ATWOOD (Kenton Co.): Named for Atwood Bird, Pres. of the Independence Bank. His mat. grandfather, Robert Stephens, came from Va. in 1813 and was 1st settler of this vic. (Robert S. Tate, "The Grass Roots of Kenton Co." REG. OF THE KHS, Vol. 53, April 1955, Pp. 138-49, 145); po est. 6/19/1890, Thos. A Bird. Disc. eff. 1/15/1908 (mail to Morning View) (NA); Acc. to Thos. A. Bird, 5/20/1890, this prop. po would be 5 mi e of Key West po, 6 mi w of Morning View po, 5½ mi n of Fiskburgh po, 2 mi n of Cruises Creek. A vil. of 40. Due s of Independence & just n. of the Key West & Morning View Rd. (SLR); Acc. to 1896 Gaz., this was only a po;
BANK LICK (Kenton Co., Ky): Acc. to 1876/7 Gaz., this is a small settlement with a pop. of 50 and a sta. on the LC&L RR, 15 mi from Cov. It was 1st settled ca. 1800. Z. Herndon was pm and storekeeper, expr. & rr agent; Acc. to 1896 Gaz., it had a pop. of 50. D.M. McCarty was pm and storekeeper. J.C. Dickson was rr & expr. agent. Other businesses; The BANK LICK (CREEK) joins the Licking River 5 mi above the Ohio R. It was named early. (Collins II, P. 442); The creek heads betw. Nicholson and Walton and extends ca. 20 mi to th Lick. R. in Cov. A wide valley. (Margie Prindle in INDEP., KY.: THE HEART OF KENTON CO. 1842-1992, P. 1);
BANK LICK (Kenton Co., Ky): po est. 2/8/1870, Zacharia Heindon; 3/27/1879, Mason McCarty... 10/15/1904, Dan'l. M. McCarty; Disc. eff. 11/30/1905 (mail to Walton, Boone Co., Ky) (POR-NA). Acc. to D.M. McCarty, 9/22/1885, this po was 100 yds. w of Bank Lick Creek, 3½ mi sw of Indep. po; On 7/31/1900, Jas. E. Dickson pet. for a site ch. 106 rods n. (SLR);
BARRY PO (Kenton Co., Ky): Acc. to Lloyds' 1863 map of Ky., this place was about where GRANT'S BEND's 1st po was located; Wm. T. Barry of Lex., Ky. was pm-Gen'l. under Andrew Jackson. He was also a member of the US Congress and a US Senator and longtime circ. judge. He was father-in-law of Col. James Taylor of Bellevue who was b 1802 (Perrin 7th ed., 1887, Pp. 898, 918); BARRY PO: 9/7/1832, Thos. J. Hordern; 3/26/1834, Thos. Stephens; 8/31/1838, Hiram Klette; 10/4/1850, John A. Hall; Disc. 12/31/1850 (POR-NA);
BARRY (Campbell Co., Ky): po est. 9/7/1832, Thomas J. Hordern; 3/26/1834, Thos. Stephens... Disc. 12/31/1850 (POR-NA);
BRACHT (Kenton Co.); named for Maj. F.B. Bracht, Provost Marshal at Lex. during C.W. In the sw corner of co. On US25. Sta. on So. Ry (WPA); Bracht Sta. was named by the So. Ry. for the Bracht family. An important livestock shipping pt. (Robt. S. Tate, "The Grass Roots of the Kenton Co." THE REG. OF THE KHS, Vol. 53, April 1955, Pp. 138-49, P. 146);
BROMLEY (Kenton Co.): Laid out and named in 1848 by Chas. Collins and his wife, nee Lucinda Moore on land which he had inherited. He was a pharmacist and immi. from England where he had been born in Bromley. The namesake is a city of over 300,000 pop. 10 mi. s. of London. Acc. to his gt. granddaughter, Miss Virginia Brown, 238 Ludford St., Ludlow, Ky. ("I wrote the Mayor...We Arranged to Meet"") [KY. POST, by Connie Remlinger, 10/5/1970];
