ROWAN COUNTY, KY: Created from Flem. & Morgan Co's. on 5/1/1856. 290 Sq. mi. Gained a small area from Carter Co. to accommodate local owners on 9/18/1861 and small parts of Elliott Co. on 3/21/1872 and 4/15/1882 and a small area from Carter Co. on 4/22/1882. It lost 30 sq. mi to Beckham Co. 2/9/1904 and reacquired it on 4/29/1904 (sic). By the latter date the county had 290 sq. mi. (Long);
ROWAN COUNTY (Ky): (Pron. "R(ow) '/'n"=l½ syl.)
(a no. of informants, Rowan Co. Hist. Soc., 10/3/1977); 282 sq. mi. "Rowan Co. was est. in 1856 from parts of Fleming and Morgan Co's. and named for John Rowan (1773-1843), justice of the Ky. Ct. of Appeals and later US sen. from Ky. (1824-30)." (Book-Pp. 256-57); The co. was taken from Flem. & Morg. Co's. by act of leg. of 1/19/1856 and named for Judge John Rowan. 1990 pop. = 20,353. 282 sq. mi. Judge Rowan was also a US Sen; Acc. to Long, R. Co. was created from M. & F. Co's on 5/1/1856. 290 sq. mi. Gained a small area from Carter Co. to accommodate local owners on 9/18/1861, and small parts of Elliott Co. 3/21/72 & 4/15/82 and a small area from Carter Co. 4/22/82. Lost 30 sq. mi to Beckham Co. 2/9/1904 and re-acquired it 4/29/04. By 4/29/04 it had 290 sq. mi;
ROWAN COUNTY, KY: The Lick. and N. Fk. of Lick. R's. form the co's. western and southern boundaries. Triple Creek and its branches are the main interior streams;
ROWAN COUNTY, KY: At the wedge of the E. Ky. Coal Field and Highland Rim. Well dissected plateau marked by many "small streams." Bounded on the west by the Licking R. Mostly hilly. 2 mi s of Clearfield is Clacl Mt, over 1,320 ft. high. Cave Run Lake. (McGrain & Currens Topo.); Was the 104th co. org. in Ky. 282 sq. mi. Taken from parts of F&M, Co's in 1856 and named for John Rowan who served in Cong. 1807-09 & the US Sen. 1825-31. Much of its economy traditionally has been extractive: timber, clay, limestone and industries furnished by these products. Drained by the Lick. R. & its impoundment, Cave Run Lake. A key trib. Triplett Creek & its branches. The 1st settlers were Virginian
"claiming land grants" for Rev. War services, who set up housekeeping along the river and Triplett. (KY.ENC 1992, Pp. 783-4); John Rowan (1773-1843) US Cong. from 1807-09, Ky. Ct. of Appeals from 1819-21. & US Sen. 1825-31. (Ibid., P. 783); 8,270 acre Cave Run Lake; The county's growth came with the completion of the Eliz. Lex. & B.S. RR in the early 1880s. By then Farmers was the co's. largest town. Lumber shipping pts on the rr: Farmers, Rodburn, Eadston, Brady. "Rockville and Bluestone dev'd. as rock quarry centers." Smaller rr lines fed the C&O at several pts, having been built to ship lumber and stone. The M&NF RR. The Ky. Northern RR "hauled logs" betw. 1890-1900. The Christy Creek RR
opened by the Gen'l. Refractories Co. in 1920 to ship clay till it was "abandoned" in 1948. (KY. ENCY. 1992, Pp. 783-4); MSU is now the co's. major employee. The opening of the 8200 acre Cave Run Lake in 1974, an impoundment of the Lick. R. is giving the co. a go at tourism. (Ibid.);
ANDY WHITE BRANCH (of Christy Creek) (Rowan Co., Ky): Named for Andrew Jackson White, ne on Christy 10/31/1835 and lived his entire life there. Died 2/1921. Confed. vet. Dep. Sheriff of R. Co. He was son of George and Nellie (Nickell) White. ("Andrew Jackson White, One of County's First Citizens, Born on Christy in 1835" ROWAN CO. NEWS, 5/10/1956)
BANGOR (Morgan Co., Ky): Acc. to 1879/80 Gaz., this place was at the mouth of North Fk. of Lick. R. J.J. Cassity was pm. He also ran the local grist mill. "He and his family were the only residents of what had once been a thriving business center. The location of an extensive lumber mill and store operated by the Licking R. Lumber and Mining Company...." (Judge O'Rear in the Licking Val. Courier "Morgan People Lived Well in 1879" Pp. 64-65); Acc. to 1879/80 Gaz, J.J. Cassity was pm & grist mill operator; Acc. to 1883/4 Gaz., this place was in M. Co. C.H. Whitcomb was Super. of the Licking R. Lumber & Mining Co. Matthew McClure had sawmill. Bleare & Kimble had a stave mill;
BANGOR (Rowan Co.): p.o.est. in Morgan Co., 6/22/1868, John J. Cassity....Into Rowan Co. on or before 6/28/1891, Sanford A. Day....(NA)

Geo. R. Stewart in Am. P.N. (1970), P. 34, felt that Maine's Bangor was probably transferred from towns in Wales or N. Ireland. Penn's. Bangor was named by a Welshman for its slate deposits, similar to the Welsh Bangor; Several sawmill operators and lumber co. mgrs. in Blairs Mill Prec. #6 (1870 Census) were born in Maine. These incl. Harrison Knowles (45) and Chas. Whitcomb (45). They lived nr Isaac Cassity (57), ne Ky. with wife Lucinda (51) nr Patterson Utterback (55) and nr Wm. H. Utterback, a 52 yr. old carpenter & their families. Christopher Hagemeyer (21), ne Ohio, lived with the
Knowles, No John T. Cassity was listed in the 1870 Morgan Co. Census;
BANGOR (Rowan Co., Ky): po was est. in Morgan Co.
Acc. to G.S. Hagenmeyer, 6/14/1876, the po was 100 yds n of the Licking R., 50 yds. e of the N. Fk. of that river, 15 mi se of Morehead po. Accord. to J.J. Cassid 10/31/1885, this po was 5 mi sw of Paragon. (SLR);
BANGOR (Rowan County, Ky.) (F30s)

"In 1781 the citizens of a small community in Maine petitioned for incorporation, and sent their minister, the Reverend Seth Noble, to Boston on this errand. As the clerk was filling out the papers, Mr. Noble stood by, in true Yankee fashion, quietly humming a tune to himself. When the clerk suddenly asked him, 'What's the name?' he absent-mindedly thought of the tune, not the town, and replied 'Bangor. The naming from a hymn-tune became a repeated folk-tale. Even one of the greatest of New Englanders gave it circulation: 'Named at a pinch from a psalm tune,' as Mr. Emerson
wrote, disparagingly." (Geo. R. Stewart, NOTL Pp. 206-07)
BANGOR (Rowan Co., Ky): Acc. to S.A. Day, 6/17/1889, this po was moving from Morgan to Rowan Co's, 3/4 mi. w, eff. 5/27/1889. It would now be 3/4 mi nw of the Licking R., 1/8 mi w of the N.Fk. of Lick. R., 6½ mi s of Cogswell po. The new site was the store and home of the new pm. On 7/26/1897, Ibid. pet. for a site ch. 1½ mi se to the co. line, 200 yds w of the mouth of No Fk., 3/4 mi from the river, 200 air yds from the Morgan Co. line. Three co's. join here, at the mouth of N. Fk. On 12/26/1936, Mrs. Lena Blaine Perry pet. for a site ch. 500 yds s to a pt 1 mi n of the river and 200 yds n of N. Fk., 4½ mi w of Paragon po. Acc. to Ibid 7/25/39, the po was 1/10 of a mi n of N. Fk. & the co. line, ca. 3½ mi w of Paragon po, 3 mi ne of Bertis po.
BLUE BANKE (sic) (Rowan Co., Ky): po est. 7/31/1871, John W. Morgan; Disc. 1/28/1874; Re-est. as Bluebank 11/1/1901, T.W. Razor, order rescinded 12/6/1901 (POR-NA); Acc. to John W. Morgan, the Blue Bank po would be 5 mi ne of Farmers po, on the e side of the Licking R., on the s bank of Blue Bank Creek. A vil. of 50. (SLR);
BLUESTONE (Rowan Co., Ky.)
Rural vill. on US60, 5 mi. w. of Md. at confl. of Triplett Cr. & the Licking R. Named for the blue appearing rocks and stones in the area. (Bessie M. Birchfield, WPA)

√ P.O. est. as Freestone, 4/16/1883, Henry F. Martin...n. ehn. to Bluestone, 4/17/1920, John W. Jones...(NA) Named for sandstone which "is bedded and even in texture, fine grained and of medium hardness, and gray to bluish in color. Because the stone "splits easily in all directions, it is called Rowan County Freestone. It is readily dressed or sawed." (ROWAN CO. NEWS, Cent. Ed., 5/10/1956, P. 62:1) by Ed. Sargent

"White Settlers first visited R.C. in 1790..."
The Bluestone quarry at Rockville and the Freestone quarry at Freestone (ca. 1898.). Ky. bluestone works were est. in 1890. Stone shipped all over the world. 100 acres of blue-stone deposits. The Blue Stone Co. at Freestone, Ky. (c1898). Ideal for tombstones;

Acc. to 1896 Gaz. Freestone had a pop. of 100 and was 6 1/2 mi w of M'd. H.F. Martin was pm. W.F. Brown was rr and xpr. agent. H.F. Martin was Super. of the local quarry of Cushman Stone Co. and operated one of the community's 3 gen. stores. The others were owned by Lilles & Brown and Myers & Co;
BLUESTONE (Rowan Co., Ky): Late Freestone and aka Rockville and serving the rr sta. of Rockville. Acc. to John W. Jones, 5/10/1920, this po was 2 1/2 mi e of the Licking R., 1/4 mi n of E. Fk. of Triplett Creek, 2 1/4 mi e of Farmers po, 6 mi w of Morehead po, 6 1/2 mi sw of Hilda po, 125 yds. n of the C&O. (1) Acc. to Ibid., 9/26, 1939, this po was 603 ft w of Bluestone Station of the C&O, 600 ft from the E. Fk. of Triplett Creek, 1569 ft se of the N. Fk. of Triplett, 6 mi w of Morehead po, 3 mi e of Farmers po. (SLR); "Because the stone splits easily in all directions, it is called Rowan County Freestone. It is readily dressed or sawed." (Oct. 1932 M'd. Indep.)
BLUESTONE (Rowan Co.): (Pron. "Blu/st(oh)n") (Lloyd Dean, 10/3/1977); Where they got all the rock to build the co. schools and some other public bldgs. (Lloyd Dean, id.); Free-

