HARLIN COUNTY, KY: Attracted thousands of outsiders to its mines in the 1920s and 30s. Very cosmo. pop. Pop. peaked at 75,275 in 1940. By 1990 it had dropped to 36,574. Lost 12.7% of its pop. in the 1980s, the highest (then) of any Ky. co. Coal slump, partly due to "bad" market and partly to the use of machines replacing workers. "Improved technology." Mine closings in the 1980s leaving a high unemployment rate with few alternative job opps. Co. hurt by over-dependence on coal. Alternative means of employment actively sought. The H. Co. Ind'l. Dev't. Auth. org. 8/1991 to seek outside co' (LHL 3/8/92, Pp. A1, A10); also seeking to "diversify its employment base." One prob. is the large amt. of co land owned by outsiders. Distance from interstates also hindered ind. dev. Little level land exc. in stream
valleys. (LCJ, 3/18/1990, Pp. Bl, B4); H. Co. was the 60th org. in Ky. 468 sq. mi. Taken from Knox Co. The co. is crossed by 4 mt ranges (Pine, Black, Little Black, & Stone). Jos. & Brice Martin were among the earliest visitors to co. 1st settlement in 1782 by the Catrons, killed by Indians. Not till the 1790s were the 1st settlements made, by Carr Bailey, Wm. Turner, Sam'l. Howard, etc. Subsistence ag. & commercial livestock prod'n. were econ. mainstays till the dev't. of timberland & coal in early 20 cent. The rr into co. 1911 "spurred dev. of coal ind." peaked in late 1920s. Pop. (1980)=ca. 42,000. Decline. Peaked again in WWII. Dev. of tourist attractions sought
Following the commitment of the Wasioto & Black Mt. RR (later acq. by the L&N) to build lines up the Cumberland R. into Harlan Co. & up its 3 head forks, several coal companies were org. and dev'd. their operations in these valleys. The first was Terry's Fk. Coal Co that, by 1915 became the Wallins Ck Coal Co., 1 mi from Wallins Sta. (W.R. Peck's paper presented to the annual mtg. of the Ky Mining Inst., Pineville, Ky. 5/14/1915, P. 11); The Rex Coal Co. began its op'n. 1913 at Kitts. Dr. P.E. Bennett was its pres, C.V. Bennett was its veep & g.m., H.H. Bennett was sec-treas, Succeeded Lynn Hol. Coal Co. which it leased in 1912. (W.C. Stump "Chevrolet, Ky," in Harlar Mt. Roots, Vol. 6 (3), Spr. 1992, P. 100);
HARLAN CO., KY:  Acc. to Long, Pp. 205-12, the co. was created from Knox Co. 4/1/1819 resulting in 710 sq. mi. It gained 50 sq. mi from Knox Co. on 2/4/20 resulting in 760 sq. mi. It lost 40 sq. mi to Knox Co. 12/2/20 resulting in 720 sq. mi. Lost 40 sq. mi to Knox Co. on 1/27/38 resulting in 680 sq. mi. Gained 30 sq. mi. from Perry Co. 1/28/41 resulting in 710 sq. mi. Lost 30 sq. mi to the creation of Letcher Co. 4/1/42 resulting in 670 sq. mi. Gained 20 sq. mi from Clay Co. 1/9/52 resulting in 690 sq. mi. Negligible losses & gains to Knox & Letcher Cos. 1856, 1864, 1865. Lost 210 sq. mi to creation of Josh Bell Co. 8/1/67 resulting in 480 sq. mi. Present boundary was fixed by 3/22/1873;
HARLAN COUNTY, KY: Stephen Farmer in 1797 moved from Clinch R, in the present Hancock Co, Tenn, to Harlan Co., settling on Martin's Fk, 5 mi from the future Harlan Town. A son, James Farmer, a surveyor, was ne 1800 and rep. the co. in the Ky. G.A. Wicks Howard was the 1st child born in what became H. Co. (Felix Gilbert Farmer, Stephen's grandson, of Manch, Ky., interv. by Dickey 5/5/1898. (Acc. to KY. EXPL. Vol. 13 (2), 6/98, Pp. 76-77);
HARLAN COUNTY, KY: The co. was Ky's leading coal producer in the early 1930s. L&N spurs went up Puckett's Ck, Poor and Clover Fks, Martin Fk, Yocum & Catrons Cks to ship coal. (A.B. Gloster, 1934, in KY EXPL. Vol. 8 (8), 2/1994, Pp. 50-1); Co. has Ky's. most rugged terr. The only level land is in the narrow stream bottoms. All settlements therein. The n sect. of co. is crossed by Pine Mt. from sw to ne. Penetrated by several gaps. Paralleled on the s border of H. Co. by Cum. Mt. The co. is drained by the Cum. R & its 3 head fks, and their many branches. (McGrain & Currens TOPO. Pp. 35-7);
HARLAN COUNTY, KY: The 1st white family to settle here was Sam'l. & Chloe (nee Osborne) Howard in 1796. Sam'l (1762-1840) was ne Buckinham Co, Va.and is bur. in the Gross Cem. at Wilhoit (later removed to the Wix Howard Cem). Wilkerson (Wix) Howard was the 1st child born in the co. in 1798. He was Sam'l. & Chloe's 1st child.

(Israel J. Howard of Manchester, Ky. in KY EXPL. Vol. 15 (5), 10/2000, Pp. 94-95); The co's.n.bound. is Pine Mt. that separates it from Leslie, Letcher, & Perry Co. In its ne sect. it's dominated by Big Black Mts. with Ky's highest ele. Several streams heading in the n pt. of the co. are part of the Ky. R. system: Wolf, Greasy Fk, & Buck Fk (?). H. Co. was also taken from Floyd;
The King Harlan (coal) Co., a subsidiary of the Detroit Edison Co. while the Black Mt. Corp. was a subsidiary of the Public Utilities (sic). (Elmon Middleton's H. Co. Hist., 1934, P. 49); The Wallins Ck. Collieries Co's mines there were the 1st in the co. opened for shipment 8/1911. The 2nd mines est. in H. Co. were on Ewings Ck, also in 1911, by the White Star Coal Co. for rail shipment on the newly arr. L&N. (Ibid., P. 48); Fordson was gone by the early 1930s. (Ibid.);
Over 25 coal camps were opened in H. Co. betw. 1912 & 1928. (Wm. D. Forester Before We Forget (H. Co. 1920 thru 1930), 1983, P. 5);
HARLAN CO., KY: Earliest surveyor-visiters to Harlan Co were a party incl. Wallins, Catron, Thranks, Trace, etc. They came along a trail from Rose Hill, Va. thru McLin Notch on the Lee Co. line. Trace Gap thru the Cumb. Mt. (Condon, P. 48); The co's. 1st families incl. the Howards, Turners, and Middletons. Then the Hensleys, Smiths, Cawoods, Kelly, Sargents, Cornetts, Creeches, Joneses, Wynns, Saylors, etc. (before 1850). (Elmon Middleton, Harlan Co., Ky. pub. by Jas. Taylor Adams of Big Laurel, Va., 1934, P. 15);
HARLAN COUNTY, KY: Pion. fam's. incl: Ledford, Smith, Brock, Middleton, Cornett, Jones, Cawood, Shackelford, Creech; the 1st H. Co. settlers: Sam'l. Howard, Abner & John Lewis, John Dickson, Lee, Creech. Living on Poor Fk. were families of Lewis, Dickson, Gilliam, Creech, & Coldiron. Then came the Polleys, Days, & Halls; Pion families incl. Jesse Brock on Wallins Ck; Berry Caywood (sic) a Rev. War vet. settled early in H. Co; Wm. Turner, another H. Co. pion. (who died at age of 104) lived 8 mi up Clover Fk of Mt. P. (Acc. to Wood Lyttle, Manch, Ky. to Dickey 4/12-3/1898 in KY EXPL. Vol. 12 (8 2/1998, Pp. 90-2);
HARLAN COUNTY, KY: 468 sq. mi. "Est. in 1819 from pts. of Floyd and Knox Co's., this co. was named for Maj. Silas Harlan (1752-1782), pion. Salt R. settler, who served with Geo. Rogers Clark in his Ill. campaign and fell at the Battle of Blue Licks." (Book-P. 131);

467 sq. mi & 2000 pop. of 33,202. (1990 pop.=36,574);
The co's. 1910 Census counted 10,556 and in 1920 there were 31,546 residents. (Caudill, POWER, 1983, P. 85);

The co's. pop. was ca. 80,000 (ca. 1926) (Elmon Middleton, 1934, P. 49);
RAILROADS (Harlan Co., Ky): In 1915 the Wasioto & Black Mt. became the L&N's Ky. & Va. RR. (Herr, L&N, Pp. 202-03); The Martins Fk branch of the Cumb. Val. Div. was called the C.C. & O. Connection (Carolina Clinchfield & Ohio Ry) to provide a direct link betw. Harlan Town & the C.V. Div's. main line at Hagans, Va. The spur's "construction followed the joint leasing by the L&N and Atlantic Coastline of the CC&O on May 1, 1923." It "provided a link betw. the 2 rr's." Then a 13.6 mi link was built betw. Chevrolet (6 mi from Harlan) and Hagans betw. 1927 & 12/1/30. (Ibid., P. 204);
RAILROADS (Harlan Co., Ky): The Pucketts Ck. Branch betw. Blackmont & Wilfred (8 mi.) was completed by the Black Mt. RR in 8/1919. Acq. by the L&N in 1923. And the Clover Fk. Extension betw. Closplint & Glenbrook (11 mi) whose service began in 1946. (Herr, L&N, P.204; Some of the branches were built with L&N aide by coal co's. who then leased them for operation. These incl. the Catrons Ck. Branch, Slater's Ck. Branch, Lick Ck. Spur, Four Mile Branch, etc. (Ibid., Pp. 205-06);
AGES (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to 1895-6 Gaz, this place wa
4 mi from Harlan. Martin Sargent (sic) was pm & gen'l.
Reunion on Labor Day weekend. (Ora Mae Morgan in KY.EXPL
Vol. 17 (4), 9/02, Pp. 88-0. Her address: PO Box 311,
Baxter, Ky. 40806); Ages was 5 rail mi from Harlan. The
L&N line reached it on 5/21/1912 (Herr, L&N, Pp. 203-4);
Ages Creek is 4 3/4 mi up Clover Fk. Coal on Lloyd Ball'
land (Hodge, 1912, P. 40); No Ages listing in 1880 Cens;
AGES (Harlan Co., Ky): In Jan. 1913 Dezie Turner pet. for a move 300 yds to a pt 40 ft from the Black Mt. & Wasioto RR (sic) tracks. (Station=Ages), 5 mi e of Harlan po, 2 mi e of Coxton po, 3 mi w of Evarts po, 200 yds from Clover Fk, 1/8 mi from Ages Ck// Acc. to Dezzier Turner (sic) 4/24/1914, the po was 120 ft on the rr side of Clover Fk, 100 yds e of Ages Ck, 120 ft n of the rr, 3½ mi w of Evarts po// On 7/30/18, Wm. M. Howard pet. for a move 150 ft n to a pt 300 ft n of Clover Fk, 175 ft e of Ages Ck, 150 ft n of L&N, (sta=Ages), 1 mi e of Coxton po, 1½ mi w of Verda po, 4 mi s of Rosspoint po. Eff. now (moved from store to sta. agent & merchant Geo. O. Whisman's place of business// Acc. to Ruth Saylor, 7/24/39, it was 5 ft e of Clover Fk. Highway
from Harlan, 100 yds e of Clover Fk R, 600 ft s of Brookside po, 1 mi w of Verda po. (SLR); Acc. to J.H. McKinley, 4/26/1930, the Brookside po was 150 ft n of Clover Fk, 200 yds e of Laurel Ck, 72 ft n of L&N, 3/8 mi w of Ages po, 7/8 mi e of Coxton po, 5 1/8 mi e of Harlan po. Acc. to Ibid., 7/24/39, the po was on the s side of Ky 68, ca. 1000 ft nw of Ages (rr) Sta, 75 ft n of L&N, 200 ft n of Clover Fk, ca. 1000 ft nw of Ages po, ca. 1 mi e of Coxton po. (SLR);
AGES (Harlan Co., Ky.): The only businesses here are John Deaton's grocery and a used clothing store next to it. On Ky 38. Residents of this and other communities along "the fork" (i.e. Clover Fork) have been dependent on coal mining. The fork "is the shallow, littered stream that runs through the settlements...and joins...the Cum. R. John, above, is called "Junior Deaton". His is the community's gathering place. (....) (Irene Nolan, "The Country Store" LCJ&T, 1/26/1975, Pp. G1,8) (q.v.).
AGES (Harlan Co.): "The Ages Ridge Coal Co. was organized by J.D. Wheeler in 1914. The property was leased from C.E. Ball and John D. Lewis. An Indiana industrialist decided to promote another operation on the north end of the lease known as Draper. In 1926 the Ages and Draper mines were cut together." (sic) (Mabel Collins, "Town Names Given by Railroads, Companies, Settlers" unid. & undated Harlan newsp. clip.); po est. 6/8/1892, Loyd Ball...Disc. 6/19/96 (m to Harlan); Re-est. 12/10/1912, Dezzie Turner. (NA); Named for Ages Creek. (B.W. Whitfield, Brookside, Ky. in a letter to me, 5/11/1979); Disc. 1975.
AGES-BROOKSIDE (Harlan Co.): Until Dec. 1975, these were two separate 4th class post offices but were combined into one with the above name under new pm, Rufus Hendrix. The orig. po's were only 200 yards apart. Brookside's po served merely the Eastover Mining Co. and was in a room in the co. office. No Brookside comm as such; it was simply the coal co. offices; many of the miners lived in Ages, pop. c.800. Each contended for the site of the new p.o. The co. office is 6 mi. up Clover Fk. from Harlan. . . . ("Neither Rain nor Snow nor Locks.", by Bryan Woolley, LCJ, 1/11/1976, P. A1:1-5, A20:1-3);
AGES and BROOKSIDE (Harlan Co., Ky): "Two almost contiguous coal towns are now served by a single p.o. on Ky 38 and Clover Fk. of the Cumb. R., 3½ (air) mi e of Harlan. In Feb. 1975 the separate 4th class po's. of Ages and Brookside, only 1200 ft apart (the closest in the US) were combined into one called Ages-Brookside, located in the Eastover Mining Co. offices at Brookside The Ages po had been est. on 6/8/1892, with Loyd Ball, pm, and named for Ages Ck which joins Clover Fk at this pt. (The ck. is said to have been named for a Mr. Ages In 1917 Harlan Collieries was est. at what came to be called Brookside, given the name by Amme Keyes Whitfield in 1918 for its location betw. 2 brooks. To serve the c more directly, the Brookside po was est. on 3/24/1930." (Book-P. 2)
BROOKSIDE and AGES (Harlan Co.): At one time the 2 post offices were the closest in the US 1200 ft. apart. Now they are combined. Ages was named for Ages Creek. The creek was named for a man named Ages. The vil is an old one. The Ages Ridge Coal Co. was not the forerunner of Harlan Collieries. Harlan Col. est. 1917. Eastover Mining Co. (an affiliate of Duke Power) purchased the Harlan Collieries Co. in 1970. Brookside was named by Amze Keyes Whitfield. J.D. Wheeler developed (1913) the Ages Ridge Coal Co., later East Harlan Coal Co. adjoining Ages on the east. These are/were 2 separate commu's. The po is now located at Brookside. As is Eastover Mining Co. Ages is still a small vil. (R.W. Whitfield letter, 6/21/80)
BROOKSIDE (Harlan Co., Ky): ca. 1979-B.W. Whitfield, Jr was pres. of Harlan Collieries Co., Inc., miners & shipper of Brookside Harlan Coal in Brookside, Ky; Tin Can Alley was a resi. sect. of B. (ca. 1920s); The Eastover Mining Co. was org. in 1970 by Norman Yarborough who was its 1st pres. till 1983 when the co. was sold. (doesn't say to whom), (Lex. Her-Lead, 3/10/1991, P. C5, his obit.); Bryan: Augustus Foscoe Whitfield, bros., from Ala in 1911 invested in the Clover Fk. Coal Co. at Kitts and in Harlan collieries at Brookside. Built homes, stores, & tipples here and employed labor. In 1919 A.F. remained with Kitts and Bryan took over Brookside. (Caudill, Theirs Be the Power, U. of Ill. Press, 1983, P. 111);
BROOKSIDE (Harlan Co.): The mine there is owned by Eastover Mining Co., owned by the Duke Power Co. of Charlotte, N.C. to supply it with coal, one of the country's largest coal burners. Eastover also owns the mine at Highsplint. Clover Fork is a shallow stream heading on Black Mt. Thirteen mi. up the fork from Harlan to Highsplint are a no. of commu's. whose residents have been dependent on coal for over 50 yrs. Once busy towns, most have been dying when the mines worked out. The remaining mines depend less on human labor than on machines. But the commu's
still have their "roadside stores...(retain their names and some their post offices."
300 families once lived at Brookside. Many of the company-owned frame dwellings were torn down during the 1974 strike. Many families moved to better homes in Ages, Verda, Draper, Evarts...(Bryan Wolley, BE HERE WHEN THE MORNING COMES, U. Press of Ky. 1974, Pp. xiv, 4-5);
BROOKSIDE (Harlan Co.): Scene of violent strike 1973-4 to force recognition by Eastover Minin. Co. of a UMWA local there. po est. 3/24/1930. John H. McKinley...(NA); Named for its location (en-twe-sides-of-creek) between two creeks or brooks, 1918 when coal commu. was est. Acc to B.W. Whitfield who operated the Harlan Collieries here for 50 years. (Letter to me, 5/11/1979); Harlan Collieries opened its mine in 1919;
The Eastover Mining Co., an affiliate of Duke Power Co. of Charlotte, N.C., purchased the Harlan Collieries Co. in 1970. Offices at Brookside. ca. 1977, Bryan Whitfield Jr. was Pres. of Harlan Collieries, Inc. which mined and shipped Brookside Harlan Coal from B., Ky. (B.W. Whitfield, Jr., letter to me, 6/28/1980);
B.W. Whitfield, Sr. & his bro. A.F. opened a mine at Arjay in 1908. The Left Fk. Coal Co. They bought the Kitts site in 1911 and built its tipple before the arr. of the rr. Then they were commuting from Cumb. Gap. By the time they moved to Kitts in 1913 it was already a thriving coal town. In 1923 B.W. Jr. became g.m. of Harlan Collieries Coal Co. at Brookside. It later became the county's 1st mechanized loading op'n. In 1970 this company and Highsplint were sold to Duke Power Co. In the summer of 1982 Duke sold it to Duane Bennett. The High Splint mine is now operated as Manalapan Coal Co. (or Manalapan Mining Co.). Actually Bennett, in 8/1983, purchased the Eastover Mining Co. whose offices remained at Brookside. "Member of Pioneer Operator Family Recalls Early Days" by Ed Gibson, Harlan Heritage's edition of the Harlan Daily Enterprise, 2/28/64, Pp. 8-9, 11);
BROOKSIDE and the AGES—BROOKSIDE P.O. (Harlan Co, Ky): Ac­c. to L&N's 1921 timetables, Brookside was 5 rail mi from Harlan and less than a mile from Ages Sta. (Thus there were 2 separate stations); The combined po was est. 1975 and is APO. By 1/1/1996 it was on Ky 38;
BROOKSIDE (Harlan Co.): Mrs. Anne Keys Whitfield named Brookside after a brook. (Mabel Collins, "Town Names Given by Railroads, Companies, Settlers" unid. & undated Harlan newsp. clipping); L&N RR reached Ages from Harlan, 5 mi. away, on 5/21/1912. (Kincaid A. Herr, L&N RR, 1964, P. 203); Ages=home of the Harlan Collieries Co., Inc. on the L&N. Co. town for miners with company offices, commissary, etc. B.W. Whitfield=pres. of the compar ....("Model Plant of Harlan Collieries Co., Inc." LOU. HERALD, 3/21/1923);
ALVA (Harlan Co.): po est. 10/11/1922, Jesse L. Jones...(NA); Black Star Coal Co. developed mine here in the early 1920s. (B.W. Whitfield, Jr. of Brookside, Ky. in a letter to me, 5/11/1979); Black Star Hi.Sch. was here; Acc. to the L&N's 1960 timetable, the Alva Sta. on the Pucketts Ck. Br. line was 8 mi from Blackmont and 5 mi above Fee Sta;
ALVA (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to Teddy D. Hail, 4/22/1922, this prop. po would be 8 mi se of the Cumb. R, 135 ft n of Puckett Ck, 100 ft n of the Black Mt. RR (Sta=Alva), 6 mi from co. line, 4 mi n of Pathfork po, 6 mi w of Liggett po. The po would be nr the center of the vil. of Alva with a pop. of 300 which was expected to increase.

Acc. to Henry H. Snodgrass, 7/1939, po was 50 ft se of the Alva (rr) Sta, 30 ft from L&N, 150 ft n of Pucketts Ck, 8 mi e of Cumb. R, 3½ mi se of Pathfork po, 4 3/4 m se of Insull po, 5 mi w of Sampson po, 8 mi sw of Martins Fk. po. (SLR);
AVONDALE (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to Wm. Lee, 5/29/1897, this prop. po would be 1 mi (?) from Brownies Ck, 7 mi e of Rose Hill po (Va.), 10 mi e of Cubbage po (sic). Not a vil// On 2/11/1904, Enos S. Howard pet. for a move ¼ mi e (?) to a pt ½ mi n of Martins Fk (stream), 4 mi ne of Rose Hill po, 6 mi w of Hurst po// Acc. to Ibid., 6/1912, po was ½ mi w of Martins Fk, 4½ mi nw of Cumb. Val. (L&N) RR, 4½ mi nw of Rose Hill po & sta, 9 mi ne of Cubbage po, 9 mi sw of Smith po. (SLR);
AVONDALE (Harlan Co., Ky): po est. 9/14/1897, Wm. Lee, 3/24/03, David Lee, 2/17/05, Enos J. Howard, Disc. eff. 10/31/1907 (mail to Rose Hill, Va.); Re-est. 8/10/1912, Ibid., Disc. 4/30/1913 (mail to Rose Hill) (POR-NA); P&G has it ending in 1918. Which?...
BAILEY CREEK (Harlan Co., Ky): po est. as Smithville. Acc. to Wright Kelly, 8/9/1872, this re-est. po would be on the n side of Clover Fk, 6 mi sw of Leonard po, 12 mi ne of Harlan Ct. Hse po. (SLR); this po was re-est. as Bailey. Acc. to John B. Kelly, 8/21/1880, the prop. name for it would be Clover Gap (?), and it would be on the s side of Clover Fk R, on e side of Cooper Br, 6 mi w of Leonard po, 12 mi e of Harlan po, 8 mi s of Pine Mt. po. [Wm. R. Bailey was then pm at Leonard].// Acc. to A.J. Kelly (?), 1/1897, the po was on the n sid of Clover Fk, 3½ (?) mi e of Evarts po, 6½ mi w of Leonard po. (SLR);
BAILEY CREEK (Harlan Co.): This is what the commu. is now called. Was never called Smithville. Fred Smith operated a small mine opp. Baileys Creek in 1922-3. (B.W. Whitfield, Jr. in a letter to me, 6/28/1980); Acc. to 1883-4 Gaz the Bailey po served a rural pop., 12 mi e of Harlan. Kelly Wright had a gen. store. Two flour mills (1) J. Creech, (2) E. Wyman; Acc. to 1895-6 Gaz, po/com. were 12 mi e of Harlan, pop. 150. A.Z. Kelly was pm & gen'l. storekeeper. Isaac Creech had a flour mill. Thos. J. Creech was a lumber mfr, H.C. Bailey had a furn. store. Other businesses; Acc. to 1876-7 Gaz, Bayly's Ck was a small rural po, aka Clover Bottom, serving vil. of 100. On Clover Fk. Settled 1812. 8 mi from ct.hse. Jos. S. Kelly was pm. Gen.stores: (1) Allen Hensley, (2) Wm. B. Kelly, (3) Calvin Pace;
BAILEY CREEK (Harlan Co.): On Baileys Creek (sic) named for Carr Bailey, Rev. War vet. who was 1st settler. Said to have been the 1st settler in Harlan Co. at the mouth of Bailey Creek. (Lizzie Farmer of Harlan, Ky. contributed to WPA, 5/11/1939); "...named for the leade of a party of men who camped on the banks of this creek." (Mabel Green Condon, "A HIST. OF HARLAN CO. Nashville: Parthenon Press, 1962, P. 50); po est. as Smithville, 7/28/1857, Hugh Smith. Disc. 9/20/59; Re-est. 8/22/72, Wright Kelly; Disc. 7/22/73; Re-est. 4/19/75, Jos. S. Kelly; ch. to Bayly's Creek (sic), 7/1/75, Jos S. Kelly... Disc. 5/3/1880; po est. as Bailey, 9/23/1880, John B. Kelly... Disc. eff. 9/16/1900 (papers to Evarts);
BAILEY CREEK (Harlan Co., Ky): "The hamlet with epo is on the stream of that name, a n. bank br. of Clover Fk of the Cumb. R., 7 (air) mi e of Harlan. The ck. is said to have been named for Carr Bailey, a Rev. War vet., who had settled at its mouth and was one of the 1st settlers of H. Co. The local po of Smithville, est. on 7/28/1857, with Hugh Smith, pm, was renamed Bayly's Creek (sic) with Jos. S. Kelly, pm, and disc. in May 1880. It was re-est. as Bailey on 9/23/1880 with John B. Kelly, pm, and disc. in 1900." (Book-P. 12
John Bailey (1748-50 and died in the 1830s.) ne Westmoreland Co, Va. and died in Harlan Co. (KY ANC. Vol. 26 (1), Sum. 1990, P. 30);
BAILEY CREEK (Harlan Co., Ky): This stream was 9 mi up Clover Fk. \( \frac{1}{4} \) mi up the creek and \( \frac{1}{4} \) mi up its Left Br. (which is one mi up the ck) is W.B. Kelly's land with a cannel coal deposit. The Wright Kelly Mine, later called the Dixon Mine. (Jas. M. Hodge, "Rept. of the Upper Cumb. Coal Field: The Region Drained by Poor and Clover Forks in Harlan and Letcher Co's For the Ky. Geol.Surv. Bull. 13, Serial No. 16, 1912, P. 61);
BARDO (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to Peter Howard Bean, 12/8/1922 (?) this prop. po would be 50 ft e of Catrons Ck, 7 mi se of Cumb. R, 50 yds w of L&N (the Catron Ck. Branch) (Bardo Sta., a non-agency sta.), 6 mi from the co. line, 1 mi ne of Liggett po, 6 mi sw of Elcomb po, 3 mi e of Kentenia po, to serve a vil. of 400. Acc. to Kenes Bowling, 7/24/1939, po was 100 ft s of Catron Ck, 7 mi s of Harlan Sta. (rr), 60 ft n of L&N, ½ mi n of Liggett po. (SLR); Acc. to L&N's 1921 timetables, the Bardo sta. was 6 mi s of Dressen, 2 mi from Gulston, & 1 mi n of Liggett on the Catron's Ck. Br; (1960=same);
BARDÓ (Harlan Co.): Corrupted from (Bérdeux) Bourdeux, the French city and port and named by James Bowling, the superintendent of a mine on Catron Creek, who had served in France in WW. (Mabel Collins, "Town Names Given by Railroads Companies, Settlers," unid. & undated Harlan newsp. clipping); po est. 3/12/1928, Peter H. Bean...(NA);
BARDO (Harlan Co., Ky): "This coal town with epo is on Ky 72, at the mouth of Jones Br. of Catron Ck, 5½ air m: s of Harlan. The name is said to have been corrupted from Bordeaux (the French city), and was suggested by Jas. Bowling, the superintendent of a nearby mine, who had served in France in WW I. The po was est. on Mar. 12, 1928, with Peter H. Bean, pm." (Book-Pp. 13-14);
BAXTER (Harlan Co., Ky): Was the term. of the projected Wasioto & Black Mt. RR, 35.6 mi up the river val. from Harbell. From here what was later acq. by the L&N extended up 2 branches: (1) up Poor Fk. & Looney Ck. to Benham, 24.3 mi from Baxter, (2) up Clover Fk. via Harlan to Ages, 7.2 mi from Baxter. The rr reached Baxter in April 1911. Till the line reached Harlan, Baxter was the latter's shipping pt. (Herr, L&N, Pp. 202-3);
BA\text{T}\text{ER} (Harlan Co.): Named by the RR Co., acc. to Bert Howard, a Harlan atty. (Mabel Collins, "Town Names Given by Railroads, Companies, Settlers" unid. & undated Harlan news. clip.)

PO est. 6/6/1890, John J. Hoskins ...(NA);
PO was on Ky 413 (1/1/1996); Acc. to L\&N's 1921 timetable, this sta. on the Ky \& Va. RR was 1 mi e of Loyall and was at jct. of Poor Fk. Br., 3 mi below Gatun and 22 mi below Poor Fk (Sta.), and at jct. of Clover Fk Br., 2 mi nw of Harlan; No Baxter listings ir the 1870 or 1880 Censuses nor in 1900 Census;
BAXTER (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to John J. Hoskins, 5/14/91, prop. po would be on n side of Poor Fk, 1 mi w of Four M Ck, 1¼ mi n of Harlan po, 7 mi w of Jonesburgh po, 7 3/4 mi e of Wallins Ck po. Acc. to no sign, 4/14, it was 30 yds nw of Cum. R, 3/4 mi ne of 4 Mi. Ck, 2 mi nw of Harlan po, ca. 6 mi from co. line, 4 mi ne of Wilhoit po, 3½ mi s of Bledsoe po, 100 ft s of L&N (sta=Baxter). On 4/12/29, L.R. Nolan pet. for move 700 ft ne to pt 250 ft n of Cum. R, 75 ft s of L&N, 1½ mi ne of Shonn po, 2 mi of Harlan po, 3½ mi sw of Rosspt. po. On 9/15/36, Verna North pet. for move 100 ft w to pt 225 ft n of Cum. R, 2 mi w of Harlan po, 2 mi e of Shonn po, 250 ft s of L&N (Baxter Sta.). Acc. to Ibid, 9/26/39, it was ¼ mi sw of US 119R, 300 ft sw of Baxter Sta. & 100 ft s of L&N, 150 ft n of Cum. R, 1 mi e of Loyall po, 1¼ mi nw of Harlan po. (SLR);
BELKNAP (Harlan Co., Ky): po est. 4/28/1848 with Jas. H. Greene, only pm, Disc. 6/2/1849 (POR-NA); No such fam's. listed in 1880 Census; Morris Burke Belknap, Mass-born, had a busi. in the Cumb. Val. of Ky. His son Wm. Burke Belknap, also Mass-born (1811-1889) helped survey coal & iron deposits on the r. until, in 1839, h moved to Louisyv. where he became an iron and hardware goods dealer, one of the so-called "Iron men" of the 1840s. (KY ENCLY. 1992, P. 67);
BENHAM (Harlan Co.): "A man by the name of Benham was on a high hill hunting several years ago, when he was killed by a panther. He was found torn all to pieces and was buried on the hill. The people who lived near named the hill Benhams Spur. Later when the town was built it was called Benham." (Lizzie Farmer of Harlan, Ky. contributed this to WPA, 12/7/1938);

Founded 1910 by the Int'l. Harvester Co. ... (Ibid., 5/11/1939); "The Deering Harvester Co. purchased 3000 acres from G.A. Eversole in 1905. Back in the hills lived an old recluse or maybe C.W. deserter named Benham. Benham Spur, one of the largest in the co., was named for him. Another reports that he was killed by a
panther." Acc. to Virgil Eversole, Sr. from records maintained by his father. (Mabel Collins whom I quoted, "Town Names Given by Railroads, Companies, Settlers" unid. & undated Harlan newsp. clipping);
BENHAM (Harlan Co.): Coal mine commu. developed by Wisconsin Steel Co., 1911. Third producing mine in the county. (B.W. Whitfield, Brookside, Ky., in a letter to me, 5/11/1979)

Named for Benham Spur, a long ridge off Black Mt. (Ibid., letter of 6/3/1979); Inc. as a 6th-cl. city 3/1961 in ½ sq. mi. An ex-coal camp. Later that yr. the city's trustees annexed the rest of the camp area. The camp was est. in the early 1920s by the Wisc. Steel Corp. to mine coal for its steel factories. In 1960 the Int'l. Harvester Co. which then owned the houses and most of the town sold their prop's to their employees and transmitted the utili-
ties, city hall, musi. audit., fire dept. and athletic area to the newly established city....("Harlan County's 'Newest' Town Will Begin Operation with No Bonded Indebtedness' by Palmer Wells, LEX. HERALD-LEADER, 8/13/1961, P. 15:6-8); The Wisc. Steel Co's. plant her was begun in 1910 and was almost completed with the arrival of the rr. By 1915 the rr had reached here. By 1915 it had become a model mining town. (Peck, P. 14);
BENHAM (Harlan Co., Ky): "This 5th cl. city with po extends e for 2 mi along Ky 160, in the narrow Looney Ck. Val., from a pt. 20½ air mi ene of H. It was founded in 1911 to house the workers of the newly dev'd. coal op'ns of the Wisc. Steel Corp., a subsidiary of Int'l. Harvester, and was named for the Benham Spur, a long ridge bordering Looney Ck to the s. Acc. to trad., the spur bore the name of a hunter or, perhaps, a C.W. deserter whose body had been found there torn to pieces by wild animals. The po est. as Yowell in 1900 with Henry M. Blair, pm, became Benham on 7/23/1911. The town was inc in Mar. 1961." (Book-P. 20);
BENHAM (Harlan Co.): Jonathan Creech came from N.C. and settled this site. Benham named for a pioneer settler. (Condon, P. 32); Founded 1910 by Wisc. Steel Corp., a subsidiary of Int'l. Harvester Co. The mines opened in 1911. Yowell, not Howell. Coal is still the town's econ. base. (letter from pm, 5/15/80)
The old Benham Sch. is now a bed & breakfast. Nearby is a coal museum called the Ky. Coal Mining Museum. Museum is in the Int'l. Harv's. 3 story brick commissary as a tourist attraction & to provide area jobs after I.H.'s successor Arch Mineral Corp. laid off much of its work force in the early 1990s. The B&B, called The Schoolhouse Inn, is on Ky 160. (AP, 5/22/1994);
BENHAM (Harlan Co.): (Benham-Spur) the highest point in Ky. (4260 feet). is on Benham Spur;

