, 2 1/2 mi nw of Levi po, serving a vil. with a pop of 75// On Apr 17, 1912 Ibid. pet. for a move 45 yds nw to a pt. 3 1/4 mi. w of S.Fk, 90 yds from Buck Ck, 2 3/4 mi e of Buck Ck. po, 2 1/4 mi w of Turin po. (SLR); Acc. to W.L. Flanery, 2/9/17, the Scoville po was 3 mi w of Ky R, 125 ft e of Buck Ck, 5 mi from co. line, 2 1/2 mi e of Endee po, 2 1/2 mi w of Turin po, 2 1/2 mi se of Buck Ck. po// Acc. to Cynthia
E. Flanery, 7/26/39, it was 2 mi s of Ky 57, on Buck Ck, 2½ mi w of Turin po, 3 mi e of Endee po, 2 mi s of Levi po, 3 mi n of Major po. (SLR); [skoh/vɔl] On Buck Ck and the rd below Levi. A Laurel Co. woman, Lizzie Scoville, came here in the early 20 cent. to start a mission sch. called Scoville Hi.Sch. Posey [poh/zee] was a local woman Posey Flanery (ch. sp.) but dk if po named for her. Lizzie returned to London where she die but the com/po retained her name (Fred Gabbard, 7/8/77) The only Scoville in 1910 O. Co. Census was Eliz. G. a 30 yr old tchr, who never married. She lived next to Geo. B. Mainous and nr. John Tyler Mainous & other Mainouses; No Scoville listed in the 1920 O. Co. Census.
SEBASTIAN (Owsley Co., Ky): Acc. to 1895-6 Gaz, it was 10 mi from Boonev. and had a pop. of 150. H.H. Rice was pm and blacksmith. Jos. Baker had a flour & sawmill. Kenis Gilbert had a flour mill. W.E. Rice had a gen'l. store and dist. Wm. S. Riley & Co. had a flour mill. Other businesses; Acc. to 1937 state hiway map, this place was 2.1 mi s of Ricetown. 37°21'30"N/83°37'30"W. Judge James M. Sebastian (1838-1907); Acc. to 1900 Census, Harvey H. Rice (8/68) was son of Richard and Catherine (Brandenburg) Rice and marr. to Mary (nee Dunnigan). He was bro. of Wm. E. Rice (5/1863) who was marr. to Eliz;
SEBASTIAN (Owsley Co.): Named for James H. Sebastian (acc. to postmaster, Cortland, Ky. in a letter to Wm. G. Steel, 10/16/1923); (Pron. "Gh(ae)b/3rd" and "Sa/b(ae)s/chan") Some of the old Gabbards on Indian Creek got the po est. "Gabbard and Sebastian at one time was (sic) united and Sebastian was wiped out and Gabbard was both of them. (sic) And then later Gabbard was wiped out. Neither one of them exists now. c.1920, the Gabbard po was at the forks of Buffalo Creek and Fred Gabbard's uncle, Wm. P. ("Buffalo Bill") Gabbard was the pm. About 2 mi above that was Sebastian and Fred's mother, Matilda was the pm. Daniel B(oone) Gabbard was...