stoned"a fine grain, even textured sandstone (It) is easily cut and carved and was a pop. building material during the late 19th and early 20th cent. for both interior and exterior work." (Nancy Baird ms. hist. of the Hummel Co., examined by me at Ky.Lib. WKU, 9/1/1978);
BLUESTONE (Rowan Co.): in the late 1890s, some New Yorkers erected a stone mill at Freestone and another at Bluestone where they prepared native stone "for building purposes. Use of limestone and concrete led to their closing c.1930. (ms. HIST. OF ROWAN CO. by J.H. Powers, n.d, P. 6, in MSU Ky. & App. Coll. examined by me, 2/1980); Local quarry (ies) of sandstone that's "bedded and even-textured, fine-grained and of medium hardness, and gray to bluish-gray in color." (M'd. Indep. 10/1934);
BLUESTONE (Rowan Co., Ky): "This residential settlement with epo is just n of the C&O RR tracks, ¼ mi n of US 60, and 3 (air) mi wsw of M'd. The po was est. as Freestone, about a mi w of the present site, on 4/16/83, with Henry F. Martin, pm. It was moved and renamed Bluestone in 1920. Both places were named for a fine-grained and even-textured sandstone of medium hardness, gray to bluish in color and comparatively easy to cut in all directions without splitting. Pop. as a bldg. material in the late 19th and early 20th cents., it was quarried at both locations by a group of New Yorkers." (Book-P. 28);
BRADY (Rowan Co., Ky): 2 mi. from Morehead on the C&O. A no. of business located there in the late 19th cent. (MOREHEAD ADVANCE, 7/1898, repro. in ROWAN CO. NEWS, 5/10/1956
BRONSON (Rowan Co., Ky): 2-3 mi. w. of Morehead, on the C&O RR. There: mills and yards of W.F. Bronson & Co., a business est. there 2/1/1898. W.F. Bronson came from Painted Post, NY. His associate, Geo. C. Wilcox of Louisville. RR station est. there in 1898 as Bronson from which ties and bark were shipped (No po by this name) (MOREHEAD ADVANCE, 7/1898, repro. as "Brady Had Saw Mills" in ROWAN CO. NEWS, 5/10/1956)
CAUDILL CEMETERY (Rowan County, Ky.)
In the Sharky area of nw Rowan Co. on the so. side of hiway 158. Est. 1925, less than a mi. from the Fleming Co. line.
CHRISTY (Rowan Co., Ky): Acc. to Malissie F. Bradley, 1/30/1899, this prop. po would be 2 1/2 mi se of Rodburn po, 6 mi w of Elliottv. po, on the n. side of Christy Creek. \ Acc. to Hiram H. Stamper, 4/12/1900, this po was 4 1/2 mi w of Elliottv. po. This was a site ch. 1 mi e to the above site, 5 mi e of Rodburn po, 2 1/2 mi sw of Mizpah po, 70 ft s of Christy Creek. Not a vil. \ On 1/1/1917, Ollie R. Parks pet. for a site ch. to a pt. mi w of Vale po, 5 mi e of Morehead po, 3 mi e of Rodburn po, 30 yds s of the rr tracks. The nearest sta.= Rodburn. \ Acc. to Van Hogge, 7/24/1939, the po was 30 ft s of the st. hiway, 200 ft s of the creek, 3 mi w of Vale po, 4 mi s of Eadston po, 5 mi e of Morehead po (SLR);
CHRISTY (Rowan Co., Ky): James Christy acquired two sections of land (479 and 466 acres) on Christy Fork of Triplett Creek that were surveyed on 10/17-18/1837 and 200 more acres on Triplett, surveyed 3/15/1839. (Jillson II, P. 1114);
Christy Creek was named for Bill Christy who lived there. (Mrs. Martha Estill, "Hist of M. and R. Co." WITHIN THIS VALLEY: Cent. public.) Christy Creek was named for Bill Christy "who homesteaded the whole land drained by this creek. Part of the land later sold to Indians, the oldest of whom was Wm. Jackson. He later sold the land to Amos Pelphrey. (ROWAN CO. NEW CENT. Ed., 5/10/1956, P. 72:1-2). (Prov. "K<sub>r</sub>(<i>h</i>)<sub>r</sub> (<i>te</i>)" (Lloyd Dean, et al, 10/3/1927).
CLAYTON (Rowan Co., Ky): po est. 6/4/1894, Aaron McRoberts; 2/8/1895, Wm. M. Ball; Disc. 9/13/1895 (papers to Muses Mills, Fleming Co.) (POR-NA); Acc. to Aaron McRoberts, May 1894, this prop. po would be 4 mi s of Muses Mills po, 4 mi e of Munson po, 5 mi n of Pine Springs po. Vil. of 50. (SLR); Acc. to 1880 Census, Geo. Clayton (1844-1916), a merchant lived in the Licking City Prec.; C.L. Clayton died in 1911. At the time of his death he was the Pres. of Peoples Bank and mayor of Morehead. He was buried in the Pine Hill Cem. (Newsp. clip. repro. in the R. Co. NEWS, 5/10/1956 P. 61:5); Acc. to 1896 Gaz., this was 12 mi from M'd. Florence Ball was pm. Marcus Waltz was a carpenter. Several shops but no store;
CLEARFIELD (Rowan Co., Ky.)

1 mi. sw of MID. In the late 1930s, it was "maintained by the tile plant and adjoining clay mines operated by the Lee Clay Product Co. (Bessie M. Birchfield, WPA) P.O. est. 8/4/1908, Blaine Fulton...current p.o.) (NA)

The 2nd settlement in the co. Dixon Clack from Va. He was one of the men who prop. the Act to create Rowan Co, and was selected the chairman of the Co's. board. Named for Clearfield, Pa. Some men from that town est. the Clearfield Lumber Co. c. 1907 and operated for c. 17 yrs. Employed 300 men. The Lee Clay Plant built 1926. (Mrs. Martha Estill "Hist. of Morehead & Rowan Co., 1856-1956" Within This Valley: Centennial Publication.)
The Md. & N. Fk. RR Co. was inc. 9/27/1905 to serve the Clearfield Lumber Co. of Clearfield, Pa. "which had been accumulating large holdings of timber along the North Fk. of the Leaking R. and its trib's. The parent company had also acquired coal land under the corporate name of the Lee Coal Co." Construction of the rr began in late 1906. The 25 miles betw. E. Fk. Triplett and Redwine was completed "and open for traffic" by 9/27/08. Spur lines brought logs down the tribs. Clearfield, Ky., 1½ miles from M'd., was the rr's hqtrs. and had the sawmill. Named for
the company's Pa. hqtrs. Coal also hauled to Md. to be shipped on the C&O. (Sulzer GHOST, P. 103); The M&NF RR was designed to ship the coal and timber from the Clearfield Lumber Co. holdings. "The forest resources of the region were gradually worked out, however, and in 1922 the lumber co. ceased operations and the big mill at Clearfield closed down."

.... (Ibid., P. 109); By the fall of 1933, all but 4 miles of the rr had been abandoned due to the decline in coal and
timber resources and the increase in truck & auto traffic over improved roads. (Ibid. P. 110) The 4 remaining miles just s of Md. continued to ship the products of the Lee Clay Products Co. from its Clearfield plant that had been opened in 1925. "Its chief source of clay is a stripping operation on Clack Mt. and this is moved to the plant by the rr."....(Ibid.);
CLEARFIELD (Rowan Co.): Dixon Clack, a Virginian, settled at Clearfield on a Va. land grant and ran a sawmill, grist mill, and store there. Other settlers took adv. of level land there. (ROWAN CO. NEWS, Cent. Edit., 5/10/1956, P. 59:2). Named for the Clearfield Lumber Co. which was named for the town of Clearfield, Pa. (Ibid., P. 62:1) The 2nd settlement in the co. Dixon Clack obtained land grant from Va. Built home and sawmill. Clack Mt. was at the edge of his land. The Deadmans were also early settlers on a mil. grant. Some men from Clearfield, Pa. est. the Clearfield Lumber Co. Came to Rowan Co. 1907 and ran the local co. for 17 yrs. Employed 300 men. Lee Clay Plant built 1926. (Ibid., P. 72:6)
CLEARFIELD (Rowan Co.): The Cleafield Lumber Co. of Pa. built mill at what became Clearfield Ky. The same company later organized the Lee Clay Products Co. which made sewer tile. (check ....) In the early 19th cent. (c.1820), Jacob Clack (sic) built 1st sawmill in Rowan Co. at the present site of the Lee Clay Prod. Co. It was water-powered. (Ms. HIST. OF ROWAN CO. by J.H. Powers, n.d., Pp. 4-5, in MSU Ky. & App Coll., examined by me, 2/1980);
CLEARFIELD (Rowan Co., Ky): "This vil. with (a)po is located on Ky 519, just s of the confluence of Dry & Triplett Creeks, and just sw of M'd. In 1905, nr the site of Dixon Clack's early 19th cent. water-powered sawmill and store on Dry Creek, the Clearfield Lumber Co. of Clearfield, Pa., est. its sawmill and the dispatch pt. and n. term. of its Md. and N. Fk. RR to receive timber shipments from its extensive Lick. Val. holdings. Blaine Fulton became the 1st pm on 8/4/1906 (Book-P. 60);
CLEARFIELD (Rowan Co.): "The Morehead & North Fork RR Co. was inc. 9/27/1905, in the interests of the Clearfield Lumber Co., Clearfield, Pa., which had been accumulating large holdings of timber along the North Fork of the Licking R. and its tributaries. The parent company also acquired coal land under the corporate name of the Lee Coal Co...." Clearfield=1 1/2 mi. from Morehead, and was the rr co's headquarters. Named for the parent company's hqtrs. in Pa. (Elmer Sulzer, GHOST RR IN KY. 1967, P. 103).
CLEARFIELD (Rowan Co.): The Clearfield Lumber Co. of Clearfield, Pa. Bought 4 mi. of the beginning of the M'd. & N. Fk. RR in 1905. C'field=dispatch pt. for the rr. Headquarters for the rr. The settlement was named for the Pa. town. (Helen Price Stacy, "The M&NF, Wrigley and a Town Named for Lenox Soap SELECTIONS FROM MORGAN CO. HIST. sesquicent. vol. by Helen Price Stacy & Wm. Lynn Nickell, vol. 1, Pp. 251-3); ("Kleer/feeld" or "Kl(ih)r feeld") (Ora Cline, 10/3/1977);
CLEARFIELD (Rowan Co., Ky): Elias (Grandfather) Bradley owned the site of the present community in pioneer days. (early 19th cent.) (ROWAN CO. NEWS, 5/10/1956); The Clearfield Lumber Co. bought the Bradley farm, below Morehead on 10/26/1906. (10/1934 M'd. Indep. hist'l. ed.); This vic. was settled early 19th cent. by Dixon Clack and dev'd. around his store & water-powered sawmill. (Ky. Ency. 1992, Pp. 783-4); Clearfield survived the end of lumber prod'n. with the closing of the Clearfield Lumber Co. in 1925 when the Lee Clay Prod'ts. took ove the plant to produce clay sewer and chimney pipe. This co. folded in the 1970s. (Ibid.); This is a brick, tile, and terra cotta mfg. town. "Extensive fire clay" deposits. Non-refractory clay deposits in the area supply local fac't. (WPA P. 391).
COGSWELL (Rowan Co., Ky): Acc. to B.L. Tabor, 5/10/1899, this was a site ch. 3/4 mi nw to a pt 1 mi from the Licking R. and 30 yds from Scotts Creek, 4 mi n of Bangor po. B.L. Tabor & Son were local storekeepers.

Acc. to Bert McKinney, 7/31/1906, the po was 3 mi e of Cave Run po, 2 mi from the co. line.

On 10/13/1933, L.W. Ellis pet. for a site ch. ½ mi s to a pt. in the McKenzie Prec. 400 yds n of the river, 60 yds s of the creek, 1½ mi n of Zilpo po.

Acc. to Ibid., 7/24/1939 the po was 500 air yds from the Bath Co. line, 1 mi n of Zilpo po.