A.R. Mullins ne Kenton Co. nr Cov. in 1846. He was son of G.M. and Susan (Rich) Mullins. G.M. was ne Pendleton Co. (1810-1881) and was the son of Stephen Mullins who represented Kenton Co. in the state leg. A.R. was in the livestock and wholesale liquor businesses in Cov. and later had a brokerage and sold insurance and real estate. Had an interest in the Cov. stockyards and helped org. the Farmers & Traders Nat'l. Bank in Cov. in 1882. By 1883 he had become one of Cov's. wealthiest citizens. In 1866 he wed Fannie Cummins of Boone Co. (Perrin, 7th, 1887, P. 855); Alfred R. Mullins is listed as a distiller
with Mullins & Crigler (Llewellyn L. Crigler) in Cov. (Acc. to the 1896 Gaz.);
BROMLEY (Kenton Co.): Pop. 1029, 5th cl. cit. Primarily resi. suburb...(Randy Allen "City Officials Cut Own Pay to Help Pinched Treasurer" CINCI. ENQ. 11/12/1979, P. A3); Separated from Ludlow by Pleasant Run. Laid out in 1848 for Chas. Collins and named for a London borough. Inc. 5/23/1890. Several businesses listed in an 1894 city directory. PO est. in 1899 but since BROMLEY was already in use, it was called MULLINSVILLE (in 1902) with Jas. A. Leonard, pm. Was on the corner of Harris St. and (the present Ky. 8). Merger with Ludlow in 1981 was unsuccessful. (Reis, II, Pp. 88-90);
BROMLEY (Kenton Co.): Suburb of Cov. on the west, beyond Ludlow. Inc. 1890. On the Ohio F ...(WPA); Supposed to have been settled by a bro. of the Earl of Bromley and town said to have been named for the town of Bromley i Kent, Engl. Early families included: Richmans, Rotherts, and Traylors. (Robt. S. Tate "The Grass Roots of Kenton County" in REG. O KY. HIST. SOC. Vol. 53, April 1955, Pp. 138-49, P. 143); Inc. 5/23/1890 (ACTS, 1889/90, Vol. 3, P. 1350);
BROWN'S (Kenton Co., Ky): po est. 7/28/1863, Winder F. Williams; 3/9/1864, Richard Brown; Disc. 8/26/1864 (POR-NA); This po closed in 1866 (P&G) (check....);
BUFFINGTON (Kenton Co., Ky): po est. 6/1/1893, Geo. W Harrison; 2/21/1895, Geo. N. Buffington; Disc. 2/28/1910 (mail to Erlanger) (POR-NA); Acc. to Geo. W. Harrison, 5/8/1893, this prop. po would be 2 mi sw of Erlanger po, 2 mi nw of Crescent po, 2 mi se of Florence po, 40 ft. e of the rr tracks. Buffington Sta. of the CNO&TP. (SLR); Acc. to 1896 Gaz., this place was on the CNO&TP Ry., 8 mi from Indep. Pop. 20. G.N. Buffington was pm, rr & expr. agent. F.R. Conner was a local fence manufacturer. Ke-o-me-zu Springs (resort); Rev. Geo. N. Buffington, a Meth. preacher, owned the Ke-o-me-zu Springs in the early 1890s. He developed the spa to take adv. of its mineral waters. Named by C.F. Reid, a miss. to China for it is the Chinese for sparkling water. Hotel and lake. Destroyed by fire in
1910 and the resort ended. The springs were 10 mi s. of Cov. and 2 mi e of Erlanger. Three 3 springs. ("Som Famous Springs of Ky." paper read by W. Baxter Harris at the Christ. Gist Hist. Soc., 9/26/1950);
CLOYD'S CROSS ROADS (Campbell Co., Ky); po est. 5/27/1830, James Cloyd; Disc. 10/28/1835 (POR-NA); James Cloyd's home would be included in Sch. Dist. #20, adjacent to Dist. #16 so it's likely that CLOYD PO was in Kenton Co. and nr. Sayers po. ("School Districts Laid Out 11/27/1838" in OUTLOOK, 10/16/1981, P. 18:5-8);
CORNDBRED COLLEGE (Kenton Co., Ky): "One-room grade school house. Name satirized efforts to bring education to district."