The Benham Spur was named for 18th cent. hunter and Indian fighter John Benham who built a cabin and grew apple there. (Jackie Owen, "Early Settlers on the Poor Fork of the Cumb. R." Salisbury, NC, 1990, Pp. 1-4);

The rr arr. here 9/1911; Acc. to 1900 Census, Henry M. Blair (1/78) lived with parent? Eliz., a widow (12/26) on Poor Fk. (No Yowell or Finley); No Finley listing in the 1880 Census;
BENHAM (Harlan Co.): Inc. as 6th cl. city Mar. 1961. A former coal mining camp it was est. in the early 1920s by Wisconsin Steel Corp. for its miners; their mine(s) supplied coal for steel mills. Int'l. Harvester Co. owned the houses and in:summer of 1960 sold them to their employees....(Palmer Wells, "New Harlan County Town Starts Life With all Facilities--and No Debt" CJ&T, 8/13/1961, P. 21); c+m

tracks extended to this point by 9/1911;

/po est. as Yowell, 5/1/1900, Henry M. Blair...1/21/08, Leander C. McKnight; n.ch. (sic) to Benham, 7/23/1911, ibid. ...(NA)
BENHAM (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to Henry M. Blair, 2/12/1900, this prop. po would be called Yowell, tho' the ls name prop. for it was Finley, and it would be serving that locality at the home of Henry Blair, on the n side of Looney Ck, 4 mi s of Poor Fk, 5 mi se of the Poor Fk po, 8 mi s of Est po// Acc. to L.C. McKnight, 10/1907, it was 50 yds n of Looney Ck, 4 mi e of Cumb. R, 4 mi e of Poor Fk. po, 10 mi s of Est po, serving a vil. of 300// In Nov. 1910, Leander C. McKnight pet. for a move 2 mi w to a pt 3 mi e of Looney Ck, 2 3/4 mi e of Poor Fk po, 8 mi s of Est po, to serve a vil. not yet named but would have a pop. of 1000 in 1911// Acc. to L.C.
McKnight, 2/9/1912, the po was now Benham and it was 2 3/4 mi e of Poor Fk, on the s side of Looney Ck, 200 yds s of L&N, 2 3/4 mi e of Poor Fk. po, 9 mi w of Arno po (Va.), 6 mi s of Est po// Acc. to Emily B. Ison, 7/24/39, po was on the s side of Ky 160, 350 ft s of Looney Ck, 634 ft e of Benham Sta., 120 ft s of L&N, 2½ mi e of Cumb. R, 2 mi w of Lynch po, 2½ mi e of Cumberland po. (SLR); The city's 2000 pop. was 600; For 30 yrs this town was wholly owned by Int'l. Harvest er who abandoned it in 1961 to its inhabitants. (AP release, 12/10/2000); Schoolhouse Hill was named for a 2 rm. sch. ca. early 1920s. A company town. (KY EXPL. Vol 13 (5), 10/98, Pp. 90-1)
BENHAM (Harlan Co.): Inc. as 6th cl. city 3/1961. Later that yr. added to the ½ sq. mi. area the rest of the area occupied by the camp which had been founded some 40 yrs. ago by Wisc. Steel Corp. to house its miners. In the summer of 1960, Int'l. Harv. which owned these homes said it would sell them to its employees. It did. I.H. also agreed to transfer to a resident-est. city govt. the community's utilities & garbage collection, city hall, muni. auditorium, fire dept. park with softball field & tennis courts. B'd. of Trustees chaired by Bob King, a I.H. miner. (LEX. HERALD, 8/13/1961, P. 15:6-8);
BENHAM (Harlan Co.): Never heard of Yowell. Benham, Ky. has been called this at least since 1911. Int'l. Harvester's & Wisconsin Steel Co. developed the 3rd mine in Harlan Co. here in 1911 and produced 11,130 tons that year. (B.W. Whitfield, Jr. in a letter to me, 6/28/1980); The rail line from Benham to Lynch was 3 mi (1917) (Herr, L&N, P. 204); Acc. to 192 L&N timetables, its sta. was 24 mi on its Poor Fk. Br from Baxter. J.W. Chadwick was agent. It was 1 mi above Clutts Sta; B. was founded to furnish coke for I.H.'s S. Chi. steel plant; It was founded in 1911 to furnish coal for the furnaces of the S. Chi. steel works;
BENITO (Harlan Co., Ky): po est. 9/17/1929 with James Bennett. Disc. 1940 (POR-NA); Acc. to Jas. Bennett, 4/23/1929, this prop. po would be 50 yds n of Clover Fk, serving the vill's. of Benito and Gano (?) with a pop. of 300 (2 coal camps), 1 mi e of Lejunior po, 1 mi w of Ridgeway po. Also serving 2 L&N non-agency sta's. (SLR);
BIG BLACK MOUNTAIN (Harlan Co., Ky): The highest peak in Ky. (at 4,145), a landmark visible for some distance from all directions. Said to have been named for "its dark and gloomy appearance". (WPA ms. on state elev. names); Pine Mt. is a 125 mi long range;
BIG LAUREL (Haran Co.): po est. 5/25/1925, Alice E. Boggs... (NA); Named for Big Laurel Creek. (B.W. Whitfield, Jr. in a letter to me, 5/11/1979); "This hamlet with po was named for its location at the mouth of Big Laurel Ck, a br. of Greasy Ck, 9½ (air) mi ne of Harlan. The po was est. on May 25, 1925, with Alice E. Boggs, pm." (Book-P. 24); At the fork of 3 rds: (1) down Greasy Ck, (2) across the mt. to Blue Diamond, (3) leading to Pine Mt. Cedar Chapel Sch, an ele. sch. 2 mi below B.L. Nearby was Abner's Br. Sch, 2 mi below Cedar Br. Sch. (Frank Richardson, 111 N. County Lin Rd, Hobart, In. 46342 in KY EXPL. Vol. 15 (5), 10/00 Pp. 85-87);
BIG LAUREL (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to Alice E. Boggs, 6/7, 1924, this prop. po would serve a vil. of 100, 50 ft s of Big Laurel Ck, 9 mi s of Poor Fk, 1 mi from co. line, 3½ mi n of Pine Mt. po, 3½ mi se of Napier po, 9 mi s of Yeaddiss po./\nOn 5/18/35, Becky May Sexton pet. for a move 65 ft w to pt. ca. 10 mi n of Cum. R, 15 ft n of Greasy & Big Laurel Cks, 1½ mi from co. line, 3½ mi e of Napier po, 4½ mi w of Pine Mt. po, 5 mi s of Big Rock po. Eff. 6/1/35// Acc. to Alice E. Boggs, 7/39, it was 1 air mi from Leslie Co, 36 ft s of Big Laurel Ck, 125 ft se of Greasy Ck, 3½ mi w of Pine Mt. po, 3½ mi e of Napier po./\nOn 3/28/49, Alta Turner pet. for move 250 yds ne to a pt. 20 ft ne of Greasy Ck, 30 ft n of Big Laurel Ck, 5 mi e of Napier po, 3½ mi n of Pine Mt. po. (SLR);
BIG LAUREL (Harlan Co., Ky): PO was on Ky. 221, Jan. 1996; This sect. of the co. was still in Perry Co. till 1941 (check); Was the Big Laurel stream known as Combs Fk?
BIG ROCK (Harlan Co., Ky): po operated intermittently at (perhaps) several sites on Poor Fk, in the vic. of its English Ck confl. from its est'mt. on 10/20/57 by Sam'l. Powell. On 12/28/58 he was succeeded by John Lewis, Jr. who was succeeded on 6/29/59 by Robert Howard. The office closed on 7/31/1863 and was re-est. on 6/2/65 by John Lewis, but closed again on 11/3/65. Calvin Coldiron re-opened it on 8/2/66, but it closed yet again on 1/8/73. It may have been re-est. sometime thereafter since an office of this name was in op'n. till 1877. In 8/1897 Wm. D. Lewis was running a Big Rock po (or at least trying to re-est. it) at or just above the m. of English, 5½ mi above Baxter. It may thus have been a mile above Rosspt. & could have been its forerunner. Disc.9/7/98
BIG ROCK (Harlan Co., Ky): (sp. one word in POR), 8/15/1897, Wm. D. Lewis, Disc. 9/7/98 (papers to Harlan) (POR-NA); Acc. to Wm. D. Lewis, 8/1897, this prop. po would be 1 mi from Poor Fk, on the s side of English Ck, 5½ mi e of Baxter po, 10 mi w of Creech po, 7 mi e of Harlan po. Not a vil. (SLR);
BLACKJOE (Harlan Co., Ky): po est. 1/19/1915, Leander Bowling, 7/28/17, McCoy Bowling, 7/25/18, Howard F. Dizney, 7/17/1931, Louis C. Sienknecht, 5/19/20, Thos. K. Watson, 5/11/22, Wm. H. Lackey, 11/27/22, Thos. R. Phillips, 9/10/23, Geo. B. Williams, 3/12/24, Thos. K. Watson, act. and a.c. 3/29/1924, 5/14/1931, Arthur G. Stanfill. Disc.\*1935 (POR-NA); Acc. to Leander Bowling, 5/9/14, the prop. name for this new po was Ada & it would be serving Wood (rr) Sta., 50 ft s of L&N, 90 ft n of Clover Fk, 1500 ft e of Foutze Br, 10160 ft e of Kitts po, 6526 ft w of Coxton po; On 7/28/34, W.T. Brooks pet. for move 75 ft se to pt 50 ft n of Clover Fk 75 ft n of L&N (sta=Blackjoe), 1 mi w of Coxton, 1½ mi of Kitts, 5 mi ne of Tway po. (SLR);
BLACK MOUNTAIN ACADEMY (Harlan Co., KY): at Evarts, c1890 funded by the Congregational Church's Amer. Missionary Ass'n. and staffed by Harvard-trained New England educators. e.g. M&M J.W. Jewett, Mary M. Pond, Sarah Endicott Ober. Went thru the 1st 8 grades. A teacher-training academy. (Addie Ledford to John Egerton for his GENERATIONS, 1983, P. 82);
BLAIR (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to Rebecca Jane Lane, 7/28/1941, this prop. po would be on the n side of Poor Fk, 2 mi from co. line, 2½ mi n of L&N, 2½ mi ne of Cumb. (city), 3 mi sw of Partridge po, 4½ mi n of Benham po. Not a vil// On 6/10/1946, Damon Ricketts, act. pm, pet. for a move 0.3 mi e to a pt 125 ft n of Poor Fk, 2.9 mi from co. line, 2.8 mi e of Cumb. po, 4.3 mi w of Partridge po, 5 mi from Benham (via Cumb. city). (SLR); This po operated betw. 1941 and 1964 and was an R.B. from 1964 to 1972; On US 119. Israel Blair Cem. there incl: Charlie Blair (1852-1929), son of Enoch & Nancy (Jenkins) Blair, Israel Blair, Sr. (1859-1923) was another son. Jerusha Blair Blair (1860-1953), etc;
BLEDSOE (Harlan Co.): Acc. to a letter to Delphine Haley, 6/21/1975 from Chester A. Nolan, ex-postmaster (he served from 1/30/1918 to 2/1941), it was named for the pioneer Bledsoe family....Chester's father was A.H. Nolan who, in 1907, became pm at Jane. (Ibid.); po est. 12/10/1900, Wm. H. Toliver, 1st pm, 1/11/1918, Chester A. Nolan....APO (POR-NA); Acc. to P&G the po was est. in 1930; Bledsoe was 1st called? Salt Trace: (Mabel Collins); APO; PO was at jct. of Ky 221 and US 421 (1/1/1996); Acc. to 1870 Census, Jas. Bledsoe (42) & wife Sarah (36), both Va-born, lived with children next to Wm. Nolen in Dist. 8 (Big Rock po);
BLEDSOE (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to Jillson II, P. 1032, Jas. C. Bledsoe (sic) or Bledsoe, acq. 25 & 50 acres on Pine Mt. (1874, 1887) & 100 acres on Beech Fk. (1889). Dale C. Bledsoe (100 acres) on Mary Fk (1890) & 50 acre on Reubins Ck (1890). A.L. Bledsoe (10) on Beech Fk. (1905), Jas. M. Bledsoe (10) on Lovely Br. (1905); Acc. to 1880 Census, Jas. Bledsoe (54) & wife Sarah (46) & children lived in Dist. #1. They were the only Bledsoe family in that census; No Bledsoe listing in the 1860 Census; Acc. to 1900 Census, Wm. H. Toliver (1/61) & wife Mary A. (2/61) lived in Mt. P. Dist. next to Geo. H. Bledsoe (12/64) & wife Nancy A. (4/70);
BLEDSOE (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to Wm. H. Toliver, 10/2: 1898, this prop. po would be at the head of (and e of) Beech Fk, \( \frac{1}{2} \) mi n of Straight Ck, 6 mi nw of Baxter po, 6 mi se of Imlay po, 7\( \frac{1}{2} \) mi nw of Harlan po. Not a vil/ Acc. to Chester A. Nolan, 5/21/14, po was 4 mi n of Cum R, \( \frac{1}{2} \) mi sw of Beech Fk, 3\( \frac{1}{2} \) mi from co. line, 4 mi n of Baxter po, 7 mi se of Helton po, 3\( \frac{1}{2} \) mi w of Incline po // On 12/27/17, Ibid. pet. for a move 2\( \frac{1}{2} \) mi n to a pt. 7 mi n of river, 50 ft s of Beech Fk, \( \frac{1}{2} \) mi from co.line 5\( \frac{1}{2} \) mi e of Helton po, 7 mi n of Baxter po, 6 mi w of Incline po. Eff. 1/1/18// On 3/24/1941, Mrs. Allie Davi pet. for a move 1 mi e to a pt 7 mi n of river, 20 ft s
of Beech Fk, 2 mi from co. line, 4 mi s of Helton po, 4 mi w of Incline po. Moved 3/10/1941// Reason: more centrally located & away from a disreptuable establishment// On 1/7/50, Margaret E. Davis pet. for a move 1 mi w to a pt 1 3/4 rd mi from Leslie Co. line, on s. side of US 421, 100 ft e of Beech Fk. Ck, 11 mi w of Harlan po, 3½ mi sw of Incline po, 4 mi e of Helton po (SLR); Acc. to Jillson II (P. 1756), W.H. Toliver acq. 50 acres on Reuben Br. (1891) and 50 acres on Wolf Pen Br. (1891);
BOBS CREEK (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to Mrs. H.C. Hensley, 10/21/1946, this prop. po would be 10 mi s of Cumb. R, 8 mi e of Harlan po, 1 mi s of Cawood po, 2½ mi s of Glidden (rr) Sta, 5 yds n of L&N, 3 mi n of Three Pt. po, 2½ mi s of Lenarue po. (SLR);
BROWNIES CREEK (Harlan Co., Ky): Named for an old elk. (See Oscar Rucker, Jr., Prof. of Geog., MSU, c. 11/1991), ..., (Nov. 12, 1991); He said that Harry Lee who lives in Brownies Creek nr the Hensley Settlement (Bell Co-?) would know that area's names. But he's terminally ill with cancer. (Ibid.).
`CARGO` (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to Jas. F. Henson (?), 2/15 1918, the prop. name for this new po was Hoyt for it would serve the Hoyt mining camp with a pop. of 40, 150 ft s of Cumb. R, 300 yds sw of Watts Ck, 37 ft s of L&N (no sta.), 7 mi from co. line, 2.44 mi w of White Star po, 2.98 mi ne of Wallins Ck po. On 6/9/32, Chas. Gross pet. for move 60 ft w to serve Tremont comm, 600 ft s of the river, 300 yds e of Watts Ck, 900 ft n of L&N (sta= Tremont), 5½ mi from co. line. Acc. to F.F. Gross, 5/12 1954, po was serving Tremont Sta. (com-?), ½ mi ne of river, 200 ft w of Watts Ck, 2 mi w of Dayhoit po, 3 mi of Wallins Ck po, ca. 3 mi nw of White Star po, ½ mi n of L&N, serving vil. of Tremont, 400 ft n of po with pop. of 400. Flag sta. with no agent. (SLR);
CARGO (Harlan Co., Ky): po est. 9/28/1918, Alfred Caruthers, 2/5/20, Rob't. L. Shelby, 4/4/21, Ezekiel O. Rose, 2/28/22, Geo. Henson, Disc. 1/31/24 (mail to Dayhoit); Re-est. 8/26/24, Thos. C. Noe, 4/23/25, Leity Helton, act. and ass. ch. 7/18/1925...Disc. 1933 (PORA-NA);
CATRONS CREEK (Harlan Co., Ky): Pion. settlers were Moses Ball and sons Jas. & Moses, Jr. Before 1819;
CATRONS CREEK (Harlan Co., Ky: Named for a pion. surveyor from Va.; Often locally pron. caternz; Was this ever called Catherine's Ck (as per several maps)?)
CAWOOD (Harlan Co.): Aley Ledford, ne 1787, came from NC to the site of Cawood. (A HIST. OF HARLAN CO. by Mabel Green Condon, Nashville: Parthenon Press, 1962, P. 32); "Berry Cawood stated in his application for pension that he came into Harlan Co. soon after the Rev. War." (A HIST. OF HARLAN CO. by Mabel Green Condon, Nashville: Parthenon Press, 1962, P. 33); In Jan. 1996, this po was on US 421s; Berry Caywood (sic), a Rev. War vet, settled early in H. Co; Stephen Cawood, son of John & Nancy (Turner) Cawood;
CAWOOD (Harlan Co.): John Cawood was the son of Berry Cawood, Rev. War vet. who accompanied Geo. R. Clark on his NW expedition. John wed Nancy Turner (nee 1795 on Clover Fork, at mouth of Yoacums Cr. nr. the present site of Evarts) on 3/3/1814. She was the 1st white child born in Harlan Co. and the daughter of Wm. & Susan Bailey Turner, who came from Henry Co., Va. 1792 and settled there. Susan was the daughter of Carr Bailey, Rev. War vet alleged to have been the 1st white settler of co. who settled at the mouth of Baileys Creek which was named for him. John & Nancy set up home at site of future town of Cawood...

(Lizzie Farmer of Harlan, Ky. contributed to WPA; 5/11/1939);
CAWOOD (Harlan Co., Ky): "This vil. with po is on US 421, at the mouth of Crummies Ck, a br. of Martins Fk of the Cumb. R, and 5½ (air) mi se of Harlan. The po was est. on 4/4/1890, with Wilson S. Hensley, pm, and named for the family whose progenitor is said to have been Berry Cawood (1758-1848), a Rev. War vet. Berry's son John may have been the site's first settler, about 1814. The local L&N RR sta. is called Cato." (Book-P. 53);
CAWOOD (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to Steven Moses Cawood, 10/15/1895, this po was on the n side of Martins Fk, at the mouth of Crummies Ck, 9 mi e of Harlan po, 8 mi n of Hubbards Springs po (Va.) Not vil// Acc. to G.F. Cawood, 4/30/14, po was 300 yds e of Martins Fk, 50 yd n of Crummies Ck, 6 mi from co. line, 9 mi se of Harla po, 5 mi ne of Smith po, 5 mi sw of Cranks po// On 1/1 /1924, J.B. Hensley pet. for move 1000 air ft w to a p at the ctr. of Mag. Dist. #7, 150 ft w of Martins Fk, 800 ft from the mouth of Crummies Ck, 50 ft w of L&N (Cawood Sta.), 5 mi from co. line, 3 mi s of Lena Rue (sic) po, 7 mi n of Smith po, 5 mi w of Cranks po. Eff. 2/1/1924. Moving store & office to new quarters, close to the mining camp. Flag sta. with no agent// On 3/3/31
Jim Cawood pet. for a move 300 yds e to a pt 300 yds ne of Martins Fk, 140 yds n of Crummies Ck, 300 yds e of L&N (Cato Sta.), 6 mi from co. line, 6½ mi w of Smith po, 3 mi e of Lenarue po, 1½ mi w of Crummies po// Acc. to Geo. C. Cawood, 7/24/39, po was 1 air 8 rd mi from Lee Co., Va. line, 200 ft n of Crummies Ck, 50 ft s of Stillhouse Br, 50 ft n of L&N, 0.18 mi from Kato Sta. (sic), 4 mi e of Lenarue po; 2½ mi w of Crummies po, 3 mi ne of Three Pt. po, 6½ mi n of Smith po. (SIR);
CAWOOD (Harlan Co.): Located about 10 mi. s. of Harlan. Originally small farming commu. Now bordered by coal mines. (Pron. Ka/wood). Named for Cawood family who were among the 1st settlers of the county. The settler, Berry Cawood, was a vet, of Am. Rev. and is buried nr. Cawood. (Bryan W. Whitfield, Jr., of Brookside, Ky., in a letter to me, 4/20/1979);

In the 1890s this was the only po serving that sect. of the co. And it was in Cawood store. c. 1898 the store was being run by Dave Hedrick formerly of Days Branch. (Curtis Burnam Ledford to John Egerton in GENERATIONS, 1983, P. 72);
CHAD (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to the L&N's 1921 timetable, Chad Sta. on the Poor Fk. Br. was 1 mi above Hiram and 2 mi below Poor Fork; Acc. to 1870 Census, Chadwell Nolan (25), son of Jos. & Mary Nolan and bro. of Sam'l, Wm, & Benj. His dates=1845-1923. In 1863 he marr. Louisa (1845-1918), d. of Jas. & Eliz. (Clay) Turner (whose 1st husband was Stephen Cawood) (q.v.) They lived in Dist. 8 (Big Rock po). Chad & Louisa's son Benj. (1865-1894) mar. Cora Ellis Kelly in 1887;
CLUTTS STATION (Harlan Co., Ky): On Looney Ck was named for Geo. Clutts who came here as mine foreman for the Looney Ck. Coal Co. Perry V. Cole org. that company. His son Chas. D. was pres. of the Harlan Nat'l. Bank. They came from Laurel Co. (Diam. Jub., 1954);
CREECH (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to John W. Creech, 4/18/1881, the 1st name prop. for this new po was Pine Mt. and it would be 1/8 mi n of Poor Fk, 6 mi s of Clover Lick (Ck.), 17 mi ne of Harlan C.H. PO, 6 mi w of Poorfork po, 6 mi ne of Cloverfork po. Not a vil// Acc. to H.C. Lewis, 2/8/12, it was 200 yds n of Poor Fk, 1 1/4 mi from the co. line, 60 ft n of L&N, 3 mi w of Poor Fk. pc 8 mi e of Nolansburg po, 4 mi sw of Gordon po// On 5/9/1924, Edward W. Creech pet. for a move 1 mi e to a pt 3000 ft n of the river, 1 mi from the co. line, 100 ft r of L&N (Chad Sta.), 2 mi w of Poorfork po, 4 mi e of Dione po, 2 mi s of Gordon po. Eff. 5/20/24. Moving po to rr sta. & to serve a larger pop. base. (SLR);
CHAD (Harlan Co.): A rr yard. There was a coal tipple there. "I always understood it was named for Chad Buford. John Fox's bro., Horace Fox, was our mine engineer at Brookside for many years." The Creech p.o. he knows of was on Poor Fork. (B.W. Whitfield, Jr. in a letter to me, 6/28/1980); Acc. to 1883-4 Gaz, the Creech po was 20 mi ne of Harlan; Ditto, acc. to 1895-6 Gaz; John Creech (ne ca. 1790-3) his fam's. H. Co. prog, lived at m. of Clover Lick Ck of Poor Fk. Mar. Sally Smith (nee 1794) (Acc. to his nephew Elihu Creech, ne Lee Co., Va. in 1816 and interv. by Dickey in 1898. (in KY EXPL. Vol. 12 (4), 9/1997, P. 88);
CHAD (Harlan Co., Ky.)
Named for Chadwick Nolen, a right-of-way agent for the L&N RR. A rr sta. on the Cumberland Valley Div. (RR South, "Our Station Names"
L&N MAG., 10/1949, P. 14). po est. as Creech, 6/15/1881, John W. Creech...Disc. 8/20/1889(?) (papers to Poor Fork); Re-est. 9/14/1889, Rhoda E. Lewis...n.ch. (sic) to Chad, 5/13/24, Edward W. Creech... (NA); Here the Little Shepherd of Kingdom Come left home for Kingdom Come via Hurricane Gap, acc. to John Fox's novel. (B.W. Whitfield, in letter to me, 5/11/1979);
Disc. 1932
CREECH (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to 1920 Census, several Creech families lived in Prec. 4 (Upper Poor Fk);
CHAD (Harlan Co., Ky): "This hamlet with eпо and a sta.
on the L&N RR's Cumb. Val. Div. is on US 119 and the
Poor Fk. of Cumb. R, 17½ (air) mi ene of Harlan. The
po of Creech, est. on 6/15/1881, with John W. Creech,
pm, was moved one mi ene in 1924 and renamed Chad for the
sta. which had been named for Chadwell Nolen, an L&N
agent there, or for Chad Buford, the hero of John Fox,
Jr.'s famous novel "The Little Shepherd of Kingdom Ex".
(Book-P. 55); Acc. to 1870 Census, Creeches lived in
Dist. 8 (Big Rock po); Chad. J. Nolan was son of J.M.
Nancy W. (Smith) Nolan (sic) (Condon, P. 205);
Acc. to 1910 Census, Chadwell F.C. Nolan (65) & wife
Louisa (65) lived in Upper Poor Fk. Mag. Dist. 3;
CHEVROLET (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to Frank C. Eaton, 3/2/1918, this prop. po was called Bee-Pee and would be 200 yds n of Martins Fk, 50 ft s of the K&V RR, 2 mi e of Grays Knob po, 4 mi w of Cawood po.// Acc. to Ibid., 3/12/19, the po, now Chevrolet, was 50 ft s of L&N, 6½ mi from the Cumb. R, 2 mi e of Grays Knob po, 4 mi w of Cawood po.// Acc. to T.D. (?) Shea, 7/22/39, po was on the n side of Ky 66, 60 ft n of Chevrolet Station, 500 yds nw of Cumb. R. (sic), 1½ mi w of Lenarue po, 2½ mi e of Grays Knob po. (SLR); The po closed before 1990; C. was 6 rail mi from Harlan. A 13.6 mi rail link was built betw. C. & Hagans, Va. betw. 1927 & 12/1/30. (Herr, L&N, P. 204);

(Jenny Lynch, 9/22/03); This po served the mines of the Harlan Superior Coal Co. and the Williams By-Product Coal Co. (1924); Acc. to 1920 Cens, Frank C. Eaton (33) & wife Sallie (28) lived on 3rd St., Harlan. He was mg of a mine commissary. No one in fam. with initials B.F
CHEVROLET (Harlan Co.): Named for a 1919 model 490 Chevrolet auto. (B.W. Whitfield, Jr., of Brookside, Ky. in a letter to me, 5/1/1979); The 1st mine at Chevrolet was opened c. 1918 by the Williams ByProduct Coal Co., owned by John & Dover Williams of Knoxville, Tenn. They sold out to Blue Diamond. Never heard of Bee Gee (Ibid., 6/28/1980); Acc. to L&N's 1921 timetable, this sta. on the Martins Fk. Br. was 5 mi from Harlan, 1 mi above Grays Knob & 2 mi below Glidden Sta and 1 mi below Merna;
CHEVROLET (Harlan Co., Ky): 6 mi from Harlan. The bros. John, Dover, & Tom Williams from Tenn. were early H. Co. coal operators. Tom was with the Lick Br. Coal Co. of Coxton. The Williams ByProducts Coal Co. began its op'ns. on the Hagan Trail (now US 421), then a very rough road. ca. 1917. Tom had a Chevrolet "touring car". While seeking a name for their local ship, pt. the car broke down. Tom suggested naming the place for his car. He's supposed to have aid "let's name the place after this blasted Chev. because it looks like the thing is going to be here as long as the mine is." (W.C. Stump "Chevrolet, Ky' in Harlan Mt. Roots, Vol. 6 (3), Spr. 1992, Pp. 99-100);
CHEVROLET (Harlan Co., Ky): "This coal town and L&N RR sta. with po is at the mouth of Enoch Br. of Martins Fk of the Cumb. R. and US 421, 2½ (air) mi se of H. The 1st local mine was opened in 1918 by the Williams By-Product Coal Co., owned by John & Dover Williams of Knoxville, Tenn. which soon sold out to the larger Blue Diamond Coal Co. The local po of Bee Gee, est. on 6/5/1918, with Frank C. Eaton, pm, was renamed Chevrolet in Dec. of that yr. for the car driven by either an early mail carrier or the foreman of the construction gang building a coal tipple, whose model 490 Chevrolet car is said to have been the first to drive over the local road." (Book-P. 57);
CHEVROLET (Harlan Co.): "A mail carrier named the place for his car, which was of that make after other proposals to the P.O. inspector were unacceptable." (Hardy, 1949, P. 82);

"A foreman in charge of a coal tipple under construction brought in a Chevrolet car which he had to drive over a very rough stretch of road to get to the tipple, being the first automobile to travel the road, and supplying the suggestion for the name of the community.

(M. Ladd, WPA, 4/1941); po est. as Bee Co., Pe 6/5/1918, Frank C. Eaton; n.ch. (sic) to Chevrolet, 12/17/1918, ibid. ...(NA);
CHEVROLET (Harlan Co., Ky.) "Legend has it that when the L. & N. was building its C.C. & O. Connection (now known as the Martin's Fork Branch) back in 1929-1930, one of the first automobiles ever to travel over the rough mountain roads of that neighborhood was a Chevrolet driven by one of the construction foremen. His feat seems to have taken the popular fancy...." (R.R. South, "Our Station Names-Their Family Trees" L. & N. EMPLOYEES' MAGAZINE, 11/1949, P. 15:1).
More recent info. has it that the naming of the community occurred c. 1920 "following an extension of the stub which constituted the original Martin's Fork Branch. . . . The station was named after William Venerable, an extra gang foreman of the era, who had this misfortune to have his Chevrolet turn-over near the Blue Diamond Min's commissary at what became Chevrolet." (Ibid., 1/1950, P. 17:3)
CLOSPLINT (Harlan Co., Ky.)
RR sta. name is derived from that of the Clover Splint Mine of the Consolidation Coal Co. nearby. (RR South, "Our Station Names" L&N MAG., 3/1950, P. 35). po est. 2/16/1928, James Roy Parsons... (NA); Derived from Cloversplint, which was named for the Clover Splint Coal Co. 1926. (B.W. Whitfield, Brookside, Ky. in a letter to me, 5/11/1979); The Clover Splint Coal Co. opened its mine in 1927 po on the ne side of Ky 38 (1/1996); Acc. to 1960 L&N timetable, its sta. was then 4 mi above Highsplint and mi above Closplint No. 2, and 9 mi below Glenbrook at the head of the line. It was 9 mi above Harlan Sta;
SPLINT coal is "a hard coal that will not break into small pieces when handled or shipped. . . . It makes a good coal for domestic use and for locomotives and hand-stoked steam boilers. It ships well and stocks well. . . ." (THE ANNUAL REPT. OF THE INSPECTOR OF MINES OF THE STATE OF KY. FOR THE YEAR 1900, Lou., 1901, P. 213). . . .
CLOSPLINT (Harlan Co., Ky): "This coal town with L&N RR sta. and po, on Ky 38 and the Clover Fk. of Cumb. R, 13\(\frac{1}{2}\) (air) mi ene of Harlan, was named for and by the Clover Splint Coal Co. which opened its local mine in 1926. The po was est. on 2/16/1928, with Jas. Roy Parsons, pm. (Book-P. 62); Acc. to Jas. Roy Parsons, 10/27/27, this prop. po would be 200 ft n of Clover Fk, 100 ft s of L&N (Closplint Sta.), 2 mi from the Va. line, 1\(\frac{1}{2}\) mi n of Louellen po, 5 mi s of Holmes Mill po, 7 mi w of Cumb. po. (No sta. agent). (SLR); The Clover Fk. (rr) Extension betw. Closplint & Glenbrook (11 mi) Service began on this in 1946;
CLOVER (Harlan Co., Ky): po est. 6/18/1901, John M. Huf. 6/28/02, John K. Morris, Disc. 12/15/02 (papers to Poor Fork); Re-est. 3/12/09, Rena Hall, 5/14/14, Preston C. Hall, 3/19/30, Garland Blair Disc. 1934 (POR-NA);
CLOVER FORK (Harlan Co.): Now: a large mine.
The Glenbrook Mine developed by Stonego Coal & Coke (now Westmoreland) in 1946. Stonego operated a mine at Keokee, Va. out through Little Black Mt. to Clover Fork River and operated a mine in Big Black Mt. In 1912 there were no less than 50 camp houses at Clover Fork, Ky. (B.W. Whitfield, Jr. in a letter to me, 6/28/1980); Acc. to 1895 Gaz, th po was 30 mi e of Harlan; Acc. to 1876-7 Gaz, po was named for stream. Pop. of com. it served=200. 20 mi from Harlan. 1st settled 1810. Isaac W. Huff was pm. Gen. stores: (1) C.F.C. Nolan, (2) Jonathan P. Smith;
CLOVER FORK (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to Malinda L. Legg, 1/7/1898, this po was on the n side of Clover Fk, on the w side of Lowders Ck, (a rural po, not a vil.), ca. 5 mi w of Crab Orchard po (Va), 5 mi n of Kirk po (Va.), 5 mi e of Klondike po. Acc. to Ibid., 5/3/06, it was 1/16 mi n of Clover Fk, 1/2 mi below the mouth of Rogers Fk, 3 mi w of Crab Orchard po, 2 3/4 mi e of Klondike po, 8 1/2 mi e of Leonard po. Acc. to C.E. Flanary, 3/6/16, po was 60 ft n of Clover Fk, 200 yds w of Rogers Ck, ca. 1 1/2 mi from co. line, 4 1/2 mi nw of Keokee po (Va.), 9 mi ne of Klondike po. (SLR); RAZORS Ck.
CLOVER FORK (Harlan Co., Ky): 3/2/1891, Wm. Huff; n.ch to Cloverfork 2/13/94, Abner J. Blair, 11/19/95, Enoch C. Blair, Disc. 11/11/1896 (mail to Crab Orchard, Lee Co., Va.); re-est. 1/27/1898 with Felix L. Huff (declined), 2/23/98, Enoch C. Blair, 5/25/99, Elisha Brown, 1/24/03, Green Clay (order rescinded, 11/24/03, 5/3/04 Jacob Blair, Disc. eff. 10/31/04 (mail to Crab Orchard; Re-est. 6/1/06, Dora B. Caudill, 2/5/08, Enoch C. Blair; Disc. 6/30/12 (mail to Keokee, Va.); Re-est. 6/9/16, Jas. D. Clay, 1/29/19, Stephen N. Parsons (failed to qualify), 8/18/20, Frank Morris, 2/25/22, Jas. P. Kennedy, act and ass. ch. 6/5/22...Disc. 1934) (POR-NA
CLOVER FORK (Harlan Co.): Named for Clover Fork, one of the headwaters of Cumberland R. (Hardy, thesis, 1949, P. 17); po. est. 7/28/57, Isaac W. Huff; OS& C 9/20/59; PC-est. 4/22/72, ibid. (NA); The Clover Fork Coal Co. opened its mine in 1912; Acc. to trad., Jos. Martin, Virginian "seeking out lands for a syndicate that included Patrick Henry, wandered into (the future Harlan Co.) before Boone blazed the Wilderness Trail. He found wild clover growing along a stream and left behind two names—-Martin's Fork (q.v.) and Clover Fork." (Harry M. Caudill, Theirs Be The Power, 1983, P. 86)
CLOVER FORK (Harlan Co., Ky): "This has been a coal town since 1912, located on Ky 38, 21½ (air) mi e of Harlan. It was named for its location nr. the head of one of the 3 fks. of the Cumb. R. The aptly named stream flows w to join Martin and Poor Fks. in the vic. of Harlan. The local po, since closed, was one of the oldest in the co., having been est. as Clover Fork on 7/28/1857 with Isaac W. Huff, pm." (Book-P. 62);

The 300 yd wide Clover Fork Valley above Harlan is bordered by perpendicular cliffs. Big Black Mt. is 2201 ft above the fork. Logging in this val. in the 1890s. (Rev. L.E. Tupper, ca. 1896, journ. of a trip thru H. Co. in KY. EXPL. Vol. 17 (5), 10/2002, Pp. 15-7);
CLOVER LICK CREEK (Harlan Co., Ky): Joins Poor Fk. 25 mi. above the latter's mouth; Clover Lick was a deer lick named for the red clover on its banks (Jackie Ower "Early Settlers on the Poor Fk..."; Salisbury, NC, 1990, Pp. 1-4); Deer would lick salt on the rocks along its banks;
CLOVERLICK (Harlan County, Ky.) "...there did not used to be a town here. The holler, Cloverlick, was so named as there was a lick or spring which was surrounded by red clover. This is where we want our junior college to be if we get it instead of Harlan. The college might erase the stigma of living there now. We always say, 'He looks like he came from the head of Cloverlick,' means real country."