On 6/16/1949, Chas. Ellis, act. pm, pet for a site ch. 700 yds n to a pt ½ mi n of the river. (SLR);
John S. Cogswell (1792-1881) and his wife Martha (1795-1879) were buried in the old Cogswell Cem. and since moved to the new Alfrey Cem. in the vic. of Cave Run Lake. Acc. to 1860 Census, Isaac Cogswell (70) lived with wife Martha (64) nr Jesse Cogswell (63) and Henry Cogswell (44); Acc. to 1880 Census, Fielding Alfrey (65) and wife Martha (65) lived in Pearce's Prec. #3, but no Cogswell were in the vic; But, in 1880, living nr each other in the Licking City Prec. were several Cogswell families: Jesse (ne 1798) with son Jed (ne 1836) and grandson Wm. (ne 1858) and grandson Jos. (ne 1869); Isaac Cogswell,
a farmer, ne 1840; and John Cogswell (ne 1843); and John Cogswell, Sr. (ne 1792, a farmer); | Isaac Cogswell is listed in the 1828 Flem. Co. Delinquent Tax list. But he had moved to Bath Co. that yr. (KY. ANC. Vol. 19 (3), Jan. 1984, P. 150); Wm. C. Cogswell died in 1854 as did Henry Cogswell. Thos. H. Cogswell died in 1865 and another Henry Cogswell died in 1862; John S. Cogswell (1792-1881) and his wife Martha (1795-1879) are buried in the old Cogswell Cem. since moved to the new Alfrey Cem. in the vic. of C.R. Lake;
COGSWELL (Rowan Co., Ky): Jesse Cogswell ne 1798 and died after 1880, son of Jedediah Cogswell (ca. 1765- died after 1850). Among children of Jesse and Didiamie (nee Lewis) were Wm. (1820s-1903), Thos. (1825-?), John W. (ca. 1834-?), Jedediah (ca. 1836-?), Isaac (ca. 1841-?), Jas. Wilborn (ca. 1844-?), Jesse Cogswell (1846-?); Acc. to 1896 Gaz., the place had 2 gen. stores: S. Alfrey & Bro. and McKinney Bros. It was 5 mi. s of Farmers; Acc. to Jillson II (P. 1150), T&I Cogswell had 100 acres on Scotts Creek (in Fleming Co. that were surveyed on 12/20/1853. (Book 40, P. 140); Wm. Cogswell had 190 acres on Scotts Cr. surveyed on 12/25/53 (40-143); Sam'l. Cogswell had 50 acres on Scotts Cr. surveyed 12/6/53 (40-144);
CRANEY (Rowan Co.): p.o. est. 2/2/1910, U.G. Blair... (NA); (Pron. "Kraˈnee") (Lloyd Dean, et al. 10/3/1977); Acc. to U.G. Blair, April 1910, the p.o. was on the M&N RR (with sta. at Craney), 4½ mi e of Paragon p.o., 5 mi n of Blaze p.o., 7 mi nw of Wrigley p.o., or the N. Fk. Acc. to Willie A. Bishop, 7/24/1939, this p.o. was 5 mi s of Pelfrey p.o. (SLR); Craney Fork is so identified in an 1838 land record (Jillson II, P.1114)
CRANSTON (Rowan Co., Ky): On 11/17/1916, R.W. Cline pet. for a site ch. 142 yds w to a pt ½ mi w of N. Fk. of Triplett Creek, ca. 4 mi s of Triplett po, 4 mi ne of Smile po. The pm moved store & po from rental prop. to a bldg. he owned. On 3/15/1918, B.P. Hamm pet. for a site ch. 0.4 mi se to what used to be called New Hope Church, 200 yds w of Triplett Creek, 3½ mi sw of the Triplett po, 5½ mi se of Waltz po, 5 mi w of co. line. On 9/25/1939, Leland Hogge pet. for a site ch. 75 ft w to a pt 1/8 mi n of Triplett Creek, 1/16 mi w of Clear Fk. New state highway to be built 400 yds from po and po would be moved to the rd. (SLR); No Cranston families mentioned in the 1880 Census;
CRANSTON (Rowan Co.): p.o. est. 7/17/1902, Jas A. Littleton, declined; 8/28/1902, Belford P. Ham.... (NAJ); (Pron. "Kr(ae)n/stən") (Lloyd Dean, et al., 10/3/1977); Acc. to James A. Littleton 3/21/1902, the name proposed for this new p.o. was Arch and it would be 2½ mi e of Munson p.o., 3½ mi nw of Triplett p.o., 6 mi n of Rodburn p.o., 200 yds w of Triplett Creek. (SLR);
CRIX (Rowan Co., Ky): Acc. to Robert Arnold, 1/27/99, this prop. po would be 4 mi w of Wagner po, 5 mi e of Debord po, 2 mi w of Craney Creek. On 6/30/1903, Jesse Cornett pet. for a site ch. ½ mi w to a pt. 1 mi s of Wagner Creek, 4 mi w of Wagner po, 8 mi from the Morehead po, 4 mi from the co. line. On 3/10/1914, Wesley Cox pet. for a site ch. 2 air mi w to a pt 100 ft s of Dry Creek, 5½ mi e of the Morehead po, 6 mi w of Wagner po. On 5/16/1933, Charley Dillon pet. for a site ch. 500 ft e to a pt 200 ft n of Dry Creek, 5 mi w of Hamm po, 5 mi se of M'd. po, 100 ft n of the M&NF RR, 4 mi from co. line. (SLR);
CRIX (Rowan Co., Ky): po est. 2/11/1899, Robert Arnolc 6/1/1903, Jesse H. Cornett; Disc. eff. 4/15/1905 (mail to Wagner); Re-est. 12/22/1906, Wesley Cox; 4/15/1914, Elijah K. Warren....Disc. 1933 (POR-NA); No Crix families are mentioned in the 1880 Census;
DANE GREER HILL (Rowan Co., Ky.)
hill whose highest elev. = 359 m. or 1160 ft.
1.9 km. or 1.2 mi. long, 2.4 km. (1.5 mi.) e.
of Farmers. Named for Dane Lee Greer (1953-
1976) who owned property on the hill.
38°08'54" N, 83°31'15" W (NW end), 38°08'12"N,
83°30'25" W (SE end). On Farmers Quad. Had
been an unnamed feature. In the Dan'l. Boone
N.F. cf. Mrs. Louise Greer. (Docket 217 for
Consideration, BGN 1/13/77 meeting., P. 16.
DEBORD (sic) (Rowan Co., Ky): po est. 4/2/1894, Joel H. DeBord; 4/19/1899, Jos. C. Williams; 10/21/1899, Howard M. Turner; Disc. eff. 10/15/1900 (papers to Morehead) (POR-NA); Acc. to J.H. Debord, 3/13/1894, this prop. po would be 2½ mi se of Morehead po, on the n. side of Dry Creek, due s of the Rodburn po and due w of the Wagner po. On 11/4/1899, Howard M. Turner pet. for a site ch. 3/4 mi w to a pt. 3 mi se of Morehead po, 2 mi e of Triplett Creek. (SLR); Acc. to 188 Census, Joel H. Deboord (sic) (4), son of John W. Deboord (33) and Rebecca (26) lived in Morehead Prec.
DRY CREEK (Rowan Co., Ky): po est. 7/27/1903, John M. Debord (sic), order rescinded 4/21/1904 (POR-NA);
On US60, 6 mi. e. of M'd. Aka Gates. Extends for 3/4 mi. along US60 and the C&O RR. Many residents employed at nearby Haldeman brickworks (c. 1930s). Thriving commu. then. (Bessie M. Birchfield, WPA) P.O. est. 10/23/1882, J. Stout... (NA); (Pron. "Eed/stən")=Hays Crossing (Pron. "Haz/ Kr(aw)s/(ih)n") The po burned in 1949. POD would not build it back but made it a route (Rt. 2, Md; then Rt. 3, Md; then 3 yrs ago, it became Rt. 6, Md. DK why it was named Eadston. (Lloyd Dean, interview, 10/3/1977);
EADSTON (Rowan Co., Ky): Acc. to Jessa Stout, 9/30/82, the first name proposed for this new po was Gates and it would be serving the Gates Sta. on the EL & BS RR, 5 mi e of M'd po, 10 steps w of the tracks. Acc. to G.W. Waltz, 6/30/1917, the commu. was aka Gates as was the rr sta. and was 78 yds s of Triplett Creek, 3 mi w of Haldeman po, 3½ mi e of Rodbourn po (sic), 4 mi n of Vale po, 30 ft n of the C&O. On 1/9/1930, Jas. H. Bramer pet. for a site ch 378 ft e to Hays Crossing which was also the name of the rr sta. and was on the s side of Hays Branch, 7 mi e of M'd. po, 1½ mi w of Haldeman po, 457 ft n of the rr. On 3/21/1930, John R. Molton pet. for a site ch. ½ mi w to a pt. 200 yds
s of the E. Fk. of Triplett Creek, 5½ mi e of the M'd. po, 2 mi sw of Haldeman po, 300 yds n of the C&O, 2½ mi from the co. line. The rr sta. was Gates and the commu's. name was exclusively Eadston. On 7/25/1933 Bettie Bramer pet. for a site ch. 3/4 mi e to a pt 300 ft s of Triplett Creek. aka Hays Crossing. Acc. to Ibid., 7/24/1939, the po was 1.2 mi nw of Haldeman Sta. on the C&O, 150 yds (?) n of the rr tracks. (SLR
EADSTON (Rowan Co.): There's a cem. here with the boxes on top of the ground. Some Richards were buried here in 1855. Ne c. 18th cent. bu dk if born here or came here from somewhere else. Hasnt found anyone who knows what happened to their relatives. (Lloyd Dean, interview, 10/3/1977); Eadston=Hays Xing.

Doug Hays was a later pm than Shumate. Succeeded by Jim Brammer. The Eadston po and store burned in 6/1949; never rebuilt and disc. the ("Eed/stan") Hays Crossing was named for the Hays family. Andrew Hays=the prog. He rec'd. 434 acres of land in 1878 on the site of Dean
home. His bro., Orthaneal Hays rec'd. 500 acres in 1878. The po site was on the w. side of Dean's home. The po was in a home. This was the 1st house in the vic. Richards lived here before the Hays(es). They were the 1st settlers, in the early 19th cent. Hays came here at least by 1878, if not earlier as tenants. (Ibid.).
EGYPT (Rowan Co., Ky): 2-3 mi. from Rockville. A tie point on the C&O RR from which lumber and bark rec'd. from "inland points" was shipped out. (MOREHEAD ADVANCE, 7/1898, repro. as "Brady Had Saw Mills" ROWAN CO. NEWS, 5/10/1956)
ELLIOTTVILLE (Rowan Co.): 1st called Hogtown (sic) until the po was est. as Elliottville. Charley Ward was 1st pm. He had the town inc. as Bristow (sic) Ward was also the town judge. c.1880, had 3 stores, incl. Charley's. Also a blacksmithshop, steammill.... (E.S. Montgomery's reminiscences in the M'd. Indep. 1934, repro. in ROWAN CO. NEWS, 5/10/1956, in the KHS Lib. Rowan Co. Vert. Files); Act. to incorporate the town of Bristow was approved 4/9/1878. The town of Elliottville (sic) was inc. as Bristow. Trustees would include John M. McBrayer, P. Blair, H.C. Turner, Alex'r. Fletcher, and Chas. A. Ward.... (ACTS 1878, Vol. 2, P. 427ff)
ELLIO TTVILLE (Rowan Co., Ky): ca. 1880 it was called Hogtown. Got a po that was called Elliottv. Charley Ward was its 1st pm and he arr. for the town to be inc. as Bristo. He became town judge. At that time the town had 3 stores: Charley Ward's, Sud Turner's, and a branc of Warren Alderson's. (E.S. Montgomery in M'd. Indep., 1934); 1st called Hoggetown for Squire and James Hogge had settled there in 1870. Opened 1st store. Town namec for Squire. PO est. 1881 with Charley Ward as 1st pm. He had town inc. as Bristow and was town judge. It was later named Elliottville by a Mr. Elliott. By then had 3 gen. stores, 3 saloons, other businesses. (R. CO. News, 5/10/1956, P. 76:1); 1876 c John Huff, pm.
ELLIOITVILLE (Rowan Co.): 1st called Hoggetown. In 1870, Squire Hogge and James Hogge had settled there and started the first gen'l. store. Named for Squire. Charley Ward had town inc. as Bristo. Later renamed for a Mr. Elliot. At that time had a drugstore, 3 gen'l. stores, 3 saloons.... (ROWAN CO. NEWS, Cent. Edit., 5/10/1956, P. 76:1); Settled by Squire and James Hogge and called first Hoggetown ("H(ah)/town) DK why renamed. (Lloyd Dean, et al. 10/3/1977); Squire Hogge was co. sheriff 2/1887 (10/1934 M'd. Indep. hist. ed.).
ELLIONWILLE (Rowan Co., Ky.)