another uncle. Geo. W. lived on the other side of the hill, on Indian Creek. And he was pm when the Gabbard po was on Indian Creek instead of on the Buffalo Creek side of the hill. Sebastian was named for an old Booneville lawyer who was co. judge. DK his 1st name. He was always just referred to as "Old Judge Sebastian" and is buried at the edge of town. These two po's served separate communities more or less. Buffalo Creek had 5-6 po's at the same time. The creek was about 16 mi. long. e.g. Gabbard, Sebastian, Lucky Fork, Cortland,
Mistletoe, Whoopflarea were on B.C. or its branches. Now at the Gabbard site: not man people anymore, must have moved away, Ditto Sebastian. And the coal companies are stip­ ping there. 2 little stores there. Now: Seb. & Gab. (are) pretty much identify one commu. since the offices were consolidated. Had a lot of timber and people until the end of WWII when the timber was depleted & people began to move away. Local people would identify their homes now as "Up on Buffalo Creek" and maybe identify the partic­ ular fork or branch rather than as Gab. & Seb. since the po have been gone for severa years....(Fred Gabbard. 7/8/1977):
SEBASTIAN - (Owsley Co., Ky): po est. 8/8/1890 with Wm. E. Rice, 1st pm; 3/18/1895, Harvey H. Rice; 7/30/02, Wm. E. Rice; 6/8/04, Dan'l. B. Gabbard; 7/22/05, Matilda Gilbert...Disc. 1940 (POR-NA and P&G); Acc. to Wm. E. Rice, 7/24/90, this prop. po would be 6 mi e of Gabbard po, 4½ mi n of S. Fk, 50 yds n of Buffalo Ck, 7 mi sw o: Doorway po', 6 mi sw of Crockettsv. po// On 7/6/1904, Dan'l. B. Garrard pet. for a move 2 mi e to a pt 4 mi e of S. Fk, on the s side of Buffalo Ck, 4½ mi from co. line, 6 mi se of Floyd po, 4 mi w of Cortland po// On 10/4/35, Chas. Burton pet. for a move 1½ mi w to a pt. 3 air and 3½ rd mi from Clay Co., 40 yds s of Buffalo Ck, 3½ mi s of Indian Ck, 3½ mi s of Ricetown po, 5½ mi w of Cortland po, 6 mi e of Trixie po, 7 mi n of
Mistletoe po: On 4/13/39, Henry Clay Gabbard pet. for a move 1 mi sw to a pt 100 yds s of Buffalo Ck, 3 mi sw of Ricetown po, 5 mi w of Mistletoe po, 5 mi e of Trixie po, 6 mi ne of Newfound po. Acc. to Ibid, 7/27, 1939, it was 3/4 air & 1 rd. mi. from Clay Co. line, 50 yds s of Buffalo Ck, 1 mi e of S. Fk, 10 mi s of Boone po, 2 mi sw of Ricetown po, 5 mi nw of Mistletoe po, 3 mi ne of Trixie po, 3½ mi n of Newfound po. Name will be changed to Gabbard. Acc. to H.C. Gabbard, 7/3/1940, Gabbard po (ex Sebastian) was 1 air & 2 rd mi. from Clay Co, 100 yds s of Buffalo Ck, 2 mi e of S. Fk, 12 mi from Boonev. po, 3½ mi s of Ricet. po, 3½ mi w of Lucky Fk po, 3½ mi n of Trixie po, 2 mi nw of Mistletoe po. (SUR);
SOUTHFORK (Owsley Co., Ky): A dpo, est. before the co. was org. and named for its being on the S. Fk of the Ky. R. Two mi above Boonev. One and 2 word names are both proper. PM's incl. some of pion. John Gilbert's family, incl. a son. John settled on Red Bird where he died age 110-115. A son Bige Gilbert was a state sen. (Fred Gabbard, 7/8/1977);
SOUTHFORK (Owsley Co., Ky): Acc. to 1883-4 Gaz, this was a hamlet on that stream, 5 mi from Boonv. Had a steam-powered sawmill and 3 chu's. Pop. of 200. Wm. Z. Gilbert was pm and lumber dealer. Gen'l. stores: (1) Squire Combs, (2) S.B. Shepherd. E. Batner, Jr. (sic) and bro. had a flour-corn mill. Combs & Ponder had a grist & carding mill, Duff and Coal Logan were lumber dealers. Dabner, Maupin, and Cooper were a wagonmaking firm. Chas. H. Minter had a flour & sawmill. John S. Reynolds had a grist mill. Robt. Wilson had a flour & carding mill; Abijah Gilbert served this area in the K Senate 1850 and Jas. Ewing Gibson did so 1859-63;
SOUTHFORK (Owsley Co., Ky): Acc. to Nona Campbell, 12/28/98, this po was 1/9 mi w of S. Fk, 1/4 mi w of Wolf Ck, 5 mi s of Boonev. po, 3 mi n of Conkling po. On 1/11/04, N.M. Campbell pet. for a move 1/2 mi n to a pt. 1/4 mi w of S. Fk, 1 mi n of White Oak Ck, 3 1/2 mi n of Conkling po, 4 1/2 mi s of Boonev. po, 3 mi ne of Major po. Acc. to Janet Leland Campbell, 4/14/21, it was 1/2 mi w. of S. Fk, 60 ft w of Gilbert Br, 6 mi s of Boonev. po, 5 mi n of Conkling po, 5 mi e of Major po. Acc. to Lenora M. Campbell, 7/25/39, it was 1/2 mi w of S. Fk, 5 mi s of Boonev. po, 3 1/2 mi n of Conkling po, 3 mi e of Major po. On 4/21/49, David Deaton pet. for a move 3/4 mi n to a pt 300 ft w of S. Fk, 2 mi from Conkling po, 6 1/2 mi s of Boonev. po. (S.L.R.)