(Ina Mae Enzor of Harlan Co., Ky. One of Leonard Roberts' folklore students, Union Coll. 1957.)
CLOVER (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to Wm. W. Cornett, 5/11/1901, the 1st name prop. for this new po was Clover Lic and it would serve the Clover Lick vic., 5 mi s of Cumb R, on the s side of Clover Lick (Ck.), 5 mi se of Poor Fk. po, 5 mi nw of Klondike po, 9 mi se of Creech po.// Acc. to Mrs. Rena Hall, 9/09, po was 5 mi ne of Cumb. R 50 yds s of Clover Lick (Ck), 7½ mi nw of Keokee po (Va 5 mi se of Poor Fk. po).// Acc. to P.C. Hall, 10/26/15, po was 4½ mi s of Cumb. R, 100 ft s of Clover Lick Ck, 4½ mi s of Ky. & Va. RR, 5 mi from co. line, 4½ mi s of Poor Fk po, 7 mi sw of Benham po.// On 3/20/30, Garland Blair pet. for move 1/3 mi ne to a pt 5½ mi e of river, 250 ft s of Clover Lick Ck, 5½ mi ne of L&N. Eff. now (SLR);
COLDIRON (Harlan Co.): Vil. named for Elihu Coldiron, early settler. (Mabel Collins, "Town Names Given by Railroads, Companies, Settlers" unid. & undated Harlan newsp. clipping); po est. 11/16/1928, Mary E. Coldiron...(NA);

"This vil. lies betw. US 119 and the Cumb. R., 7 (air) mi w of Harlan. Its po was est. on 11/16/1928 with Mary E. Coldiron, pm, and probably named for Elihu Coldiron, an early settler." (Book-P. 64); Wm. Coldiron ne ca. 1800 nr Cumb. Falls mar. Leah Lewis, d of Abner & niece of John Lewis. Wm. was son of Conrad Coldiron, a "Black Dutch" from Europe & a Rev. War vet. (John D. Coldiron of Laurel Ck, Ky to Dickey, 4/9/98 in KY EXPL Vol. 8 (7), 12/93-1/94, Pp. 78-9);
COLDIRON (Harlan Co., Ky): On 9/1/1933, Mary E. Coldiron pet. for a move 1 rod e to serve the commu. of Dixie Town and the rr sta. of Ameron, 800 ft n of Cumb. R, 1500 ft s of Jesse's Ck, 1580 ft n of L&N, 3½ mi from α line, 3 mi w of Wallins Ck po. Hisey Blanton was/would be the pm//. Acc. to Gayle M. Taylor, 7/26/39, po was 2½ air & 3 rd mi from Bell Co, 150 ft s of US 119, 1953 ft w of Coldiron Sta, 1700 ft nw of L&N, 1600 ft nw of the Cumb. R, 1800 ft nw of Jesses Ck, 2½ mi w of Wallins Ck po, 2½ mi e of Molus po. (SLR); APO; po was on Forresters Ck. Rd. (1/96); The Ameron Sta. was on the Ky & Va. RR (1921), 1 mi e of Layman and 2 mi w of Wallins and 10 mi from Baxter (L&N 1921 timetable);
COLDIRON (Harlan Co., Ky): Conrad Coldiron (ne ca. 1760 in Berks Co., Pa. settled on Wallins Ck with his family ca. 1815 at the Cum's. confl. His sons John & Jesse later moved to site of late Coldiron & Conrad lived with John till his death. Conrad was "Black Dutch". (P. 570) Died ca. 1835. The po was est 11/16/1928 and is on US 119 (Heritage, Vol. 5, P. 14) PO was est. by Elihue L. Coldiron (ne 1879), son of Jesse W. and Eliz. (Saylor) Coldiron. The po was named for him as he was the vic's. 1st settler. His wife Mary Ella Taylor (mar. 1905) as the 1st pn. The town was called Dixietown. The area incl. the Terrys Fk. sect. of Wallins Ck. Rev. Claude Taylor, Mary
Ella's brother, was pm from 1932 to the 1950s. Elihu was born there. It was then called Layman and the L& had a sta. there then. Layman po closed in 1922 and moved across the river. Commu. was then known as Dixie Town. Eliehue ran the store there. Acc. to Bill Brown, PM, ca. 1981. Eliehue died in 1942 and is bur. there in the Coldiron Cem. (Pp. 594-5) (Otto Green Coldiron, Jr., comp., "Descendants of George Coldiron (1730-1805), 1997) (copy in the Mag. Co. Hist. Soc. Libr.) John Coldiron, son of Conrad, lived on Terry's Ck, 11 mi below Mt. P. (Ibid., P. 653) The ck. was probably named for Terry Melton (ne ca.1826) for Terry had deeded 50 acres of Wallins Ck. land to John. (Ibid.)
COLDIRON (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to Jillson II, p. 1137, Jesse Coldiron acq. 100, 50, 500, & 50 acres on Fosters Ck (sic) (surv. 1844, 45, & 60). Jess B. Coldiron acq. 50 acres on Cum. R (1845). Wm. Coldiron acq. 50, 50, & 160 acres on Cum. R. (1845, 46, 82). Wm. Coldiron acq. 250 on Platts Fk (1844). Other Coldirons with other properties....; The Coldirons were descendants of Johan Georg Kalteisen (1730-1805); Acc. to 1920 Census, John Coldiron (43) & wife Sarah (29) & son Elija (11) lived on the Forester Ck. Rd. in Prec. 9 (Layman), next to Henry Riddle (50) & wife Lizzie (34). Lots of Saylor fam's. in that prec;
COXTON (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to Moses B. Smith, 6/14/1899, this prop. po would be 25 ft n of Clover Fk, 50 ft e of Ages Ck, 4½ mi e of Harlan po, 4½ mi sw of Evarts po// On 3/4/13, Rasa B. Freed (?) pet. for a move ½ mi e to a pt 340 ft n of Clover Fk, 1 mi w of Ages Ck, 1 mi w of Ages po, 3.7 mi e of Harlan po, 4.7 mi se of Baxter po, 75 ft n of L&N// Acc. to W.T. Powell, 7/24/39, po was serving a coal camp, 300 ft n of L&N, 250 yds n of Clover Fk, 2 mi e of Kitts po, 1 mi w of Brookside po, 10 mi n of Chevrolet po. (SIR); Acc. to L&N's 1921 timetable, this sta. was on the Clover Ck. Br. 4 mi above Harlan, 2 mi above Kitts, 1 mi below Brookside. Not given in the 1960 timetable;
COXTON (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to 1920 Census, Charley Cox (40) & wife Ellen (44) lived in the Coxton Prec. #1 with issue. Wm. M. Cox (38) & wife Liona (?) lived in Ibid. (she was 32). This place was named for Gordon L Cox (Harlan Mt. Roots, Vol. 1 (7). Winter 1986, P. 50);
COXTON (Harlan Co.): po est. 9/16/1899, Carl B. Crider... (NA); Commu. preceded the rr. K.W Maguire developed the Harlan Coal & Mining Co. here in 1912. Installed here was one of the first rubber belts to convey coal. (B.W. Whitfield, Jr. of Brookside, Ky. in a letter to me, 5/11/1979); po was disc. in 1952 and was a CPO from 1952 to 1980 (POR-NA); No Coxton fam's. in 1880 Census; Acc. to 1900 Census, Carlo Crider (4/68) & wife Sarah E. (6/75) lived in Mt. P. Dist. but no Coxton or Cox; Acc. to 1900 Census, Moses B. Smith (2/82) & wife Louisa (5/62) & issue lived in Mt. P. Prec. but no Cox or Coxton;
CRANKS CREEK (Harlan Co., Ky): The Cranks Creek Lake. Its 188 ft high earthen dam was completed in 1965. It was one of Gov. Combs' small lakes projects built for flood control & rec'n. The lake was reduced in size from ca. 300 acres to 150 (by early 1973). (LCJ, 4/16/1973, P. Bl:1-6); One of a party of the earliest surveyors in H. Co. was a man named Thranks. Came along a trail from Rose Hill, Va. thru McLin Notch on the Lee Co. line.... (Condon, P. 48); APO; PO was on US 421 (1/1/1996);
CRANKS CREEK (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to Albert Skidmore, 10/16/1871, this po was 3 mi e of Martins Fk, on the s side of Cranks Ck, 13 mi se of Harlan po, 8 mi nw of Jonesville po (Va.)/\ Acc. to H.L. Ledford, 3/1908, the Cranks po was ¼ mi n of Cranks Ck, 5 mi n of L&N & its Ocoonita Sta. (?), Va, 3½ mi sw of Ledford po/\ Acc. to W.M. Howard, 2/15/10, it was 4 mi e of Martins Fk, ¼ mi n of Cranks Ck, 4 mi s of Ledford po, 4 mi e of Cawood po & 8 mi n of Smith po/\ Acc. to Peter Day, 7/8/13, it was 5 mi e of Martins Fk, ¼ mi n of Cranks Ck, 3 mi from co. line, 5 mi w of Cawood po/\ Acc. to no sign, 5/14/17, th prop. name for this po was Herald & it was 3 mi from co. line, 300 yds w of Cranks Ck, 5 mi e of Cawood po, 8 mi ne of Smith po/\ Acc. to Leander Day, 7/24/39, it was on Ky 66, 200 yds nw of Cranks Ck, 3 3/4 mi e of Crummies po (SLR);
CRANKS (Harlan Co., Ky): "This hamlet with po just w of US 421 and Ky 568, 9 (air) mi se of H., was named for it location on Cranks Ck, a br. of Martins Fk. of the Cumb. R. The name of the ck. and nearby Cranks Ridge and gap is said to have been corrupted from Thranks, that of a pion. surveyor. Yet it could have been named for one or more families of Crank known to have lived in Knox, Bell & Clay Co's. in the early 19 cent. The Cranks po was est. on 4/9/1908 with Harvey L. Ledford, pm. An earlier po on the ck--in fact, one of the oldest in the co.--was Cranks Creek, in op. from 5/27/48 to 9/8/49, and again, tho' perhaps at another site, from 10/25/71 to 1/8/74.:

(Book-P. 71);
CRANKS (Harlan Co.): "I have no record but feel sure that Crank's Creek, Gap, and Ridge were named for someone of that name. The county seat of Harlan Co. was burned during the Civil War and most of the records were destroyed. The 1800 Census of Harlan Co. does not show anyone named Crank in the state. (Wm. Fitzgerald of KHS in a letter to Raymond D. Crank 7274 Grace Lane, Rt. 2, Salinas, Cal. 93901, on 5/13/1968). Crank was seeking genealogical info on Crank & allied families as late as July 1977 and had earlier asked KHS for this info. By 1977 he was living at 404 Mormon St., Folsom, Cal. 95630"
Two Crank families in Knox Co. in 1850 Census--those of Cornelius & Hames Crank (See: P. 350). Other Cranks lived 19th cent. in Jackson, Lincoln, Bell, Clay, Knox, Perry, Owsley Co's. David Crank, ne Knox Co 1800/1 and died there 1831. His widow, Deborah Rose Crank died Knox Co. late 1850s early 1860s. (Ibid., 7/19/1977) Raymond and his wife, Velma, lived at 404 Mormon in '79 His gt. gt. grandfather, Jas. Crank & wife Wilender Taylor Crank lived on Turkey Creek in Knox Co., in 1809. He gave the land for the Turkey Creek Sch. & chu. in 1850. The bldg. still stands. He died 1862 & is buried in local cem. (See to Rutherford, m.t. Adv.)
CRANKS (Harlan Co.): Is not a coal town. The creek was named for a man named Thranks but was corrupted from usage. acc. to P. 48 of HIST. OF HARLAN CO. by Mabel Green Condon. (B.W. Whitfield, Jr. in a letter to me, 6/28/1980); Thranks or Cranks Creek was a Martin's Fk. trib. Was named for "an old woodsman that had roamed there back in Jos. Martin's time."

The Cranks PO was in Day's Store. c. 1978, the com. was a "scattering of homes and trailers along the val. 'highway and in the hollows extending from it." Mrs. Mabel Day ran the store.

The creek heads at Little Black Mt. (Curtis Burnam & Addie Ledford to John Egerton in his Generations, 1983, Pp. 105, 107);
CRANKS (Harlan Co.): Cranks Creek & Cranks Gap
Named for a man named Thranks, an early surveyor, contemporary of Wallins, Catron, etc. Corrupted in usage. (Mabel Green Condon, A HISTORY OF HARLAN CO. Nashville: Parthenon Press, 1962, P. 48); po est. as Cranks Creek 5/27/1848, Henry Skidmore; Disc. 9/8/1849 (where located?) Re-est. but dk where? 10/25/1871, Albert Skidmore; Disc. 1/8/1874; po of Cranks est. 6/19/1907, Peter Day, order rescinded 7/23/07; 4/9/1908, Harvy (sic) L. Ledford; Disc. 11/30/1910 (mail to Cawood); Re-est. 12/26/1913, Peter Day...(NA);
CRUMMIES (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to Thurman Clifford Chappell, 2/29/1928, this prop. po would be 2 mi e of Martins Fk, 100 ft n of Long Br. of Crummies Ck, 50 ft n of L&N (Crummies Sta. but no depot), to serve vil. of Crummies with pop. of 500, 2 mi e of Cawood po, 2 mi sw of Cranks po, 4 mi ne of Three Pt. po// Acc. to T.C. Chappell, 7/24/39, po was on Ky 66, 200 ft e of Long Br, 1 mi s of Cawood po, 3 mi nw of Cranks po. (SLR);

Old legend that someone once observed a large herd of buffalo (or deer) with crumpled horns. A cow with crooked horns is still called a crummie or crummy. PO was named for the creek;
CRUMMIES CREEK (Harlan Co., Ky.) "...was named because a drove of buffaloes with crumpled horn roamed under and around some cliffs there." (From W.W. Smith's daughter, Eva Parks, Harlan, Ky. Collected from Mary T. Greene, Bell Co., Ky. (1955), one of Leonard Roberts' students at Union College (?) c1955. He allowed me to copy this from her typewritten copy, 5/24/1971)

Both this and CRUMMIES (a populated community) are listed in Field's Guide, top. map. #216... po est. as Crummies, 8/11/1928, Thurman C. Chappell...(NA); disc. 1983
CRUMMIES (Harlan Co.): The creek was allegedly named by the Indians "place where water the great deer herd with the crumpled horns" (sic) (Condon, P. 115); "This hamlet with po and an L&N RR sta. is on US 421 and Long Br. of Crummies Ck, 7 (air) mi se of H. It was undoubtedly named for the stream, a trib. of Martins Fk of the Cum R., along which, it is said, someone had once observed a large herd of buffalo (or deer) with crumpled horns. A cow with crooked horns is still called a crummie or crummy. The po was est. on 8/11/1928 with Thurman C. Chappell, pm." (Book-P. 74);
CUMBERLAND (Harlan Co.): "The land along the river from Harlan extending north for about 2½ mi., was so poor that nothing could be raised on it so the river was named Poor Fork. The small town was called Poor Fork; now it is called Cumberland." (Lizzie Farmer of Harlan, Ky. contributed this to WPA, 12/7/1938); po est. as Poor Fork, 2/11/1837, Hezekiah Brunson; Disc. 1/19/1839; Re-est. 2/14/1845, Jas. J. Lewis... Disc. 10/2/57; Re-est. 11/14/57, Ambrose Powell... Disc. 7/31/63; Re-est. 6/2/65, Jonathan P. Smith... Disc. 2/1/75; Re-est. 8/2; 1875, Benj. F. Nolen (sic); 1/25/26, Ira Fields; n.ch. (sic) to Cumberland, 6/1/26, ibid (NA); —7 APO

2/21/74, Chadwell, F.C.
CUMBERLAND (Harlan Co., Ky): 4th cl. city, the co's. largest with a pop. of 3,712 (1980), 3,112 (1990). Site was settled in the 1820s. First called Poor Fork. In 1926 it was renamed for the river as more suitable for business. (KY. ENCY., 1992, Pp. 244-5); Hezekiah Branson was Poor Fork's 1st pm; The stream heads nr Eolia in Letcher Co; The town was the trading center for the Fork's families. (Jackie Owen); Two stores ther by the late 1870s: Huff Bros store and a water-powered corn mill. Cornetts also had a store. Place became a trade center for large area of upper Poor Fk;
CUMBERLAND (Harlan Co., Ky): "This 4th cl. city with po and the largest town in the co., is centered at the jct. of US 119 and Ky 160, 19 (air) mi ene of H. Until 1926 the town was called Poor Fork for its location on one of the three (head) forks of the Cumb. R. The stream, which is said to have been named for the relative unproductivity of its soil, flows wsw to join the Cumb. R. at Baxter, just below Harlan. The po, one of the oldest in the co., was est. as Poor Fork on 2/11/1837 with Hezekiah Brunson, pm. After an intermittent existence it, like the town, was renamed Cumberland on June 1, 1926 by local businessmen who sought a more significant and propitious name for their growing com.' (Book-P. 75);
CUMBERLAND (Harlan Co.): Poor Fork was named for the Poor Fork Creek which, in turn, was named for the unproductivity of the local soil. (Hardy, thesis, 1949, P. 21). The late Jos. E. Isaac, Sr. "was instrumental in having the name of Poor Fork changed to Cumberland." A native of Syria, he arr. at Poor Fork, as it was then called, in 1925. He was pres. & gen. mgr. of the Cumberland Amusement Co. which ran a chain of theaters in SE Ky. and was chairman of the (Poor Fork) city planning & zoning comm'n. He died 9/8/1972, age 74, in Daytona Bch., Fla. where he was then living. cf son, Rigdon Isaac, of Whitesburg...(Obit. in CJ&T, 9/10/1972, P. B4:1).
CUMBERLAND (Harlan Co., Ky): In Oct. 1910, Mrs. Lucinda J. Huff pet. for a move of the Poor Fork po 900 ft se to a pt 520 ft s of the Wasioto & Black Mt. RR (under construction), 1300 ft w of Poor Fork Sta., 50 ft w of Poor Fk, 3 mi ne of Creech po, 4 mi w of Yowell po, 3 mi se of Gordon po//Acc. to Ibid., 2/14/1911, po was 125 ft n of Poor Fk, 1/8 mi ne of Cloverlick Ck, 450 ft s of L&N, 3/4 mi from co. line, 3 mi ne of Creech po, 3 mi w of Benham po, 4.7 mi se of Gordon po//Acc. to Ira Fields, 5/15/1926, the po name was changed to Cumberland eff. 6/1/1926, and it was 300 ft sw of Cumb. R, 600 ft from mouth of Cloverlick Ck, 2 mi from co. line, 300 ft se of L&N, 1 1/2 mi w of
Pee Vee po, 2½ mi ne of Chad po 4 mi n of Clover po// On 7/14/32, Lizzie B. Davisworth pet. for a move on 7/10/32 (but nothing mentioned of distance/direction moved), to a pt 30 ft w of Poor Fk, ca. 6000 ft sw of Looney Ck, 75 ft s of L&N, 5½ mi sw of Partridge po, 2 3/4 mi se of Gordon po, 1 3/4 mi nw of Pee Vee po// Acc. to Mildred Fuchter (?), 8/3/1939, po was 0.2 mi se of US 119, 0.3 mi e of Cumb. Sta. on the L&N, 50 ft e of the river, 23 mi sw of (?) Harlan po, 4 mi se of Benham po (sic). (SLR);
DAY (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to Jillson II, Pp. 1170-1, John N. Day acq. 50, 50 acres on Lunies Ck (sic) (1843 and 50 on Pen Lick Br. (1847) & 100, 50 on same (1868) [Actually the listing is for John M, John B, & John M Day. Then Dan'l. Day acq. 200 on Poor Fk (1882). Louis Day (50) on Left Fk. of Crain Br. (1891). Newton Day (30) on S. Black Mt. (1902); Milton Hensley (1845-1926), Day's 1st pm, was the son of George Washington and Sarah (Noe) Hensley. Milton was mar. in 1872 to Nancy McGeorge in Wallins Ck. He was a Civil War Union Army vet; Acc. to 1920 Census, Ed Day (47) & wife Mournia (?) (40) lived in Wilhoit Prec. 8C, a farmer;
DAYHOIT (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to S.L. Osborne, 2/24/19, this prop. po would be ¼ mi s of Cumb. R, 50 yds n of L&N (Wilhoit Sta.), 3½ mi e of Wallins po, 4 mi w of Baxter po, 1 mi n of Whitestar po// On 3/27/30, Doxie Bussell pet. for a move 150 ft s to serve the commu. of Wilhoit, 400 ft n of the river, ¼ mi s of Ewings Ck, 1 mi nw of White Star po, 50 ft n of L&N (Wilhoit Sta.), 3 mi n of Shonn po, 2 mi s of Cargo po// Acc. to Dail Bussell, 7/25/39, po was 100 ft n of Wilhoit Sta. & 100 ft n of L&N, 500 ft s of the river, 2 mi w of Keith po. (SLR); APO; Acc. to 1/1/1996, it was on the e side of Ewing Ck;
DAYHOIT (Harlan Co., Ky): "This vil. with po lies on the Cumb. R. just below the m. of Ewing Ck, 2½ (air) mi w of H. The po was est. on 8/7/97 as Day for a local family. In 1913 the name was ch. to Wilhoit for Roy Wilhoit, the founder of a local coal co. In 1915 the po was moved to the site of the White Star Coal Co. mines, 1 mi up Ewing Ck, and renamed White Star. When it closed in 1930 its papers were transferred to the Dayhoit p.o. which had been est. on 4/22/1921 at or close to the Wilhoit site where the Wilhoit sta. of the Ky. & Va. (now L&N) RR had been located several yrs. before. Dayhoit was undoubted­ly a combi. of the names of Day and Wilhoit, its predecessors." (Book-P. 78);
DAY (Harlan Co., Ky): po est. 8/7/97, Milton Hensley, 12/6/97, Dora B. Howard (a minor), 1/20/98, Chadwell M. Howard, 4/21/99, Almon J. Howard, order to disc. 10/10/1904 with mail to Wallins Ck. was resc. 10/22/04, 10/24 1904, Abraham L. Wax (?) [or Ware/?] (resc. 2/2/05), 2/7/05, Silas Lewis, 2/4/07, Wm. E. Cornett, Disc. 7/30 1907 (mail to Baxter) [but order was rescinded], 9/26/ 1907, Bessie Blanton, 5/8/11, Camille Noe; n.ch. to Wilhoit, 2/26/1913.... (q.v. Wilhoit, White Star...) (POR-NA); 

Fred O. Keithly
DAYS BRANCH OF MARTINS FORK (Harlan Co., Ky): named for a local family. Days Branch School. Dave Hedrick had a store at its mouth in the 1890s. He later moved his stock to a store in Cawood. c.1898. (Curtis Burnam Ledford to Johr Egerton for his GENERATIONS, Lex: U Press of Ky, 1983, P. 72);
DELVALE (Harlan Co., Ky): po est. 2/23/1911, John H. Blair; Disc. 1/31/1913 (mail to Evarts) (POR-NA); Acc. to John H. Blair, 11/1910, this prop. po would be 200 ft n of Clover Fk (?), 1 mi w of Tungate Ck, 4½ mi w of Leonard po. (SLR);
DILLON (Harlan Co., Ky): po est. 7/10/1915, Nancy J. Cornett (declined), 11/4/1915, Wm. D. Lewis, 9/15/19, Mattie Lewis, Disc. eff. 5/31/1927 (mail to Putney) (POR-NA); Acc. to Wm. D. Lewis, 12/27/1915, this po was 100 ft n of Poor Fk, 4 mi e of English Ck, 55 ft s of the rr, 3 mi w of Nolandsburg po, 5 mi e of Rosspoint po, 4 mi s of Pine Mt. po. (SLR); (see Dione entry; Acc. to 1910 Robt. W. Cornett (25) & wife Isab' elle (17) in the Upper Poor Fk Mag. Dist. 3 nr Nancy J. Cornett, a 51 yr old widow. But no Dillon; Acc. to 1910 Census, no Wm. D. (for Dillon) lived in Poor Fk. Prec. 5, Mag. Dist. 4; Acc. to L&N's 1921 timetable, this sta. was on the Poor Fk. Br. 1 mi above Putney, 8 mi above Baxter, 2 mi below Laden, 3 mi below Nolansburg, 14 mi below Poor Fk (Cum. City);
DIONE (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to R.W. Cornett, 6/1912, this po was 60 ft. s of the L&N. Dione Station. The po was 1 mi w of the depot, 40 ft. n of Cumb. R. (SLR); Acc. to the L&N's 1921 timetable, this sta. on the Poor Fk. Br. was 2 mi above Colton, 16 mi above Baxter, 3 mi below Hiram, .6 mi below Poor Fk (Cumb. City); Acc. to 1910 Census, Nancy J. Cornett (51), a widow, who lived with Jonathan L. Blair (31) & his wife Rebecca (28) in the Upper Poor Fk. Mag. Dist. 3 but no Dione.
DIONE (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to R.W. Cornett, 11/11/1913, this po would move 28 ft w to a pt 60 ft n of the river, 65 ft s of L&N, 1½ mi from co. line, 4 mi w of Creech po, 4½ mi e of Nolansburg po, 5 mi nw of Leonard po// On 12/14/13, Rob't. W. Cornett pet. for a move 28 ft w to a pt 50 ft n of the river, 6 mi nw of Clover Lick Ck, 1½ mi from co. line, 4½ mi w of Creech po, 4½ mi e of Nolansburg po, 68 ft s of W & BM RR (sta.=Dione)// On 3/8/1918, Ibid. pet. for a move 3/4 mi e to a pt 400 ft n of the river, 60 ft n of L&N (Dione Sta.), 2 mi from co. line, 3½ mi w of Creech po, 4½ mi e of Nolansburg po, 4 mi sw of Gilley po.
eff. 3/25/1919// On 1/10/30, L.W. Harris pet. for a move 265 ft w to a pt ca 350 ft n of Poor Fk, ca. 700 ft e of Grave Br, 125 ft w of L&N (Dione Sta.), 2 mi from co. line, 3 3/4 mi w of Chad po, 5 mi e of Nolan burg po, 3 mi n of Louellen po// Acc. to Ibid., 8/2/1939, po was 1/2 air & 1 1/2 rd mi from Letcher Co. line, 50 ft n of US 119, 500 ft n of Poor Fk, 15 mi s of Gilley po (?), 35 mi n of Louellen po (?), 2 mi e of Totz po, 6 mi w of Cumb. po. (SLR);
DIONE (Harlan Co.); PO est. 5/14/1912, Robt W. Cornett...(NA); Disc. 1957
DIZNEY (Harlan Co., Ky): After the death of Henry Surgener, pm (ca. 1939, acc. to RMR), the po was moved a short distance to Paces Store with Lucy Pace, PM. It was moved again in 1951 to the Jones Bros. store, just above Pace's, with Milton Jones, pm., and here it closed in 1993. (Chas. W. Jones of Dizney, (via Evarts po) in letter to me, 1/5/2004);
DIZNEY (Harlan Co.): Named for Elijah Franklin Dizney, a local school teacher whose student submitted his name for the mining camp. He was father of Howard Dizney. (Mabel Collins, "Town Names Given by Railroads, Companies, Settlers" unid. & undated Harlan newsp. clip, p. est.: 1/15/1898, John G. Farley...6/10/1912, Roscoe F. Weaver; n.ch. (sic) to Kenvir, 1/3, 1921, Ibid...(NA) (q.v. Kenvir....);