P.O. est. 9/12/1876, John P. Huff...Current. (NA) Aka Hoggtown. Ele. school and formerly a jhs. On the Dixie Field Highway (Ky. 32) between More. and Sandy Hook. (Bessie Birchfield, WPA) First called Hoggetown for Squirrel Hogge and James Hogge who settled there in 1870 and opened the 1st store. (Mrs. Martha Estill "Hist. of M. and R. Co." WITHIN THIS VALLEY: Cent. publication); inc. 4/9/1878 as Bristow having changed name from Elliottsville (ACTS, 1878, Vol. 2, P. 427);
ELLIOITVILLE (Rowan Co., Ky): Acc. to 1879/80 Gaz., the place was known as Bristow. W.P. Ward was pm & livestock dealer. C.A. Ward had gen. store. Henry McBrayer had flour mill. Other businesses; The town of Elliottville will hereby be inc. as Bristow. Appr. by the G.A. 4/9/1878. (ACTS 1877-8, V. 2, Pp. 427-40); Acc. to 1880 Census, Eliz. Elliott (63), probably a widow, lived next door to Geo. Hogg (31), a farmer, who lived next door to James Hogg (54), also a farmer (In Prec. #5, Pine Grove). No Brisco(w)s or Huffs were listed in the co. Squire Hogg (30), a farmer, lived nowhere near the other Hoggs or Ms. Elliott, but in the same area as Wm. P. Ward (28) and Chas. A. Ward (54). The latter is listed as a shoe and boot
maker in the Christy Creek Prec.; James Hogge (1825-1901) is buried in the Hogge Graveyard nr. Cranston;
ELLIOTTVILLE (Rowan Co., Ky): 1st called Hogtown (sic) in the early 1880s. PO est. as Elliottville (sic) and Charley Ward, who had vil. inc. as Britow, was appointed the 1st pm. He was also the town judge. Then had 3 stores, one of which was Ward's. And a blacksmith shop. (Carol P. Lewis, "Early Living in Eastern Ky." SANDY VALLEY HERITAGE Spring 1985, Vol. 4(7), Pp. 210-12). Bristow was so identified as a commu. ca. 1881; No Elliotts listed in 1860 Census;
JELLIOTTVILLE (Rowan Co., Ky): The com. was 1st called Hogtown (sic). The po was est. & named Elliottville with Charley Ward, local storekeeper, as the 1st pm. He had the town inc. as Bristo and was also the town judge. c. 1880, the com. had 3 stores, Wards', Sud Turner's, and H.C. Turner's branch of the Warrem Alderson store. Jim Click ran the blacksmith shop. (E.S. Montgomery, "Hist'l. & Progress Ed. of the Morehead Independent, 10/1934, P. 15);
ELLIOTTVILLE (Rowan Co., Ky): J.L. Bristow was the 4th Asst. (US) PM-Gen'l. ca. Jan. 1899 (SLR); Acc. to Jas. Stewart, 1/18/1885, the local name of this commu. was Bristo (sic) and its po was on the n side of Christy Creek, 10 mi e of M'd. po. Acc. to Hiram Cornett, 10/15/1910, the commu. was aka Bristow and tr po was 2½ mi e of Vale po, 3 mi n of Minor po, 3/4 mi from the co. line. Acc. to ? 7/2/1917, the commu. was aka Hogtown (sic) and the po was 30 ft n of the creek, 8 mi w of Triplett Creek. Oct. 1944 a site ch 112 ft w. Mar. 1945 a site ch. 400 ft e. (SLR);
ELLIOITTVILLE (Rowan Co., Ky): "This vil. extends for ca. ½ mi on Ky 32, at the head of Christy Creek, and 7 (air) mi e of M'd. It was 1st called Hoggetown for Squire and James Hogge who settled there in 1870 and opened the 1st store. The po was est. as Elliottville on 9/12/1876, though nothing is known of the Elliott for whom it was named. In 1878 Charley Ward, a local storekeeper and judge, had the town inc. as Bristow, also for reasons unknown, but the Elliottville name has continued to identify both po and community." (Book-P. 92);
FARMERS (Rowan Co., Ky): Acc. to J.S. McMillan, 2/4/1882, the Farmers po was serving the commu. locally called Licking City and it was 1/8 mi e of the Licking R., ¼ mi s of Triplett Creek, 3½ mi e of Vail po, 8 mi w of Morehead po, ½ mi from Farmers Sta. on the EL & BS RR. On 11/18/1927, John M. Fraley pet. for a site ch. 425 ft e to a pt 2½ mi w of Bluestone po, ½ mi from the co. line. On the Midland Trail in the main part of town, moved to a smaller bldg. Feb. 1939 site ch. 100 ft e. Oct. 1945 site ch. 240 ft w. (SLR);
FARMERS (Rowan Co.): P.O. est. in Fleming Co. 8/28/1849, John B. Zimmerman; into Rowan Co. when the co. was est. .... Current (NA) Orig. called Farmer's Cross Roads and locally called Confederate Cross Roads as the jct. of prin. n-s and e-w roads in that region. Even the p.o. was first spelled with the apost. but probably after the C.W. it was dropped. (x=WPA) ~ Was the first settled vill. in the co. 1 1/2 mi. e. of Bath Co. line on US60, 8 mi. w. of M'd. (Bessie M. Birchfield, WPA)

The 1st settlement in the co. DK when. First called Confederate Cross Roads. Major Jim Brain from Va. was probably first settler. (Mrs Martha Estill, "Hist. of M. and R. Co." WITHIN THIS VALLEY: Cent. publication)
There was an article on FARMERS (Rowan Co., Ky.) in an issue of Morehead News, in March, 1977. This and other articles on county history will be compiled in book form and published maybe in 1977. (Acc. to Dr. Sprague, 4/14/77.) He is doing a hist. of Rowan Co. Also cf to 5/30/1956 anniversary issue of the News. Virginia Randolph is the Dir. of the Spec. Coll.'ns. of the MSU Libr.

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J. H. Powers' ms.
Hist. of R. Co.
FARMERS (Rowan Co., Ky): Acc. to 1879/80 Gaz., it had a pop. of 107. Dr. J.S. McMillan was pm and physician. Had 2 gen. stores, saloon, gro., and hotel, wagonmaker, flour mill, shoemaker, cabinet maker, and broom maker; Town known as Cross Roads shall be created a town called Confederate City. Reference is made to Maj. J.M. Brain's hotel. Commu. centered on the xrds. Bounded by the river and Triplett Creek. Maj. Brain was appointed a commissioner to lay off the city. Approved by the G.A. on 4/23/1873. (ACTS, 1873, V. 2, P. 541); Act to inc. the town of Farmers betw. the river and creek. Appr. by the G.A. on 4/15/1882. (ACTS 1881, V. 2, Pp. 495-6);
FARMERS (Rowan Co., Ky): po est. as Licking in Fleming Co. on 1/5/1837, James Hunt; Disc. 4/4/1839 (POR-NA); Acc. to 1876 Gaz., this settlement had a pop. of 100. J.B. Kring was pm and gen. storekeeper. S. Royse had another gen. store. Geo. Frazier was a wagonmaker. Mrs. J.J.M. Brown was prop. of the Farmers Hotel. Two cab. makers and other businesses; Collins I includes Cross Roads as a Rowan Co. town with a sawmill, tavern, 3 stores and a pop. of 300, 8 mi from Morehead;
FARMERS (Rowan Co.)

1 mi. e. of the Licking River on US60. 19th cent. econ. base of timber. Several saw mills. Produced and shipped lumber down the Licking R With depletion of virgin timber by end of cent Farmers lost much of its pop. (ROWAN CO. NEWS, Centen. edit. 5/10/1956, P. 38:1-4)

First called Confederate Cross Roads, then Farmers Cross Roads. Probably the first settle vill. in county. At intersection of n-s and e-trails. Thriving town at one time. Major Brain may have been the 1st settler. He was major Jim Brain of Va. (Ed Sargent in Ibid. P. 59: 1-2)

From Sargent's "White Settlers first visited Rowan Co in Year 1773" m'd. indep
FARMERS (Owen Co.): Act. to incorp. Confederate City was approved 4/23/1873 (ACTS Vol. 2, P. 541) Located and designated at what was (xxxx) till then known as the Cross Roads with Maj. J.M. Brain's hotel at the mouth of Triplett Creek and fousing at the xrds themselves... For much of the 19th cent. this was the largest town in county. Rapid increa in pop. After rr arrived, several sawmills built incl. Keystone Lumber Co., J.R. Buck­walter, & P.L. Reese. These mills rec'd. log floated down the Licking R. Mills closed after supply was depleted...(ms. HIST. OF R. CO. by J.H. Powers, n.d., Pp. 4-5, in MSU Ky. & App. Coll. examined by me, 2/80);
FARMERS (Rowan Co., Ky): Once inc. (c. 1882) but has not functioned as a city since 1933. Town 1st called Crossroads, then Licking City. N.ch. to Farmers c. 1880 "probably because of the large number of farmers who lived there." Acc. to Larry Stephens, a resident. Many residents moved out during the depression when the com. was hard hit. Stephens owns a camper park at Cave Run Lake. His family has lived at that vic. since early 19th cent. Attempt now to re-est. city govt. Pop. now c. 200. (Paul Wilkinson, "Town of Farmers Trying to Pull itself Back Together" LEX. HER LEAD. 2/21/1985, P. A1:2-4)
FARMERS (Rowan Co., Ky): In 1880 Jas. M. Brain (70) and his wife Nancy (67) lived in the Licking City Prec nr. Alvin Ramey (ne 1837), a farmer, and his wife Rachel (nee 1840); This was the 1st town of any size in the co. and was settled before the CW by Maj. Jim Brain at the jct. of 2 pion. roads. By the time the Etown Lex. & B.S. RR arr. in the early 1880s this had become a key town for the shipment of lumber and was the co's. largest town. The depletion of the timber resources ca. 1900 ended this. (Ky. Ency. 1992, Pp. 783-4); No mention of this family in R. Co. in the 1860 Census;
FARMERS (Rowan Co.): (Pron. "F(ah)rm/erz") Was the 1st settlement in the county: DK where it got its name. (Ora Cline, interview, 10/3/1977)


No one seems to know how Farmers got its name.

(Lloyd Dean, interview, 10/3/1977); Inc. as Confederate City 4/23/1873 (ACTS, 1873, Vol. 2 P. 541); See Act of 4/15/1882 amending act to inc. (ACTS, 1881, Vol. 2, P. 495)...