SOUTH FORK (Owsley Co., Ky): po est. 6/7/1843, Abijah B. Gilbert; 11/20/1850, Jas. E. Gibson; 9/25/51, Abijah B. Gilbert; 11/29/59, Jas. J. Gilbert; 4/12/64, Francis M. Ambrose; 11/27/67, John J. Gilbert; 3/1/98, Nona M. Campbell; Disc. 2/28/1920 (m. to Booneville); Re-est. 10/27/21, Janet L. Campbell (later she marr. and became Janet Leland Wilson before 3/26/1923). Disc. 1957 (POR-NA and P&G); Acc. to 1876-7 Gaz, this was settlement on the S. Fk, 4 mi from Boonev. Wm. Z. Gilbert was pm. Wm. Abner had gen. store. Rev. Jesse B. Rowlett had a gen'l. store and Sila Shepherd had another; Acc. to 1895-6 Gaz, it was 5 1/2 mi s of Boonev; Acc. to 1865 Gaz, it was a po of that stream;
STAY (Owsley Co., Ky): Acc. to Thurman Brandenburg, 8/17/1923, the 1st name proposed for this new po was Sulphur Spring for it would be serving a locality long known by this name, and would be 4 mi ne of S.Fk, on the s side of Lower Buffalo Ck, ca2½ mi ne of the Lower Buffalo po, 1½ mi from Lee Co. line. (The ck. beds are the roads) // Acc. to Ouida Hall Stewart, 7/27/39, it was 1 mi from Lee Co, 2 mi from Ky 2 (?), 200 ft w of Lower Buffalo Ck, 3 mi e of Ky. R, 3 mi se of Lower Buffalo po 3 mi e of Boonev. po, 3 mi n of Lerose po. (SLR); Acc. to the 1920 Census, Joel C. Brandenburg (38), son of Felix & Martha (Taylor) Brandenburg, lived with wife Frances (31), nee Judd. (No Stay);
STAY (Owsley Co.):
p.o. est. 9/3/1925, Joel C. Brandenburg... (NA
(Pron. "Sta") Was a little po across the hill
from Lerose. Nr. Lower Buffalo Creek, next to
the Lee Co. line, c. ½ in each county. The
Lower Buffalo PO was on the creek nearby, in
Lee Co. DK why Stay was so named. He's asked
oldtimers in the vic. and they didn't know
either. He knew the late Joel Brandenburg
well; he was a cattle dealer. Not a family
name. Now: store, dpo, some pretty good farms
...Stay was about 2-3 mi. from Lower Buffalo
po. Roscoe Stewart, one of Brandenburg's rela-
tives and neighbors, has always run a store in
that vic. and still does, tho' quite elderly

The last 3-4 yrs. of the po's hist., the po
was moved in the head of that creek to the
then postmaster Debord's home. (Fred Gabbard
interview, 7/8/1977); Disc. 1974 (p+9); Acc. to
1920 Census, Joel C. (1881-1967) and Thurman (1892-
1973) were brothers;
STURGEON (Owsley Co.): The Sturgeon po had several sites. Over 7-8 mi. area. The last site was close to Island Creek by a Sturgeon (Consol.) Sch., since closed. (Fred Gabbard, interview, 7/8/1977); Acc. to 1895-6 Gaz, it was 8 mi from Boonev. J.T. Brewer had gen. store and J.M. Neeley had flour mill. Other businesses; The Ky Mt. Bapt. Coll. (a ministerial sch.) is here, on Ky 30; A Sturgeon po was listed in Clay Co. as operated only by Jacob Gabbert (sic) from 7/16/1842 to 6/21/1843 (POR-NA);
STURGEON (Owsley Co., Ky): Acc. to John T. Brewer, 5/25/1888, this prop. po would be on the e bank of Little Sturgeon Ck, 2½ mi s of Trav. Rest po, 4 mi n of Green Hall po. Not a vil.// Acc. to Sherman Brewer, 9/1915, it was serving a locality called Little Sturgeon Ck, 100 yds n of that stream, 2½ mi from co. line, 3 mi n of Green Hall po, 5 mi sw of Buck Ck po, 2 mi s of T.R. po // Acc. to Chloe Smith, 12/2/35, the po was re-est. 2½ air & 3 rd mi from Jack. Co, 200 yds e of Little S. Ck, 3½ mi e of Green Hall po, 2½ mi s of T.R. po, 4 mi n of Island City po// On 10/4/39, Ibid. pet. for a move 2400 ft. s to a pt 50 yds e of Little S. Ck, 3 mi from co. line, 2½ mi s of T.R. po, 4 mi n of I. City po, 2½ mi w of Endee po. Eff. 10/14/39 (SLR);
STURGEON (Owsley Co.): Community always known as Sturgeon and never as Brewer. (James Bowman, interview, 8/16/1971) p.o. est. 6/6/1888, John T. Brewer....(NA); (Pron. "Ster/djən"). The Brewers were not early settlers. Came in c. C.W. days from Tenn. On Sturgeon Creek. There was a Brewer po on Sturgeon Creek ("Brů/ər"). This creek is the only stream in the county that runs into the main Ky. R. Brewer—not the same po as Sturgeon. The Sturgeon po was named for the creek. And the name was applied to the creek before 1781 for it was given on Filson's map. It may have...