Another Dizney po est. 12/13/1922, Henry Surgener...(NA); E. Frank Dizney, the 1st prin. of Black Mt. Academy, a chu. sch. est. by the Congreg. Chu. in Evarts, in 1893. (Condon, P. 98);
DIZNEY (Harlan Co.): Kenvir was never called Dizney. Dizney is 3 mi. above Kenvir on Yokum (sic) Creek. Never heard that there were 2 post offices called Dizney at 2 different times. (B. W. Whitfield, letter to me, 6/28/1980);
DIZNEY (Harlan Co., Ky): "This hamlet with po is on Ky 215 and Yocum Ck, at the mouth of Bills Ck, 10½ (air) m e of H. The po was est. about ½ mi w on Yocum Ck on 1/15/1898 with John G. Farley, pm. In 1921 pm Roscoe F Weaver removed it 2 mi w to the present site of Kenvir and renamed it for that developing coal town. The Dizney post office was re-est. in 1922 by Henry Surgene: Dizney was probably named for E'[lijah] Franklin Dizney, the 1st prin. of Black Mt. Acad., which had been est. by the Cong. Chu. at nearby Evarts in 1893. The Dizney commu. is now also locally referred to as Punkin Center (Book-P. 83);
DIZNEY (Harlan Co.): The name refers only to the p.o. and the community is called locally Punkin Center (pron. Sehn/er) Nothing there before the po was est. 1922. The pm of the 1st Dizney po moved to Black Mt. and evidently took the po with him and it was ch. to Kenvir. Then a new po was est. for the Dizney commu. (sic) Dizney site at present was/is not a coal town. Apparently the Dizney name was given to honor the 1st sch. tchr. there. No one recalls his first name. Now 60-65 families with 2 chu's., 2 stores, & the apo. (from Vicki R. Greech, postmaster, Dizney, who got info. for one of the community's oldtimers, in letter to me, 5/27/1980).
DIZNEY (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to Lucy Pace, 7/27/1939, this po was 3 rd mi from Lee Co., Va., 2½ mi e of the Kenvir po, 100 ft n of Yocum Ck, 5¼ mi e of Evarts po. (SLR); This po was on the s side of Ky 215 and had been suspended by 1/1/1996; No Dizneys listed in the 1870 Census; Nor in the 1880 Census; This po was suspended 5/18/1993;
DIZNEY-KENVIR (Harlan Co., Ky): In June 1908, Allen S Farley pet. for a move 1 mi w to a pt 5 mi w of Black Mt. RR & Sta. (in Va.), 3 mi e of Evarts po. In May 1914, Ibid. pet. for a move 1 mi e to a pt 4 mi e of Clover Fk, 100 ft n of Yocums Ck, 4 mi se of Evarts p 5 mi w of Black Water po (Va.). On 10/14/16, Ibid. pet. for a move 1½ mi e to a pt 5½ mi s of Clover Fk, 15 yds s of Yocums Ck, 1½ mi from co. line, 5½ mi e o Evarts po, 3 mi w of Black Mt. po (Va.). Eff. 11/1/16 (Henry F. Cloud may then have been pm). On 1/25/18, A.L. Timms pet. for a move 1 mi w to a pt 5 mi se of Clover Fk, on the n side of Yocums Ck, 2 mi from st.
line, 5 mi e of Evarts po, 3 mi w of Darbyville po (Va.)// Acc. to Henry Surgener, 3/20/1922, the po was now Kenvir but everything else in his SLR entry is too light to read// Acc. to no sign, 2/13/1920 or 1921 (?), this po, now Kenvir but late Dizney, was 2½ mi se of Clover Fk, 100 ft s of Yocums Ck, 5 mi from co. line, 2½ mi se of Evarts po, 5 mi s of Sea-graves po, 100 ft n of L&N// Acc. to John A. Van Pelt 8/8/39, po was 3 mi e of Ky 38, 100 ft s of Yocum Ck, 3 mi e of Evarts Sta, 1¼ mi e of Redbud po, 2 mi w of Dizney po. (SLR);
/DRAPER (Harlan Co., Ky): po est. 6/4/1924 with Franze Sigle Newp... Disc. 1952 (POR-NA); Acc. to Franze Sigle Newport, 3/17/1924, this prop. po would be 100 yds n of Clover Fk, 50 ft se of L&N (Draper Sta.), ½ mi ne of Kildav po, 1 mi sw of Draper po (?), serving the mining camp of the J.L. Smith Coal Co. of Kildav and the Middleton Add'n. of Evarts, Ky., with a pop. of 300 (SLR); Acc. to L&N's 1921 timetable, this sta. was on the Clover Fk. Br. 1 mi above Verda, close to Kildav, 1 mi below Keith, 10 mi above Baxter; Sometime betw. 1947-1960 its sta. name was ch. from Draper to Harcrow (L&N's 1960 timetable);
DRAPER (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to 1920 Census, J.E. Draper (30), a Tenn-born salesman for a scale co. lived with his wife Marie (22) & issue on Central St. in Harlan;
**DRESEN (Harlan Co., Ky.)** one mi. so. of Harlan (city) on US 421. Derived its name "because a group of railroaders witnessed (involuntarily, of course) a young lady dressing before an unshaded window." (R.R. South, "Our Station Names--Their Family Trees", THE L. & N. EMPLOYERS' MAGAZINE, 5/1949, P. 18:3)

Named for the city in France (sic) (Mabel Collins); Acc. to the L&N's 1921 timetable, this sta. was on the Martins Fk. Br. 1 mi s of Harlan and 3 mi n of Grays Knob. It was jct. with Catron's Ck. Br. and 4 mi below Gulston and 6 mi below Bardo and 4 mi below Mary Alice (1960 timetable); The sunshine po operated from 1938-1951 (POR);
ELCOMB (Harlan Co.): po est. 5/2/1918, Squire M. Wheeler...(NA); McComb Coal Co. (B.W. Whitfield, Jr. in a letter to me, 5/11, 1979); Acc. to Squire M. Wheeler, 2/5/18, the prop. name for this new po was McComb and it would be serving the "town of" Wheeler Camp whose rr sta. was Keernan or Keeman, 2½ mi from the vil. of McComb with a pop. of 150-200, ½ mi se of Catrons Ck, 15 ft se of L&N, 3 mi n of Pansy po, 2½ mi s of Harlan po, 2½ mi v of Grays Knob po. (SLR); No Wheeler, Keeman, or Keernan lived in McCombs Prec. #25, acc. to 1920 Census; McCombs Coal Co. served by the Elcomb po (1924);
ENGLISH CREEK (Harlan Co.): A s. bank branch of Poor Fk. of the Cumb. R., above Rosspoint is called English Creek. "A band of Indians chased a white woman from the top of (Black Mt.) down to the creek. She jumped in the creek to get away from them and was about to drown when some white people came along and threw some stout cords to her to hold to and she got out on the other side from the Indians and made her escape. The woman's name was English and after that this creek has always went by the name of English Creek (Thelma Kirby, Loyall, Ky., Pack Horse Libr. Carrier, Harlan Co., as told to her by A.H. Howard, then over 80 yrs. of age. for WPA, mid 1930s)."
EST (Harlan Co., Ky): 1st entry in POR for this po was 3/30/1898 with John L. Blair, pm, 9/10/98, Lear Lewis, Disc. eff. 7/31/1908 (mail to Maynard); Re-est. 9/4/08, Mary A. Coldiron, Disc. 6/30/1912 (mail to Poor Fork) (POR-NA); (Acc. to P&G the po was est. in 1892) Acc. to John L. Blair, 2/1898, this prop. po would be on the s bank of the Cum. R, 1½ mi n of Looney Ck, 5½ mi e of the Poor Fork po, 6 mi w of Maggard po, 6 mi e of Creech po. A rural po;// Acc. to Mary A. Coldiron, 8/08 po was 200 yds s of Poor Fk, 1½ mi sw of Lewis Ck, 3 mi sw of Maggard po, 5 mi ne of Poor Fk. po. (SLR); Acc. to 1900 Census, no John L. Blair or Est;
EST (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to 1880 Census, Ester Blair (50) lived with her bro. Joseph Blair and his wife Judy (43) & their children. No John. But nearby were two babies named John, in Dist. #1;
EVARTS (Harlan Co., Ky): "This 5th cl. city with po lie at the confl. of Yocum Ck and Clover Fk. of the Cumb. R 6 (air) mi e of Harlan. The po was est. on 2/9/1835 with Jane Kelly, pm, and allegedly named for an early Harlan Co. family." (Book-P. 96); The 1st settlement at the mouth of Yocum Ck. was made in 1800. Pion. families there incl: Turners, Kelleys, Paces, Middletons, Kings, Smiths, and Creeches. (Harlan Daily Enterprise, 2/28/1964, Pp. 20-22);
EVARTS (Harlan Co., Ky): a trade ctr. for much of the Clover Fk. valley. Among large vic. mines was one main­
tained by the Peabody Coal Co. at Black Mt. from 1919+. A major destructive fire in Evarts in 1926. (Wm. D. Forester, Before We Forget, 1983, P. 94);
EVARTS (Harlan Co.): Named for an army officer (Mabel Collins, "Town Names Given by Railroads, Companies, Settlers" undated Harlan news clipping); PO est. 2/9/1885, Jane Kelly...(NA); Town later owned by the Black Mt. Coal Co.; Named for a very early family. One of the sons married the daughter of Wm. & Eliz. Cornett Campbell on Poor Fork. (Condon, P. 32) But no listing of Evarts family in the 1850 Census. An old community, it was named for a family. (B.W. Whitfield, Jr. in a letter to me 6/28/1980).
EVARTS (Harlan Co.): Wm. M. Evarts, a director of Consolidation Coal Co. 1872-77. (Beachley, P. 98); Acc. to 1895-6 Gaz, this place was 8 mi e of Harlan with a pop. of 175. Moses Turner was pm & gen. storekeeper. Other gen. stores: (1) B.F. & A.Z. Kelly, (2) C. Middleton, (3) Middleton, Pace & Co. Lemuel Smith had a gro. D. Brownley was RR and expr. agent, Capps & Lyttel had a sawmill. John H. Creech was a shingle mfr. Wm. Pace had a sawmill. Other businesses; Evarts had a 2000 pop. of 1100 and is an apo; No Evarts in 1820 or 1870 Censuses nor in 1880 Census, nor 1860 Census;
EVARTS (Harlan Co.): c. 1948: had 7 chu's., movie theater, 2 poolrooms, other businesses.

"At the mouth of Yocum Creek where it flows into Clover Fk., between Little Black and Big Black Mts.... Trade center for... the camps along the... two creeks which extend 15 to 20 miles above it." (Glyn Morris, LESS TRAVELEI ROADS, NY: Vantage Press, 1973, P. 237);

Acc. to the L&N's 1921 Timetable, the Evarts po served the Peabody Sta. at the jct. of Yocum Br. & Ky and Va. line;
EVARTS (Harlan Co., Ky): In June 1907, Harvey B. Turner pet. for a move 1 mi nearly s to a pt on Clover Fk, serving the vil. of Evarts with a pop. of 250 that was 1 mi s of the po (map) // Acc. to Jas. H. Turner, 4/5/1909, po was 200 yds e of Clover Fk, on the s side of Yocum Ck, 5 mi e of Coxton po // On 8/20/1919, H.B. Turner pet. for a move 120 ft s to a pt 200 ft n of Clover Fk, 75 ft s of L&N (B.Z. Edwards was sta. agent), 2 1/2 mi w of Dizney po, 1 mi n of Kildav po, 3 mi sw of Lejunior po, (Evarts Sta.), eff. 9/1/19 // On 9/26/32, John C. Jackson pet. for a move 300 ft se to a pt 600 ft n of Clover Fk, 500 ft w of Yocums Ck,
1200 ft n of L&N (Evarts Sta.), 1 mi w of Red Bud po, 1¼ mi e of Kildav po, 8 mi ne of Highsplint po// Acc. to John (?) W. Cox, 7/24/39, po was 700 ft s of L&N & Evarts Sta, 100 ft n of Clover Fk, 1 3/4 mi sw of Red Bud po, 3½ mi sw of Lejunior po, 1.8 mi se of Kildav po. (SLR);
FOUR MILE (Harlan Co.): Named for its distance 4 miles, from Harlan. (Mabel Collins, "Town Names Given by Railroads, Companies, Settlers, unid. & undated Harlan news. clipping); Four Mile Creek is 4 mi. on from mouth to court hse. via state highway. (Grace Cox, Pack Horse Libr. for WPA Harlan Co. PN ms., P. 26); Fourmile is at (or nr.) Keith PC and comm. (check...); Keith po aka Fourmile. Four Mi. Sch. is just up from the mouth of the branch. The branch is identified on the Harlan 15 min. map (1919) but No Keith or Four Mi. com. is mentioned. (F295)
FRIENDSHIP (Harlan Co., Ky): po est. 9/12/1854 with Thos. M. Morris; 2/19/56, Washington Smith, 7/3/60, Leander Skidmore, Disc. 10/22/1860; Re-est. 11/6/65, Ibid, Disc. 6/21/1867. (POR-NA); Re-est. sometime after 1867 because P&G has it extending till 1896. check...; po est. as Martin's Fork 8/21/1854 with Thos. M. Harris, 1st pm (check), n.ch. to Friendship, 9/12/54, Ibid... (see above); Acc. to Jenny Lynch, 9/22/03, the po was not re est. after it closed on 6/21/1867;
FROG LEVEL (Harlan Co., Ky.) "A small community on the outskirts of Harlan, Ky., is called Frog Level. This land used to be swampy and had lots of ponds on it. Old timers said you could scarcely hear your ears there in the spring because of the frogs hollering." (Grace Howard, Harlan Co., one of Leonard Roberts' folklore students, Union College, 1955-56.)

Only a frog pond at one time. Acc. to Ina Mae Enzor of Harlan Co., Ky., from her second cousin Oscar Yeary. (Ina was student of ibid......, 1957.)
FULKERSON (Harlan Co., Ky): po est. 1/25/1903, Clarence Fulkerson, 10/1/1904, Robert F. Witt, Disc. eff. 5/31/05 (papers to Avondale) (POR-NA); Acc. to Clarence Fulkerson, 1/1/1903, this prop. po would be called Morley but operated as Fulkerson, serving a vil. with a pop. of 200, 9 mi s of the Cum. R, on the n side of Martins Fk, 4 mi w of Hurst po, 5½ mi e of Avondale po. (SLR); No Fulkersons listed in the 1900 Census;
GAP RIDGE (Harlan Co., Ky): po est. 5/4/1876 with Henry L. Howard, 3/18/80, Eli Lewis, Disc. 10/6/1880 (POR-NA); Acc. to Henry L. Howard, 6/17/1876, this po was 100 yds n of Poor Fk, ½ mi n of English Ck, 5 mi ne of Harlan Ct. Hse po. (SIR);
GEORGE (Harlan Co., Ky): po est. 6/15/97, Benj. H. Mitchell, 8/5/98, Daniel S. Farmer, 1/2/04, Enoch S. Osborne, Disc. 11/30/1909 (mail to Harlan) (POR-NA);

Acc. to Benj. H. Mitchell, 3/9/96, this prop. po would be on the e bank of Martins Fk, on the s bank of Turtle Ck, 4 mi nw of Cawood po, 6 mi se of Harlan po, 7 1/2 mi se of Baxter po. Not a vil// On 2/19/02, Dan'l. S. Farmer pet. for a move 1 mi e to a pt 1/20 mi n of Poor Fk, on the n side of Turtle Ck, 3 mi nw of Cawood po, 6 mi se of Harlan po, ca. 9 mi e of Pansy po. (SLR); No Benj. H. or George are listed in 1900 census;
/GLASS (Harlan Co., Ky): No listings for this family in 1880 and 1900 Censuses; Leander Farmer, ne 1874, marr. in 1893 Rebecca, daughter of Stephen & Sallie (Russell) Ledford, but no Glass; Acc. to 1900 Census, Leander & Rebecca Farmer lived in Lower Martins Fork dist. but no Glass;
GLASS (Harlan Co., Ky): po est. 9/9/1898, Leander S. Farmer, 10/10/1900, Josephus C. Green, 2/18/1901, Jas. W. Skidmore, Disc. eff. 8/31/1901 (mail to Ledford) (POR-NA); Acc. to Jas. H. Ledford, 6/1898, the 1st name prop. for this new po was Hurst and it would be 6 mi e of Martins Fk, 50 yds w of Cranks Ck, 4 mi e of Cawood po, 4 mi s of Leonard po, 6 mi ne of Hubbard Springs, Va. Not vil // On 3/27/01, Jas. W. Skidmore pet for a move 1 mi ne to a pt 7 mi ne of Martins Fk, 50 yds e of Cranks Ck, 2 mi sw of Ledford po, 4½ mi nw of Cawood po, 3½ mi w of Domino po (Va.), 4 mi n of L&N. (SLR);
GRAYS KNOB (Harlan Co.): Mining commu. of c. 200 families. In 1969 there was only one mine in operation, owned by the V&C Coal Co. Charlotte Sta. was a sort of loading sta. for the mine which was then owned by the late C.R. Bennett. His wife was Charlotte. He also shipped what he called "Queen Charlotte Coal", a certain kind of coal, from his mine: Charlotte is now also dead. The sta. called Charlotte is no longer in existence and her name is no longer used for a kind of coal. A son of Bennett's is still associated with the V&C Coal Co. Charlotte was his step-mother: Clyde Bennett, Grays Knob Coal Co. Grays Knob, Ky. He might not be willing to be interviewed on this matter; he's rather touchy.
on the subject since his father killed himself and a year later, Charlotte was found dead under odd circumstances. This was in the early 1950s. The mine in question, the only one informant knows of in the past 25 years, was opened in 1945-6. (Ann R. Sharp, pm of Grays Knob, Ky. in a letter to me, 4/28/1969:)


... APO (POR-NA)
GRAYS KNOB (Harlan Co., Ky): 3162 ft. elev.
Said to have been named for a pioneer settle
ted Gray. (WPA P.N. notes, M. Ladd, 1941)

Named for former owner of camp. The camp was once called
Wilsonburger (sic) Camp for the coal co. and was later
renamed Gray's Knob for a peak overlooking the area. The
upper camp was occupied by the mine bosses. The po was
on the highway across the river, separated by a 2 lane
bridge from the coal camps. Recently a 4 lane highway
was built thru the lower camp. Most homes are privately
owned. The APO is in another commu. below the camp. The
sch. is current. (Eliz. H. McKinney, RR 1, Box 130,
Keokee, Va. 24265, 540-546-2178, in KY. EXPL. Vol. 16
(3), 7-8/2001, Pp. 95-6);
GRAYS KNOB (Harlan Co.): Wilsonberger (sic) was named for C.E. Wilson and T.C. Berger. The 1st bookkeeper of this mine was Robt. Scott, Sr., 1918. The company that owned this also owned the Mary Helen Mine. (Mabel Collins, "Town Names Given by Railroads, Companies, Settlers" unid. & undated Harlan newsp. clip. po of Grays Knob, 1/13/1916, Paul Berger...)

(NA); Named for Grays Knob of Black Mt. Charlotte Sta. was named for C.V. Bennett's 2nd wife. Wilsonburger Sta. was named for a Mr. Wilson and a Mr. Burger who founded the Wilsonburger Coal Co. (sic) c. 1917. (B.W. Whitfield, in a letter to me, 5/11/1979);
GRAYS KNOB (Harlan Co., Ky): "This coal town with po lie on Martins Fk of the Cumb. R., 2 (air) mi s of H. The po was est. on 1/13/1916 with Paul Berger, pm, and named for a nearby elevation. The commu. has also been identified as Charlotte Station, a now extinct loading sta. for a local mine, and was named for the 2nd wife of the mine owner, C.R. Bennett. It has also been called Wilsonberger Station for C.E. Wilson and T.C. Berger, who founded the local Wilsonberger Coal Co. in 1917." (Book-P. 124); ca. mid 1920s: Bradley Pennington ran a sawmil at the mouth of Grays Br. of Martins Fk. Wilson Berger had coal mines at G.K. ca. mid & late 1920s. (KY EXPL. Vol. 17 (2), 6/02, P. 85);
GRAY'S KNOB (Harlan Co., Ky): ca. 1/1/1996, po was on US 421 S. Browning AC (POR); po was in op'n. by 1/1/96 but not by 8/2000; Acc. to the L&N's 1921 timetable, this sta. was on the Martins Fk. Br. 3 mi above Dressen a short distance above the Coburn Sta. and a mi. below Chevrolet, 4 mi above Harlan;
GRAYS KNOB (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to Paul Berger, 10/4/1915, this prop. po would be ca. 500 ft s of Martins Fk, 300 ft e of Mill Ck, 100 ft s of an ext. of the L&N. This name will also be given to the sta. & to the mining camp being est. by the Wilson-Berger Coal Mining Co. It will be 4½ mi s of Harlan po, ca. 6 mi nw of Cawood po. In 6/1931, Albert Pennington, act. pm, pet. for move 680 yds e to a pt on Martins Fk, 680 ft from the Coburn (rr) Sta. 2 mi w of Chevrolet po, 2½ mi e of Harlan po. Eff. 6/1. Reason: "coal mine was worked out and will close." (map) Robt. Hampton was rr agent. On 9/17/31, Ibid. pet. for a move 600 yds e to a pt on the n bank of Martins Fk, 600 yds n of L&N (Coburn Sta.), 2 mi w of Chevrolet, 3½ mi e of Harlan. Acc. to Ibid, 7/24/39, it was 2040 ft n of Coburn Sta & L&N tracks, 2 mi e of Chev, 3½ mi s (?) of Harlan. (S(R)); n 0.4 mi.
GREASY CREEK (Harlan Co.): "Allegedly named because of the grease which flowed into the creek from the carcass of a slain bear."

(Glyn Morris, LESS TRAVELED ROADS, NY: Vantage Press, 1971, P. 77); Many bears in that val. were troublesome to early settlers. They were killed and their meat, etc. were washed into the stream causing "a greasy film to form on the surface" of the water. (Mrs. Chester Rankin of Lou, Ky., once a H. Co. tchr, to WPA. Bird C. Greer, 3/4, 1941);
GROSS (Bell and Harlan Co's., Ky): [Late in Bell Co]:
4/21/1921 in Harlan Co. with Gillis Howard, pm, Disc.
8/31/1921 (mail to Redfox) (POR-NA); Acc. to A.B. Gros
7/1/02, this po was in Bell Co., 8½ mi up Straight Ck
from the river, on the n side of the ck, 3½ mi e of Lock
po, 4½ mi w of Pass po. Not vil. but only a rural po://
On 4/18/16, Mary Sewell pet. for a move 1 3/4 mi ne to a
pt. still in Bell Co, 200 ft s of Straight Ck, 1½ mi
from co. line, 7 mi ne of Kettle I. po, 5 mi n of Burch-
field po.:// On 10/24/19, Dan'l. Howard pet. for a move 4
mi e to a pt in Harlan Co., 5 mi n of river, 150 ft n of
Straight Ck, 2 mi ne of B. Co. line, 12 mi e of Kettle I
po, 5 mi nw of Wallins Ck po. Eff. at any time. PM re-
signed & patrons wanted a more convenient po. (SLR);
GROSS (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to 1920 Census, several Gross families lived in Prec. 20 (Pine Flat) incl. Bige G. Gross (71) & wife Mary J. (65);
GULSTON (Harlan Co.): Pansy=7 mi. from Harlan (Mabel Green Condon, A HIST. OF HARLAN CO. Nashville: Parthenon Press, 1962, P. 48); po est. as Gulston, 6/27/1927, Mary E. Vaughn ...(NA); 1st called Pansy for the flower. "An engineer of the L&N RR Co. by the name of Gull called it Gulls Town, shortened to Gulston when a small sta. was established in the early twenties." (D.E. Hensley, Jr., pm, in letter to Delphine Haley, 6/23/1975); Acc. to 1930 Cens, Pansy had a pop. of 100 (WPA); Gulston was an apo ca. winter 1997-8 (Acc. to a photo in KY EXPL, Vol. 12 (7), 1/1998, P. 108); Ca. 1/1/1996, po was on Ky 72; po was not in op'n. by 2000 (POR);
HARLAN (Harlan Co., Ky.): 1st settlers of the county were the family of Sam'l. Howard (then spelled Hoard) who arr. from Va. in 1796 and settled on the site of present Harlan... (Wm. C. Kozee, PIONEER FAMILIES OF EASTERN AND SOUTHEASTERN KY. Balti: Geneal. Publ. Co., 1973, P. 10); po est. as Harlan Ct. Hse. 9/19/1828, John N. Martin... ch. to Spurlock, 9/14/1861, Josiah B. Spurlock; ch. to Harlan (C.H.), 11/3/1865, Wilkerson M. Howard... (NA);
HARLAN (Harlan Co., Ky): "This 4th. cl. city and seat of H. Co. is on US 421 and the fks. of Cum. R.... By 1819, when the settlement became the new co's. seat, it was already called Mt. Pleasant, for reasons unknown. The po was est. on 9/19/1828 as Harlan Ct. Hse. with John N. Martin, pm, since the Mt. P. name had been pre-empted by another Ky. po. In the 1860s the po was called Spurlock, probably for the pm then, one Josiah B. Spurlock, but in 1865 it adopted the name Harlan, which it has borne ever since. Tho' inc. as Mt. Pleasant in 1884, the town was locally called Harlan Town or Harlan Ct. Hse. It was re-inc. as Harlan in 1912. The name honored Maj. Silas Harlan (1752-82) who fought with Gen. GRC and was killed at the Battle of B.L." (Book-P. 131);
HARLAN (Harlan Co., Ky.)
Orig. called Mt. Pleasant. DK when n-ch. to honor Major Silas Harlan, a Rev. War officer who was killed at the Battle of Blue Licks Springs. (RR South, "Our Station Names" L&N MAG., 5/1949, P. 18.) The co. and town were named for Maj. Silas Harlan, ne Va. 1752. To Ky. 1774. Est. Harlan's Sta. 7 mi. s. of Harrodsburg on Salt R. 1778. A spy for Geo. R. Clark in Ill. campaign, 1779. Fell at the Bat. of Blue Licks, 1782 and buried there. (Highway marker at ct. hse, acc. to GUIDE, No. 785, P. 117);
See Lafayette Dunlap article in the KHR (9/1914) re-Harlan which was named for the Harlan family who originally spelled its name Haerlen, "a name still to be found in Holland though the suggestion has been made by a cultural Hollander that it may be a mis-spelling of Haerlem, a well known Dutch city (Mary Middleton Nicholas, "Significant Names of Ky.", unpub. typewritten manu. in files of KHS Libr: "Names: Geog:Misc.")
HARLAN (Harlan Co., Ky): On US 421 & 119. The 1st permanent settlers of the future town were Sam'l. & Chloe Howard in 1796. They sold 12 acres for the co's. seat in 1819 and the town was platted in 1820. It was named Mount Pleasant for an Indian mound. Inc. 1876. After 1885 the town was extended east up Clover Fk. The city's name was changed from Mt. P. to Harlan in 1912 (to conform to the po's & co's. name) Limits extended s, up Martins Fk. after WWII. 1980 annexed. The Clover Fk. diversion tunnels built for flood control ca. 1990. 4th cl. city with a 1990 pop. of 2686. (Jas. S. Greene III in KY. ENCY. 1992, P. 408);
HARLAN (Harlan Co.): Inc. 4/15/1884 as Mt. Pleasant (ACTS 1883/4, Vol. 1, P. 1413); n. ch. to Harlan, 3/13/1912 (ACTS, 1912, P. 227). Named by Sam'l. Hoard, Harlan's first settler. He was a Rev. War vet. (B.W. Whitfield of Brookside, Ky. in letter to me, 5/11/1979);