as Farmers
FARMERS (Rowan Co., Ky): "This vil. with (a) po is on US 60 and the C&O RR, ½ mi e of the Lick. R. and 5½ (air) mi wsw of M'd. Said to have been 1st settled by Maj. Jim Brain who ran a hotel at the jct. of 2 prin. rds., it may first have been called Farmer's Cross Roads or simply The Cross Roads. The po was est. as Farmer's on 8/28/1849 with John B. Zimmerman, pm. No one knows why it was called Farmer's. It was also called Confederate cross Roads and was even 1st inc., on 4/23/1873, as Confederate City though in 1882 this was officially changed to Farmers." (Book-P. 99);
FRALEY (Rowan Co., Ky): po est. 1/26/1888, John M. Cornett; 10/17/1893, Benjamin F. McGill...10/3/1911, Wm. McMillen; Disc. 12/31/1913 (mail to Sideway) (POR-NA); Acc. to John M. Cornett, 7/7/1887, the proposed name for this new po was Spruce and it would be 6 mi w of Ordinary po, 4 mi e of Elliottv. po, 5 mi n of The Ridge po, 1 mi n of Laurel Creek. Not a vil. Only a rural po. (SLR); Several Fraley families are listed in the 1860 Census; Acc. to 1880 Census, Frederick Fraily (sic) (67), a farmer, and his wife Barbry (sic) (55); Daniel Fraley (1858-1908) with wife Sarah J. (nee Davis lived at Pine Grove. (KY. ANC. Vol. 24 (2), Autumn, 198 P. 149). Dan'l. was son of Jas. Fraley (nee 1832) and Susannah Steagall (nee 1837). By 1896 he lived nr M'd. (Bruce Cox in Ibid. Vol. 21 (4), Spr. 1986, P. 222);
FRALEY (Rowan Co., Ky): Acc. to 1880 Census, John M. Cornette (sic) lived nr. several Fraley households in the Morehead area; The Fraley Cem. is up the Poplar Hol. Rd., off Ky 377. Then take the old country road up the 1st hol. to the left. At the top of the hill turn right. Here: Dan Fraley; J.H. Fraley was Morehead's Town Marshal in 1888+ (10/1934 M'd. Indep. Hist Ed.); Acc. to 1896 Gaz., this place was 12 mi se of Morehead. A.R. Waddle had local gen. store; Several Frailey (sic) families lived in the Christy Creek Prec. (acc. to the 1880 Census); Acc. to 1880 Census, John M. Cornette (sic) (23) lived with his mother Gerttie (45) and bros., etc. nr Jessee Frailey (27) & his mother Jane A. (62) and a no. of other Fraileys;
FREESTONE (Rowan Co., Ky): Acc. to Henry F. Martin, 4/3/1883, this proposed po would be 2 mi e of Farmers po, 5 mi w of M'd. po, ca. 5 mi n of Gills Mills po, 2 mi e of Licking R., on the w bank of Triplett Creek, 51 yds s of the EL & BS RR. The rr sta.=Freestone. On 7/12/1897, Henry F. Myers pet. for a site ch. 3/4 mi to a pt. 2 mi e of Farmers po, 6 mi w of M'd. po, 900 ft w of Rockville Sta. on the C&O. In April 1920 the po's name was changed to Bluestone. (SLR);
GATES (Rowan Co.): One mi. w. of Eadston. Was a train stop. Mr. Hogge owned a tileyard there in the 1930s and '40s. DK why so named: either after a local Gates family or by the rr. It was a pass. stop. Named at the end of the 19th cent. DK if any family of that name; there were none in earlier years. Eadston = 1 mi. from Carter Co. line; probably the last train stop before the co. line. No families called Eads that informant knows of. DK why so named. May have been named by the POD. Richards = 1st settlers, very early 19th cent. Pop. at
Hays Crossing now=c. 100 with 2 stores an a filling sta., garage, chu., ceramic shop, rest., greenhouse, barbershop. (Lloyd Dean, interview, 10/3/1977);
GILLS MILLS (Rowan Co., Ky): is considered by Collins II as a town, 7 mi from Morehead. (Pp. 692-3);
GILLS MILLS (Rowan Co., Ky): Acc. to W.A. Johnson, 6/21/1876, this po was serving the commu. locally know as Johnson's Store and was ½ mi n of Licking R. and 1 mi s of Scotts Creek in Rowan Co. (SLR); Acc. to 1876, Gaz., this was a vil. on the Lick. R. in the s. part of R.Co., 8 mi from M'd. It was settled in 1825 and inc. in 1869. Had then a pop. of 500. W.A. Johnson was pm & gen. storekeeper. Alfrey & Thomas had a grist & woolen mill. John Cassidy was distiller. D. Myers & Co. Gen'l. Store. A.J. McKenzie was sheriff. G.B. Johnson was wage maker. Other businesses; Samuel C. Gill died 1854. Harrison and Marcus were his sons. (Acc. to his will);
GILLS MILLS (Rowan Co., Ky): Samuel Criswell Gill from NC to Ky. 1808 and settled on the Licking R. nr. the future Yale. He started a grist mill and later a water-powered sawmill called Gill's Mill. Successful. Furnished lumber for the area. His oldest son Harrison was born 1808. Sam'l. later moved to Ind. or Ill. (Chas. B. Gillespie, Frenchburg, Ky., ms. "Memories from the Past, 1800-1985" in M. Co. P.L., Pp. 11-12); Acc. to 1879/80 Gaz. it had a pop. of 525. G.P. Johnson & Son Gen. Store, Alfrey & Thomas had a grist & woolen mill. Newton Johnson was pm. Also: hotel, wagonmaker, other businesses;
GILL'S MILLS (Rowan Co., Ky): Another Licking R. mill to give its name to a R. Co. town and po was Gill's Mills. This was "built on a site ½ mi nw of the jct c Bath, Menifee, & Rowan Co's. In 1809 Samuel Criswell Gill, a So. Carolinian, erected a water-powered grist mill to which he later added the sawmill that was to make this vic. a major supplier of lumber products to the Cinci. market. The po of Gill's Mills was est. her on 9/11/1832 with Thompson L. Parks as the 1st pm. In (4/2/) 1866 the office was moved across the river to R. Co. where it remained until it closed in (4/28) 1881." (Rennick, "The PO's of Bath Co., Ky" in La Posta, Vol. 20 (1), 3/1989, Pp. 53-8);
GRIN (Rowan Co., Ky): po est. 7/14/1920, John W. Barber; Disc. eff. 11/15/1921 (mail to Morehead) (PORNA); Acc. to John W. Barber, 3/5/1920, the name proposed for this new po was Barber and it would be 6 mi e of Licking R., ½ mi e of N. Fk. of Triplett Creek, 3 mi nw of Morehead po, 3 mi s of Hilda po, 4 mi ne of Rockvill (Sta. on the rr). (SLR);
HALDEMAN (Rowan Co., Ky): Acc. to David Leadbetter, Feb. 1907, this prop. po would be 500 ft se of the C&O and its Haldeman Station, 1 3/4 mi sw of Soldier po, 2 1/2 mi ne of Eadston po, 250 ft se of Triplett Creek. Serving a vil. of 300. Acc. to Henry K. Leighow (?), 7/9/1917, it was 3/4 mi ev of the co. line. Acc. to James E. Leighow, 7/22/1939, it was 1.2 mi e of Eadston po, 1 1/2 mi w of Soldier po, 0.75 ft s of Triplett Creek (SLR); This town, 5 mi ne of Morehead, was founded before 1907 by L.P. Haldeman to house his Ky. Firebrick Co. employees. It ceased op. in the early 1930s. (KY. ENCY., 1992, Pp. 783-4);
HALDEMAN (Rowan Co.): Named for L.P. Haldeman from Columbus, O. who founded the Ky. Firebrick Co. and est. the town to house his workers. Built the 1st brick school there 1925: served all 12 grades. A company town. The POBldg. is now in the old co. office bldg. The brickyards were later bought out by Gen'l. Refractories. At peak, there were 3 gen'l. stores and a rr sta. The 1st brickyard opened there 1902 and was operated by steam. Clay came from the area hills. (Sue Lowe, "Reason for Haldeman Deterioration Unknown" MOREHEAD NEWS, 3/2/1977, P. A-3:1-3).
HALDEMAN (Rowan Co.): Named in 1903 for L.P. Haldeman who came from Portsmouth, Ohio. He arr. here with Mr. Conley and bought up several hundred acres. The 2 brick yards are now closed. Ky. Fire Brick Co. The whole works closed down in 1951. Only the sch. & po are left. The brickyard property was recently bought (1977) and Clarence Horton plans to build a low rent housing dev. on the site. (Lloyd W. Dean, 10/3/1977)
HALDEMAN (Rowan Co., Ky): "Only the po, sch., and some homes remain of this once prosperous vil. extending along Ky 174, 1½ mi e of its jct. with US 60, 5½ (air) mi ne of M'd. Sometime before 1907, L.P. Haldeman from Columbus, O., founded the town named for him to accommodate the workers of his Ky. Firebrick Co newly est. to produce bricks from area clay deposits. The po was opened on 2/12/1907, with David Leadbetter, pm." (Book-P. 128);
HAMM (Rowan Co., Ky): Acc. to Rushie Martt, 2/27/1926, the name proposed for this new po was Martt and it would be 100 yds e of Craney Creek, 2½ mi sw of Wagner po, 6 mi se of Crix po, 3½ mi w of Minor po, 2 mi nw of the co. line. Acc. to Davis W. Kidd, 7/31/39, the po was 100 yds w of Wagner Fk. Creek, ¼ mi n of Crane Creek, 5 mi n of Craney po, 4 mi w of Minor po. On 5/29/1948, Mrs. Flossia (?) McDaniel pet. for a site ch. 1.6 mi ne to a pt. 11 mi se of Morehead (rr) Sta., 1 mi nw of Wagner Fork Creek and 2 mi nw of Craney Creek. On 5/31/1949, R.T. Dailey, P.O. Inspector, pet. for a site ch. 1.6 mi se to a pt 50 yds w of Wagners Creek, 0.2 mi n of Craney Creek, 7.8 mi sw of Elliottv. po. (SLR);
HAMM (Rowan Co.) P.O. est. 6/21/1928, Rushie Martt. (NA). The Hamms were an old family in R. Co. Still around. Lived on Island Fk., Blue Fk. of N. Triplett. (Lloyd Dean, interview, 10/3/1977);
HAYS CROSSING and GATES (Rowan County, Ky): Acc. to the 1860 and 1880 Censuses, Wesley Hays is the correct spelling of this name; Acc. to the 1880 Census, near Wesley Hays lived Augustus Gates (45), a Virginia-born farmer. Living next door to him was Geo. W. Gates (20) a farmer. No J(essa) Stout is listed in the co. Two Shoemate (sic) families lived in the gen'l. area (Prec. #1, Morehead). Living next door to one of the Shoemates (50) (first name illegible) was James Eden (50), also a farmer. On the other side of Shoemate lived Wm. Eaton (36), another farmer;
HAYS-CROSSING (Rowan Co.): After the Eadstons PO burned in 1949, this name was replaced by the Hays Crossing name to identify that community. H.C. focuses on the jct. of the rr and the rd. to Haldeman (not US60.) (Lloyd Dean, interview, 10/3/1977); Acc. to 1860 Census, Wesley Hays (22), a farmer, lived with his wife Frances (25) and son John H. (3); No Eadstons were listed in the 1880s Census; Hays Crossing was named for John Wesley Hays who came to this area from Letcher Co. ca. 1860 and bought land between Buffalo and Gates from the Richards family. The C&O sta's at Gates, Hays Xing, and Haldeman. Till 1880 H. Xing was called Highland Point. Then named for the local family. (Lloyd Dean). RR. arr. ca. 1888. A sch. at
Hays Crossing. PO was Eadston. A sawmill at Gates Sta (Ibid.); The Richards family was the first known family in the vic. The Hays family arr. ca. 1860. The Hays Family cem. is on the hill. The rr arr. in 1888. The comm. was first called Highland Point. Then Eadston for the local po. Pop. (1973)=ca. 75. John Wesley Hays was the prog. of this family. Hays Crossing was called Highland Point until ca. 1880 and "was a switch point for C&O rr freight trains as well as a reg'l. stop." Commu. was renamed for the Hays....(Lloy Dean ms. material on this commu. in the MSU Spec. Coll'n.).
HAYS CROSSING (Rowan Co., Ky): "This hamlet centered at the jct. of US 60 and KY 174, 4 (air) mi NE of M'd, was named for the families of the bros. Andrew and Orthan-veal Hays who had settled in that vic. by 1878. The local po, in operation from 1882 to 1949, was called Eadston for reasons unknown. A 1935 topo. map locates the commu. of Hayes (sic) on the present KY 174, 1/2 mi. W of the C&O RR sta. and stringtown commu. of Gates, w of the jct., and places the Eadston po in the vic. of Eadston for reasons unknown. The derivation of Gates is also unknown." (Book-P. 134);
HILDA (Rowan Co., Ky): Acc. to Mattie M. Howard, 5/1: 1897, the name proposed for this new po was Nola and it would 7 mi w of the Morehead po, on the e bank of Brushy. In Feb. 1932, Taylor McRoberts pet. for a site ch. 1 air mi n to a pt. 3½ mi se of Smile po (sic) 7½ mi from M'd, 6 mi e of Sharkey po, 2 mi s of the co line. On 10/20/1933, Mrs. Alice Johnson pet. for a site ch. 2.4 mi nw to a pt. 300 ft s of Brushy (Fk.), 4 mi w of Smile po, 4 1/8 mi s of Nisi po, 1½ mi se of the co. line, 6 mi e of Sharkey po. On 10/29/1938, Elmer Black pet. for a site ch. ½ mi to a pt 2½ air mi from the F. Co. line, 7 mi nw of M'd. po, 2 mi w of Smile po, 3 mi e of Sharkey po, 300 yds ne of Little Brushy Creek. Acc. Elmer G. Black, 7/26/39, it was 1½ air mi & 1 3/4 rd mi from co. line, on Ky 32, 500 ft ne of Little Brushy, 2½ mi sw of Smile po.
HILDA (Rowan Co., Ky): "This hamlet with epo lies at the jct. of Ky 32 and the Bull Fork Rd., 3 1/2 mi nw of M'd. Its po was est. on 6/30/1897, in the home of the local mail carrier James Thompson. The name of his daughter Alice was at first suggested for the po, but she preferred Hilda for a character in a book she was then reading and this name was submitted instead. The po closed in 1943." (Book-P. 140);
HILDA (Rowan Co.): (Pron. "H(ih)l/dee or H(ih)l/d(uh)" (Ora Cline, 10/3/1977); Disc eff. 6/30/1993; Acc.to 1880 Census, James Thompson (30), a farmer, lived with his wife Queen (25) and their daughter Alice (4) and son Harvey in the Brushy Fork Prec. #6;
HILDA (Rowan Co.): P.O. est. 6/30/1897, Mattie M. Howard.... (NA) The p.o. was started in the home of James Thompson who had been carrying the mail betw. M'd. and Plummers Landing, a 2 day trip. His home was about midway betw. the two, and would keep the mail overnight in his home. "My mother, Alice, the only daughter of James Thompson, helped him sort the mail at night, so the men suggested naming the post office Alice for mother, but she said no. Then they listed her middle name, Florence, and Hilda, the one mother asked for due to the fact she was reading (sic) a book about a girl, Hilda. The name
Hilda was selected. Mother was postmaster until she married and then my uncle, John Ed Johnson built a general store close and became postmaster." She married a Johnson.