been named for the fish. It's said that sturgeon fish used to inhabit that stream. Tho' he never saw one nor heard of anyone that did in recent years. But he never found any persons named Sturgeon in the old rec'd's. The Brewer po was on Little Sturgeon. DK the precise site. The Brewers lived in the Island City commu. there, on 8-10 farms. (Fred Gabbard, interview, 7/8/1977); Disc. 1966 (p+9);
TAFT (Owsley Co., Ky): po est. 8/20/1903 with Lucy Couch, 1st pm; 2/6/07, Farmer Sizemore...Disc. 1969 (POR-NA and P&G); Acc. to Lucy Couch, 8/4/03, this pro po would be on the n side of Sextons Ck, ca. 2 mi w of S. Fk, ca. 5 mi e of Alger po, ca. 5 mi n of Teges po, ca. 5 mi s of Island City po. Not vil. (moved to Clay Co. but when?)// In 8/1913, Nancy J. King pet. for move 3 mi ne from Clay Co. to a pt in Owsley Co. on the s side of Sextons Ck, 1 mi w of S. Fk, 5 mi se of I. City po, 4½ mi s of Conkling po// Acc. to Ibid, 9/12/13, it was 1 mi sw of S. Fk, on the e side of Sextons Ck, 1½ mi from co.linc, 6½ mi n of Alger po, 4 mi e of Conkling po// Did it then move to C. Co?// Acc. to Myrtle Hensley, 7/26/39, it
was 0.3 mi w of Sextons Ck, 5½ mi n of Alger po, 5 mi e of Island City po, 4½ mi s of Conkling po. (SLR); Named for Wm. Howard Taft. (Acc. to Cortland pm in a letter to Wm. G. Steel, 10/16/1923); On Anglin Br. of Sextons Ck. nr the Clay Co. line. Probably named for one of the Ohio political family. No county residents of this name. (Fred Gabbard, 7/8/1977); No Tafts in any O. Co. censuses;
TEN ACRE FORK OF SPENCER FORK (Owsley Co., Ky): (Fl5le) Heads almost to the Breathitt Co. line in ne Owsley Co. and extends for a mi. to Spencer Fork of Meadow Creek at LeRose. Unable to find out from county or area authorities how and why it was given its name.