The Mount Pleasant p.o. operated from 1818 to 1823. It became the Harlan Ct. Hse. p.o in 1824; This town is 161 mi se of downtown Lexington (via I-75, Ky 80, and the rd's from Hyden); 2000 pop. = 2081; The city had a 1930 pop. of ca. 5,000; The Mt. Pleasant p.o was est. 9/20/1818 with John Pate, pm, 6/9/20, John Ridgeway till 1823; The L&N arr. here 1911 (Herr);
HARLAN (Harlan Co.): 1st called Mt. Pleasant n.ch. to Harlan in 1912 for reasons never sufficiently explained in pet. to the Ky. Leg. Believed that the town's B'd. of Trustees felt that to progress, the commu. should have a name that was "less small townish" than M.P. Harlan was selected as it was the county's name. As such it was named for Maj. Silas Harlan, Rev. War vet. DK why the Mt. P. name was originally applied but it was, back in 1819. Pet., via Hs. Bill 6, was passed by the Leg. on 4/1/1912. "Board Sought New Name for Mt. Pleasant in 1912" HARLAN DAILY ENTERPRISE 50th anniv. ed. 9/23/1962, P. 1:7-8); The first Bass train to Harlan am. 6/17/1911.
HARLAN (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to L.J. Skidmore, 10/21, 1879, the po was Harlan Court House and was serving the commu. locally called Mount Pleasant, 1 1/4 mi s of the river, on the n bank of Clover Fk, 5 mi w of Gap Ridge po:// Acc. to M.B. Hurst, 12/20/98, the town's name is still Mount Pleasant and its po was 1/8 mi n of the river, at the confl. of Clover & Martin Forks to form the Cumb. R. Poor Fk. joins the r. 1 1/4 mi n of the town:// Acc. to Nannie L. Ward, 4/27/14, po was 13 ft s of Clover Fk, 1 mi se of Catrons Ck, 1750 ft n of rr, 1 1/4 mi se of Baxter po, 2 mi w of Kitts po, 6 mi se of Bledsoe po:// Acc. to no sign, 7/25/39, po
was on Ky 123, 1500 ft n of L&N, 1000 ft n of Clover Fk, 3/4 mi ne of Sunshine po, 2.2 mi w of Kitts po, 2½ mi s of Baxter po, 3.8 mi n of Grays Knob po. (map) (SIR);
HARLAN (Harlan Co., Kentucky)
In c. 1875, only 10 families there and it was known as Mount Pleasant, Ky. Name changed by the State Legisl. in 1912. (Elmon Middleton, HARLAN COUNTY, KENTUCKY, Big Laurel, Va.: James Taylor Adams, 1934, P. 50), 1st called Mt. Pleasant by earliest explorers from Va. or N.C. At the confluence of the Clover Fk, Marti Fk., and Catron Creeks where they formed the headwaters of the Cumber R. Poor Fk. joins the river 1 mi. away at Baxter. (Pp. 20-1) Inc. in 1876. PO named Harlan Ct. Hse. since there was another Mt. P. in Ky. But people would call it Harlan Town or Harlan Ct. Hse. until 1912 when it was re-inc. as Harlan. (P. 21) Until then
the town was still officially called Mt. Pleasant. (P. 22).... (A HIST. OF HARLAN CO. by Mabel Green Condon, Nashville: Parthenon Press, 1962); Acc. to 1876-7 Gaz, the Harlan Ct.Hse pd served Mt. Pleasant, a vil. with a pop. of 75, on Clover Fk. Also had grist & saw mill and several other mills nearby. Stores: (1) Jones & Bailey, (2) C.C. Quillman, (3) D.C. Skidmore, (4) D.H. Smith, (5) T.S. Ward; Another listing of late 1870s stores incl: Jones & Bailey, (2) Quillen & Howard, (3) Skidmore & Jones, (4) Noble Smith, (5) T.S. Ward. G.W. Blackburn had a boots/shoes business. A.L. Harris had a gro. & hotel as did D.C. Skidmore. Other businesses;
HIGHSPLINT (Harlan Co., Ky): "This coal town and sta. are on the L&N RR's Cumb. Val. Div., at the m. of Sea­graves Ck, a br. of Clover Fk. of the Cumb. R, & 10½ (air) mi ene of H. The commu. & its recently disc. po, est. on 2/17/1918, with John D. Casey, pm, were named for the High Splint Coal Co. which had opened a mine in that vic. The rr was completed to this pt. in 6/1919 and the sta. est. there was 1st called Seagrave." (Book P. 140); Acc. to the L&N's 1921 timetable, the Seagrave Sta. was on the Clover Fk. Br. 2 mi above Shields Sta & 2 mi below Lisbon Sta. Acc. to 1960 timetable, it was 6 mi above Evarts, 2 mi below Closplint 2 Sta. and 4 mi below Closplint Sta;
✓HIGHSPLINT (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to Wm. R. Ballon, 7/2/1917, this prop. po would be 200 ft s of Clover Fk, 50 ft w of Sagamore (?) Ck, 6 mi e of Evarts po//
Acc. to C.H. Jones, 7/24/39, po was 2 air mi from the Lee Co. line, 200 ft sw of Highsplint (rr) Sta, 75 ft e of L&N, 300 ft e of Clover Fk R, 2 mi sw of Louellen po, 1½ mi se of Benito po. (SLR); Served by the High Splint po (1924) were the High Splint Coal Co's. High Splint Mine and Harlan Mine;
HIGHSPLINT (Harlan Co.): named for the seam of coal. (Mabel Collins, "Town Names Given by Railroads, Companies, Settlers" undated & undated Harlan News clipping); aka Seagrave, 1/6 rail mi. from Shields, Ky. The rr was completed to this point 6/21/1919. (Kincaid A. Herr, L&N RR 1964, p. 204); po est. as Highsplint, 2/7/1919; John D. Casey... (NA); High Splint Coal Co. 1919. (sic) (B.W. Whitfield, Jr. of Brookside Ky. in a letter to me, 5/11/1979); Joseph Seagraves of H. Co. (ca. 1920);
HIGH SPLINT POST OFFICE (Hardin Co., Ky): Acc. to C.H. Jones, 10/5/1926, this po was in the e part of the mining camp, 200 ft. e of Clover Fork, 1 mi e of Ridgeway po, 2 mi sw of Louellen po, 2 air mi w of the co. line. (SLR); po est. 2/7/1918, John D. Casey, 10/26/18, Columbus C. Horton, 3/31/20, Elmer H. Smith, 7/8/1925, Chas. H. Jones, act. and a.ch. 11/4/25...Disc 1974 (POR-NA); The Clover Fk. Museum here was donated by coal op's. Now a commu. ctr. Built ca. 1930. (KY EXPL. Vol. 15 (9), 3/2001, P. 11); Seagraves=the rr sta. for Highsplint. The 1.6 mi were completed from Shields to her on 6/21/1919 (L&N);
HIRAM (Harlan Co.): Named for landowner, Hiram Lewis. (Mabel Collins, "Town Names Given by Railroads, Companies, Settlers" undated & undated Harlan newsp. clipping); Acc. to Frances E. Creech, 2/11/1943, this prop. po would be serving the vil. of Chad with a pop. of 500, and Hiram Sta. (a non-agency sta. 125 ft away, po would be 60 ft s of L&N, 300 ft n of river, 3 mi w of Cumb. po, 3 mi e of Dione po, 6 mi s of Gordon po. The vil. of Chad had been destroyed by fire. (SLR);
HIRAM (Harlan County, Ky.) a railroad station named for Hiram Lewis. Acc. to Fred Pennington, his grandson. (Betty Cusick, Evarts, Ky. A student of Leonard Roberts, Union College, 1956.); Acc. to 1900 Census, Hiram Lewis (1/58) & wife Rhoda E. (12/58) lived in Upper Poor Fk. Prec. next to Campbell H. Hurst (12/72) & wife Frances (11/74). Another Hiram Lewis (12/59) lived with wife Hannah (11/59) in Lower Poor Fk nr. other Lewises; Acc. to 1920 Census, Hiram C. Lewis (61) & wife Rhoda (61), a farmer, lived in Prec. #4, Upper Poor Fk;
HIRAM (Harlan Co., Ky): Hiram Lewis and his wife Rhoda (nee Ely) had a water mill on Poor Fk. They maintained the po (on the Cornett family in Harlan Mt. Roots, Vol. 3 (3), Spr. 1989, P. 101); His dates: 1882-1934. He was son of James Jarrett (Jared) & Malinda (Lynda) (nee Cornett) Lewis. (Ibid', Pp. 110-11);
HIRAM (Harlan Co., Ky): "This hamlet and sta. on the L&N RR's Cumb. Val. Div. are on US 119 and the Poor Fk. of the Cumb. R, 16 (air) mi ene of Harlan. The sta., est. around 1920, was named for landowner Hiram Lewis. The area does not have its own po." (sic) (Book-P. 142); The Hiram Bap. Chu. was next to the Blair Gen'l. Merch. & po. (KY. EXPL. Vol. 12 (10), 4/1998, P. 21); Acc. to the L&N's 1921 timetables, this sta. on the Poor Fk. Br. was 19 mi above Baxter, 3 mi above Dione, 1 mi below Chad, 3 mi below Poor Fork Sta.; PO operated betw. 1943 and 1964 when it became an RB till 1965 (POR); Acc. to 1910 Census, Hiram C. Lewis (52) & wife Rhoda (51) live in Upper Poor Fk. Mag. Dist. 3; Acc. to 1910 Census, another Hiram Lewis (52) & wife Hannah R. (48) live nr other Lewis fam's. in Poor Fk Prec. 5, Mag. Dist. 4;
HOLMES MILL (Harlan Co., Ky): po was est. 3/24/1926 with Wiley Holmes, 1st pm.... APO (POR-NA); Acc. to Wiley Holmes, 7/24/25, this prop. po would be betw. Black Mt. & Cumb. Mt, 50 ft n of Clover Fk, 6 mi w of Clover Fk. po, 6 mi e of Louellen po// Acc. to Ibid., 7/27/39, po was 1 air & 8 rd mi from Lee Co, 20 ft n of Clover Fk. R, 5 mi e of Closplint po, 6 mi w of Keokee po (Va.). (SLR); Wiley Holmes ran the local mill. (Mabel Collins); po on Ky 38 (1/1996); Acc. to 1920 Census, Wiley Holmes (36) & wife Lilly (28) lived with her father Hampton Short (70) in Klondike Prec. 3 Wiley was a civil eng. in a coal mine;
HURST (Harlan Co., Ky): Elijah Hurst represented the co. in the Ky. House 1869-71; Acc. to 1900 Census, Felix P. Fee (ne 12/56) & wife Martha (2/67) lived in the Upper Martins Fk prec. nr. other Fees but not nr any Hursts who were then living in the Upper Poor Fk & Mt. P. districts; Acc. to 1920 Census, Walt Middleton (27) lived with mother Mintie (50) and bro. James (23) and sister Mary (16) & br. Fred (12) in Baxter Prec. #2 but not nr any Hurst families; Acc. to 1920 Census, McKinley Hurst (21) & wife Dora E. and bro. Jessie B. (sic) Hurst lived on Clover St. in Harlan. He was a janitor of a barber shop;
HURST (Harlan Co., Ky): po est. 5/14/1900, Felix P. Fee. 2/25/07, John Scott, Jr., 1/2/08, Sam'l. L. Blanton, Disc. eff. 5/31/08 (mail to Hagan, Lee Co., Va.), re-est. 7/14/08, Felix P. Fee, Disc. 6/15/10 (mail to Hagan) (POR-NA); Acc. to Felix P. Fee, 3/1/00, this prop. po would be 100 yds n of Martins Fk, 4½ mi s of Pansy po, 3½ mi n of Hagan po, 6 mi w of Smith po// Acc. to John Scott, 2/1907, po was 5 rods s of Martins Fk, 1 3/4 mi n of L&N, 3 mi nw of Hagan po & sta, 7 mi s of Pansy po, 4 mi sw of Smith po// Acc. to F.P. Fee, 6/1908, po was 3 mi n of L&N, 3 mi n of Hagan Sta, 5 mi s of Pansy po. (SLR);
IMLAY (Harlan Co., Ky): po est. in Leslie Co. Acc. to Richard L. Wilson, 1st pm, it would be serving the Big Branch locality, 6 mi e of Helton, on Beech Fk. The po officially opened 6/1/1893. On 2/20/94 Wilson was succeeded by Jas. Duff, who was succeeded on 5/11/95 by Eliz. Duff, and on 2/4/96 by Jane Duff. On 1/21/1904 John J.C. Napier became pm. (POR); Could the po have been named for the early American writer Gilbert Imlay? Little is known of his life. He may have been born in NJ ca. 1754. After serv. in Rev, to Ky. by 1783. Acq. land grants of over 28,000 acres & penned "Topographical Description of the Western Territory of No. America" (pub. in 1793) and, in that yr, a
novel "The Emigrants". His 28,000 acres incl. 4,200 acres on an unknown ck. in the Licking Val. (surv. in 1784). His writings are said to have encouraged early Ky. settlement. But he may have left the terr. by 1786. (Jas. C. Klotter in KY ENCY. 1992, P. 451); He was briefly a surveyor with John May at the Falls of the Ohio. His Land speculations led to the loss of his claims and a hasty departure from Ky & the US by 12/1785. (From DAB and Col. Chinn's Ky, Pp. 592-5
IMLAY (Harlan Co., Ky): 1/21/1904, John J. Napier, 2/24 1911, Geo. W. Bailey, 2/28/12, Hiram B. Davis. Disc. 7/31/1913 (mail to Bledsoe) (POR-NA); PO was est. in 1893 in Leslie Co. (check...); Acc. to John J.C. Napier 5/19/1904, this po was now in Harlan Co., 100 yds n of Buck Fk., ¼ mi from Leslie Co. line, 3½ mi s of Helton po, 3½ mi n of Bledsoe po. In Nov. 1911, Ibid. pet. for a move 1 mi e to a pt 5 mi w of Incline po. (SLR); *Beech Fk. (?) It was ½ mi within H. Co. (Acc. to W.H. Toliver, Bledsoe PO, 6/14/1904 SLR); Check Wash. Co., Ky. sources for Imlay, a personal name there;
INCLINE (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to Harrison Cornett, 5/24/05, this prop. po would be serving the McKnight locality, 4 mi n of the Cumb. R, on the w side of Laurel Ck, 3 mi e of Bledsoe po, 6 mi w of Jane po, 6 mi s of Napier po. Acc. to Jos. G. Creech, 11/29/1915, it was 4 mi from river, on Laurel Ck. Acc. to Jana M. Creech, 11/13/16, it was 3 mi n of Poor Fk, 100 yds n of Laurel Ck, 4 mi from co. line, 6½ mi w of Pine Mt. po, 4 mi e of Bledsoe po. On 12/29/1918, Geo. W. Holbrook pet. for a move 3/4 mi w to a pt 200 yds w of Laurel Ck, 5 yds n of Wolfpen Br, 3 mi from co. line, 5½ mi ne of Rosspoint po, 7½ mi w of Pine
Mt. po, 5 mi se of Bledsoe po// On 5/22/22, Ibid.
pet. for a move 400 yds e to a pt 100 yds n of
Laurel Ck, 3 mi from Leslie Co. line, 7 mi n of Ross-
point po, 6½ mi w of Pine Mt. po, 5 mi s of Napier
po, eff. 6/12/1922// Acc. to Ibid, 9/26/39, po was 3
mi from Leslie Co. line, 30 ft n of Laurel Ck. (SLR);
INCLINE (Harlan Co., Ky): po est. 6/21/1905, Harrison Cornett, 1/6/06, Campbell E. Ball, 5/14/08, Jos. G. Creech, 10/2/16, Jona M. Creech, 1/11/1919, Geo. W. Holbrook...Disc. 1951 (POR-NA);
INDIAN HILL (Harlan County, Ky.) "This is a lovely hill on which I used to play. We were told that Indians were buried there. We tried to find some but never did." (Ina Mae Enzor of Harlan County, Ky., student of Leonard Roberts, Union College, 1957.)
INSULL (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to C.L. Gurley, 12/29/24, the prop. name for this new po was Fee to serve a vil. of that name with a pop. of 500, 50 yds from the Rocky Branch Sta. (a non-agency pass. stop), 3 mi e of the Cumb. R, 50 yds s of Pucketts Ck, 75 yds s of L&N (The Pucketts Ck. Br. with its Insull Sta.), 3/4 mi e of Black Snake po, 1½ mi w of Path Fork po, 3½-4 mi s of Cardinal po, 50 yds from Bell Co.// Acc. to Ibid., 7/25/39, po was ¼ mi from B. Co, 1/8 mi e of Puckett Ck 4 mi s of Cum. R & Blackmont, 2 mi n of Path Fork po, 5 mi n of Alva po, 5 mi s of Hulen po. (SLR);
INSULL (Harlan Co., Ky): On 10/4/1926, C.L. Gurney (?) pet. for a site ch. 125 ft. se to a pt. 3 mi e of the Cumb. R., 100 ft. s of Pucketts Creek, 3/4 mi e of Black Snake po (Bell Co.), 1½ mi w of Path Fork (sic) po, 2½ air mi ne of Balkan po (Bell Co.), 150 ft. s of the L&N Insull Sta. 600 air ft. from the co. line. (SLR); The Fee Sta. on the L&N's Pucketts Ck. Br. (1960) was 3 mi from Blackmont and 5 mi below Alva;
INSULL (Harlan Co.): po est. as Insull, 7/24 1925, Canda (sic) L. Gurley...(NA); ("Ien/sol") (Red Harp, 3/24/1979); Samuel Insull was a Chicago-based owner of Harlan & Bell Co. coa mines; Sam'l. Insull, ne London, Engl. 11/11/1859. To US 2/1881. Was Thos. Edison's pvt. sec. and had charge of all his busi. affairs. Gen'l. mgr. of his Edison Machine Works, 2nd veep in charge of manu. & sales of Edison Gen. Elect. Co. (1892-1907) and later veep of Gen'l. Elect. Co., pres. of Commonwealth Electric Co. 1892-1907 & of Commonwealth Edison Co. from 1907+ Lived in Chi. (WHO'S WHO IN AMER. 1920-1 p. 1468);
JANE (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to 1870 Census, Wm. Nolen (28) mar. Jane Howard, daughter of Sam'l. & Sarah (Pace) Howard. Her dates=1839-1920. They lived in Dist 8 (Big Rock po). They lived nr Chadwell Nolen (25), so of Jos. & Mary Nolan, and thus bro. of Wm. Chad's date =1845-1923. Chad marr. in 1863 to Louisa (1845-1918), daughter of Jas. & Eliz. (Clay) Turner. Their daughter Mary Jane (1867-1906) mar. Jas. Farmer Skidmore in 1887. Elhanon Nolen (1862-1941) was a nephew of Wm. & Chad. Nolen....;
JANE (Harlan Co., Ky): Mary Jane (called "Jennie") Nolan, daughter of Chadwell & Louisa Jane (Turner) Nolan (1867-1906) was the 1st wife of James Farmer Skidmore in 1867 (?) His dates=1865-1943. (John Skidmore of Harlan Co., Ky by Wm. F. Skidmore & Holly Fee, 1987, P. 16); Acc. to 1900 Census, Jas. Skidmore (ne 9/1865) & wife Jane (11/67) lived in Mt. P. Prec. He was a lumber agent. Another Jane (2/58) was the wif of Jerome Skidmore (5/50) and they lived with their son James (4/87) also in the Mt. P. Prec. next door to Chad J. Nolen (5/81) & wife Mollie (2/80);
JANE (Harlan Co., Ky): On 8/13/1912, Jas. C. Creech petitioned for a site 1 mile to a point 3 miles north of Poor Fork and ½ mile east of Greasy Creek, 4 miles north of Nolansburg (sic) post, 1½ miles from county line. (SLR); According to Elhanan M. Nolen (sic), 9/30/1899, post was 2½ miles north of Poor Fork, on Greasy Fork (sic), ca. 9½ miles north of Nolansburg post, not a village. (SLR) [See Pine Mountain post...]; Jane Nolen married Jeems Skidmore (Condon, P. 24); Was she the daughter of Elhanon Nolen?; Sometime between 1947 and 1960 the Jane Sta. was renamed Anco No. Two (1960 L&N timetables);
JANE (Harlan County, Ky.) p.o. est. 10/24/1899 with Elhanan M. Nolen, 1st pm (q.v.)
Name changed to Pine Mountain but d.k. when.
Check... (Acc. to the National Archives).

✓ Pine Mt. po est. 5/4/1876, Jonathan Cornett; Disc. 1/20/1881; Jane po est. 10/24/1899,
Elhanan M. Nolen (sic); 4/2/1908, Wm. Creech; 6/29/1912, James C. Creech; n.ch. (sic) to
Pine Mt. 10/20/1919, Elhanan M. Nolan (sic)... (NA); Pine Mountain's last pm was Bessie M. Watkins
and it closed in 1975. (POR-NA); Acc. to 1920 Census, Chad Nolen, Sr. and wife Jane (44) lived in
Baxter Prec #2, a farmer;
Chadwell F.C. Nolen (sic), son of Jos. Nolen, Dr. who may have been the recipient of a grant in the present Harlan & Bell Co's. His daughter, Mary Jane Nolen, married James F. Skidmore of another pioneer Harlan Co. family. The Nolen grant included the site of Middlesboró & most of both counties. (Acc. to a letter by Robt. A. Skidmore, Jr. to the Hist' Records Sect. office of Ky. Sec. of State, 7/19/1965, on file Nolin Files (sic), KHS. His address then: 721 Neil Av., Lancaster, O) Acc. to 1870 Census, Chadwell Nolan (sic), ag 25, a farmer, was married to Louisa, 25, both born in Ky. Had children then: James, 6; Benj 5; Mary Jane, 3; and Wm., 1;
JONESBURGH (Harlan Co., Ky): po est. 10/2/1886, John L. Jones; Disc. 5/13/96 (mail to Harlan); But operated as Jonesburg from 1894 to closing. (POR-NA); Acc. to John L. Jones, 8/27/86, this prop. po would be serving the Gap Ridge locality, on the n side of Poor Fk, 1 3/4 mi s of English Ck, 7 mi from Harlan po, 10 1/2 mi w of Creech po. (SLR); Acc. to 1879-80 Gaz, Gap Ridge was a rural po. Henry L. Howard was pm, gen. storekeeper, & shoemaker; Hugh H. Boggs was cooper and carpenter as was John N. Howland; Jones Creek was named for Stephen Jones Rev. War vet. from Va. Nr. Verda. (Condon, P. 33); The ck. is 6 1/2 mi up Clover Fk; Acc. to 1895-6 Gaz, po was 7 1/2 mi from H. John L. Jones was pm-storek. Flour mills: (1) J.H. Metcalfe, (2) J.A. Miller, (3) D.C. Mullins;
KAYU (Harlan Co., Ky): Does this refer to the Kentucky Utilities Company? At least by 1915;
KEITH (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to Rebecca Ball Bailey, 7/8/1938, this prop. po would be serving a place called Four Mile and a rail sta. that may have been called Emuling (?), 600 ft nw of the river, 30 ft e of 4 Mi. Ck, 700 ft nw of L&N, 1½ mi ne of Dayhoit po, 2½ mi sw of Loyall po. (SLR); Its mouth was 4 mi from the ct. hse. (Grace Cox, Pack Horse Carrier, ca. late 1930s); The Keith po on US 119 had been suspended by 1/1/1996; Acc. to the L&N's 1921 timetables, the Keith Sta. on the Clover Fk. Br. was 11 mi above Baxter, 1 mi above Kildav, and less than a mile below Evarts; The po was est. 1938; Acc. to 1920 Census, Rebecca Bailey (23) lived with husband Wm. L. Bailey (29) in the Baxter Pre#22 but not nr any Keith families; The Resthaven Cem. is at Keith;
KEITH (Harlan Co., Ky): po was suspended 8/31/1990 (POR); Emerling Station is 2 mi below Loyall & 6 mi above Kerr Sta. (1960 L&N timetable);
KELLOKA (Harlan Co., Ky): po est. 8/26/1901, John P. Kelly, 2/3/1903, J.S. Sergent (rescinded 7/4/03), 10/1/1904, Carter C. Howard (declined), 2/24/05, Henry Nolen (sic), Disc. eff. 2/29/09 (mail to Rosspoint); Re-est. 5/29/09, Josiah L. Nolan (sic), 4/5/11, Elihugh L. Howard (sic), Disc. 2/2/14 (mail to Rosspoint); Re-est. 2/4/1920, Paul M. Sherwin (?) (failed to qualify), 6/12/1920, Geo. D. Batcheler, Disc. eff. 3/31/1921 (mail to Nolansburg) (POR-NA); Acc. to the L&N's 1921 timetable, this sta. on the Poor Fk. Br was 12 mi above Baxter, mi above Nolansb., 2 mi below Colton (Totz); Acc. to 1900 Census, John P. Kelly (8/28) & wife Martha (10/31) lived in the Yocums Ck Prec;
KELLIOKA (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to J.L. Nolan, 5/1909, po was on Poor Fk, 1 mi n of Englishes Ck, 4 mi s of Incline po. Not a vil// Acc. to Elighue L. Howard, 2/18 1912, po was 150 ft n of Poor Fk, 30 ft e of Turkey Br, 58 ft n of L&N, 1 3/4 mi e of Rosspoint po, 6 mi sw of Nolansb. po, 4 mi se of Incline po;// Acc. to T.M. Sherwin, 8/25/19, po was 150 ft e of Poor Fk, 3 mi from co. line, 200 ft e of L&N (Kellioka Sta.), 1½ mi n of Nolansb. po, 4 mi s of Dione po. (SLR); PO on the n side of Poor Fk, opp. mouth of Canoe Hol. (Hodge, 1912);
KENTENIA (Harlan Co.): The Kentenia Corp., a land company, "played a major role in (Harlan County's) ind. dev. In 1870 Edward H. Davis of Philadelphia had acquired an 86,000 acre tract in Harlan & Bell Co's. Following completion (of a geol. survey of this area in 1903), the Kentenia Corp. was org. as a holding co. to clear title to the property." (Acc. to Supplement to HARLAN ENTERPRISE, 4/10/1908, quoted in John Watts Heyener, A NEW DEAL FOR HARLAN: The Roosevelt Labor Policies in a Ky. Coal Field, 1931-1939, Ohio St. U., PhD Diss., 1971, P. 5); Kentenia Corp. helped bring in th L&NRR. By 1934 the "company held 38,000 acres
in Harlan County...and was leasing coal properties to a no. of the county's largest operators." (Ibid. from Middleton, HARLAN CO. 1934, Pp. 44-7); The Kentenia Corp. was inc. in Del. Responsible for much of the dev. of H. Co. Est. as a holding company for the land owned by the Edward M. Davis heirs. It arranged for a geol. survey of Harlan Co. in 1902-3 (sic) and cleared the title to 86,000 acres whose ownership till then was in dispute. It leased coal lands to Fordson Coal Co. & other firms and was successful in securing the extension of the L&N RR into the Harlan Coal Fields by 1910 (Elmon Middleton. HARLAN CO. KY. 1934. Pp.
KENTENIA (Harlan Co., Ky): The Kentenia Corp., a NY co. controlled by the Delanos long before 1912 bought the mineral rights to much Harlan Co. land which they later leased to the coal co's. & the L&N. Coal began being mined in a big way ca. 1912. (John Egerton in interview with Curtis Burnam Ledford in GENERATIONS: AN AMER. FAMILY, Lex: U. Press of Ky., 1983, P. 26);
KENTENIA (Harlan Co., Ky): The Kentenia Corp. was a land company formed to lease timber and coal land. It was inc. in 1907 and was named for the 3 states in which it held prop. 86,000 acres from patents issued in 1845 and bought in 1870 by Edward Mott Davis of Phila, Pa. His grandson Charles Henry Davis in 1901 had the land surveyed and arr. for its leasing to coal developers. Was to own 100+ sq. mi. in Bell & Harlan Co's. The Kentenia St. Forest est. 1919, the state's first, was deeded by the corp. The corp. was acq. by the Norfolk & Western RR in 1980. (H. Fred Howard & Jas. S. Greene II in KY. ENCY, 1992, Pp. 487-8);
KENTENIA (Harlan Co.): The Kentenia Corp. "A landholding company with acreages in Ky., Tenn., & Va. was org. 1907 with headquarters for this area in Harlan Co. The company did more to develop this end of the state than anything that had come to Harlan. They were instrumental in getting the L&N RR to build a branch line into the county"....headquarters were in Big Stone Gap. (Condon, Pp. 12-3);

Now: a few camp houses. At one time Ky. King Coal Co. had an operation there. On Wallins Creek. (B.W. Whitfield, Jr. in letter to me, 6/28/1980);

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\text{See Candille, There Be the Power, 1983, p. 87}
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KENTENIA (Harlan Co., Ky): Kentenia Corp., a holding co. est. by Chas. Davis & associates, incl. Warren Delano, FDR's uncle, "to manage the prop. and make preps. to lease large tracts of it to major coal mining co's. as soon as the rr was in operation." Delano was also a director of the L&N. Edward M. Davis c Phil., Pa. sent reps. to Harlan Co. in the 1870s to acquire mineral rights incl. the 86,000 acre Ledford-Skidmore-Smith-Farmer survey Davis held on to the lands. His grandson, Chas. H. Davis in 1901 underwrote extensive geol. surveys of the land & its resources & confirmed "practically an inexhaustible suppl
of high grade bituminous coal...waiting to be mined in Harlan 'Co.' (John Egerton, GENERATIONS, U Press of Ky. 1983, Pp. 99-100)

Acc. to L&N RR's 1921 timetables, this was a sta. on its Banner Fk. Branch 3 mi above Kerr Sta. and a mile below Lisle and 2 mi. below Low Sta (Twila po); The Kentenia Corp. was acq. in 1980 by the Norfolk & West. RR (which later became the Norfolk-Southern Corp.) (Caudill, Theirs Be the Power, 1983, Pp. 147-8);
KENTENIA (Harlan Co., Ky): Noble Smith, one of the surveyors of 190,000 acres in the 1840s. 86,000 acres of this were acq. in 1866 by Edward Davis of Phil. The bulk of this was then acq. by Warren Delano, Jr. in anticipation of the L&N's entry into the coal fields of E.Ky, Ten, & SW Va. In 1907 he org. the Kentenia Corp. acq. mineral rights to this land. The co's. main office were in S. Yarmouth, Mass. The syndicate incl. Edward Davis' son Charles. Kentenia's holdings centered on Pucketts and Catrons Cks. Will Ward Duffield of Harlan was the co's. gen'l. mgr. Kentenia leased land to several coal mining co's. The Baner Fk. Mining Co., acq. in 1920 by Fordson (another holding co. owned by Henry Ford & named for his son Edsel. It was "abandoned in 1931" when resources were exhausted. (Caudill, POWER 1983, Pp. 85-102);
KENTENIA (Harlan Co., Ky): po est. 4/10/17, Lewis P. Johnson, 6/26/18, Abner Lunsford, 4/16/26, Alford Vass, act. 11/26/26, Floyd C. Howard, Disc. eff. 6/30/30 (mail to Wallins Creek) (POR-NA); Acc. to L.R. Johnson, 1/19/17, this prop. po would be serving the Banner Fork Coal Company Camp (with a pop. of ca. 100), 2½ mi s of the river, 500 ft e of Wallins Ck, 75 ft e of the L&N (Kentenia Sta.), 2½ mi s of Wallins Ck. po, 2½ mi n of prop. Louellen po, 7½ mi sw of White Star po. (SLR);
KENVIR (Harlan Co., Ky): "This coal town with po is on Ky 215, 3 mi up Yocum Ck from its confl. with Clover Fk of the Cumb. R. and 8 (air) mi e of Harlan. It was founded in 1919 by the Black Mt. Coal Corp. and its name probably refers to its prox. to the Ky-Va. state line. The po was moved from Dizney, 2 mi. e., to this site on Jan. 3, 1921 with Roscoe F. Weaver, pm." (Book-Pp. 158-9 Coal op'ns. in the Kenvir area incl. Peabody Coal Co. (1921-6), the Black Mt. Coal Corp. (1927-52), Peabody (1953-8). Green Sch. & then the Black Mt. Sch (which began as a hosp., ca. late 1930s-40s (Gertie Ellen Stidham Eachus, 32 N. Horton St, Dayton, O. 45403, 937-252-8453 in KY EXPL. Vol. 16 (1), 5/01, Pp. 95-6);
KENVIR (Harlan Co.): 8 mi. e. of Harlan by the confl. of Yoacum Creek and the Clover Fk. of Cumb. R. at the foot of Big Black Mt. Coal mine town... (see Dizney....) Coal mining comm founded and owned 1919 by Black Mt. Coal Corp. (B.W. Whitfield, Brookside, Ky. in a letter to me, 5/11/1979); Coal town built c. WWI by the Peabody Coal Co. along Yocum Creek, 11 mi. se of Harlan. Named for its site nr. the Va-Ky. line. Most local people call it Black Mt. Had 5000 pop. at its peak + 2 schools, hosp., 5 chu's., several rest's., theater, police & fire dep'ts., Kenvir Water Works. Peabody Co. closed its Black Mt. Corp. Tho' retained title...
to the land, the firm sold its coal camp homes "and left residents to fend for themselves." At the foot of Black Mt. (Lee Mueller, "Effort to Save Tiny Utility a Lonely Battle" Lex. HER-LEADER, 4/10/1988, P. B1:2-5 to B6:1-7) 2000 people "still live in clusters of frame houses squatting out along Hwy. 215 Wm. Peabody's old mines..." Britton Creek camp at Neuvir. (Ibid.)
KENVIR (Harlan Co., Ky): Locally called Black Mountain 3 mi e of Evarts. Derived from an early dispute of ownership claim by the 2 states. Coal town with company store, sch, po, other businesses & stores, Dr's. office (Gertie Eachus in KY. EXPL. Vol. 15 (4), 9/2000, Pp. 83-4); Bapt. chu, drug store, camp was west of the commissary (or company store) (Ibid. in Ibid., P. 15 (2), 6/2000, Pp. 94-5); The Peabody Coal Co. closed its mine here in Mar. 1958. (NYT, 1/11/59, Pp. 1, 40); APO; ca. 1/1996, po was on Ky 215; Acc. to L&N's 1921 timetables, its sta. was on the Yocum Ck. Br, 3 mi above Peabody Sta.
KENVIR (Harlan Co., Ky): In 1919, the po was in the Peabody Black Mt. Corp. Mine No. 30 Commissary till the co. moved it to its present site in 1950. (Chris W. Jones of Dizney, Ky. (via Evarts po) in letter to me, 1/5/1904);
KILDAV (Harlan Co., Ky): "This coal town with epo on Clover Fk. of the Cumb. R., 5½ (air) mi e of Harlan, was named for Messrs. Killebrew & Davis of Nashville, Tenn., who opened the King Harlan Coal Co. mines there in 1916. The po, since closed, was est. on 5/17/1916 with Squire M. Wheeler, pm." (Book-P. 159); J.L. Smith Coal Co. at Kildav. Mr. Geo. R. Neel (ca. early 1924); the 1.6 mi (rail) from Ages to Kildav were completed 3/20/1916; Acc. to the L&N's 1921 timetable, Kildav Sta. was 3 mi from Ages and 1 mi above Verda, a very short distance below Draper, and 1 mi below Keith on the Clover Fork Br.
KILDAV (Harlan Co., Ky): Narrow bottom land across creek from road. Coal camp houses from the 1930s. Several trailers and cottages. On Clover Fk. ca. 1885-95 strip was owned by Sheriff Ewell Van King. (John Egerton, GENERATIONS, U. Press of Ky., 1983, P. 221);
KILDAV (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to Squire Merwin Wheeler
1/17/1916, this prop. po would be 150 yds n of Clover
Fk, ½ mi w of James Ck (?), 50 yds s of L&N (Kildav
Sta.), 2 mi w of Ages po, 1 mi e of Evarts po// Acc. t
Chas. E. Barton, 7/27/39, po was 1/8 mi e of Clover Fk
7 mi n of Harlan Sta, 1 mi n of Verda po, 1½ mi s of
Evarts po. (SLR);
KILDAV (Harlan Co.). Named for its two owners Kilgore & Davie before the mine was sold to Detroit Edison. (Mabel Collins, "Town Names Given by Railroads, Companies, Settlers" unid & undated Harlan newsp. clipping); L&N RR reached this pt. c. 3/20/1916. (Kincaid A. Herr, L&N RR, 1964, P. 203); po est. 5/17/16, Squire M. Wheeler...(NA); Named for Messrs. Killebrew and Davis of Nashville, Tenn. who developed the King Harlan Coal Co. in 1917. (B.W. Whitfield, Jr. of Brookside, Ky. in a letter to me, 5/11/1979);
KITTS (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to Geo. P. Fitz, 2/1913, this po was 150 ft s of Clover Fk, 220 ft e of Kitts Ck, 50 ft s of L&N (Kitts Sta.), 3 mi from co. line, 2 mi e of Harlan po, 2¼ mi w of Coxton po, 3½ mi e of Baxter po// Acc. to Grant Mason, 7/39, po was 600 ft s of Clover Fk. Ck, ½ mi from Ky 68, 2 mi e of Harlan (rr) Sta// On 7/1/1949, Sam'l. Chester Surgener pet. for a move 120 ft n to a pt 150 ft s of Clover Fk, 2 mi s of Harlan po, 5 mi w of Coxton po, 3½ mi e of Sunshine po. (SLR); Acc. to L&N's 1921 timetable, this sta. was on the Clover Fk. Br., just above Forester, 2 mi above Harlan, 2 mi below Coxton; The Kitts Br. o: Clover Fk is 1½ mi up C. Fk. Coal on J.B. Howard's land (Hodge, P. 37);
KITTS (Harlan Co.): Acc. to the Whitfield family, the place was named for a family of Kitts, not for a mule as has been popularly asserted. (Mabel Collins, "Town Names Given by Railroads, Companies Settlers" unid. & undated Harlan newsp. clippings); po est. 1/4/1913, Geo. P. Fitz ...(NA); Named for a mule. Clover for the coal co. developed 1912 by G.F. Whitfield and B.W. Whitfield, the 5th mine in the co. to produce coal. (B.W. Whitfield, Jr. Brookside, Ky. in a letter to me, 5/11/1979); po was suspended 10/1/1982 (POR);
KITTS (Harlan Co., Ky): "This coal town with po is on Ky 38, just above the mouth of Kitts Ck, a br. of Clove: Fk. of the Cumb. R., 1 mi e of Harlan. Some say the town and its po, est. on 1/4/1913, were named for the Kitts family, but others say they were named for a mule (Book-P. 162); Bryan & Augustus Foscoe Whitfield, bros, from Ala in 1911 invested in the Clover Fk. Coal Co, at Kitts and in Harlan Collieries at Brookside. Built homes, store, & tipples there and employed labor. In 1919 A.F. remained with Kitts and Bryan took over Brookside. (Harry Caudill, Theirs Be the Power, U. of Ill. Press, 1983, P. 111);"
Kitts (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to the L&N's 1921 timetable the Forester Sta. was just below Kitts, 2 mi above Harlan, on the Clover Fk. Br. but's it's not mentioned in the 1960 timetable; Acc. to the 1920 Census, living in the Kitts Prec. 15 were Augustus Whitfield, Jr. (38?) and wife Evangeline (22), pres. of a coal mine co. He & his father were born in Ala. He lived nr Augustus Sr. (58), a boarder with Jas. Baker, and also a coal mine operator, ne Ala. whose father was ne N.C. They lived nr Bryan W. Whitfield (54) & wife (undec.) and their son Bryan Jr. (17), also ne Ala. & other issue. BWW was also a coal mine op; Served by the Kitts po (1924): Rex Co: Co., Clover Fk. Coal Co., Golden Ash Coal Co while the Kitts Ck. Coal Co. was served by the Harlan po;
KLONDIKE (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to Wm. H. Short, 1/18/98, this prop. po would be 300 yds n of Clover Fk, on the n side of Rock House Ck, 5 mi e of Leonard po, 3 mi n of Slemp po (Va.), 7½ mi w of Crab Orchard po (Va.), not a vil.//Acc. to Wm. Thos. Holmes, 5/09, po was on s side of Cloverfork R, on the w side of Breedings Ck, 3½ mi e of Leonard po, 5 mi w of Cloverfork po, 8 mi s of Poorfork po, serving a scattered rural pop.// Acc. to S.N. Parsons, 10/2/15, po was 100 ft e of Clover Fk, 1 mi e of Childse's (sic) Ck, 12 mi se of Evarts po.// On 11/11/15, Ibid. pet. for move 1 mi w to a pt ca. 50 ft s of Clover Fk, ½ mi s of Childse's Ck, 11 mi e of Evarts, 4 mi n of Darbyv. po (Va). Eff. asap. The pm resigned & moved, acc to new pm Mrs. Cretia Bailey. (slr);
KLONDIKE (Harlan Co., Ky): po est. 2/15/1898 with Wm. H Short, 4/17/01, Green Clay, 4/26/02, John B. Moore, 9/30/1905, Tilman A. Bailey (order resc. 2/19/06), 2/23/06, Enoch C. Blair (order resc. 8/21/06), 8/22/06, Jas. F. Moore, 2/7/07, Tilman A. Bailey (declined), Disc. eff. 9/14/1907 (mail to Cloverfork); Re-est. 6/14/09, Wm. T. Holmes, 5/4/1910, Ludie Holmes, 7/20/12, Moran Kelly, 3/18/13, Stephen N. Parsons, 11/15/13, Cretia Bailey, Disc. 10/15/1918 (mail to Clover Fk.) (POR-NA); [Check Cretia Bailey date, above...];
LADEN (Harlan Co., Ky): po est. 2/18/1925, Chad Lewis...Disc. 1936 (POR-NA); Acc. to Chad Lewis, 4/2/1924, this prop. po would be 500 ft n of Poor Fk, 100 ft n of L&N (Laden Sta.), 7 mi from co. line, 5½ mi sw of Pine Mt. po, 1½ mi e of Dillon po. On 6/26/34, Mattie Lewis pet. for a move 1 mi w to a pt 350 ft n of Poor Fk, 300 ft n of L&N, 1 mi e of Putney po, 3 mi w of Nolansb. po. Eff. 7/1/1934 (SLR); Acc. to the L&N's 1921 timetable, this sta. was on the Poor Fk. Br. 2 mi above Dillon, 1 mi below Nolansb., 10 mi above Baxter, 12 mi below Poor Fk (Cum. City); Acc. to L&N, this sta. was 1st called Zande;
LAYMAN (Harlan Co., Ky): po est. 2/10/96, Ulysses Howard, 12/5/00, Wiley M. Saylor, 5/14/04, Frank R. Blanton, 4/28/06, Wm. F. Howard, 11/5/16, Hisey C. Blanton, 4/5/22, Hiram M. Osborne, act, 8/30/1922, Jess J. Howard...Disc. 1933 (POR-NA); No Layman listing in the 1880 Census; In 1922 the po moved across the river from the sta. to serve commu. of Dixietown. Elihu Coldiron ran local store. (see Coldiron) (Otto Green Coldiron); Acc. to 1900 Census, Ulysses S. Howard (11/71) & parents Hiram B. (9/36) & Jane (4/40) & sibs lived in the Foresters Ck. Prec. but no Layman or Leona; There was a Layman Calloway Coal Co. at Hulen, Bell Co. po (Jillson, Ky Coal, KGS, 1924, P. 112); X nor in 1870 census.
LAYMAN (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to Ulysses Simpson Howard 11/11/1896, the prop. name for this new po was Leona and it would be on the n side of the Cumb. R., opp. the mouth of Foresters Ck, 7 mi n of Calloway po (then at the mouth of Pucketts Ck), 12 mi s of Baxter po, 13 mi s of Harlan po// On 3/28/1913, Wm. F. Howard pet. for a move 0.22 mi s to a pt 400 ft s of the river, 900 ft e of Foresters Ck, 60 ft s of L&N (Layman Sta.), 3 mi e of the co. line, 3 mi w of Wallens Ck po, 4 mi e of the Birchfield (sic) po, 2½ mi s of Pass po. (SLR); Acc. to the L&N's 1921 timetable, the Layman Sta. on the Ky & V RR 2 mi above Molus, 1 mi below Ameron, 3 mi below Wallins, and 11 mi below Baxter;
LAYMAN Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to 1920 Census, Hickey
C. Blanton (30) & wife Mary (29) lived in Prec. 9
(Layman); The Munson Coal Co. served by the Layman p
(1924);
LEDFORD (Harlan Co., Ky): po in a hol. at the head of Cranks Creek. Named for the family of Aley Ledford's emancipated slaves who were given a "large boundary of land--several thousand acres (here)" where they farmed and cut timber (oak, ash, poplar). They assumed the Ledford family name and built nice homes in that hol., and had a store, chu., sch., & po called Ledford. Other colored families ar a few white families in that vic. but mostly colored. Patriarch of the colored Ledfords was Sinclair (Sinkler, Sink) Ledford, ne. c. 1830. His son, James, was pm. After his death, Sink's children moved away. No longer
any colored Ledfords on Cranks Creek. (P.25)
Other colored families there: Turner, Stout, Howard, Pope. The Ledfords lived in the last hol. of Cranks Creek. PO bldg. is gone. DK when James (called Jeemes) died, c.1915 or 1920 but is buried in an unknown grave on the creek. Most pop. left when sold out to the coal co's. Coal trucks ruined the road, so did a flash flood in f'77....(Pp. 105-06) (John Egerton, Generations, 1983);
PO est. as Leadford, 5/15/1890, Jas. H. Leadford (sic); Disc. 11/18/1893 (mail to Pansy) Re-est. as Ledford (but dk if at same site) 1/11/1898, Jas. H. Ledford; Disc. 1/31/1913 (m. to Cawood) (NA):
Jeemes LEDFORD (Harlan Co., Ky): Sinkler Ledford was a postmaster. A Negro. He was son of Sinkler Ledford and he had a son named Sinkler too. Jeemes lived 2 mi up a gravel rd to the head of the last hollow off Cranks Creek. Jeemes died betw. 1915-20 and the po was disc. about then. A no. of black families lived on the creek (before WWI) Rev. Bradley had an inter-racial chu. there. Peabody Coal Co. acquired their land. White Ledfords lived in the Cawoc & Smith area. People called him Jeemes but he was really James. The road to the head of Cranks Creek has been destroyed by the coal