(Letters from Iva J. Manning to me, 6/5/69 and 9/1/1969). The 2nd pm was John E. Johnson, 4/19/1899- (NA)
IBY (Rowan Co., Ky): po est. 10/5/1892, John Kelly; Disc. 6/21/1895 (no papers sent) (POR-NA);
KNOWLESBURG (Morgan Co.): Inc. 3/18/1871 (ACI 1871, Vol. 2, P. 161); Probably named for Knowles, Brough & Co., a local firm. (Clift, KY. VII, P. 26); Settlement at the mouth of Elk Fl Creek (of Lick. R.) Inc. town. Founded by a Mr. Knowles and may have had the county's 1st "timber operations." Geishman's sawmill. Extinct. No sign of it now. (Helen Price Stacy, "Knowlesburg--Settlement of Mystery" in Stacy-Nickell, P. 149); Acc. to 1870 Census, Harrison Knowles was the 45 yr. old Maine-born super. of a lumber co. His 44 yr. old wife Ruth was also born in Maine. Living with them were their 20 yr. old son Geo. H., a store clerk, also ne: Maine. They lived in the Blairs Mill Prec. #6 next to Chiles Whitcomb,
a 45 yr. old sawmill operator who was also born in Maine, with his Maine-born wife Hannah (40) and the children, ages 1, 4, & 6, all born in Maine. Living with the Knowles family was Christopher Hagemeyer, 21, ne Ohio;
LEE BR. OF CHRISTY CREEK (Rowan Co., Ky): (F28)
Named for Frank Lee, 19th cent. resident, (acc. to Mary Jo Stafford, resident, 12/20/1990);
LICKING (Fleming Co., Ky): po est. as Rice's Cross Roads in Bath County...ch. to Licking in Fleming Co. on 4/2/1840, Robert M. Elliott; 8/16/1842, John G. McGlasson; Disc. 4/28/1843; Re-est. 12/10/1844, Washington McIntire; Disc. 8/23/1845 (POR-NA); ["reys, as/krâhs/rohdz"] Rices lived in the area that came up to Pecks Ridge. Early Rices also lived west of Sherburne. (Martha Royse, 9/26/1977); Acc. to a pre-1800 depos., two men named Rice had cabins on the Licking R. (Royse) Rice's Cross Roads est. in Bath Co. 12/29/32 with Rezir R. Rice. Then Robt. M. Elliott on 1/16/34. Then Rice again on 9/21/36. Then Elijah Bailey on 7/5/38. N.ch. to Licking in F. Co. 2/6/39 with Thos. Montgomery. Then another Rice's Cross Roads est. in B.Co. in 8/40
No Washington McIntire or John G. McGlasson are listed in the Fleming Co. 1850 Census;
LONGWAY (Rowan Co., Ky): po est. 7/20/1916, Wm. Wagone 7/16/1917, Russell Jones; Disc. 9/29/1917 (mail to Side way (POR-NA); Acc. to Wm. Wagoner, 4/11/1916, the name proposed for this new po was Jones and it would be serving the Sand Gap commu., 3½ mi s of Sideway po, 4 mi ne of Clayton po, 3½ mi nw of Ordinary po, ca. 1 mi from th Elliott Co. line. Accord. to Ibid., 7/2/1917, the po was 3/4 mi s of Big Caney Creek, 3 mi sw of Sideway po, 4 mi w of Ordinary po, ½ mi nw of co. line. (SLR);
MILLERS VILLAGE (Rowan Co.): Named for the late Martt Miller who had built 8 houses and a garage on the s. side of the US60, w. of the bridge just after one goes thru Gates. (Lloyd Dean, interview, 10/3/1977);
MINOR (Rowan Co., Ky): po est. 5/15/1890, Wm. R. Wells; 11/28/1905, Green Wilson...Disc. 1941 (POR-NA); Acc. to Wm. R. Wells, 3/4/1889, this prop. po would be 5 mi s of Elliottv. po, 6 mi n of The Ridge po, 5 mi w of Fraley po, 5 mi s of Christy Creek. Not a vil. On 11/15/1905, Green Wilson pet. for a site ch. ¼ mi s to a·pt. 2 mi n of Wyett po, 4 mi s of Elliottv. po, 1½ mi e of Wagner po, ½ mi e of Minor Creek. Acc. to Ibid. 6/28/1917, this po was ½ mi e of Minor Creek, 4½ mi s of Elliottv. po, 1½ mi e of Wagner po, 1 mi e of the c line. (SLR); No Minors listed in the 1860 Census; Acc. to 1880 Census, Eliz. Minor (49), apparently a widow, lived with her sons Rilley (21) & Thos. C. (15), etc. in the M'd. area next to Delaney Bolling (55), a farm-
er, with wife Matilda (56). Nearby were John Pelfrey (ne 1854), a farmer, with wife Martha E. (nee 1851) and their son Willis T. (1871-1934); The creek was so identified in land records and surveys by the late 1830s; Given as Miners Creek on some maps; Coal deposits 12 inches thick were found on Miners Fork (sic) and were mined. (Collins II, Pp. 692-93); Acc. to 1896 Gaz., this place had a pop. of 50; No Minor families were living in Law. or Morg. Co's. in the 1830 and 1840 Censuses;
MIZPAH (Rowan Co., Ky): po est. 8/5/1897, Wm. Patton; 5/15/1900, Henry R. Johnson; 6/21/1900, Rebecca J. Harris; Disc. eff. 6/30/1905 (mail to Elliottville) (POR-NA); Acc. to Wm. Patton, 6/26/1897, this prop. pc would be 3 mi nw of Elliottv. po, 3 3/4 mi sw of Brinegar po, 1 mi n of Christy Creek. On 8/25/1900, Rebecca J. Harris pet. for a site ch. 1/4 mi n to a pt. 1 mi n of Christy Creek, 3 mi n of Elliottv. po, 1/2 air mi from the co. line. (SLR); Mizpah is Hebrew for watchtower and referred to several localities identified in the O.T. In Gen. 32:49 "The Lord watches betw. me and thee." (Stewart AM. P.N. 1970, P. 300);
MOORES VILLAGE (Rowan Co.): ("M(aw)rz") e. of M'd. by the weigh scales on US60. Now called by this name. Named for Millard Moore, local businessman (had a filling sta.) c.1930's & 40's. Deceased. He lived right there. The community now: closed fill. sta., at one time 7 homes. People started calling it Moores Vil. It's 1 mi. e. of Rodburn. No po. (Lloyd Dean, 10/3/1977);
MOREHEAD (Rowan Co.): John Hargis was pm when Rowan Co. was est. and Morehead became its seat and assumed this name: 7/22/1856 to 9/8/1857 when James H. Hargis became pm. (NA) Though authorized as a co. seat by the same leg. act that created the county in 1856, it wasn't incorp. until 1869. pop. then = 150. (ROWAN CO. NEWS, Cent. Ed., 5/10/1956, P. 48: 1-3); (Pron. "M(aw)r/h(eh)d") (Lloyd Dean, et 10/3/1977); In the 1840s, there were one or two houses at the site. Two old cemeteries in Md. vic. pre-date the est. of the county. One was by the Univ. Greenhouse (that may have been est. in the 1830s). (Ibid. and Stuart Sprague, 10/3/1977);
MOREHEAD (Rowan Co.): Triplett=the main part of M'd. c.1860s which was down by the rr tracks. Some of the earliest settlers= Hargis (the oldest cem. in M'd. is the Hargis Cem). (Lloyd Dean, interview, 10/3/1977); Inc. 1/26/1869 (ACTS, 1869, Vol. 1, P. 174); Named for Jas. Turner Morehead, lt. gov. of Ky. 1832 till the death of Gov. Breathitt in Feb. 1834 when he became gov. till 1836. US Sen. 1841-7. Died 12/1854. (Bio. Dir. of Am. Cong; 1990 Pop. = ca. 8400; Col. John Hargis was 1st pm & storekeeper His store, inn, po, & saloon were in a bldg. then known as the Gault House, next to the C.H. He was one of the town's 1st 4 trustees. (M'd. Indep. 10/1934, The Hist'l. & Prog. Ed'n.);
MOREHEAD (Rowan Co.): Est. in Fleming Co. as Triplett on or before 11/8/1828; Henry L. Powers.... Changed to Morehead (C.H.) when R.Co was est.... Disc. 6/20/1873; Re-est. 7/22/1873
Harrison G. Burns.... (NA) Aro

Named for James T. Morehead, gov. of Ky. Prop. were Mrs. A. Oxley of the w. section and Ben Evans, the e. section. Mrs. Oxley gave 1 acre for courthouse. John Hargis was 1st pm. and his p.o. was in the inn, store, and saloon he owned at the site of the Cozy Bldg. The 1st rr was built 1881 to ship lumber. Forerunner of the C&O. (Mrs. Martha Estill, "Hist. of M. and R. Co." WITHIN THIS VALLEY: Cent. publication)