TRAVELLERS REST (Owsley Co., Ky): Acc. to 1883-4 Gaz, it was 8 mi s of Boonev. with a pop. of 100. A.J. Herd was pm & hotelkeeper, Many Botners lived here incl. Elias, a storekeeper, E. Botner & Son flour mill, W.A. Botner flour mill, Jesse Herd was J.P., and J.F. Herd was sheriff. Many other businesses; In late 19 cent, it was served by 2 hotels catering to travelers, drummers, river raft crews, supply wagons from rr depot in Heidelberg to/Clay & Jack. Co's. Also served stores incl. Brewer's, Bill Botner's, Joe Rowlett's, etc. 2 chu's, 2 watermills:(Ebb Minter, Jos. Tackett), Jos. Tackett & John Botner were blacksmiths. Other business (Eugene Tackett, HC88, Bx.1620, Vincent, Ky. 41386 in KY EXPL. Vol. 16 (4), 9/2001, P. 87);
TRAVELLERS REST (Owsley Co., Ky): Acc. to Chas. E. Minter, 1/5/97, this po was on Sturgeon Ck, 8 mi w of Ky R, 3½ mi from co. line, 1½ mi n of Sturgeon po, 4 mi w of Buck Ck po, 4 mi s of Earnestv. po// On 9/16/15, Palmer Scott pet. for a move (no data) to a pt 8 mi s. of Ky R, 15 yds s of Sturgeon Ck, 3½ mi from co. line, 4 mi se of Earnestv. po, 2 mi sw of Vincent po// Acc. to Emily B. Scott, 7/26/39, it was 2½ air & 5 rd mi frm Jack. Co, ca 200 ft se of Little Sturgeon Ck, 50 ft e. of Brandenburg Br, 4 mi w of Endee po, 4½ mi e of Earnestv. po, 2 mi s of Vincent po, 2 mi n. of Sturgeon po (SLR);
TRAVELLERS REST (Owsley Co., Ky): "This hamlet with eponym lies at the jct. of Ky 30 and 847, on Little Sturgeon Ck, 5½ (air) mi wsw of Boonev. The po, est. on 7/23/1816 with Benj, Bondurant, pm, may have been named for a local tavern, then referred to as 'travelers' resting places' or simply 'travelers' rests', and/or perhaps was suggestive of Isaac Shelby's home, Travelers Rest, s of Danville. The po was converted to a rural sta. of Boonev. in 1964. Some local residents now refer to their home as simply 'on Sturgeon.'" (Book Pp. 297-98);
TRAVELLERS REST (Owsley Co., Ky): Acc. to Dewey Botner of this place, his grandfather, had moved with his family, as a child, in the 1830s, from Harlan Co. to Owsley Co. (P.104) Travelers Rest (sic) had a race track in the 1830s. (Ibid. and P. 51). (John Egerton, GENERATIONS, U. Press of Ky., 1983); Acc. to 1876-7 Gaz, this po was 5 mi from Boonev. and served a vil. of 300 pop. on Sturgeon Ck, 8 mi from Boonev. (ch. discrepancy). Chas. E. Minter was pm. John T. had a gen. store, A.J. Heatd (?) had a gen. store & hotel, Rev. J.B. Rowlett was storekeeper & Bap. preacher; Acc. to 1895-6 Gaz, as Travelers Rest, it was 8 mi
sw of Boonev. with a pop. of 600. Chas. E. Minter was pm and coal and livestock dealer. Many businesses incl. Benj. Botner, Jr's hotel, Isaac Botner was a mason, M.F. Botner was a jeweler, and Botner & Price had a flour & sawmill; Acc. to 1879-80 Gaz, it was 5 mi's of Boonev. with a pop. of 100. C.E. Minter was pm and millwright, Gen'l stores: (1) J.T. Brewer, (2) N.W. Brewer, Rev. J.B. Rowlett. E. Botner & Son had a flour mill and Mr. McQueen had a cornmill; Acc. to 1865 Gaz, an O. Co. po was Traveller's Rest; This place had a pop. of 75 in 1930; There are no longer stores or po here; The T.R. est. in 1817 was in Lincoln-Shelby Co., not Owsley;
TRAVELLER'S REST (Owsley Co.): est. 11/5/1853
James E. Gibson... Disc. 9/24/1861; Re-est. 6/23/64, Elias Botner...(NA); Today: Botner Gro. (observation, 7/1977); (Pron. "Tr(ae)v\_erz R(eh)st" = 3½ syl.) On Sturgeon Creek. Jake Gabbard, Sr. had a po and a race track there. DK when he came but he was there by 1814. (Some of his people settled in the other end of the co. on Indian Creek, c.1790 and est the Ricetown po. TR=amidst a good farming are "mulching land". Not a vil. but merely a stopping place...Commonplace name. He thinks they may have taken this name from Isaac Shelby's...