Acc. to Jas. H. Leadford (sic), 4/6/90, the 1st name prop. for this new po was Leadford Store (with "Store" x'd. out) & it would be 8 mi sw of Jonesv. po (Va.), N' 13 mi ne of Harlan po, not vil. [poor handwriting] //

Acc. to Jas. H. Ledford, 12/25/97, po was 8 mi e of Martins Fk, on the n bank of Cranks Ck, 8 mi e of Ca-wood po, 10 mi s of Evarts po. Not vil. (SLR);
LEDFORD (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to the 1900 Census, Jas. H. Ledford (ne 2/1861) & his wife Eliza (7/72) were Blacks living in the Lower Martins Fk. Prec;
LEJUNIOR (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to Leander Bowling, 5/2/1918, the proposed name for this new po was Clover Gap and it would be 150 ft w of Clover Gap Br, s. of Big Black Mt. and n of Little Black Mt, 50 ft n of RR to serve what will also be called Clover Gap and 4 mine towns serving the Clover Coal Co, Bowling Mining Co, Upper Harlan Coal Co, and the W.E. Garrett Coal Co., 150 ft n of Clover Fk, 2 mi w of High Splint po, 4½ mi e of Evarts po//Acc. to Ernest W. Reece, 8/2/39, po was 350 ft w of Clover Fk R, 25 ft n of Wilbar Station (on the L&N), ½ mi sw of Benito po, 4½ mi n of Evarts po. (SLR); Acc. to L&N's 1921 timetable, Shields was 4 mi above Evarts and 1 mi below Ridgeway and 5 mi above Kildav, and 15 mi above Baxter;
LEJUNIOR (Harlan Co., Ky): "This coal town with po and sta. on the L&N RR's Clover Fork Branch is 13 mi up that fk. of the Cumb. R. and 9½ (air) mi ene of H. The po was est. as Jejunior on 12/14/1918 with Kenes Bowling, pm, and named for Lee Bowling, Jr. whose father had just dev'd. the local Bowling Coal Co. Two months before, the L&N had est. its sta. there as Shields." (Book-P. 169); Acc. to 1920 Census, John Shields (25) lived in Coxton Prec. 14. H. Robt. Shields (54) & wife Huldah (45) (he a Tenn-born farmer) lived in Baxter Prec. 22. Sam'l. Shields (30) & wife Florence (35) in Wilhoit Prec. 8C;
LENARUE (Harlan Co., Ky): "This coal town with epo extends for ½ mi along Ky 990 and Turtle Ck. from its confl. with Martins Fk of the Cumb. R, 3 (air) mi se of Harlan. It was named for the Lenarue Coal Co. which had been named for the daughter of F.F. Cawood who opened the local mine in 1920-1. The po was est. on May 29, 1919 with Frank F. Cawood, pm. The local sta. on the L&N RR's Martin Fork Branch is called Glidden." (Book-P. 169); Acc. to no sign., 6/1919, this po was 400 yds e of Martins Fk, 200 ft n of Turtle Ck, 44 ft e of the Martins Fk RR (sta. will be Lenarue), 1¼ mi s of Bee Pace po, 3 mi n of Cawood po. (SLR);
LENARUE (Harlan Co.): Named for Lenarue Cawood. (Mabel Collins, "Town Names Given by Railroads, Companies, Settlers" unid. & undated Harlan Newsp. Clipping); po est. 5/29/1929, Frank F. Cawood...(NA); Lenarue Coal Co. named for the daughter of F.F. Caywood (sic) who developed the mine here in 1920-1. (B.W. Whitfield, Jr. in a letter to me, 5/11/1979); Lena Rue Coal Co. at Lena Rue (sic), Harlan Co. (W.R. Thomas LIFE AMONG THE HILLS & MTS. OF KY., Lou, 1926, p. 69); The Lena Rue Coal Co. here (1924); Acc. to 1920 Census, Frank F. Cawood (33) lived with wife Hattie (24) & daughter Lena R. (5), et
in the Lena Rue Coal Mining Camp in Cawood Prec. 7. He was a coal mine op;
LENARUE (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to the L&N's 1921 timetable, the Glidden Sta. was on the Martins Fk. Br 2 mi above Chevrolet, 7 mi above Harlan, 1 mi below Merna Sta and at jct. with Lick Br. Spur, 5 mi below Coalville Sta; It was jct. with Merna Br., 2 mi below Merna (1960 timetable);
LEONARD (Harlan Co., Ky): po est. 9/28/1860, Jonathan K. Bailey, Disc. 9/6/61; Re-est. 8/22/72, Wm. R. Bailey... Disc. 1911 (POR-nA); Acc. to Wm. R. Bailey, 6/5/86, po was 20 yds s of Clover Fk, 100 yds s of Childreses (?). Ck, 5 mi e of Bailey po, 8 mi w of Clover Fk po, 9½ mi s of Poor Fk po// Acc. to Ibid., 4/20/97, po was 30 yds n of Clover Fk, 2 mi w of Fugitts Ck, 6 mi e of Bailey po, 2½ mi from the Va. line. (SLR); Acc. to 1883-4 Gaz, this was a small settlement 18 mi from Harlan, with a pop. of 30. Gen. stores: (1) John Creech, (2) John M. Smith. Flour & sawmills: (1) Isaac Creech, (2) Elcanah Wynn; Acc. to 1879-80 Gaz, this was a small settlement; Acc. to 1895-6 Gaz, it was 20 mi from H. Pop. 50. W.R. Bailey was pm, justice, & Gen. storekeeper. Isaac Creech had a flour mill;
LEONARD (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to 1860 Census, Leonard Farmer (23), a lawyer, lived with his parents Lewis Farmer (son of Stephen & Nancy (Russell) Farmer. In 1830 Lewis mar. Ann (nee Hurley) who was then 67; No Leonard Bailey was listed in the 1860 Census;
LEONARD (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to 1876-7 Gaz, This vic. was settled 1820. Had pop. of 90. 18 mi from Harlan in e. pt. of the co. Wm. R. Bailey was pm. J.K. Baily & Co had gen. store. Other gen. stores: (2) Sam'l. Howard, (3) C.C. Quilen (sic) & Co., (4) T.S. Ward; If no area families of this name, could it have been named for Jas Francis Leonard, master telegrapher from Frankfort? (1834-1862). (see KY ENCY. P. 544); This po was at the mouth of Childs Ck. of Clover Fork (Hodge, 1912); No such fam's. listed in the 1880 or 1860 Censuses; Acc. to 1860 Census, Jonathan K. Bailey (24) & bro. Wm. (21) but not Leonard;
LEWIS (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to 1910 Census, Bird Hensley (23) & wife Alice (22) lived on Poor Fk, in Prec. 5, Mag. Dist. 4, next to James M. Lewis (42) who lived next to Chadwell F.C. Lewis (31) and nr a no. of other Lewis families, the oldest being Hiram (52) & wife Hannah R. (48). No William D. (for Dillon);
LEWIS (Harlan Co., Ky): po est. 7/26/1909, Bird Hensly (sic), Disc. 8/15/1910 (mail to Kellioka) (POR-NA); Acc. to Bird Hensly, 6/1909, the prop. name for this new po was Alice and Bird, and it would be 40 ft n of Poor Fk, 4 mi e of English Ck, 4 mi n of Nolinsburgh p (sic), 5 mi s of Jane po. (SLR); This po operated 1909-1910 on Poor Fk, 4 mi above the m. of English and 4 mi below Nolansb. Bird Hensley, its only pm, seemingly first requested it be called Alice and Bird which, as a multi-word name, was disallowed by the POD; The Lewis fam. settled on the Lower Poor Fk, just n of the present Cumb. (City); Acc. to 1870 Census, Lewises lived in Dist. 8 (Big Rock po);
LIGGETT (Harlan Co., Ky): "This coal town with epo is on the Catron's Ck. Branch of the L&N RR's Cumb. Val. Div. on Ky 72, at the mouth of the Double Branches of Catron and six (air) mi s of Harlan. It was founded ca. 1920 and named by the first pm Floran D. Perkins, for his wife's family. The po was est. on 2/16/1920." (Book-P. 172); Acc. to 1920 Census, F.D. Perkins, a coal mine op. (45) lived with his Ohio-born wife Mattie L. (45) on Ivy St. in Harlan. No reference to a Liggett. Her parents were also born in Ohio; ca. early 1920s, the Perkins-Harlan Coal Co. of Liggett, Ky. was under construction;
LIGGETT (Harlan Co.): Mine there named for F.D Perkins' wife's maiden name. (Mabel Collins, "Town Names Given by Railroads, Companies, Settlers" unid. & undated Harlan newsp. clip.)

po est. 2/16/1920, Floran D. Perkins...(NA);

The Perkins-Harlan Coal Co. had mines here. (c. 3/1923); Acc. to the L&N's 1921 timetables, the Liggett Sta. was on the Catrons Ck. Br. 7 mi above Dressen, 3 mi above Gulston, and 1 mi above Bardo; Acc. to 1960 timetable, it was the same plus 2 mi above Mary Alice;
LIGGETT (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to F.D. Perkins, 8/12/1919, the prop. name for this new po was Catron and it would be ca. 7 mi s of Cumb. R, 300 yds n of Catrons Ck, 100 yds n of the L&N's Ky. & Va. RR (sta. will be Catron), 5 mi from the co. line, 5 mi s of Elcomb po, 7½ mi s of Harlan po. The rr was being built from Catron to Harlan up Catron Ck. via the ex po of Pansy & Elcomb. The mining town of Catron was now being built with a projected pop. of 400. RR to be completed by 1/1/20.// Acc. to F.A. Watson, 7/26/39, po was at Liggett Sta., on Catrons Ck, 7.7 mi sw of river, ½ mi s of Bardo po, 4 mi n of Sampson po, 7.7 mi sw of Harlan po. (SLR);
LISLE (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to James L. McIntyre, 12/1, 1936, this prop. po would be 3 mi e of the Cumb. R, 50 ft e of Wallins Ck, 60 ft e of Banner Fk. RR (no sta.), 7 mi se of Dixie Town po (Va.), 2 mi nw of Twila po. (SLR); The Lisle po operated betw. 1936–1939 (POR); This was a small mining town (now extinct) nr Wallins Ck; Acc. to the L&N's 1921 timetable, this sta. on the Banner Fk. Br. was 4 mi s of Kerr Sta, 1 mi s of Kentenia, 1 mi n of Tisdale and Twila (Low Sta);
LOONEY CREEK (Harlan County, Ky.) "Green Cornett, an old settler, told me that this creek was so named because a man named Looney was running away from the Indians and that the Indians ran him all up and down the creek." (Ina Mae Enzor of Harlan Co., Ky. a student of Leonard Roberts, Union College, 1957.); "...a settler named Looney hewed out a clearing at the south base of the Big Black, and his son ventured across the peak and cleared a corn patch on a stream, later known as Looney Creek ...." (Harry M. Caudill, Theirs Be The Power, 1983, P. 86)
LOUELEN (Harlan Co., Ky): "This hamlet with po on Clover Fk. of the Cumb. R., 12½ (air) mi ene of H, grew up around a former coal camp est. in 1921 by the Cornett & Lewis Coal Co. and named by its president Denver B. Cornett for his daughter. The po dates from Dec. 3, 1921 when Arthur B. Babbage became the 1st pm. At that time the L&N RR sta. there was called Lisbon but is now Closplint No. 2." (Book-P. 179); Acc. to 1900 Census, Denver B. Cornett (9/83) lived with his father Arthur B., a widower (11/53), the co. judge, in Mt. P. (too early for Louellen); Acc. to L&N's 1921 timetable, the Lisbon Sta. was 8 mi above Evarts & 17 mi above Harlan and 2 mi above Seagrave. The end of the Clover Fk. Branch;
LOUELLEN (Harlan Co.): A former coal mining camp located e. of Harlan, site of a former coal mine, Cornett Lewis Coal Co., and named by the president of the company, Denver B. Cornett for his daughter, Louellen. Mine has been liquidated and closed. (Bryan W. Whitfield, Jr., of Brookside, Ky. in a letter to me, 4/20/1979); Ed Canood, 4/20/1979

Named for the daughter of D.B. Cornett, Pres. of Cornett Lewis Coal Co. Mine developed in 1920-1. (B.W. Whitfield, Jr. of Brookside, Ky. in letter to me, 5/11/1979); po suspended 4/30/1985 (POR);
LOUELLEN (Harlan Co.): Coal camp on Clover Fork. Est. by the Cornett & Lewis Coal Co. which had been founded and operated by 2 Harlan Co. families. The town was est. in the 1920s on part of 2000+ acres (in-the-vic) that the company had bought in the vic. At its peak, the commu. had 288 miners homes along with a club house, theater, boarding house, chu., sch., company htrs. bldgs., MD, a Negro chu. & sch., running water & electricity. Min closed in 1958. Miners moved away and their homes were torn down. Camp abandoned. Once occupied by 800+ people. Now just a field. (Ronald Edward Yarbrough, A GEOG. STUDY OF A MICRO REGION IN APP.--THE CLOVER FORK RIVER VALLEY OF HARLAN CO. KY. PhD Dis. U.Tenn
LOUELLEN (Harlan Co., Ky): Denver Cornett rep. Harlan, Perry, and Leslie Co's. in the Ky. legislature; This place was 18 mi up the Clover Fk. (L&N) line. That stretch was an "almost continuous mining camp."

LOUELLEN (Harlan Co., Ky.)  Disc 1968

"Mr. Cornett, one of the founders of Cornett-Lewis Coal Company had two daughters, Lou and Ellen. The mining town was named for them, thus (sic) they came up with the name Louellen, Ky." (Irene B. Muse, postmaster, in a letter to Robert K. Francis of the Postmark Collectors Club, Yalesville, Ct., and turned over to me, 3/29/1969.)  P.O. est. 12/3/1921, Arthur W. Babbage...(N.A.)

Named for the daughter of D.B. Cornett. (Mabe: Collins, "Town Names Given by Railroads, Companies, Settlers" unid. & undated Harlan newsp. clipping);
LOUELLEN (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to Arthur W. Babbage, 6/20/1921, the prop. name for this new po was Lisbon to serve the town of Lisbon and the unagented Lisbon Station, 40 ft s of L&N, 200 ft n of Clover Fk, 2½ mi e of High Splint po, 4 mi s of Dione po, 4 mi from co. line// Acc. to Myrtle B. Vaughn, 7/24/39, po was on the w side of Ky 38, 45 ft e of Clover Fk, 2 mi e of High-splint Sta, and 1½ mi e of the L&N, 1 mi w of Closplitn po, 2 mi e of Highsplint po. (SIR); Louellen is 8 mi from Cumb. City over the Big Black Mt. (FCT, 12/4/74, II, P. 1:3); 1930 pop.=900; The Cornett-Lewis Coal Co. with commissary was here. c. 1960. All gone. (KY EXPL. Vol 17' (1), 5/02, P. 40);
LOYALL (Harlan Co., Ky): "This 5th cl. city with po is just below the forks of the Cumb. R. and about a mi w of Harlan. It dev'd. as a coal shipping pt. around an L&N RR switching yard and maintenance fac. est. in 1920 on land acquired from the local Creech family. The yard was named Loyall, some say, for a company official, tho no record of such a person has yet been found. The local po, est. on 9/2/1922, as Shonn (a local name for a rail siding), was renamed Loyall in 1932." (Book-P. 180)

APO; 2000 pop.=766; This town was inc. 1929 and was probably named by the L&N. Rick Partin owned store there before 1921. DK why called that. PO was Shonn. (Stump on Loyall, Harlan Mt. Roots, Vol. 6 (3), Spr. 1992, Pp. 105-6);
LOYALL (Harlan Co.): Named for an official of the L&N. (B.W. Whitfield, Jr. of Brookside, Ky. in a letter to me, 6/3/1979); (Pron "Law'yal") An L&N RR town on the present Cumb. Val. Subdiv. of the Corbin Div. "About 1920, the L&N RR acquired property from the Creech family on which to build a switching yard and maintenance facility. The rr named the new yard Loyall." The town of Loyall grew up around the yard and came to have a pop. of c. 1500. "The po was named Shonn because the L&N for years had a siding at this location by that name. When a name was needed for the po, someone suggested Shonn. The town was
never called Tigerville." It isn't now and never was a coal town. But "most of the coal mined in Harlan Co. and some sw Va. coal is switched and classified at the Loyall yard. When steam power was replaced by diesel power, the Loyall shop was closed. The town is still alive and growing...." (Mrs. W.B. Yonce of Loyall, Ky. statement to me by letter from Ron Flanary, Big Stone Gap, Va. 6/26/1980)
LOYALL (Harlan Co.): RR town est. by the L&N's Cumb. Val. Div. in 1921 to ship Harlan Co. coal. Site was the Howard farm....(John L. Rewis, "Loyall--The Result of Co-operation" L&N EMPLOYEES' MAG. 9/1930, Pp. 13-4); Shonn(n) ch to Loyall (po) betw. 6/1/31 + 6/1/34 (NA); Shonn p.o. est. 9/2/1922 with Mrs. Nancy E. Sergent, pm. (NA): n.ch. to Loyall betw. 6/1/1931 and 6/1/1932 (postal guide);
LOYALL (Harlan Co.): The post office there was first called Shonn though the railroad yard office was spelled Shann. Some residents wanted to honor Milt Howard, whose nickname was Tiger, by calling it Tigerville but he said no. Loyall was chosen instead. (Mabel Collins, "Town Names Given by Railroads, Companies, Settlers" a Harlan News, date unknown); cf Mrs. W.B. Younce, a widow who lives there, right opp. the rr. She runs a rooming house for railroaders. Her husband was a Cumb. Val. Div. (L&N) conductor...("Y(ah)ns" She was raised in Loyall. Loyall has an L&N yard. Or cf Ronnie Flanary with the Southern Ry at Somerset (c. 5/1972+) He's a personal frien
of Chas. Castner (my informant, 3/21/72) Mention Castner by name. Mrs. Younce would be willing to talk with me and Flanary would be a good source of info. All of the co's. coal is brought together for shipment at Loyall Yard just before the Poor/Clover Fks. confl. Exception: Puckett's Ck. & Banner Fk. branches (latter n of Loyall and owned by the Banner Fk. Coal Corp. & Creech Coal Co). Coal shipped from Loyall to Corbin for transhipment on other L&N branches and other lines. (A.B. Gloster, 1934 in KY EXPL. Vol. 8 (8), 2/1994, Pp. 50-1);
LOYALL (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to Mrs. Nancy E. Sergent, 1/4/1922, the prop. name for this new po was Loyall (the rr sta. name) to serve the vil. of Loyall 200 yds nw of the po with a pop. of 600 (900 ft betw. po & sta., W.G. Cudd, sta. agent) but, as Shonn, it would be 100 yds n of Cum. R, 200 yds s of L&N, 1 mi w of Baxter po, 3 mi e of Dayhoit po, 2 mi nw of Harlan po// On 10/5/25, Ibid. pet. for a move 600 ft: to continue serving the town and sta. of Loyall, 500 ft nw of the river, 1 mi se of 4 Mi. Ck, 1 mi nw of Baxter po// On 2/4/30, Ibid. pet. for a move 100 ft n to a pt 600 ft ne of river, 2 mi se of 4 Mi. Ck, 1100 ft se of L&N (rr sta=Baxter), 1 mi nw of Baxter po//
Name of po was changed to **Loyall** on 5/1/1932. Acc. to Nancy E. Sergent, 3/25/32, the Loyall po was serving the Loyall Sta., 400 ft n of the river, 100 ft s of the rr, 1 mi sw of Baxter po, 3 mi ne of Dayhoit po, 2 mi nw of Harlan po. Acc. to Emma E. Hoskins, 7/24/39, po was 80 ft e of US 19 (sic), 100 ft w of L&N, 6864 ft w of Baxter po. (SLR); Acc. to the L&N's 1921 timetables, this sta. on the Ky & Va. RR was 1 mi below Baxter and 4 mi above Wilhoit; The Loyall Sta. was 1st called **Shand** (L&N 1921 timetable)
LYNCH (Harlan Co.): At the head of Looney Cr. A mining town. In the fall of 1917, a rep. of the US Steel Corp. requested of the L&N RR Co. at Middlesboro that facilities be est. to serve a coal mine that was to open at the head of Looney. Since wartime demand for coal was great, the rr co. immediately complied. A model mining town was developed, 5 mi. long. Modern facilities: hotel, dept. store, churches, schools, rest., (xxx) hosp., etc. Many resident by the mid 1930s were of foreign stock: Ital, Greeks, Syrians, "Keep to their own groups, retaining their (xxx) nat'l. customs." (J.R. Wood, WPA ms, c1936);

Thos. Lynch (1854-1914) (See Nat'l, Cyclo. of Ambio
LYNCH (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to G.C. Sledge (?), 10/2/17 the prop. po of Lynch Mines would serve the rapidly growing vil. of Lynch (with a pop. then of 600 but was expected to be 6,000 within 2 yrs.), 3 mi e of Poor Fk, on the w bank of Looney Ck, 2 mi from co. line, 200 ft w of L&N (then abuilding), 1½ mi ne of Benham po, Acc. to no sign, 8/18, the po was Lynch Mines but the town was Lynch & was 4 mi se of the river, 150 ft n of Big Looney Ck, 175 ft n of L&N (Lynch Sta), 2 mi e of Benham po, 10 mi nw of Inman po (Va.), 5 mi from co. line. C.D. Purcel was sta. agent, Acc. to E. Rice Walton, 7/22/39, the po was now Lynch & was 3 air mi from Wise, Va, 400 ft ne of Lynch Sta, 65 ft n of Looney Ck, 3 mi from Poor Fk, 2.10 mi e of Benham po. (SLR);
LYNCH (Harlan Co., Ky): In 1963 US Steel sold the local homes to their residents. (LCJ 7/15/1979, P. E3:5); The site was acq. by US Steel from the Wentz Corp. 30,000 acres were owned by USS by the early 1930s and later 4,000 acres. By 1920 its pop. was 9200. The local mine was the 1st in the US to be fully electrified. (Caudill, Power, U. of Ill Press, 1983, Pp. 85-102); At its peak, only $\frac{1}{4}$ of pop. were area folk; the rest were blacks and immis. from Europe. Became a real melting pot. Self-containec co. town. Billed as one of the best coal towns in the region. (Filson Club Hist. Q.);
LYNCH (Harlan Co., Ky): "This 5th cl. city with po extends 2½ mi along Ky 160, in the narrow Looney Ck. val. beginning at a pt. 23 (air) mi ene of H. It was founde in 1917 to house the workers of the newly dev'd. coal operations of the US Coal & Coke Co., a subsidiary of US Steel, and was named for Thos. Lynch, the 1st pres. of the company. The po, est. as Lynch Mines on Jan. 19 1918 with Frank A. Kearns, pm, became simply Lynch in 1922. The town was inc. in 1963." (Book-P. 181); Its 2000 pop. was 900; Had over 10,000 pop. in WW II; APO;
LYNCH (Harlan Co., Ky): Had the world's largest tipple when it was built in the early 1920s. Pop. peaked as ca. 10,000. Now largely dependent on tourism as is neighboring Benham. Mine reopened for tourists in the summer of 2003. (AP 11/3/2002); Ky's largest company-owned town. Founded to supply coal for the steel ind. in WW I. The first totally electrified coal mine in US Model coal town "dismantled by US Steel in the 1960s." (Highway Marker #1803); Acc. to the L&N's 1921 timetable, the Lynch sta. was 3 mi e of Benham's sta. and 27 mi from Baxter on the L&N's Poor Fk. Branch;
LYNCH (Harlan Co.): po est. as Lynch Mines, 1/19/1918, Frank A. Kearns; 2/28/1922, Margaret Bondurant; ch. to Lynch, 10/1/22, ibid. .... (NA); At one time it had a pop. of 10,000. Built and wholly owned by US Coal & Coke Co., a subsidiary of US Steel Corp. Hundreds of homes rented to company employees. Laid out in a narrow valley, 2½ mi. long. US 119=main hiway thru town.... Some 2000 Negroes lived at the w. end of town. Coal mine commu. founded 1917 by US Coal & Coke Co. (B.W. Whitfield, Brookside, Ky. in a letter to me, 5/11/1979); the largest coal mine in the world, c. mid. 1920's. Pop. cen. of c. 8000 (3/14/1976 in loc.).
LYNCH (Harlan Co., Ky): Built 1917 by US Coal & Coke Co, a subsidiary of US Steel. Largest coal camp in the world on part of 19,000 acres. Fluctuating pop. but believed to have been 10,000 at its peak. 38 nationalities. Had world's largest coal tipple. Model coal camp but tightly controlled by the company. Homes and bldgs. were sold to their occupants in the late 1950s and the town was inc. by them. 5th cl. city had a pop. of 1614 in 1980 and 1166 in 1990. (Jas. B. Goode in KY ENCY. 1992, P. 586); Thos. Lynch in 1917 was CEO of US Coal Coke Co. which became part of US Steel Corp. in late 1940s (check). USC&C had acq. 40,000 acres from 1917+. The Lynch op'n. sold by USS 1984 to Apogee Coal Co. with div's. as Platt R. Mining Co. &/or Arch of Ky. Tow inc. 1963. Homes/busi's. owned by resi's/prop's;
LYNCH (Harlan Co.): Named for Thos. Lynch, the 1st pres. of the US Coal & Coke Co. as well as several subsidiaries of the US Steel Corp. Land at this site was purchased in 1917 with plans to open a mine on both sides of Looney Creek. The Lynch Mine is said to have the world's largest tipple. (Mabel Collins, "Town Names Given by Railroads, Companies, Settlers' unid. & undated Harlan newsp. clipping); L&N RR tracks reached this pt. in 1917 "to serve the huge development of the United States Coal & Coke Co., a subsidiary of the US Steel Corp. centered around Lynch.....That company owned some 42,000 acres of coal land at the headwaters of Looney Creek and in 1917 commenced
an intensified development of this property, digging mines, building tipples, installing coal handling machinery and erecting a complete city to house the miners and care for their needs. This work was started in Sept. 1917.... The 1st car of coal was moved from the mines on Nov. 1 1917...." (Kincaid A. Herr, L&N RR, 1964, P. 204);
LYNCH (Harlan Co.): Ele. of 1700 feet, thus the highest town in Ky. Surrounded by steep timbered ridges 2000 ft. higher; 6 miles away is Big Black Mt., 4150 ft. high, the highest elevation in the state. The tipple is in the center of town and was once considered the largest in the US; it processes all coal mined in the area by the US Steel Corp. "Big Black Mt." identifies "the range of massive hills that straddle the (state) line through most of H. Co. (as well as) the highest of the series of separate hilltops. The town was founded by US Steel in 1917 at
a point on Looney Creek, 5 mile from its mouth. Then "the area stretching into the hills along Looney Creek was impenetrable, with only a few mt. cabins tucked up some of the hollows." Ky 160 passes through. Called "The Trail of the Lonesome Pine" for John Fox's book. The remoteness of the area required that it be self-contained; everything needed by the work force had to be furnished by the company. They built homes, hosp., sch., hotel, chu's., rec. facilities, stores & shops, p.o. The pop.
peaked at 12,000. Became a model town. The pop. was c. 5000 by 1958. Had independent sch. district. "The houses, built in 3 tiers up the hill rising on the n. side of Lonney Creek, are much neater and better groomed than in most coal towns." .... (Joe Creason, "The Top of Ky." LCJM, 2/23/1958, Pp. 28-31)
MARTINS FORK (Harlan Co., Ky): po est. 1/21/1922, Delora Middleton, 9/9/26, Josephus Scott, act. and a.ch. 11/17, 1926. Disc. 1935 (POR-NA); Acc. to Walter Middleton, 2/1919, the prop. name for this new po was Hurst and it would be 100 yds s of the Cumb. R, 4 mi e of Brownies Ck, 3½ mi n of the rr, 3½ mi nw of Hagan po (Va.), 5 mi w of Smith po, 6 mi s of Pansy po. Not a vil. (SLR);
MARTINS FORK OF THE CUMBERLAND RIVER (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to trad., Jos. Martin, a Virginian "seeking out lands for a syndicate that included Patrick Henry, wandered into (the future Harlan Co.) before Boone blazed the Wilderness Trail. He found wild clover growing along a stream and left behind two names—Martin's Fork and Clover Fork (q.v.)" (Harry M. Caudill, Theirs Be The Power, 1983, P. 86); The sect. of H. Co. in the Cranks Ck & upper Martins Fk. val's. in early settlement times was functionally tied to Jonesv. in Lee Co., Va. for trade. More accessible than any Ky. places, like Mt. P. Ct. Hse
MARTIN'S STATION and MARTIN(S) CREEK (Harlan Co., Ky): Jos. Martin had arr. at this site before Boone to hunt, explore, and trade with the Indians. The creek is across the mt. from the sta. site. The mt. is Stone Mt. which some call Cumberland Mt. (from Curtis Burnham Ledford to John Egerton in GENERATIONS: AN AMER. FAMILY, Lex: U Press of Ky., 1983, P. 44); Jos. & Brice Martin were among the earliest visitors to H, Co.;
MARY ALICE (Harlan Co., Ky.)