Morehead was the co's. 3rd settlement. Grew up around Jake Wilson's sawmill. (Ky. Ency., 1992, Pp. 783-4); Richard Hawkins in 1865 deeded 1 acre for the new c.h. (Ed Sargent, "White Settlers First Visited Rowan Co. in Year 1773" M'd. Indep. Oct. 1934)
MOREHEAD (Rowan Co., Ky): "This 4th cl. city and seat of Rowan Co. is on US 60 and Ky 32, just s of I-64 and 116 (air) mi e of downtown Lou. The po was est. as Triplett on 4/1/1817, with Jacob Powers, pm, and changed to Morehead Court House when Rowan Co. was est in 1856 and Morehead became its seat. The town and seat, inc. in 1869, were named for James T. Morehead, Ky's. gov. from 1834 to 1836. The name Triplett is retained in that of the local creek, a branch of the Licking River." (Book-P. 202);
MUNSON (Rowan Co., Ky): Acc. to 1880 Census, Fendly S. Muse (sic), 14 yr. old son Lemira Muse (48), probably a widow, lived next door to John Waltz (43) and his wife Lucy F. and their children, incl. Dawson (8), Geo. W. (12), Ephriam H. (10), Marcus H. (6), etc. and nr. Robert Waltz (31). In the Pine Grove Prec. #5);
MUNSON (Rowan Co., Ky): po est. 2/25/1888, Fantly R. Muse; 12/26/1889, Hiram D. Lyttleton (sic)... 7/1/1912, Rosa E. Mullen; Disc. 11/30/1914 (mail to Cranston) (POR-NA); Acc. to F.R. Muse, 12/15/1887, the names proposed for this new po were Auburn and Arlington and it would be 4 mi sw of Pine Springs po, 6 mi nw of Eads ton po, ¼ mi w of Clear Fork of Triplett Creek. Not a vil. (SLR); No Munsons are listed in the 1880 Census; Nor in the 1860 Census;
NEWWAY (sic) (Rowan Co., Ky): po est. 8/22/1919, Henry C. Caudill; Disc. eff. 12/31/1925 (mail to Waltz) (POR-NA); Acc. to Henry C. Caudill, 4/2/1919, the name proposed for this new po was Munson and it would be 60 yds e of Clear Fk. of N. Fork of Triplett Creek, 3 r nw of Cranston po, 4 mi sw of Waltz po, 3 mi from the co. line. Not a vil. (SLR);
PARAGON (Rowan Co., Ky): po est. in Rowan Co. (...) into Morgan Co. on or by 11/17/1884, Wm. C. Brown; 8/28/1895, Samuel C. Brown... 7/26/1908, Silas E. Clay (to Rowan Co.); Acc. to 1880 Census, David Myers (50), a merchant in Pearce's Prec., lived nr. John H. Day (53), a farmer. Both were born in Ky; In an article in the Ashland (Ky) Weekley Indep., 12/8/1881, about a trip to W.Lib., reference was made to Pop Hill nr Bangor. When asked the traveler was told it wasn't known. Reference was also made to a place called Phillips on the N. Fk. of Lick. R. nr. the mouth of Yorkum (Yocum?) Creek, 5-6 mi long, on the rd. to W.L. (perhaps he meant Phillips' home); Acc. to 1880 Census Wm. Phillips (30), a farmer, lived with wife Mary (33), next to Hiram W. Phillips (62) & John H. Phillips (25) in Prec. #2 Licking City;
PARAGON (Rowan Co., Ky): Acc. to David Myers, 7/20/1882, the prop. name for this new po was Martin and it would be 8 mi se of Morehead po, 5 mi ne of Cogswell po, 4 mi n of Licking R., ¼ mi n of the N. Fk. of the Licking R. Acc. to J.M. Phillips, 12/30/1908, this po was 300 yds w of the Lick. R. and on the w side of its N. Fk., 5 mi e of Bangor po. Acc. to John M. Phillips, 1/18/1909, the po was 5 mi n of the Lick. R. and ¼ mi n of its N. Fk., 4 mi e of Bangor po, 132 ft. from the M&NF RR, 300 yds from the co. line. Acc. to Eliza W. Ellington, 7/24/1939, this po was 150 yds nw of the N. Fk. and ¼ mi s of Lower Lick Fork. (SLR);
PARAGON (Rowan Co.)
P.O. est. 4/14/1882, David Myers...In Morgan Co. betw. c. 1884 and 1908... (NA); (Pron. "P(ae)r/ə/ghən") (Ora Cline, 10/3/1977); discontinued.
PEKIN (Rowan Co., Ky): po est. 5/27/1891, John G. Evans 3/17/1892, Annie Plank; Disc. 7/15/1892 (POR-NA); Acc. to John G. Evans, 5/1/1891, the proposed name for this new po was Dallas and it would be 3½ mi e of Pine Springs po, 4½ mi w of Triplett po, 100 yds w of the N. Fk. of Triplett Creek. (SLR);
PELFREY (Rowan Co., Ky): Three Pelfrey families are listed in the 1860 Rowan Co. Census. Each family head was in his late 20s; Acc. to Jillson II (P. 1587), John Pelfrey acquired 113 acres on Elk Fork (in Morg. Co. that were surveyed on 10/26/1839. (Book 5, P. 96). But no Pelfrey land acquisitions are listed for Rowan Co. (after 1856);
PELFREY (Rowan Co., Ky): po in operation betw. 1932 and 1951 (P&G); Acc. to Mrs. Mary Terrell, 2/23/1931, the prop. name for this new po was Upper Lick and it would be 150 ft w of Upper Lick Fork, 7 mi e of the Licking R., 5 mi sw of Crix po, 3 mi from the co. line. Acc. to Asa Terrell, 3/7/1936, the po was 5 mi w of Craney po. Acc. to Columbus Terrell, 7/25/1939, the po was 60 ft sw of Lick Fork, 3 mi nw of N. Fk. of Lick. R., 4 mi nw of Craney po, 6 mi se of ? (SLR); Louisa Pelfrey (1861-1907) was buried in the pre Cave Run Lake Hargis Cem; John Pelfrey, a farmer, ne 1854, lived with his wife Martha E. (nee 1851) and their son Willis T. (1871-1934) in the M'd. area nr Delaney Bolling of Queen City in 1880 (acc. to that Census);
PINE SPRINGS (Rowan Co., Ky): considered by Collins II as a town, on the East Fk. of Triplett Creek, 9 mi ne of Morehead, with a store, shingle factory, shop, 2 churches, and an MD; Acc. to 1879/80 Gaz, the plac had a pop. of 50. M.F. Vest was pm. Caudill's flour mill. E. Sadler's gen. store; Acc. to 1883/4 Gaz., it had a pop. of 150. D.G. Ham was pm and gen. storekeeper. Another gen. store, 3 flour mills, other busi-nesses;
PINE SPRINGS (Rowan Co., Ky): po est. 6/29/1869, L.B. Heflin; 11/28/1876, Fielding B. Ham (sic)....11/11/1892 Daniel W. Clark; ch. to Pinesprings 2/28/1895, Wyman Blanton; 4/20/1895, James Henderson; Disc. 9/4/1895 (mail to Munson) (POR-NA); Acc. to L.B. Heflin, 6/24/1876, this po was serving commu. locally known as Pine Grove and was 10 mi ne of Morehead po. (SLR); Acc. to the 1876/7 Gaz., this was a small settlement on the E. Fk. of Triplett Creek in the n. part of the co., 10 mi from M'd. Had a saw & grist mill. The vil. was aka Pine Grove. Pop. 25. L.B. Heflin was pm and gen. store keeper. Caudill's grist mill; This po was nr Island Fk. of Triplett (ca. 1881);
POPPING HILL (Rowan Co., Ky): p.o. est. 4/3/1879, Wm. W. Phillips; Disc. 7/20/1880 (NA); Acc. to W.W. Phillips, 4/16/1869, the po of Cassity's Mills was 2 mi e of the Licking R., on the ne side of the N. Fk., 15 mi nw of the W. Lib. po, 5 mi ne of Bangor po, 11 mi s of Morehead po;! Acc. to Ibid., 3/22/1879, the Popping Hill po at Cassity's Mills in Morgan Co., was 5 mi e of Bangor po, 5 mi w of Yocum po, 10 mi s of Morehead po, 1½ mi n of the river, 200 yds n of the N. Fk. (SLR); No Popping Hill or Paragon listed in the 1879/80 Gaz; Acc. to 1883/4 Gaz., it was only a po called Paragon; Acc. to 1896 Gaz, Paragon (M.Co.) with S.C. Brown pm. W.C. Brown had saw & flour mill. W.D. Lewis had saw & flour mil J.D. Phipps gen. store. Other businesses;
POPPIN ROCK TUNNEL (Morgan Co., Ky): Acc. to Howard Perry of Craney, Ky. it "was named because the rock popped when the 725-foot tunnel was being cut... (it) was cut through solid rock by manpower and horse power."


F30s Rowan Co. Bangor Quad. 1953, 1979. Just n. of the N. Fk. Licking (Cave Run Lake) and e. of Lower Lick Fk. of N. Fk. c. 500 ft. e. of Ky. 519 nr. Paragon, Ky.
QUEEN CITY (ROWAN CO., KY): PO EST. 4/11/1878, Delane Bolling; 11/15/1882, Wm. Fowles; Disc. 5/28/1884, (papers to Morehead) (POR-NA); Acc. to Delaney Bowling, 4/1/1878, this prop. po would be 3 3/4 mi w of Morehead po, on the e side of the N. Fk. of Triple Creek. (SLR); Acc. to 1880 Census, Delaney Bolling (55) and his wife Matilda (56) lived next to Eliz. Minor and nr. John Pelfrey in the Morehead area; No families named Queen are mentioned in the 1880 Census. Acc. to 1879/80 Gaz., this was only a po; Acc. to 1883/4 Gaz., this was a small settlement with po 4 m. from M'd. Rob't. Nickell ran local saw & grist mill;

Acc. to John H. Ramey, 9/10/1901, this prop. po would be 3 mi e of Colfax po, 4 mi n of Moore's Ferry po, 4½ mi n of Farmers po, ¼ mi n of the Lick. R. and on the e bank of Three Lick Creek.

Colfax

Ramey

Moore's Ferry

Farmers
In Aug. 1903, Hattie A. Marrett pet. for a site ch. 1 1/2 mi w to a pt. 4 1/2 mi nw of Farmers po, 5 mi ne of Salt Lick po, 3 mi ne of Moores Ferry po. In Nov. 1909, Charles W. Clay pet. for a site ch. 1 3/8 mi ne to a pt. 6 mi nw of Farmers po, 3 mi ne of Moores Ferry po, 1 mi e of the Licking R. Not a vil. (SLR); Several Ramey families are listed in the 1860 Census; J.H. Ramey, in the summer of 1902, opened a store in the Farmers area; Acc. to the 1880 Census, in the Licking City Prec. lived Jas. M. Brain, a 70 yr. old farmer & his wife Nancy (67). Nr. them lived Alvin Ramey (ne 1837), a farmer, and his wife Rachel (nee 1840); Also in 1880 Rameys lived nr Fielding Alfrey, etal. in Pearce's Prec. #3. e.g. Thos. Ramey (ne 1815) Harrison Ramey (ne 1815);
RAMEY (Rowan Co., Ky): J.A. Ramey (1848-1935) was buried in the McKenzie Cem. and Richard Ramey (1860-1939) was buried in the Ramey Cem. These were in the path of Cave Run Lake and were transferred; Wm. Ramey was elected sheriff in 1886. (M'd. Indep. 10/1934, "The Hist'l. & Prog. Edit."
ROCKVILLE (Rowan Co., Ky.)
On US60 and the C&O RR, 4 mi. w. of M'd. and 1 mi. e. of Bluestone. Farming commu. Also the quarrying of Rowan Co. free stone and its name is derived from this abundant resource. (WPA-Bessie M. Birchfield) Midway betw. Morehead & Farmers. a rr stop. Lumber for ties, staves, etc. and stone quarries. (ROWAN CO. NEWS, Cent Edit., 5/10/1956, P. 38:6); Rockville was on the road to Bluestone. Up the hill to Blue were the rock quarries; they can still be seen e. of the bridge. R'ville was on the e. side of the bridge betw. US60 & the rr tracks. (Lloyd Dean, interview, 10/3/1977);
RODBURN (Rowan Co.): 2 mi. e. of Morehead. Another important lumber mill town. One mill employed 500 men. (ROWAN CO. NEWS, Centen. Edit. 5/10/1956, P. 38:7-8). Ixon-Rodburn Lumber Co. came to Rodburn from NY 1873 or '4. Built million dollar sawmill, bandsaw upstairs and circle saw downstairs. Virgin timber. Co. built homes for workers on both sides of road. Store, p.o., school, depot for rr betw. sawmill and New Hope (which was nr. Cranston). Modern homes. With depletion of timber. the co. sold out to another NY firm. Many fires, deliberately set, destroyed many of the bldgs. (Ibid., P. 75:3-4)
RODBURN (Rowan Co.): cf Mr. Curt Dillon who owns nearly all of Rodburn and lives in the 1st house past Dan'l. Boone Motel, on the left. 2 story white frame house. (Lloyd Dees interview, 10/3/1977); Ixon Rodburn Lumber Co. of NY built million dollar sawmill here c.1873. The firm built homes for workers on both sides of the road. School, stores, p.o., blacksmith shop, lodge, depot. With depletion of timber, Ixon Rodburn sold out to another NY firm. Several disastrous fires. (Rowan Co. NEWS, Cent. Ed. 5/10/1956, P. 75:3-4); destroyed mill & a no. of other buildings. irgend
RODBURN (Rowan Co.): agri. and lumbering vill. 2 mi. e. of M'd. at jct. of US60 & Rt. 32. On the C&O RR. Founded and named for the Hickman Rodburn Co. in 1885. (Bessie M. Birchfield, WPA) P.O. est. as Rodbourn, 7/3/1888, Amos S. Hixson.... Disc. eff. 1/31/1922 (mail to Eads-тон). (NA)

"The old Iron-Rodburn Co. from N.Y. built a million dollar sawmill at Rodburn in 1873."
(Mrs. Martha Estill, "Hist. of M. and R. Co." WITHIN THIS VALLEY: Cent. publication)