home in Lincoln Co. Thinks there may have been a tavern there (or a "travelers resting place.") Some people here called this place Sturgeon ("Ster/djan") because it's located on Sturgeon Creek. Today residents would refer to their home as on Sturgeon or Little Sturgeon or Travelers Rest. So the latter name is still in use. Now: store, filling sta., lodgehall, doz. homes. (Fred Gabbard, interview, 7/8/1977); T.R. post office converted to a rural sta. of Booneville PO, 5/22/1964 (NA); closed 1970 (PO R-NA + G P+G)

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TRUST (Owsley Co., Ky): po est. 2/24/1905 with Maxie York, its only pm; Disc. eff. 4/30/1906 (m to Conkling) (POR-NA and P&G); Acc. to Maxie York, 12/14/1904, this prop. po would serve the locality of Etta, 1/4 mi w of S. Fk, on the n side of Sextons Ck, 4 mi n of Conkling po, 4 mi s of Teges po. Not a vil. (SLR); Fred Gabbard dk. of this po (7/8/77);
TURIN (Owsley Co.): p.o. est. 7/11/1905, Isaac A. Moyers. . . . (NA); (Pron. "Tur/(ih)n") Very close to Booneville but many local persons have never heard of it. PO was very short-lived. Moores, Wilsons, and Gabbards were the 1st settlers. Near South Fork po. An old community. DK why so-called. Name has no known local or county significance. (Fred Gabbard, interview 7/8/1977);
TURIN (Owsley Co., Ky): Acc. to Isaac Anderson Moyers, the name prop. for this new po was Don and it would serve the locality of Don, 1½ mi s of Boonev. po, ½ mi w of S. Fk, ½ mi e of Buck Ck, 3½ mi n of Major po, 3½ mi nw of S. Fk po, a vil. of at least 75 pop// Acc. to Ibid. 10/5/15, the com. was aka S. Booneville and Milltown, ¼ mi w of S. Fk, ½ mi e of Buck Ck, 2½ mi e of Scoville po, 4 mi n of Major po, 1½ mi sw of Boonev. po // Acc. to Steve Wilson, 8/2/39, it was on Ky 11, ¼ mi w of S. Fk, 1 mi se of Buck Ck, 1.3 mi s of Boonev. po, 2 mi e of Scoville po, 3 mi n of S. Fk po, 4 mi w of Eversole po. (SLR); Isaac Stewart Anderson Moyers marr. Martha A. Combs in 1886. He was son of Owen Ragan & Luc Ann (Stewart) Moyers;
VINCENT (Owsley Co., Ky): Acc. to John C. Botner, 11/10/1899, this prop. po would be 1 mi e of Sturgeon Ck, 2 m: n of Trav. Rest po, 2 mi se of Delvinta po, 3½ mi nw of Buck Ck. po. Not a vil// Acc. to Conley C. Scott, 9/27/1915, the site aka Needmore was 6 mi from the river, 1 mi e of Little Sturgeon Ck, 1½ mi from Lee Co, 3½ mi s of L&N, 1½ mi w of Buck Ck po, 3 mi s of Delvinta po, 1½ mi n of Trav. Rest po// Acc. to Burgoyne Botner, 8/1, 39, it was 7 mi s of Ky R, 2 mi w of Buck Ck, 2 mi n of T.R. po, 4 mi w of Levi po, 4 mi s of Idamay po, 5 mi e of Earnestv. po// On 1/30/50, W.B. Waller, Jr, P.O.Insp. pet. for a move 300 yds e to a pt 3 mi from Lee Co, on the s side of Ky 30, 3 mi e of Sturgeon Ck, 5 mi nw of S
Fk, 2½ mi ne of T.R. po, 5 mi e of Earnestv. po, 4 mi w.
of Levi po. (SLR); [vihn/sən(t)]. Local people still
refer to their home here as Needmore but no one knows
why. It's an old commu. going back to the co's. early
settlement. Called Needmore before the name Vincent
was applied to the po. The Needmore name was applied to
the local Masonic temple. Vincent was a US Congressman
born and raised in O. Co. Left here and was educated in
London. Assumes the po was named for him. Botners still
live in the area. (Fred Gabbard, 7/8/77); Was Vincent
but moved with family as child to London, Ky. A Laurel
Co. po was named for him in 1884. (1839-1903). He was a
banker, newspaperman, Union office, Laurel Co. judge. In
cong. 3/4/99 till death. owner of a land co.