"The owner of the Mary Alice Coal Co. (Dr. H.K. Buttermore) named the town of Mary Alice for his two daughters, Ruth Alice and Mary Jane." (From postmaster of Mary Alice, to Robert K.J. Francis of the Postmark Collectors Club of Yalesville, Ct. and turned over to me, 3/29/1969.); Named for Mary Jean Buttermore & Ruth Alice Buttermore. (Mabel Collins, "Town Names Given by Railroads, Companies, Settlers" unid. & undated Harlan news. clipping); post. betw. 7/1/1945 and 6/30/1947 (Postal Guide)
MARY ALICE (Harlan Co., Ky): "This coal town with po is on Ky 72 and Catron Ck, a br. of Martins Fk. of the Cumb. R., 3½ (air) mi s of Harlan. It was named by the owner of the Mary Alice Coal Co., Dr. H.K. Buttermore, for his two daughters Mary Jane and Ruth Alice. The po was est. in 1945." (Book-P. 189); Acc. to Willard Martin Buttermore, 5/18/1946, this po was 80 ft e of the L&N (Mary Alice Sta.), 1 mi nw of Gulston po, 2½ mi s of Teetersville po, 6 mi sw of Grays Knob po. (SLR); The po operated from 1947 to the present; po was on Ky 72 (1/1/1996); Acc. to the L&N's 1960 timetable, the Mary Alice Sta. was on the Catrons Ck. Br. 4 mi above Dressen & just below Gulston;
MARY ALICE (Harlan Co., Ky): Harry K. Buttermore was the pm at Elcomb 10/28/31+ before he est. this po. (POR);
MARY HELEN (Harlan Co.): The Coalgood name refers only to the p.o. The community is locally called Mary Helen. Merna is the name of the train stop. Commu. preceded the est. of the p.o. The Mary Helen Coal Corp. owned the 1st mine there sometime before 1919. The coal corp. is now called Bow Val. Coal Resources Corp. The Coalgood name was derived from good coal. Mary Helen was named for the 1st 2 women who lived there. Now: 3 preparation plants, lab for analyzing coal, loading facilities, 10 operating mines in the vic. (Eliz. L. Benge, letter to me, 5/17/1980);
MARY HELEN (Harlan Co.): RR sta. there was 1st called Merna and the po was known as Coalgood. The Mary Helen name was given to it by the company's stockholders for the company owned a mine in W.Va. named Mary Helen. (Mabel Collins, "Town Names Given by Railroads, Companies, Settlers" unid. & undated Harlan newsp. clipping); "S.J. Dickenson leased the land from the Hall family and supervised the ground breaking. There were only five or six log cabins on the property. W.J. Simonton was the engineer." (Ibid.); po est. as Coalgood, 11/1/1919, Silas J. Dickenson...(NA); Founded c.1919 by the Mary Helen Coal Corp. (B.W. Whitfield, letter to me, 5/11/1979);
MARY HELEN (Harlan Co.): The Mary Helen Coal Co. opened its mine in 1919; Acc. to S.J. Dickinson, 6/25/1919, the prop. name for this new po was Merna to serve Merna Sta., but it would be called Coalgood and would be 1 mi n of Martins Fk, 100 ft-n of Turtle Ck, 2 mi s of Chevrolet po, 4 mi n of Cawood po, 300 ft s of C&V (L&N) RR;// Acc. to B.S. Berger, 8/9/39, po was 1 mi e of Ky 66, 300 yds n of Turtle Ck, 1 mi e of the river, 100 ft s of Merna Sta. & the L&N, 1 mi e of Lenarue po, 5 mi n of Cawood po. (SLR); Acc. to 1930 Census, this place, listed as Merna, had a pop. of 250. The Coalgood po is APO and was on Ky 990 in 1/1/1996;
MARY HELEN (Harlan Co.): Coalgood name refers only to the p.o. It derives from good coal. Local people call their community Mary Helen. Merna name applies only to the rr sta. Mary Helen Coal Corp. opened its mine here 1917. (B.W. Whitfield, Jr., in letter to me, 6/28/1980); Acc. to the L&N's 1921 timetable, the Merna Sta. was on the Martins Fk. Br., at the end of the line 8 mi above Harlan and 1 mi above Glidden Sta.; Acc. to the L&N's 1960 timetable, the Merna Sta. was on the Merna Branch (line), 2 mi above Glidden Sta.
MARY HELEN (Harlan Co., Ky): A coal camp named for the daughter of the coal co. owner. The co. was also called Mary Helen. DK the owner's name. (Wm. Sherman Oxendine, prof. of hist., Union Coll., interv., 6/23/1978);
MARY HELEN (Harlan Co., Ky): "This coal town with po extends up Turtle Ck. and its branches from a pt. about 1 mi. from the confl. of Turtle and Martins Fk of the Cum R., and 3½ (air) mi se of Harlan. It was founded and named around 1917 by the Mary Helen Coal Corp. The po was est. on Nov. 1, 1919 by Silas J. Dickenson as Coal-good, the transposition of the words aptly describing the quality of the coal being mined there. While the pc still bears this name, the local L&N RR sta. has always been Merna, for reasons unknown." (Book-P. 190);


MOLUS (Harlan): po est. 1/7/1914, Grant Saylor... (NA); Acc. to Grant Saylor, 6/13/1913, the 1st name prop. for this new po was Molas and it would be ca. 250 ft s of Cumb. R, 150 ft e of Saylor's Ck, 100 ft s of the W&B RR (sic) (Molus Sta.), 2 mi e of the co. line, 2¼ mi s of Layman po, 2½ mi e of Burchfield po; /Acc. to Perry L. Howard, 7/25/39, po was 1 mi from Bell Co, 75 yds e of Molus Sta, 100 yds e of Cumb. R, 2 mi n of Cardinal po, 2 mi s of Coldiron po/; On 12/27/46, Albert Howard pet. for a move ca. 700 ft nw to a pt 690 ft se of Molus Sta. (SLR); /Acc. to the L&N's 1921 timetable, this sta. was on the Ky & Va. RR 2 mi below Layman, 5 mi below Wallins & 13 mi below Baxter; Grant Saylor's father Andrew ran the local store;
NOLANSBURG (Harlan Co.): Nolan Branch was 1st called Lewis Branch for its 1st resident, a Mr. Lewis. He later sold his place to Bill Nolan which was afterwards called Nolan Branch for him. (Elsie Rowlett, carrier, Pack Horse Library, Harlan Co., to WPA, late 1930s); Com named for Chad Nolan who had bought the right of-way for the rr co. (Mabel Collins, "Town Names Given by Railroads, Companies, Settlers unid. & undated Harlan news. clipping); Splint p.o. named for seam of coal. (Ibid.);

(See Chad Nolan named for him) po est. 4/26/1899, John G. McKnight...(NA);

Disc. 1936
NOLANSBURG (Harlan Co.): Wm. Nolen (sic), ne 1840 in Ky. Had a wife Jane, nee 1842 in Ky. and a son, Chadwell, ne 1872 in Ky. (1880 Census of Harlan Co.) Chadwell Nolen wed Louise Turner but dk when. (Hist. Stat. of Harlan Co. Ky. by Annie Walker Burns, n.d., ms in KHS Lib. Wm. Nolen, 27, farmer, ne Ky. His wife, Jane, 27, had 3 children then: Sarah, 4; Mary, 2, & Arminta 2½ yrs. Acc. to John G. McKnight, 3/27/99, this prop. po would be on the n side of Poor Fk, 2 mi s of Greeley Ck, 10¼ mi e of Baxter po, 7 3/4 mi w of Creech po, 12 mi nw of Leonard po. (SLR); is this Greech ck?
NOLANSBURG (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to Jillson II, pp. 1562-3, the earliest Nolan(en)s to acq. land in Harlan Co. were Jas. & Sam'l. on Laurel Br. (1853, 1856) & John & Sam'l. on Bear Wallow Fk. & Bills Br. (1856, 57) and John on Laurel (1865). Chadwell Nolan on Poor Fk (1863, 1865) and on Laurel Fk (1866). The name was variously sp. Nolan, Nolen, & even Noln. B.F. Nolen acq. land on Poor Fk (1883); Acc. to 1870 Census, Wm. Nolen (28), son of Jos. & Mary (Marsee) Nolan (Wm's. dates=1842-1919) marr. Jane, d. of Sam'l. & Sarah (Pace Howard (1842-1919) in Dist. 8 (Big Rock po). They lived nr. Chadwell Nolan (25), Wm's. bro. His dates (1845-1923). In 1863 he mar. Louisa (1845-1918), d of Jos. & Eliz. (Clay) Turner, whose 1st husband was Stephen
NOLANSBURG (Harlan Co., Ky) [cont.] Acc. to Martha E. Bailey, 2/10/1912, po was 200 ft n of Cumb. R, 20 yds s of L&N, 3 mi s of Jane po// On 8/29/1920, Mrs. Mary Bays pet. for a move 600 yds e to a pt 200 yds n of Poor Fk, 3/4 mi w of Kellioka po, 2 3/4 mi e of Dillon po, eff. 9/6/20 for greater patron convenience, closer to rr sta & pm's. resi. No agent// Acc. to Sarrah Harris (sic), 10/27/36, the po's name was changed to Splint on 11/1/1936 and was then 75 yds n of Poor Fk, 50 ft n of L&N (Nolansb. Sta.), 3 mi w of Totz po, 3 mi e of Laden po// Acc. to Julian C. Leady, 8/26/44, po was moved a short distance because the po bldg.was
burned, and was now 3 mi sw of Totz po, 300 yds e of rr (Splint Sta.)// On 10/21/49, Thelma H. Roberts pet. for a move 1 mi due sw to serve the towns of Nolansb. and Kellioka, on the w side of US 119, 0.2 mi due sw of Splint (rr) Sta, 150 ft w of Poor Fk, 3 mi sw of Totz po, 4 mi ne of Putney po, 10 mi s of Pine Mt. po. Ky 38 from here to Shields po and US 119 from here to Putney and Totz. (SLR); Acc. to the L&N's 1921 time-
tables, the Nolansb. sta. was on the Poor Fk. Br. 11 mi above Baxter, 1 mi above Laden, 1 mi below Kellioka and 11 mi below Poor Fork (town-sta.); Did the Nolansb po become the Splint po in 1936?; The Splint po was disc. in 1957;
PANSY (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to Carlisle B. Pope, 10/17/1892, this prop. po would be serving the Turner locality, 4 mi s of Martins Fk, on the w side of Catrons Ck, 5 mi s of Harlan C.H. po, 7 mi n of Hagan po (Va.), 6 mi s of Baxter po. Not a vill// Acc. to Ibid, 1/1/97, it was 4 mi s of Martins Fk, 6 mi from Va. line, 6 mi sw of Harlan po, 7 mi nw of Hagans po// Acc. to John McHenry Riddle, 8/4/26, the prop. name for this re-est. po was Pansy but it would be called Gulston for the local rr sta. (tho' it would be serving the vil. of Pansy with a pop. of 75, 1700 ft n of rr sta, 4 mi n of river, 300 ft e of Catrons Ck, 80 ft ne of L&N, 1½ mi nw of Yancey po, 2 mi ne of Bardo po,
2¼ mi s of McCombs po (sic) // On 1/30/30, M.F. Engle pet. for a move 156 ft n to a pt 6 mi s of river, 400 yds e of Catrons Ck, 250 ft s of L&N (Gulston Sta.), ½ mi w of Yancey po, 1½ mi ne of Bardo po, 6 mi s of Harlan po // Acc. to Ibid., 7/25/39, po was ¼ mi e of Gulston Sta & 75 ft n of tracks, 600 ft n of Slaters Fk, 2 mi n of Bardo po, 3 mi s of Teetersville po, 5 mi w of Smith po, 6 mi e of Alva po. (SLR); po was sus- pended 3/23/2001 (POR);
PANSY (Harlan County, Ky.) P.O. est. 11/28/1892 with Carlisle B. Pope, 1st pm. (.....)
Disc. eff. 12/31/1918 with mail to Elcomb.
(Acc. to the Nat'l. Archives); Acc. to L&N's 1921 timetable, the Gulston Sta. was on the Catron's Ck. Br.
4 mi above Dressen and 2 mi below Bardo and 2 mi below Liggett. Here the line was joined by the Slaters Ck. Br. and thus Gulston was 1 mi below Yancey; Acc. to the L&N's 1960 timetable, the Gulston sta. was on the Catrons Ck. Br. just above Mary Alice and 2 mi below Bardo;
PATHFORK (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to P.L. Taylor, 2/25/1916, this prop. po would be 4 mi s of the Cumb. R, 50 yds e of Pucketts Ck, ca. 1 mi from co. line, 4 mi se of Burchfield po// On 3/1/1918, Park L. Taylor pet for a move ½ mi se to a pt 5 mi s of the river, 80 ft s of Pucketts Ck, 1¼ mi from co. line. Eff. 3/9/18. Along the same road// On 3/22/28, Britt Howard pet. for a move 350 yds w to serve a place called Ribble, 5 mi e of the river, 25 ft s of Pucketts Ck, 2½ mi from co. line, 2 mi e of Insull po, 3½ mi w of Alva po. Eff. now// On 11/3/38, Addie Wilson, act. pm pet.
for a move (but no data) to a pt 2 mi from Bell Co, on the n side of Ky 72, 100 ft n of Pucketts Ck, 1 1/2 mi e of Insull po, 4 mi se of Blackmont Sta, 3 mi w of Alva po// Acc. to P.L. Taylor, 7/24/39, po was 150 ft n of tracks, 300 ft n of Pucketts Ck, 4 1/2 mi s of the river, 3 mi w of Alva po, 2 mi e of Insull po (SLR);
PATHFORK (Harlan Co.): po est. 5/24/1916, Park L. Taylor... (NA); Path Fork (sic), a short cut from Pucketts Creek to Brownies Cr. and Martins Fork (sic). (B.W. Whitfield, Jr. of Brookside, Ky. in a letter to me, 5/11/79).

PO on Ky 72 (1/1996); C.B. Burchfield with the Black Star Coal Co. of this place. (ca. 1922); The Black Star coal camp of the Speed & Sackett Co. of Louisville. (Acc. to Marion Howard, in Mabel Collins' article);
PATHFORK, ALVA, and INSULL (Harlan Co., Ky): Pathf. is ca. 1 mi e of the Bell Co. line. The vic. was settled 1785 by Ben Howard and families of Lee, Daniels, Shackelfords, Craigs, and Lawsons, 5 mi up Puckett Ck from the r. on land once an Indian camp. Britt Lee arr. 1852 and settled at the m. of Path Fk. and timbered there. Logs floated down Pucketts & the rive to the band mills at Wasiota. Lee opened local store & po till his death in 1898. In 1915 the Black Mt. RR Co. built line from Hulen thru here to Alva, 9 mi. long. By then the Willis-Harlan Coal Co. was here and the Black Star Coal Co. was at Alva and the South Coa Co. was at Insull. Black Star was the main employer of Puckett Ck. men in 1923. The road up this ck. was
paved in 1923. The Bringardner Lumber Co. of Lexington acq. a tract of timber land from the Ky. & W.Va. Coal & Land Co. and opened a band mill here. Built many homes. Left vic. in 1944. In 1945 the land was leased by Blue Diamond who ran the local mine till 1951. (Mildred T. Jacobs, "The Commu. of Pathfork, Ky" in 1955, repro. in Harlan County Traditions, 2/14/1998, Pp. 102-03);
PEEVEE (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to Chas. D. Cole, 4/5/15, the name prop. for this new po was Coles and it would be 100 ft s of Looney Ck, 50 ft n of the L&N (Clutts Sta.), 5 mi from co. line, 1 mi w of Benham po, 2 mi e of Poor Fk. po; Acc. to Gomer Gilliam, 12/27/26, this po was serving the Clutts RR Sta, 1 mi s of Poor Fk, 100 ft s of Looney Ck, 75-100 ft s of L&N, 2-2½ mi from co. line, 1½ mi e of Cumb. po, 1½ mi w of Benham po, 4 mi ne of Clover po; In 12/1927, ? pet. for a move 400 ft nw to a pt. (undec.-too light). (SLR); Acc. to the L&N's 1921 timetable, the Clutts St. was on the Poor Fk. Br. 1 mi above Poor Fk. Sta. and 1 mi below Benham;
PINE MOUNTAIN (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to Jas. C. Creech, 5/20/1913, this po, late Jane, was 3 mi n of Poor Fk, ½ mi ne of Greasy Fk, 1¼ mi from the co. line, 7 mi e of Incline po, 5 mi from Nolan'sb. po. On 10/8/19, Ibid. pet. for a move 3/4 mi w to a pt 3 mi n of Poor Fk, 400 ft n of Greasy Ck, 3 mi from co line, 4½ mi ne of Dillon po. Eff. 10/15/19. On 3/3/1936, Bessie M. Watkins pet. for a move 0.7 mi ne to a pt 100 ft e of Greasy Ck, 9 mi n of Cum. R, 3 mi se of Big Laurel po, 8 mi e of Incline po, 9 mi n of Laden po. On 10/27/36, Ibid. pet. for a move 1.2 mi se to a pt 1 mi from Letcher Co, 200 ft n of Isaacs
Ck, 8 mi n of river, 7.5 mi ne of Incline po, 8 mi n of Laden po, 3.9 mi sw of Big Laurel po. On 7/16/40, Ibid. pet. for a move 0.6 mi ne to a pt 8.45 mi n of river, 200 ft w of Greasy Ck, 2.1 mi from co. line, 3 mi se of Big Laurel po, 7 3/4 mi e of Incline po, 3 mi w of Gilley po. Eff. 8/1/40. On 4/14/44, Alice E. Boggs, act. pm, pet. for move 1500 ft w to a pt. 9.10 mi e of Poor Fk, 20 ft n of Greasy Ck, 3 1/2 mi e of Big Laurel po, 7.3 mi n of Incline po, 9.9 mi nw of Putney po. Eff. 4/22/44. On 2/26/45, Mrs. Bessie M. Watkins act. pm, pet. for a move 2640 ft (1/2 mi) s to a pt 8 mi n of river, 50 ft w of Greasy Ck, 5 mi from co. line, 3 mi se of Big Laurel po, 8 mi n of Putney po, 8 mi e of Incline po. (SLR);
PINE MOUNTAIN SETTLEMENT SCHOOL (Harlan Co., Ky): Est. 1913 by Ethel Delong and Katharine Pettit on invit of local landowner Wm. Creech. Till 1949 was a boarding sch. Had 16 bed hosp. Serving rural area. Poultry and dairy farm. Non-sectarian and affiliated with Berea Col. Burton B. Rogers was dir (ca. 1960s). 24 bldgs. Nr. the confl. of Greasy Ck, Laurel Fk, & Isaac Ck. Was Ky's. largest settlement sch. To make ed. & med. assistance available to rural mt. folk. 800 acres incl. forest & farm. Now an env. ed. ctr. Fac's. used for commu. activities. Innovative ed. prog'ms. The settle. sch. was est. with the "help of Katharine Pettit of Lex, a member of the Ky. Fed. of Women's Clubs. Creech offered her 136 acres for sch.... (FCT, 11/30/77, II P. 5:2-
PINE MOUNTAIN SETTLEMENT SCHOOL (Harlan Co., Ky): At the head of Greasy Ck. Est. 1913 by Katharine Pettit and Ethel DeLong Zange "on land donated by Wm. Creech" as a boarding sch. & settlement sch. and later became a center for env. ed. (Jas. S. Greene III in KY. ENCY. 1992, P. 724);
POOR FORK (later CUMBERLAND) (Harlan Co., Ky.)

"That was the name of Cumberland before it was changed because the businessmen did not want to sign city registers with their home address as Poor Fork. (They had little to do to come in here and change our town.) One said that it was the poorest of the forks, but my cousin Oscar (Yeary) said it was the richest. I could not find why it was called that. It was named after the Poor Fork River but I do not know why the river was so called." (Ina Mae Enzor of Harlan Co., Ky. A student of Leonard Roberts, Union College, 1957.)
POOR FORK-CUMBERLAND (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to 1879 Gaz, this vil. (as Poor Fork) had a pop. of 100. Jos. Creech was pm & flour mill owner. Bennett Bailey had a carding mill. Gen'l. stores: J.P. Smith, J.T. Smith Jonathan Creech (who also had a sawmill); Elijah Creech & Jos. Creech had flour mills as did Isaac Huff. (The Poor Fork and Pine Mountain po's. operated at the same time. How were they distinguished? Check their sites... Acc. to 1921 L&N timetables for the Poor Fk. Br., the Poor Fk. Sta. was 22 rail mi from Baxter & 2 rail mi below Benham;
POOR FORK–CUMBERLAND (Harlan Co., Ky): aka Pine Mt. was 18 mi ne of Harlan with a pop. of 60. Jonathan Cornett was pm & blacksmith. Jonathan Creech ran a flour mill & gen. store. Isaac Huff had a flour mill. J.P. Smith ran a gen. store. Other businesses (1879–80 Gaz.); Acc. to 1876–7 Gaz, Poor Fork had a pop. of 100 and had been est. 60 yrs before. Named for the stream. 22 mi from Mt Pleasant. Exports: ginseng, feathers, wool, beeswax, & hides. Benj. F. Nolen was pm & gen. storekeeper. Other gen. stores: (1) Enoch Blair, (2) C.F.C. Nolen. Mr. Grig (sic) had saw & carding mills; Cumberland's pop. in 2000=2611 APO; In 1897, Wm. Cornett was pm & storekeeper of Poor Fork. PO was in his store;
POOR FORK OF THE CUMB ERLAND RIVER (Harlan Co., Ky):
Heads at Proctor Gap in Letcher Co. (Hodge, 1912, P. 1)
PUTNEY (Harlan Co., Ky): poest. 6/17/1925 with Loree D. Smith, 7/31/29, Cobern J. Hansford, act..... (APO) (POR NA); Acc. to L.D. Smith, 2/21/1925, this prop. po would be 200 ft ne of Poor Fk, 500 ft ne of Cliff Br, ca. 100 ft se of the L&N (Putney Sta.), 1 mi sw of Dillon po, 6 mi ne of Rosspoint po, 7 mi s of Pine Mt. po; Acc. to undec., 7/25/39, po was 500 ft s of US 119 right next to the Putney (rr) Sta, 1000 ft n of Poor Fk, ca. 9 mi ne of Harlan po, ca. 5 mi w of Splint po, ca. 8 mi s of Pine Mt. po. (SLR); Named by a lumber co operating there in the 1920s-30s. (Mabel Collins); ca. 1930, had a sawmill & lumber camp on Poor Fk run by the Inter-mt. Coal & Lumber Co. Processed thousands of acres of timber on Pine Mt. and the hills n. of it. (Elmon Middleton, Harlan Co., Ky. 1934, P. 44);
PUTNEY (Harlan Co., Ky): Intermountain Lumber Co. of Putney ca. 1925 when Curtis Wilson was mill superintendent and Harry Frymore was storekeeper. Geo. Schiffer was the mill's sawyer. (Anna Banks York, 1112 Canterbury Dr, Greencastle, Ind. 46135, in KY EXPL. Vol. 11 (4), 9/1996, P. 7); APO; po on US 119 (1/1/1996); Acc. to the L&N's 1921 timetable, this sta. was on the Poor Fk. Br. 7 mi above Baxter, 3 mi above Rosspoint, 1 mi below Dillon, 4 mi below Nolan'sb;
REDBUD (Harlan Co., Ky): po est. 9/6/1929, Sallie M. Stewart, 6/3/30, Mrs. Laura Smith, act. (and xxxxxxxx) 12/5/30, Wm. L. Stewart, act. and a.ch. on 12/19/30.... Disc. 1942. (POR-NA); Acc. to Sallie Mae Stewart, 5/10/1929, this prop. po would serve the commu. of Griffithsville and the Darby Coal Mining Camp, 1½ mi se of Clover Fk, 100 ft s of Yocum Ck, 1½ mi se of Evarts po, 1 7/8 mi nw of Kenvir po, 2½ mi e of Draper po, 5 ft s of Pike Rd/ Acc. to W.L. Stewart, 7/5/39, po was 250 f e of Cumb. R, 1 mi n of Evarts po & sta., 1 mi s of N Kenvir po. (SLR); Locality was 1st known as woods. Named for the trees. (Mabel Collins); Here was the Red Bud Sch.; Black Mt. El. Sch. here betw. Kenvir & Evarts. (Gertie Eachus in KY EXPL. Vol. 15 (6), 11/2000, P. 7);
REDBUD (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to 1870 Census, Griffith families lived in Dist. 8 (Big Rock po); Homeplace of Jackson D. Asher and his father Dillon;
RIDGEWAY (Harlan Co., Ky): "This coal town with epo and sta. on the L&N RR's Clover Fk. Branch is on Clover Fk. of the Cumb. R., 10½ (air) ene of Harlan, and was named for the Ridgeway Coal Co., which opened a mine there around 1921. The po was est. on 10/6/1925 with James A Evans, pm." (Book-P. 251); John Ridgeway was a Mt. P. pm from 6/9/1820 to 1823 (POR); Acc. to the 1920 Cens Jas. A. Evans (69) lived with son Daniel (42) and Daniel's wife Lela (31) in Mag. Dist. 2 (Evarts). James was a NC-born clerk in a boarding home. But no Ridgeway
RIDGEWAY (Harlan Co.): po est. 10/6/1925, James A. Evans... (NA); Ridgeway Coal Co. c. 1921. (B.W. Whitfield, Jr. Brookside, Ky. in a letter to me, 5/11/1979); Acc. to James A. Evans, 5/4/25, this prop. po was in the commissary of the Harlan Coal & Coke Co. mining camp, 200 ft n of Clover Fk, 3/4 mi w of High Splint po, 1 3/4 mi e of Lejunior po, 3 mi sw of Louellen po. (Ridgeway Sta. on the L&N). Part of the mining camp of Benneto Coal Co. (sic) serving 1500-2000 pop. No agent at this pre-pay sta. (SLR); Acc. to the L&N's 1921 timetable, this sta was 16 mi above Baxter, 1 mi above Shields, 1 mi below Seagrave and 3 mi below Lisbon (Louellen);
ROSSPOINT (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to Benjamin W. Sergent, 5/11/1901, this prop. po would be 30 yds n of Poor Fk, 4 mi (en) of Baxter po, 7 mi sw of Nolensb. po, 5 mi ne of Harlan po. Not a vil. (map) // Acc. to E.C.G. Howard, 2/9/12, po was 0.12 mi from Poor Fk, o Early Br, 113 ft n of Wasioto & Black Mt. RR, 6 mi from co. line, 2 mi w of Kellioaka po, 3 mi ne of Baxter po, 6½ mi s of Incline po// On 11/25/20. B.W. Sergent pet. for a move ½ mi w to serve the Gatun (rr Sta., 75 ft nw of Poor Fk, 2 mi sw of English Ck, 50 ft sw of L&N, 2½ mi ne of Baxter po, 6 mi sw of Dillo po, 7½ mi sw of Incline po// On 10/20/30, Benj. W.
Sergent pet. for a move 500 yds se to a pt 200 yds se of Poor Fk, 1 mi sw of English Ck, 3 mi ne of Baxter po, 4½ mi sw of Putney po, 4 mi se of Incline po, 500 yds se of L&N (Rosspoint Sta.). Eff. asap, moving to new highway and 500 ft from the rr. (SLR); Acc. to the L&N's 1921 timetables, the Rosspoint Sta. on the Poor Fk. Br. was 4 mi above Baxter, 1 mi above Gatun and 3 mi below Putney;
ROSSPOINT (Harlan Co.): "The story goes that during the Civil War there was a 'lookout' man by the name of Ross who ran up on the high cliff point to watch for rebels. When he saw them coming he gave the alarm to the people below. That's the story of Ross Point." (Mabel Collins, "Town Names Given by Railroads, Companies, Settlers, und. & undated Harlan newsp. clipping); po est. 5/31/1901, Benj. W. Sergent... (NA); c. 1933; Gatun was named by the rr (Mabel Collins);
SAL'S BRANCH (Harlan Co., Ky.) "In Harlan County, near Evarts, there is a hollow called Sal's Branch. This name came from a woman named Sally who once lived there. I could not find out anything more about her." (Alma B. Bickford of Whitley Co., Ky., one of Leonar Roberts' folklore students, c1957.)

Not listed as such in Field. But there is a Sally Williams Branch of Saylor Creek in SW Harlan Co. (Top. map. #720).