No Hixsons are listed in the 1880 Census;
RODBURN (Rowan Co.): Hixson Rodburn Lumber Co. owned by men from NY State. Destroyed by fire c. 1896. (Ms. Hist. of ROWAN CO. by J.H. Powers, n.d., MSU Ky. & App. Coll., examined by me, 2/1980); "Several homes and businesses now occupy the site of an old sawmill town centered at the jct. of US 60 and Ky 32 at the ne fringe of M'd. The mill and town were est. in 1873-74 by the NY State-based Hixson-Rodburn Lumber Co. to process timber shipped from the vic. of Cranston. The po est. there as Rodbourn on 7/3/1888 with Amox Hixson, pm, closed in 1922." (Book-P. 255);
RODBOURN (Rowan Co., Ky): Acc. to Amos S. Hixson, 6/12/1888, this prop. po would be 2 mi e of Morehead po, ca. 4 mi w of Eadston po, 1/16 mi n of Triplett Creek, 300 ft n of C&O RR (a flag sta.), not a vil. The sta=Martins Switch. (SLR); Rodburn Hollow is just n of US 60, a narrow valley, part of the Dan'l. Boone Nat'l. Forest with campsites, shelters, hiking trails; Hixon-Rodburn (sic) Lumber Co. began operation Aug. 1895 at Rodburn, 1 mi e of Morehead. (10/1934 M'd. Indep. hist. ed.); Acc. to 1896 Gaz.; Rodbourn (sic) was 2 mi from M'd. H.G. Vincell was pm & lumber dealer. J.M. Duvall had gen. store. J.T. Reynolds had sawmill. Wm. Bailey was in ties, posts, & poles. T.B. Tippert & Co. was in tannery;
SMILE (Rowan Co., Ky): Acc. to Mrs. Lyda J. Caudill, 7/14/1913, this would be serving a commu. aka Caudills Store in the Brushy Prec., and would be 75 yds e of Brushy, 2 mi n of Hilda po, 3½ mi s of Nisi po, 5 mi w of Cranston po, 1½ mi from the co. line. On 2/26/1947, Julia Mae McGuire, act. pm, pet. for a site ch. ½ mi s l On 4/7/1947, Ibid. pet. for a site ch. to a pt. 1 rd mi from the co. line. l On 1/2/1948, Beatrice Lewis pet. for a site ch. 1 mi s to a pt. 2.6 air mi w of Triplett Creek, 8 mi n of Morehead po, 10 mi w of Cranston po, 1.4 air and 3.5 rd mi from the co. line. (SLR
SMILE (Rowan County, Ky.) (F153c)

"When this small Kentucky town petitioned for a post office and learned that it had been granted, everyone smiled. No longer would they have to travel six to eight miles to pick up their mail. It was no wonder that they decided to call their new post office Smile." (Quimby, SCRATCH ANKLE, P. 310, from local postmaster); (Pron. "Sm(ah)l ⇒ Sm(eye)l" (Ora Cline, et al, 10/3/1977);
Smile (Rowan County)—When it was learned their petition for a post office had been granted, smile is what the residents of the area did since they no longer would have to walk eight miles for their mail.

Any others you're curious about?

Caudill, Lyd. J., 8/29/75

P.O. est. 9/12/1913, Lydia J. Caudill...

"This recently disc. po on KY 785 & Big Brushy Creek, a branch of the N Fk. of Triplett Creek, 5 (air) mi. nw of M'd., was est. on 9/12/1913 with Lydia J. Caudill, pm. Acc. to trad., local residents smiled when they heard that their application for a po had been approved." (Book-... (NA). Dir. 1975, pp. 273-74).
THREE FORKS BRANCH OF WARIX RUN (Rowan Co., Ky): (F30s) Heads at 38°04′12″N, 83°26′03″W and extends n for 0.9 mi. to join Sugar Camp Br. to form Warix Run 2.5 mi. n of Bangor at 38°04′51″N, 83°26′19″W. Warix Run heads at the jct. of Sugar Camp & Three Forks Br's. and extends ½ mi. to Cave Run Lake 2.9 mi. n of Bangor.... (BGN Docket 205 for 1/13/76 mtg. Both approved acc. to Dec. List 7602)

Was this named for its being one of the 3 forks of warix? The other fork is middle fork.
THREE LICK BRANCH OF LICKING RIVER (nw Rowan Co., Ky): Also Three Lick School, Neighborhood, and Church. The stream is 3½ miles long, and extends sw to the river across from Bath Co. Assume it was aptly named since there have been many licks in the area.
TRIPLETT (Rowan Co., Ky): Wm. Triplett was Morgan Co's 1st Commonwealth Atty. in 1823. (Joe Nickell in Ky. Ency.); Could pion. Wm. Triplett have been the source of Triplett Creek? Acc. to 1883/4 Gaz., this was a rural p.o. serving a com. of 85 persons. F.B. Ham was pm. John Evans and C.L. White had gen. stores. And there were steam-powered flour and saw mills.
TRIPLET (Rowan Co., Ky): po est. 2/24/1880, Fielding B. Ham; 7/5/1892, John W. Shumate...Disc. 1941 (POR-NA Acc. to Fielding B. Ham, 1/28/1880, the name proposed for this new po was Holley and it would be 5 mi e of Pine Springs po, 9 mi n of Morehead po, 4 mi e of Triplet Creek. Not a vil. On 7/23/1892, J.W. Shumate pet. for a site ch. 1½ mi s, eff. 7/15/1892. Serving commu. locally known as Locust Grove, 1 mi w of E. Fk. of Triplet Creek, 3½ mi n of Eadston po, 5 mi se of Pine Springs po, 3½ mi w of Soldier po, 3½ mi s of Gates Sta. Acc. to J.T. Evans 3/9/1919, it was 4 mi of Cranston. On 6/7/1926, Ethel Tolliver pet. for a site ch. 1 mi e to a pt 1 mi e of Triplet Creek, 1 mi s of Holly Creek, a less less than 4 mi e of Cranston
po, nearly 5 mi nw of Eadston po, 4 mi s of Fitch po.

On 5/17/1928, Ibid. pet. for a site ch. 1 mi nw to a pt. 30 yds w of Triplet Creek, 50 yds w of Holley Creek, 3 mi ne of Cranston po, 5 mi w of Eadston po, 4 mi w of Fitch po, ca. 3 mi from the co. line. Reason: former bldg. burned down.

On 10/3/1928, Ibid. pet. for a site 1 mi se.

On 3/8/1933, Ibid. pet. for a site ch. 1 mi w.

On 9/28/1933, Ibid. pet. for a site ch. 1 mi e. Rent too high and to accommodate more people.

Acc. to Ibid., 7/26/1939, the po was 25 yds. sw of Holly Fk., 4 mi e of Cranston po. (SLR);
VALE (Rowan Co., Ky): po est. 1/29/1903, George W. Bruce; 5/9/1911, Jesse Adams...Disc. 1941 (POR-NA);
Acc. to Geo. W. Bruce, Nov. 1902, the prop. name for this new po was Needmore and it would serve a commu.
of that name, 2½ mi sw of Mizpah po, 2¼ mi w of Elliottv. po, 2½ mi e of Christy po, on the ne side
of Christy Creek. In March 1913, Sam'l. J. Porter pet. for a site ch. ¼ mi e to a pt. 8 mi e of Morehea
po, 2½ mi w of Elliottv. po, 2½ mi e of Christy po, 40 yds s of Christy Creek. Acc. to Eliza A. Porter,
7/25/1939, this po was on the state highway, 75-80 ft s of the creek. (SLR);
WAGNERS STORE (Rowan Co.): Christine Trent and her husband run the Trent Groc. at the jct. of Ky. 32 and 173 or Wagners Store... They used to call this jct. Waggoners Corner. They still call it that, named for Uncle Bill Waggoner. Some people spell it this way and some with one "g". The Waggoner have been dead for years. Bill was there in the 1920s or '30s. The ops. of the 2 Trent stores there, incl. the one that recently burned down, were cousins. Bill ran the one that burned. DK if it was called anything else before Bill came. (Bert White, interview, 7/28/1978);
WAGNER (Rowan Co.)

P.O. est. 4/2/1894, Samuel B. Caudill... (NA)
Wagner's Store (Pron. "W(ae)gh/nerz St(aw)r")
cf Lewis Fraley for that area. (Ora Cline, eta 10/3/1977); Wagner po was 1 mi. w of Minor Cr. (c.1911), 12 mi. from M'd. and 4 miles e of Crix PO. (Geo. W. Fults, pm, Wagner, Ky. in a location form to 4th Asst. PM Gen. 2/18/1911);
When the office was est. in 1894 the nearest po was Minor, (½ miles e. while M'd. was the nearest po, 10 mi. w. and Elliottsville (sic) 6 rd. mi. n. and Wagner po = 1 mi. w. of Craney Cr. (acc. to application for po submitted by Sam'l B. Caudill, dated 3/12/1894);
WAGNER (Rowan Co., Ky): Acc. to Samuel B. Caudill, 3/12/1894, the prop. name for this new po was Craney and it would be on the e side of Craney Creek, 4½ mi w of Minor po, 10 mi e of Morehead po, 6 mi s of Elliott ville po. Acc. to Geo. W. Fultz, 2/18/1911, the po was 1 mi w of Minor Creek, 4 mi e of Crix po. (SLR); No mention of Wagners in the 1860 Census; Nor in the 1880 Census;
WAGNERS STORE (Rowan Co., Ky): "This jct. of Ky 32 and 173, 8 (air) mi e of M'd., though not identified on any maps, is known locally as Wagners Store or Waggoners Corner (the spellings are interchangeable), honoring Uncle Bill Waggoner, a local storekeeper in the 1920s and 30s. Acc. to a 1935 topo. map, the place may then have also been called Mt. Tabor. There never was a po at this site, but a po called Wagner, of unknown derivation, was est. in 1894 by Samuel B. Caudill on Crane Creek, some 3 mi sw. It was moved in 1911 to a site or the present Ky 1167, some 2½ mi s of Wagners Store, where it closed in 1933." (Book-P. 307);
WALTZ (Rowan Co., Ky): According to D.M. Waltz, Nov. 1906, the name proposed for this new post office was Ralstin (sic) and it would be 5 mi NW of Triplett post office, 6 mi NW of Cranston post office, 5 mi from Ryan post office. A rural office. In Dec. 1916 Felix A. Bradley petitioned for a site change ½ mi N to a point ¼ mi E of Rockfork Creek, 5½ mi NE of Triplett post office, 3 mi from the county line. According to Ibid., 7/17/1917, the post office was 20 rds E of Rockfork Creek, 5 mi W of Triplett post office, 5 mi SE of Ryan post office, 3 mi from the county line. On 1/25/1918, Rebecca Caudill petitioned for a site change ¼ mi SE. She was still postmaster in Sept. 1939. (SLR). According to the 1880 Census, Dawson Waltz (8) was living with his parents John L. Waltz (né 1837), a farmer, and Lucy F. (né 1848);
WALTZ (Rowan Co): dpo in n. part of the co. Est. 1906 and named for the family of Rich'd Waltz. Local family. (Lloyd Dean, 10/3/77);

This epo 4 mi up Rock Fork of the N. Fk. of Triplett Creek, a branch of the Lick. R., and 6½ (air) mi n of M'd., was est. on 12/26/1906 with Dawson M. Waltz, pm and probably named for the family of Richard Waltz." (Book-P. 308)
WALTZ (Rowan Co.): p.o. est. 12/26/1906, Dawson M. Waltz; 3/19/1907, Geo. W. Waltz... (NA) (Pron. "W(ah)lts" (Ora Cline, 10/3/1977); John L. Waltz and Richard Waltz on Clear Creek and (same pron.) Rock Fk., resp. c.1880s. (Lloyd Dean, interview, 10/3/1977); Acc. to 1860 Census, John Waltz (62), ne Pa., a hatter, lived with his wife Dicy (44), nee Va. near a number of Ham families incl. W.B. Ham (54) and John Ham (60); ca. 1850 Marion Waltz settled on Clear Fk. (R.Co. NEWS, 5/10/56, P. 5:8);
of Hist'c. ed. of MOREHEAD INDEPENDENT on Rowan & Elliott Co's. 10-1/1934. The 1st named settlement in the co. was CONFEDERATE CROSS ROADS, later called FARMERS' CROSS RDS. and then FARMERS.