VINCENT (Owsley Co., Ky): Ross Barrett is prop. of Ross Groc. here; po est. 12/23/1899 with John C. Botner, 1st pm, 1/19/04, Burgoyne Botner; 7/26/12, Jos. B. Scott…10/16/17, Burgoyne Botner… APO (P&G) (POR-NA); Acc. to 1900 Census, John C. Botner (7/1861), merchant, son of Jas. Botner, lived with his wife Laurinda Botner, but no Vincent in their family; Thos. Burgoyne Botner of Travellers Rest (1884-1951). John C. Botner (1861-1932), son of James Botner, mar. Lauranda Warren (1856-1945);
WHOOPFLAREA (Owsley Co., Ky.) "...The unverified story...is that once a man lived there who had among many other children, a daughter named Laura. When Laura was little, the story goes, she loved the outdoors and spent much of her time wandering around in the woods and fields. Consequently, she was always out of pocket at meal times or when she was needed to do the chores. To get her back to the house, the father would call in one of the other children and tell him or her to go out and whoop for Laura. The when a post office was established (in) that neighborhood, whooping for Laura had become such a noted thing, it was named Whoopflarea." (Nevyle Shackelford, prob. from col. in Lex. Leader,
WHOOPFLAREA (Owsley Co.): "The local name for a small range of hills... 'Whoop for Larrie,' commemorates another triumph of the demon rum. Seems a moonshiner named Larrie had been sampling his latest batch one moonless night, then decided to drive his wagon home along the ridge, finding his way in the dark by the echoes. But there was no echo to his repeated even louder shouts. Eventually, neighbors miles away could hear him pleading insistently with the hills, 'Whoopfer Larrie! Whoop, dang it, fer Larrie!'" (Peter J. Celliers, "Golden Hills of the Pioneers" REDBOOK, Vol. 109, 9/1957, Pp. 54-6, 90-2). He was Redbook's travel editor then.
WHOOPFLAREA (Owsley Co., Ky): "This settlement with ep
lies nr the head of the Rt. Fk. of Buffalo Ck, 14 (air
mi sse of Booney. This curious name was 1st applied to
a range of hills, then to a pion. settlement, and late
to the po, est. in 1931, that served this inaccessible
area. The name was derived most likely from the whoop
of owls and, perhaps, of Indians but has since inspired
a host of explanatory accts. Hunters camping there
heard the hoot of an owl; frightened, they scattered
in all directions. Over the years, the owl became
'some animal making screaming noises' or even a 'hant'
One acct. describes a man named Larry or Larrie who got
separated from his companions. They spent the better
part of a night (or several days) looking for him and
would literally 'whoop for Larry'. Joe Creason identifies Larry as a moonshiner whose customers 'would come to the head of the hollow and "whoop for Larry."'. Or Larry was a man in his cups, who, seeking his way home in the dark, would shout his name and be guided by the echo of his voice against the hills. His ghost may still be heard 'whooping for Larry.' In another tale, little Laura liked to wonder around the countryside. To get home for meals, her father would send one of his other children to 'whoop for Laura.' The spellings of this name have been as varied as its pronunciations and the explanatory acts: Whooplarea, Whopflaeria, Whoopflara, Whoopferlarrie, Whoopferlorrie, etc." (Book-?.

Local people still refer to their home by this name and it's still given on most maps.
WHOOPFLAREA (Owsley Co.): (Pron. "Wúp/fə/ˈlee/ree" or "Húp/fə/ˈlɛr/ee/ˈyə")". "Legends differ. One tale is that a bunch of the early Long Hunters up in there camping heard screaming noises at night, like some animal—something—they interpreted it to be going Whoop/fə/ˈlɛr/ee, whoop/fə/lɛr/ee, whoop/fə/ˈlɛr/ee, and they called it that. Another legend which has been written up in some book is some fella's lost in a hunting party and his name's Larry and they whoop/fə/ˈlɛr/ee—calling for Larry. I'dk whether either one of those got any basis in fact but I've read both of them. But I do know that it was a US po for many years and (is) still called "Whoop/fə/ˈlɛr/ee" altho' the po