Middleton Br.
SALT TRACE BR. OF STRAIGHT CREEK (Harlan Co., Ky): Residents were served by store & po of Gross (now Bledsoe). The pm was the store's owner. The local Red Ox Sch. was moved to the head of the Ky. R's. Middle Fk in Leslie Co. The sch. was ½ mi from Straight Ck. The trace was early named for its being the rte. to a salt works in Clay Co. Route for Virginians & Harlan Countians alike. The store was nr the mouth of this branch. An old mill was nr the head of this stream. (Col. Edward Ward, 311 S. Main St., Apt. 207, Harlan, Ky. in KY EXPL Vol. 15 (5), 10/2000, Pp. 90-93);
SALT TRACE (Harlan Co., Ky): po est. 7/10/1876 with John Forrester (sic), 8/21/76, John W. Forrester, Disc. 9/29/1888 (papers to Sandy Fork, Leslie Co.) (POR-NA); Acc. to John D. White, M.C., 7/8/1876, this prop. po would be 1 mi n of Straight Ck, 16 mi e of Cumb. R, 8 mi n of Wallins Ck po. Mr. John Forrester (sic) would be pm. (SLR); Acc. to 1883-4 Gaz, this was an "unimportant p.o.; Acc. to 1879-80 Gaz, this po was recently est. in Letcher Co;
SALTS (Harlan Co., Ky): po est. 2/12/96, John B. Forester, 6/3/97, Elijah (?) T. Howard, 8/18/98, John B. Forester (rescinded 9/14/98) [EJH stayed on as pm], 1/4/04, John W. Forester, Disc. 9/30/1911 (mail to White); Re-est. 11/11/1915, Lucy Wilson (rescinded 2/21 1916) (POR-NA); Acc. to John B. Forester, 6/2/1895, the prop. name for this new po was Brock and it would be 6 mi n of Cumb. R, 1¼ mi n of Straight Ck, 4½ mi ne of Pass po, 7 mi s of Sandy Fk. po. Not a vil. (SLR);
SAMPSON (Harlan Co., Ky): po est. 5/1/1928, Emily Langford, 10/3/30, Mrs. Laura Langford, act, and a.ch. on 12/8/30,... Disc. 1950 (POR-NA); Acc. to Mrs. Emily Langford, 12/27/1927, this prop. po would be 150 yds n of Martins Fk, 3 mi e of Cranks Ck, 150 yds n of L&N (rr & sta. not yet built), 1 mi from co. line, 3 mi e o Martins Fk po, 3 mi sw of Smith po, 5 mi s of Yancey po // Acc. to Laura Langford, 7/31/1939, po was ½ air & 4 rd mi from Lee Co. (Va.) line, 300 ft nw of rr, 100 yds s of Martins Fk R, 2½ mi sw of Smith po, 9 mi ne of Alva po. (SLR); Acc. to 1920 Census, J.E. Sampson (33) wife Gertrude (30) lived on Main St. in Harlan. He was a practicing lawyer;
SAYLOR (Harlan Co., Ky): po est. 11/22/1897, John M. Saylor, 5/4/99, Levi B. Saylor, declined; 6/30/1899, Wm. P. Saylor, 9/24/08, Levi B. Saylor, 2/11/1910, Lizzie Daniel, 5/9/11, Mary C. Lee, Disc. 10/15/1912 (POR-NA); Acc. to John M. Saylor, 10/30/97, this prop. po would b 7 1/2 mi e of Cum. R, 2 mi sw of Pucketts Ck, 10 mi se of Calloway po// Acc. to Mrs. Mary Lee, no date but betw. 4/10 & 6/11, po was on Pucketts Ck, 6 mi se of river, 7 mi se of Calloway po, 6 mi ne of Cubbage po// Acc. to Lizzie Daniel, 6/14/10, po was serving locality of Mirl Daniels (sic), 3 mi w of Martins Fk R, 1/4 mi s of Browni (sic) Ck, 1 mi from Bell Co, 10 mi w of Hurst po, 7 mi of Cubage po. (SLR);
SECOND BRANCH OF CUMBERLAND RIVER (Harlan Co):
Extends s for 3/4 mi. to the river 1/2 mi. above Molus. No First Branch identified on any maps.
It's actually the 3rd n. bank branch of the Cumb. R. in Harlan Co. (F720sw). "This would have to be at Baxter, about two miles above Molus, and a mile below Harlan. Here the Poo Fork R. joins the Clover Fork R...." (B.W. Whitfield, Jr., letter to me, 2/8/1987) (I dk he knows what I'm referring to here....) "The only thing I can find regarding Second Branch is that it is the second branch east and north of the Cumb. R. north and east of Molus, Ky." (B.W. Whitfield, Brookside, Ky. letter to me, 7/20/1987) Jr. (i.e. 2nd branch above Molus.
SHIELDS (Harlan Co.): L&N RR completed to this pt. 10/6/1918. (Kincaid A. Herr, L&N RR 1964, P. 20%); po est. as Le junior, 12/14/1918, Kenes Bowling... (NA); Named for Lee Bowling, Jr. or Lee, Jr. (B.W. Whitfield, Jr. of Brookside, Ky. in a letter to me, 5/11/1979); Named for Lee Bowling, Jr. whose father developed the Bowling Coal Co. at Shields, Ky. c.1919. Gano was a shipping pt. for a nearby coal mine. Commu. is called Le junior. (Ibid., 6/28/80); By 1/1/96, the po was on Ky 28; RR from Kildav to Shields (6.35 mi) was completed 10/1918;
SHORT TOWN (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to John Wm. Short, 3/17/1942, this prop. po would be serving localities of Cote or Dark Bottom and the town of Short Town, 1¼ mi away. Not on a rr, 400 ft s of Clover Fk, 2 3/4 mi w of Lejunior po, 2½ mi e of Evarts po, 4 mi s of Nolansb (no road). (SLR); Jas. Short, ne 1804 in Wash. Co, Va died in Harlan Co. (Anita Sizemore, PO Box 59, Keokee, Va. 24265 in KY EXPL. Vol. 9 (7), 1/1995. She was then doing a book on the Short family and said she would answer all letters); The po operated from 1942 to 1950
SHORT TOWN (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to 1920 Census, John Short (28) & wife Bettie and their sons Jas. A. (6), Wm. (3½), & Hampton (5 mos) lived nr a mining camp. He was a miner. In Mag. Dist. 2 (Evarts), Jas. Short (63) and wife Eliz. (62), a farmer, lived in Ibid. next to Allen Short (26) & wife Louise (32). Several Short fam's. lived in Klondike Prec. 3: the oldest was Charley Short, Sr. (73) & wife Thursey (75), a farmer, nr him was Wright Short (55) & wife Hannah (35), a farmer, Frank Short (53) & wife Rachel (51), a farmer. Hampton Short (70) lived with his son-in-law Wiley Holmes (q.v.) in Ibid. John Short (37) & wife Polly (27) lived in Smith Prec. 21, on the Martins Fk. Rd;
SMITH (Harlan Co.): po est. 6/2/1897, Noble L. Smith... (NA); An old commune named for the Smith family. (B.W. Whitfield, Jr. of Brookside, Ky. in a letter to me, 5/11/1979); Creed Smith, son of Noble ran the local store until he moved to Va. ca. 1890. (P. 58) Creed Smith opened store & sawmill ca. 1885. Only a sch. was in vic. before then. Noble Smith was big landowner. His son, Creed, was born ca. 1845. (Pp. 64-5) Until the est. of po at Cranks, Smith, & Ledford, the area was dependent for postal services on the po at the stor at Cawood. (P. 72) The com. was "called Smith because Creed Smith owned the largest portion
of the valley and the surrounding slopes and hollows, and because he had a store and grist mill there; the only other structure at the confluence of Cranks Creek and Martin's Fk. was a one rm. log schoolhouse. Smith embraced a network of creeks and branches and hollows in a narrow valley thirteen hundred ft. above sea level. "(P. 98) Creed was son of Noble, who was son of David and grandson of Henry. David Smith had come to Harlan Co. as a youngster. (P. 98)." In 1976 acquired the area by eminent domain for a flood control dam & recreation lake. Later inundated by
the backup waters of Martins Fk." (P.101)
The **Wash Smith Cem.** nr the bottom of Cranks Ridge "in a clearing on a gently sloping hillside facing up the val. fenced. Family cem. for Ledfords, Smiths, Skidmores, Farmers, incl. Geo. Washington "Wash" Smith, for whom it was named. He was son of Noble & Nancy. **Smith** was at mouth of Cranks Creek. **Martins Fork Dam.** (P. 226) (Curtis Burnam Ledford to John Egerton in his GENERATIONS, U Press of Ky, 1983);
SMITH (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to Noble Lincoln Smith, 3/20/97, this prop. po would be on w bank of Martins Fk, at m. of Cranks Ck, 4½ mi s of Cawood po, 5½ mi ne of Hagan po. Not vil// Acc. to Ibid., 5/19/14, po was 200 yds w of Martins Fk, 230 yds sw of the m. of Cranks Ck, 1½ mi from Lee Co, 6 mi sw of Cawood po, 8 mi ne of Hagan po// Acc. to Emily Langford, 11/27/36, po was 2 ai & 3 rd mi from Lee Co, 200 yds s of L&N (no sta.), 100 yds sw of Cranks Ck, 7 mi s of Cawood po, ca. 3 mi e of Sampson po// Acc. to Ibid., 7/31/39, po was 100 yds w of Cranks Ck, ¼ mi n of Martins Fk, ¼ mi n of L&N, 2 mi n of Sampson po, 6 mi s of Cawood po// On 8/2/43, Creed Fulton Smith pet. for a move 335 yds w to a pt (no data on SLR entry), eff. 8/9/1943. (SLR);
SMITH (Harlan Co., Ky): "This hamlet with po and a sta. on the Martins Fk. Branch of the L&N RR's Cumb. Val. Div is on Ky 987, just e of Martins Fk. of the Cumb. R and 7½ (air) mi sse of H. The po, est. on 6/2/1897, with Noble L. Smith, pm, was named for a local family." (Book-P. 274); The po, on Ky 1138, was suspended by 1/1996 (POR); Noble Smith, lO-t- of the surveyors of 190,000 acres in the 1840s. 86,000 acres of this were acq. in 1886 by Edward Davis of Phila(see Kentenia entry....); po was suspended 10/1/1991 (POR);
SMITH LAKE (Harlan Co., Ky): On Cranks Ck. Named for Herbert Smith. (Jackie Owen);
SUKEY RIDGE (Harlan Co., Ky): Site of Harlan Co.'s. new airport. (Acc. to LCJ, 12/16/1984, P. Bl:3-6)
SUNSHINE (Harlan Co.): Martins Fork Coal Co. was developed here in 1912. (B.W. Whitfield Jr. of Brookside, Ky. in a letter to me, 5/1/1979); Catrons Creek Coal Co. c1914. Joins the city of Harlan on the sw. (N.W. Whitfield Jr. in a letter to me., 6/28/1980); Acc. to Benj Franklin Lankford, 2/19/38, this prop. po would be serving the vil. of Comet with pop. of 1500 & Dressen Sta, ½ mi from Cum. R, 3/4 mi s of Martins Fk, 100 ft w of L&N, 1½ mi se of Harlan po, 2½ mi s of Baxter po // Acc. to Ibid., 11/30/38, po was ½ mi w of Martins Fk, 1½ mi s of Clover Fk, 1½ mi sw of Harlan po, 2 mi s. of Baxter po, 3 mi n of Teetersv. po, 1 mi sw of rr sta. (map). (SLR);
TEETERSVILLE (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to Mrs. Jennie Teeters, 3/14/1938, this prop. po would be serving the commu's. of Black Bottom, Eloomb, and Little Creek, with a pop. of 400, within ¼ mi of the po, 4 mi s of the river, 800 ft e of Catrons Ck, 800 ft e of L&N, 3 mi s of Harlan po, 3½ mi n of Gulston po, 5 mi w of Grays Knob po. Acc. to Ibid., 8/7/39, po was on the Catrons Ck. Rd, 1500 ft e of Catrons Ck, 2 mi s of Harlan Sta. & po, 3 mi n of Gulston po. (SLR); Named for the local Teeters fam. who ran store. (Mabel Collins); PO in op'n. from 1938 to 1955 (POR-NA);
TEN SPOT (Harlan Co., Ky): (F216c) Probably a coal town on Ky. 1601, about ½ mi. up Jones Creek from Clover Fk. at Verda, at the mouth of Cawood Branch and 0.9 mi. from Ky. 38 at Verda. Not identified on the Nolansb. 15 min. map (1919).

"Ten Spot was the name of ten houses just s. and e. of Verda. Harlan Wallins Coal Corp. operated at Verda until 1958. We had a Five Spot at Brookside. These five bungalow type houses were copied from houses on Silk Stocking Av. at Barrenfork Mine of Fordson Coal Co. on Wallins Creek." (B.W. Whitfield, Jr., letter to me, 2/8/1987)
THREE POINT (Harlan Co.): Coal town with dpo and a sta. at the end of the Lick Br. Spur of the L&N's Cum. Väl. Div. While it's possible that it may have been named for 3 nearby mt. peaks, it was more likely named for the Three Pt. Coal Corp. which ran the local mine. The co's. name refers to service, quality, and dependability, 3 virtues claimed for its local operation. (B.W. Whitfield, Jr., letter, 6/28/1980); In 4/1954 the cc permanently shut down. Had been owned by Elmer D. Hall Coal co. camp incl. Rex Hedrick's commissary, a sch, chu., Hall Hi.Sch. (Ellen Lorentzson in Harlan Daily Enterprise, 2/28/1964, P. 19);
THREE POINT (Harlan Co.): Three mts. have their peaks in close proximity here. (Hardy, thesis, 1949, P. 25); "The mine at Three Point prided itself in three qualities (sic), dependability, service and quality." (Mabel Collins, "Town Names Given by Railroads, Companies, Settlers" undated Harlan newsp. clipping); posted 8/29/1927, Louis J. Hampton... (NA); The Three Point Coal Co. (B.W. Whitfield, Jr. in a letter to me, 5/11/1979); Named for the Three Point Coal Corp. referring to service, quality, and preparation. (B.W. Whitfield, Jr. in a letter to me, 6/28/80); DK if ever called Coalville (Ibid.).
THREE POINT (Harlan Co., Ky): "This coal town with epo lies nr. the head of Lick Br. of Martins Fk. of the Cum R., 6 (air) misse of H. It may have been named either for 3 nearby mt. peaks or for the 3 virtues—dependability, service, and quality—claimed for the local min by its owner the Three Point Coal Corp. The commu, or at least the sta. at the end of the Lick Br. Spur of the L&N RR's Cumb. Val. Div., may have been called Coalville as early as 1921. The Three Point po was est. on 8/29/1927 with Louis J. Hampton, pm." (Book-P. 293); Coalville Sta. was 5 rail mi above Glidden Sta. on the L&N's Lick Br. Spur (1921);
THREE POINT (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to L.J. Hampton, 1927, this prop. po would be 100 yds e of Martins Fk, 100 yds e of Lick Br, 20 ft w of L&N (Coalville Sta.), 5 mi from Va. line, 7½ mi from Cawood po, 3½ mi e of Smith po, 4 mi from Yancey po. On 1/28/30, Ibid. pet. for a move 100 ft (on 10/15/29) to a pt 100 yds e of Lick Br, 30 ft w o: rr, 4½ mi from co. line, 2½ mi sw of Cawood po, 4 mi e o: Yancey po. Acc. to Rex Hedrich, 7/31/39, po was 2 mi nw of Ky 66, 40 ft sw of L&N, 5 mi of Glidden Sta, 2 mi w o: Martins Fk. R, 11 mi n of Cumb. R, 2 mi sw of Cawood po, 7 mi nw of Smith po, 11 mi s of Harlan po. (SLR);
TOTZ (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to Edgar L. Bradley, 11/23/1920, this prop. po would be serving a commu. called Colton (sic) which was its rr sta. name (a pre-pay freight sta. with no agent), 500 ft n of Poor Fk, 100 ft s of L&N, 6 mi from co. line, 2 mi w of Dione po, 2 mi e of Kellioka po, 6 mi n of Evarts po}// Acc. to Paul H. Coleman, 1/13/30, this place was no longer aka Colton, & was 200 ft n of Poor Fk, 75 ft n of L&N, 3 mi from co. line, 2 mi w of Dione po, 3 mi e of Nolansb. po, 4 mi nw of Louellen po}// Acc. to Jas. Bennett, 8/15/39, po was 70 ft s of L&N, 100 ft n of Poor Fk, 2 mi w of Dione po, 2¼ mi e of Splint po. (SLR);
TOTZ (Harlan Co.): 1st called Calton. Local mine then bought by L.A. Billips who later sold it to Harry Todd Totz of W.Va. (Mabel Collins, "Town Names Given by Railroads, Companies, Settlers," undated Harlan news. clipping); po est. as Totz, 4/18/1921, Edgar L. Bradley... (NA); Named for Harry Totz of W.Va. who developed local mine c1922. the Harlan Cumberland Coal Co. there (B.W. Whitfield, Jr., in a letter to me, 6/28/1980); On Ky 522 (1/1/1996); Acc. to L&N's 1921 timet. Colton Sta. was on the Poor Fk. Br., 2 mi above Kelliok; and 2 mi below Dione, 14 mi above Baxter & 8 mi below Poor Fk;
TOTZ (Harlan Co.): Named for brothers who arr. America c.1900. They were horse peddlers. "Prospered and invested in land and mines." In c. 1922, bought land and mines here. (Mary S. Davis, pm, in letter to Delphine Haley, 7/1/75)
TOTZ (Harlan Co., Ky): "This coal town with po & sta. or the Poor Fk. Br. of the L&N RR's Cumb. Val. Div. is on Ky 119 and the Poor Fk. of the Cumb. R., 12 (air) mi. ne of Harlan. It was named for Harry Totz of W.Va. who has acquired the local mine by 1921. The Totz po was est. on April 18 of that yr. with Edgar L. Bradley, pm. The station, early called Colton, is now known as Pine Mt. Station for its location at the foot of the Pine Mt. Ridge." (Book-Pp. 296-7); This rail sta. ch. name from Totz and Pine Mt. betw. 1947-1960 (L&N).
TREMONT (Harlan Co.): Before the rr came through, this was called Pine Flat. (Mabel Collins, "Town Names Given by Railroads, Companies, Settlers" unid. & undated Harlan newsp. clipping); Acc. to Hazel B. Wilson, 6/5/45, this prop. po would be ca. 400 ft n of river, 1000 ft w of Watts Ck, 600 ft n of L&N (Tremont Sta.), 2½ mi w of Dayhoit po, 3 mi e of Wallins Ck po. (SLR);

Acc. to the L&N's 1921 timetable, the Tremont Sta. was on the Ky & Va. RR, 3 mi above Wallins and just below Wilhoit Sta, 4 mi below Loyall and 1 mi below Baxter;

The Tremont po operated betw. 1945 and 1976;
TWAY (Harlan Co., Ky): R.C. Tway, pres. of the Tway Coal Co. His office in 1936 was the Home Life Bldg. in Louisville. Resi: Plainview Farms, Jeff. Co., Ky; The R.C. Tway Coal Co., formerly the Pineville Coal Mining Co. On the e side of Martins Fk, 3 mi above (se of) Harlan. (Peck, 1915, P. 13); R.C. Tway's coal co. bought out the mines of the Pineville Coal Co. of Harlan, Ky. The owner of the latter was R.W. Creech, pres. & g.m. (1913) W.R. Ballon was mine foreman. It was sold in 1914 to Tway. R.C. was from Louisv. (W.C. Stump in Harlan Mt. Roots, Vol. 5 (4), sum. 1991, Pp. 135-8); The R.C. Tway Coal Co. began op. 1914. Main office was in H., Ky. R.C. was pres. & g.m. On Martin Fk, 1 mi above H., Ky. The mine was formerly operated by the Pineville Coal Co. (Ibid. in Ibid., Vol. 6 (3), Spr. 1992, P. 100);
TWAY (Harlan Co., Ky): R.C. was co-founder of the H.Co Coal Op's. Ass'n. Org. 9/12/1916. He was pres. 1917-26 R.C. Tway Coal Co. of Harlan, Ky. T.N. Gibson, Superintendent. (Acc. to Annual Rept. of State Dept. of Mines of Ky., Lexington, 1921, P. 38);
TWAY (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to Mrs. Hazel C. Smith, 3/24/1949, the prop. name for this new po was Hallwood and it would serve the Old R.C. Tway Coal Co. and the locality of Tway, on the sw side of Ky 66, 380 yds ne of the Cum. R, 1¼ mi se of Harlan Sta, 2 mi se of Harlan po, 2 mi nw of Grays Knob po. The po was est. by Mrs. W.F. Hall, but due to "her age and failing health she turned the papers over" to Mrs. Hazel C. Miller. (SIR); Named for a local mine owned by R.C. Tway of Louisville, Ky. (Mabel Collins); Was/is this place at the mouth of Dave Smith Br? (Condon, P. 48); R.C. Tway co-est. the Harlan Co. Coal Operators Ass'n. in 1916. (Henry C. Mayer in KY ENCY. 1992, P. 211); po in op'n. from 1949-1957 (POR); R.C. Tway Coal Co. served by the Harlan po (1924);
TWILA (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to C.C. Matthis, 1/3/17, this prop. po would be called Low for the rr sta, 5 mi s of the river, 100 ft w of Wallins Ck, 50 ft w of L&N, 5 mi sw of White Star po/ On 12/13/30, Mrs. Dora Hilton pet. for a move 1500 ft n to a pt 5 mi s of the river, 50 ft w of Wallins Ck, 5 mi se of Wallins Ck po, 100 ft e of L&N. PO to be in the new commissary bldg. (map)/ Acc. to Mossie L. Winters, 7/26/39, po was \(\frac{1}{4}\) mi s of Ky 219, ca. 40 ft w of Wallins Ck, ca. 5 mi se of Wallins Ck. Sta. (L&N), 3 mi s of Lisle po on Ky 219, 10 mi se of Coldiron po. (SLR);
TWILA (Harlan County, Ky.) p.o. est. 4/6/1917 with Chester C. Mathis, 1st p.m. Disc. 2/15/1919 with mail to Whitestar. Re-est. 7/12/1919 with mail to John C. Starbuck, p.m. (Acc. to the National Archives); po est. 4/6/1917, Chester C. Matthis (sic), Disc. 2/15/19 (mail to White Star) (order rescinded), 7/12/19, John E. Starbuck, 3/11/24, Grover H. Creech, 2/19/26, John Trail, act. a.ch. 8/14/26, Dora Helton was act. 4/3/28 and ass. ca. 12/27/28...Disc 1957 (POR-NA); Acc. to 1930 Census, Twila (Low Sta.) had a pop. of 516 (WPA); Acc. to the L&N's 1921 timetable, Low Sta. was on the Banner Fk. Branch just above Tisdale, 1 mi above Lisle, 2 mi above Kentenia. At the end of the line;
VERDA (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to no sign, no date, the prop. name for this new po was Tville (?)[crossed out], and it would be 300 yds w of Clover Fk, ¼ mi w of Jones Ck, 20 ft e of L&N (Verda Sta.), ½ mi s of Kildav po, 1½ mi n of Ages po, 6 mi sw of Disney po (sic)// On 8/16/23, Wm. L. Stewart pet. for a move 300 ft w to a pt 600 ft s of Clover Fk, 800 ft s of Jones Ck, 100 ft s of L&N (Verda Sta.), 3/4 mi w of Kildav po, 1½ mi e of Ages po, 5 mi ne of Cawood po// On 3/19/25, Fred Lester pet. for a move 300 ft ne to a pt 500 yds nw of Clover Fk, 1000 yds nw of Jones Ck, 100 ft sw of L&N (Verda Sta.), ¼ mi from Kildav po, 3½ mi nw of Kenvir po// On 1/25/35, Wm. H.
Basham pet. for a move 650 ft s to a pt 300 ft n of Clover Fk, 400 ft ne of Jones Ck, 650 ft s of L&N, 4 mi from co. line, 3/4 mi w of Kildav po, 1 mi e of Ages po// Acc. to Raymond H. Cornett, 7/24/39, po was ¼ mi w of Cumb. R, 6 mi n of Harlan Sta. (SLR); Acc. to 1910 Census, Virda Middleton (11) lived with her grandparents Ben (82) & Sally (72) on Poor Fk. R in Mt. P. Prec. #1A. (Who was her father?); Green Skidmore ne 2/1907 in H. Co. marr. in 1931 to Verdie Middleton and lived at Cranks by 1951 (Jackie Owen. "Early Settlers on the Poor Fk of the Cumb. R." Salisbury, NC, 1990, Pp. 54-5);
VERDA (Harlan County, Ky.) p.o. est. 4/24/1917 with Chad Middleton, 1st pm. Mrs. Amanda Turner was p.m from 4/7/1931. (Acc. to the National Archives); Coal camp named for Verda Middleton who once lived at the mouth of Jones Creek, acc. to early settlers. (Mabel Collins, "Town Names Given by Railroads, Companies, Settlers" unid. & undated Harlan newsp. clip.); Verda=up Ky. 38 from Brookside. Many of the Eastover miners lived in this vic.; po disc. 1964 and was a R.B. from 1864 to 1973 (POR-NA); 1930 pop. = 300; Acc. to 1921 L&N timetable, this sta. on Clover Fk Br, was 2 mi above Brooks & Ages, 9 mi above Baxter, & 1 mi below Kildav;
VERDA (Harlan Co., Ky): "This coal town and rr sta. are on Clover Fk. of the Cumb. R., at the mouth of Jones Ck, 4 1/2 (air) mi e of Harlan. The town and its now epo, est. on 4/24/1917, with Chad Middleton, pm, are said to have been named for Verda Middleton, pion. settler." (Book-P. 304); Acc. to 1910 Census, Chad E. Middleton (23) & wife Lavina (20) & daughter Margaret (2) in the Yocums Ck Prec 2, Mag. Dist. 2 nr other Middletons, but no Verda. Another Chad Middleton (45) & wife Polly (43) on Clover Fk Rd in Ibid. nr other M's. But no Verda. Another Chad Middleton (28) & wife Mary Lee (22) but nc Verda;
WALLINS CREEK (Harlan Co., Ky): "This 6th cl. city with L&N RR sta. and po is on the Cumb. R. at the mouth of Wallins Ck, 4½ (air) mi w of Harlan. The ck. was early named for a pion. Va. surveyor who is said to have been killed by Indians in that vic. The Wallins Creek po was est. on 5/22/1866 with John C. Howard, Jr., pm." (Book-P. 308); Acc. to 1883-4 Gaz, this was a small po; Acc. to 1879-80, a small po; Acc. to 1895-6 Gaz, it was 10 mi sw of Harlan. Jos. Blanton was pm. Gen. stores: (1) Jesse Blanton, (2) H.B. Howard, (3) J.J. Noe & Blanton, (5) S.W. Saylor; City had a 2000 pop. of 257; The Wallins Ck. Collieries Co's. mines here the 1st in co. open for shipment, 8/1911. On Terrys Fk. nr W.Ck. (Elmon Middleton, Harlan Co., Ky, 1934, P. 48);
WALLINS (Harlan Co.): Mr. Wallins (sic) was a member of the 1st known surveying party into the county. He, and another man were killed by Indians. The ridge on which his party had camped, the creek nearby, and the (later) town of Wallins were named for him. (Mabel Green Condon, A HIST. OF HARLAN CO. Nashville: Parthenon Press, 1962, P. 49);

PO of Wallins Creek est. 5/22/1866, John C. Howard, Jr. Disc. 9/26/1896 (mail to Harlan) Re-est. 5/8/1897, Silas W. Saylor...(NA);

The po was named for the creek. 1st coal mine in the co. was developed here 1911, on Terry Fk. of Wallins. (B.W. Whitfield, letter to me 5/11/1979);
WALLINS (Harlan Co., Ky.) The com. and rr sta. was named for nearby Wallins Creek. The creek was named for Gen'l. Wallin, a Va. surveyor "who with 12 men crossed the mts. into Ky. from his home state back in pre-Rev. War days.... Gen'l. Wallin's party was attacked by a tribe of Indians and in the ensuing melee only Gen'l. Wallin and a man named Terry escaped." (RR South, "Our Station Names" L&N MAG., 10/49, P. 15). Named for a Capt. Wallins who was killed by the Indians... (Mabel Collins, "Town Names Given by Railroads Companies, Settlers" unid. & undated Harlan newsp. clipping).
WALLINS CREEK (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to Silas Wootson Saylor, 3/22/1897, the po had been disc. 10/31/1896 and was being re-est. to serve a vil. of 100 pop, on the n side of the Cum. R, opp. the mouth of Wallins Ck, 5 mi e of Layman po, 9 mi w of Baxter po, 10 mi w of Harlan po. (map) // Acc. to Sherman Blanton, 4/24/14, po was 100 yds e of river, 100 ft s of Wallins Ck, 100 ft e of W&BM RR (Wallins Sta), 3 mi n of Layman po, 4 mi s of Wilhoit po // Acc. to Marion S. Howard, 5/30/14, the po of Wallins Creek was serving the commu. of Wallins. 700 ft n of the river, 700 ft e of Wallins Ck, 110 ft n of L&N, 2½ mi e of Layman po, 5 mi w of Wilhoit po, 6 mi s of
Salts po// Acc. to Myrtle B. Milam, 8/3/1939, po was 1 air & 7 rd mi from Bell Co, 3/4 mi e of US 119, 1/4 mi e of Cum. R, 300 ft ne of Wallins Ck, 1090 ft e of Wallins Sta, 2 1/2 mi n of Lisle po, 4 mi s of Dayhoit po, 2 mi e of Coldiron po, just s of Terry Fk. of Wallins, on the Depot St. or R.R. Ave, opp. the nw end of Wallins St. (SLR); Acc. to 1921 L&N timetable, Wallins was a sta. on the Ky. & Va. RR, 2 mi from Ameron and 3 mi from Tremont & Wilhoit; The Wallins Ck. Coal Co. began op. 1911 and had its main offices here. Owners: John & Dover Williams, Phil & Louis Francis. (Stump in Harlan Mt. Roots, Vol. 5 (4 Sum. 1991, P. 144);
WILHOIT (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to Milton Hensley, 11/27/1896, this prop. po, as Day, would be 60 yds n of the Cumb. R, 6/7 mi e of Watts Ck, 6 mi nw of Harlan po, 5 mi nw of Baxter po. Not a vil// In 2/190, Wm. E. Cornett pet. for a move ¼ mi e to a pt 200 yds n of the Cumb. R, 300 yds e of Fourmile Ck, ¼ mi w of a vil. with a pop. of 75, 3 mi w of Baxter po, 6 mi w of Rosspt. po// In 8/07, Bessie R. Blanton pet. for a move 3 mi w to a pt 3 mi e of Wallins Ck po, 5 mi sw of Bledsoe po, 200 yds n of river, 300 yds w of Watts Ck. Not a vill// (Ibid's. map of 11/18/07 on file)// Acc. to Camille Noe, 12/20/12, po will move 3/4 mi s
to serve the vil. of Wilhoit, 3/4 mi s of the river, 100 ft e of Ewings Ck, 3/4 mi s of Wasioto & Black Mt. RR, 4 mi w of Baxter po, 5 mi e of Wallins Ck. po// Acc. to Ray B. Moss, 1/16/1916, this po, late Wilhoit and formerly Day was now White Star and 1 mi s of the river, on the n side of Ewings Ck// Acc. to Walter Shrif, 4/17/26, it was 7/8 mi s of the river, 80 ft r of Ewings Ck, 7/8 mi s of Dayhoit po, 7/8 mi s of Wilhoit Sta (on the rr) (SLR);
WILHOIT (Harlan Co.): Named for Roy Wilhoit who founded the Wilhoit Coal Co. Later Whit Star Coal Co. on Ewings Creek, the 2nd coal mine est. in the county, 1911. (B.W. Whitfield, Brookside, Ky. in a letter to me, 5/11/1979); Acc. to the L&N's 1921 timetable, the Wilhoit Sta. was on the Ky & Va. RR, 3 mi above Wallins, 4 mi below Loyall at the jct. with the Wilhoit Br. 2 mi below the White Star Sta.; Acc. to 1870 & 1880 Census, there were several Day families in the co. but no Wilhoits; Several Day families in the 1900 Census. Milton Hensley (12/47) & wife Nancy (9/55) did not live nr any Days; No Wilhoits in 1900 Census;
WILHOIT (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to 1920 Census, Joe Wilhoit and wife Gracie (?) (27) lived in Sunshine Prec. #24. He was a Tenn-born miner; Coal co's. served by the White Star po (1924): White Star Coal Company's No.1,2, 3, and 5 mines and the Riverside Coal Mining Co.; The White Star Coal Co. est. the 2nd mines in H. Co. in 1911 on Ewings Ck. (Middleton, 1934, P. 48); The Wilhoit Coal Co. on Ewing Ck, 5 mi below H. Roy Wilhoit was its 1st pres. J.M. Moss was veep and D.B. Cornett was sec. (1911) and later was g.m. This co. was sold in 191 and became Moss & Sons Coal Co. with W.L. Moss as pres. Its new ship. pt. was renamed Kaydee, Ky. Mule mine was opened on E. Ck. by Roy Wilhoit in 1911. (W.C. Stump, P.O. Box 444, Loyall, Ky. 40854, "Wilhoit, Ky: A Forgotten Legacy" Harland Mt. Roots, Vol. 5 (4), sum. 1991 Pp. 130-1);
WILHOIT (Harlan Co., Ky): The Wilhoit Coal Co. was later known as the White Star Coal Co; The Wilhoit Coal Co. had a plan to ship coal 1 mi up Ewing Ck. Began shipping coal in the winter of 1911. By 1915 it had become Moss & Son Coal Co. (W.R. Peck, Paper Presented to the Annual Mtg. of the Ky. Mining Inst., Pineville, Ky. 5/14/1915, P. 11);
WILHOIT (Harlan Co.): A Mr. Moss from Louisv. helped finance a mine here and suggested this name. (Mabel Collins, "Town Names Given by Railroads, Companies, Settlers" undated & undated Harlan newspaper clipping); po est. as Day, 8/7/1897, Milton Hensley...n.ch. to Wilhoit 2/20/1913, Fred D. Keithly; 1/16/1914, Ray B. Moss; n.ch. (sic) to White Star, 12/13/15, ibid. ...Disc. eff. 4/15/1925 (mail to Dayhoit ... Re-est. 7/26/26, Walter Shuff; Disc. 4/15, 1930 (mail to Dayhoit); Dayhoit po was est. 4/22/1921, Harry C. Valentine... (NA) APO
YANCEY (Harlan Co., Ky): A coal town, lst called Slaters Fork. Among the area's early settlers were the Fees. David Fee, their progenitor, was in there after the W. of 1812. Coal op'ns. are gone. Sch., chu's, & homes are gone. Only the Fee Fam. Cem. remains, on the hill nr what was once called Fighting Gap, in the mt. betw. Yancey & Smith. In the Rose Hill Quad (7½ min. top.) But Yancey itself is in the Harlan Quad. (Kenton Fee, 117 Fee Dr, Cawood, Ky. 40815, 606-573-5586, in KY EXPL. Vol. 14 (10), 4/2000, Pp. 6-7); Acc. to the Ln&N's 1921 timetable, Yancey Sta. was on the Slaters Ck. Br, 1 mi above Gulston; Slaters Fork was corrupted from Slaughters Fk. Nr. the head of Catrons Ck. The Slaughters were early residents of Culpeper Co, Va. (Condon's 1962 co. hist., P. 32);
YANCY (Harlan Co., Ky): Acc. to E.O. Guthrie, 4/13/23, this prop. po would be serving the vil. of Pansy, 7/8 mi n of the prop. po site, with a pop. of 50, 2 mi n of Martins Fk, 100 ft e of Slaters Fk. of Catron's Ck, 20 ft w of L&N (Yancey Sta.), 5 mi from co. line, 3 mi e of Liggett po, 4 mi s of McCombs po (sic), 9 mi w of Grays Knob po. (no rr agent at Yancey Sta.)/ Acc. to Clyde Guthrie, 7/24/39, po was 50 ft e of Slaters Fk (Br.), 1 mi s of Catrons Ck, 40 ft w of Yancey Sta, 1 mi s of Gulston po, 2½ mi e of Bardo po, 12 mi w of Cawood po. (SLR);
YANCEY (Harlan Co.): Yancey Gross, a civil engineer, came to Catron's Creek. The local mine was named for him. (Mabel Collins, "Town Names Given by Railroads, Companies, Settlers" unid. & undated Harlan newsp. clipping); po est 1/12/1924, Elbert O. Guthrie...(NA); Named for race horse by E. Guthrie who developed the mine here, 1919-20. (B.W. Whitfield, Jr. of Brookside, Ky. in a letter to me, 5/11/1979);
YANCEY (Harlan Co., Ky): "This coal town with epo on Slaters Fk. of Catron Ck, 5 (air) m i s of Harlan, was built up around the mine est. in 1919-20 by Elbert O. Guthrie and named by him either for a race horse or for Yancey Gross, a civil engineer. Guthrie also est. the local po on Jan. 12, 1924." (Book-P. 326);
YOCUM CREEK (Harlan Co.): "...Daniel Boone was accompanied by a man named Yocum, a settler near the town of Evarts, known as Yocum's Creek. (sic) These two men were captured by the Indians....It being the custom for Indians to scalp all white people, they left off this custom in order to make a sporting affair with this man who had heretofore outsmarted them (meaning Boone). It was ordered that he must run the gauntlet....Now Daniel Boone's cunning saved him again and he got through the gauntlet without getting seriously injured. So this man, Yocum, was ordered to do likewise. Yocum felt it would
be impossible for him and he declined momentarily. When the Indians insisted Yocum hopped upon a nearby stump and waving his arms high above his head he crowed like a rooster. This delighted the Indians, and they laughed and made merry, and called on him again to rooster, which he did, and the Indians turned both prisoners loose to go their way. From this event this creek till this day is called Yocum's Creek." (Anna Mae Chivers, carrier, Pack Horse Lib....) Substantially the same story is told by Henry Harvey Fuson in a ms. hist. of H. Co. 1942, now is Spec. Coll. of the UK Lib. but in his acct. Boone & Yocum escape from the Indians.
YOCUMS CREEK (Harlan Co., Ky): Joins Clover Fk. 8 mi above Harlan Town. (Rev. L.E. Tupper, ca. 1896, his journ. of a trip thru H. Co. in KY EXPL. Vol. 17 (5), 10/2002, Pp. 15-7); This stream is 8½ mi up Clover Fk. Jos. Turner's land, formerly owned by Silas Woodson Kelly. (Hodge, Pp. 45-6 who sp. it Yokum);
Ruby Castlewood Smith, PIONEERS AND BUILDERS OF HARLAN CO. (Ky), pub. by the Genealogical Soc. of Harlan, (PO Box 1498, Harlan, Ky., 40831), 1985.
Mr. Robert L. Brown, Harlan Co. Public Library, 3rd and Central, Harlan, Ky. 40831
Mr. Fred Lewis
owner of Creek's Drug Store
Harlan, Ky. 40831.

Mr. Vernon Cole
Exec. Officer in the Bank of Cumberland
Cumberland, Ky. 40823

Bob Frazier, who has an insurance agency in Cumberland. (check--does he live in Cumberland? He's also an officer of the Bank of Cumberland)
(each of the above are suggested by R.B. Campbell of Hyden, I.y.)