is gone." ...."Whoopflaeria"=spelling at one time. Later was spelled "Whoopflara". It had about a doz. postmasters, incl. Clay Gilbert. John E. Campbell lived there and carried the mail to that place for more than 30 years by horseback. Frank Campbell, the last pm, is still living there, right where the po was. Local people still refer to their home by this name. On the right hand fork of Buffalo Creek. On the Clay-Perry-Owsley Co. line. The po never had another name. Local people might also refer to it as the "Head of the Right Hand Fork of Buffalo." (Fred Gabbard, 7/8/1977);
WHOOPFLAREA (Owsley Co., Ky): "Legends differ. One tale is that a bunch of the early Long Hunters up in there camping heard screaming noises at night, like some animal-something-they interpreted it to be going whoopfələre, whoopfələre, whoopfələre and they called it that. Another legend which has been written up in some book is some fella's lost in a hunting party and his name's Larry and they whoopfələre--calling for Larry. I dk whether either one of those got any basis in fact but I've read both of them. But I do know that it was a US post
office for many years and (is) still called Whoopfere although the po is gone." (Fred Gabbard, 7/8/1978)
WHOOPLAREA (Owsley Co., Ky.) "In Owsley County, Ky. (sic), is a range of hills bearing the singular name of Whoop fer Lorrie. A party of hunters had encamped for the night in the shelter of the bluff. They were startled from sleep by a loud rumble as of some weapon hurrying (sic) along the pathless ledge. They heard a voice shouting 'Whoop fer Lorrie! Whoop fer Lorrie!' The hills would return my echo for the cry came from a haint." (Virgie Taylor, Campbell Co., Tenn. 1956. A student of Leonard Roberts' Union College.) P.O. est. 1931
WHOOPFLAREA (Owsley Co., Ky): Acc. to Clark Hacker, 12/21/1931, this prop. po would be 6 mi e of S.Fk, 60 ft s of Buffalo Ck, ¼ mi from co. line, 2½ mi s of Doorway po, 5 mi e of Mistletoe po, 3 mi n of Brutus po. Acc. to Ibid., 7/29/39, it was ¼ air & 1 rd mi. from Clay Co, 40 ft s of Buffalo Ck, 2 mi sw of Doorway po, 4 mi n of Brutus po, 4 mi nw of Panco po, 4 mi e of Mistletoe po. On 2/6/43, Audrey Campbell pet. for a move ½ mi n to a pt 30 yds s. of Buffalo Ck, 1 mi from the co. line, 3 mi sw of Doorway po, 3 mi s of Mistletoe po. (SLR);
WHOOPFLARA (sic) (Owsley Co.): "A settlement of pioneer days, with name derived from the 'whoop' of owls, or possibly the 'whoop' of Indians which 'flared' as they ran through the forest." (M. Ladd, WPA, 4/1941) "Acc. t legend, hunters camped there heard the hoot of an owl. It sounded like whoop--they became frightened and ran in all directions." (Ibid. 4/17/1941); This name goes way back in hist. (Fred Gabbard, interview, 7/8/1977); po est. in 1932. Disc 1954 (p+q);
WHOOFLAREA (Owsley Co.): "Sometime in the early 1900s, an old Mrs. Lillie Barger lived at the forks of a creek and got water from a sulfur spring at a cleft in a rock. Good water and dont go dry. (sic) Some strange fowl would come there at night to holler something like Whoopflarea. That gave it the name. (Robt. Gay, PM, Doorway, Ky., to Prof. Louise W. Hanley, Prof. of Engl., UWis-Mad., 12/8/56) 3/8/1957
WHOOPFLAREA (Owsley Co., Ky.) "Legend has it that years ago a man named Larry had a moonshine still set up a deep hollow in the area. Customers seeking his wares would come to the head of the hollow and 'whoop for Larry.'" (Joe Creason, col., LCJ, 9/30/1970, P. B-13).

"Some time (sic) in the early 1800s (sic) an old Mrs. Lillie Barge lived at the forks of a creek and got water (sic) from a sulfur (sic) spring as a cliff in a rock (sic); good water and don't go dry (sic). Some strange fowl would come there at night and holler some thing (sic) like Whoopflarea--that give it the name---And in the early 1900s (sic) a postoffice was set up due to the increasing population and was named by Whoopflarea." (Robert Gay of Doorway, Ky. in letter to Louise Hanley, 12/8/56.)
From a 1905 issue of the *Berea Citizen*: "The timber company that recently bought G.B. Rose's timber on Meadow Ck, are now preparing to build a narrow guage (sic) rr, beginning at Tallega, Ky. and running to Lymons (sic) Ck, and crossing over onto Meadow Ck, and then extending on to the farm of Mr. Rose--the road when completed will enable them to ship their timber in a quicker and more convenient way." (From the Gabbard, Owsley Co. stringer to the Cit.) (Leon Sandlin, Richmond, Ky., letter to me, 2/12/2002);