(M. Ladd, WPA ms. on Ky. Place Names, 4/17/1941)
COVINGTON (Kenton Co., Ky) "This 2nd cl. ind. city with po is at the mouth of the Licking R. directly across the Ohio R. from Cinci. and 80 mi ne of downtown Lou. The city grew from a tract of 200 acres between the Licking and the Ohio called The Point from which mil. activities against the trans-Ohio Indians were staged. By 1794 a settlement that may also have been called Kennedy's Ferry had been est. here around Thomas Kennedy's tavern, landing, and ferry. In 1815 the bros. John S. and Richard Gano and Thos. D. Carneal, who had acquired some 150 acres of Kennedy's property, founded a town which they named for Gen. Leonard Covington of Md. (1768-1813) who had been mortally wounded at the Battle of Chrysler's Field in the War o 1812. The Cov. po was est. on 10/3/1815 with Henry M.
Buckner, pm, and the town was granted a city charter in 1834." (Book-P. 69);
COVINGTON (Kenton Co., Ky): Orig. settlement of 150 acres at the mouth of Lick. R. Part of Thos. Kennedy's farm acquired on 2/8/1814 by the Covington Co. comprising Thos. Dale Carneal and the Gano bros. Then the vic. was called KENNEDY'S FERRY. Kennedy settled there in 1792, but was preceded in 1791 by a Mr. Williams who built the 1st house there. It was named for Gen. Leonard Covington, ne Maryland, who was mortally wounde in 1813. Very slow early dev't. Chartered 2/24/1834. Added much to its terri. in the early 20th cent. till peaked at 65,252 in 1930. Annexed the city of LATONIA in 1909. Steady decline from 1940 till 1990 when had only 43,200. (Reis, I, Pp. 79-83);
Covington (Kenton Co., KY): ca. 1790 Thos. Kennedy built a cabin nr. the mouth of the Lick. R. in the present Cov. He ran the ferry across the Ohio R. In Mar. 1815 200 acres of his farm were sold to Richard & John Gano and Thos. D. Carneal on which they laid out the city of Covington. Kennedy died in 1821. (Reis, Vol. I, P. 8); Cov. is Ky's 4th largest city in pop. with 43,264 (1990 Census); The IRS is the city's biggest employer;
COVINGTON (Kenton Co.): was on site of a 200 acre patent. Surveyed for Stephen Trigg but patent was issued to James Welch, an assignee of Trigg's, signed by Va's. Lt. Gov. Beverly Randolph, dated 9/20/87. Welch sold tract to Thos. Kennedy 1801. Kennedy & 3 sons, Sam'l., Jos., and Robert ran ferry there and sold to the Ganos and Carneal for $50,000. (KENTON CO. KY CENTENNIAL, 6/14-23/1940, n.p.)
When Clark called for vols. to meet him at "The Point" to avenge the Battle of Blue Licks, this was his 2nd suc call. 1st land. survey of site was of 200 acres in the name of Stephen Trigg who came to Ky. in 1779 as a member of the Court of Land Commissioners and was killed at Blue Licks. Trigg, an early owner, surveyed it. From Trigg it passed through several hands till it came in possession of Mr. Kennedy. Mr. Williams built 1st log house 1791. Kennedy ran. from Pitt. '9 bought 150 acres in "The Pt." Other farms. Comm. came to be known as Kennedy's Ferry. He died 1820. Covington per se est. by Leg. Act app. 2/8/15. Plat recorded 8/31/15. Granted cit
charter 1834... (From pamphlet with unknown authorship found 1957 in Cov. P.L. and was reprinted by students at Holmes H.S. Entitled EARLY HIST. OF COVINGTON, n.p.)
COVINGTON (Kenton Co.): no est. in Campbell Co. 10/3/1815, Henry M. Buckner(?)...into Kenton Co. when est....(NA); Christopher Gist may have been 1st Anglo-white visitor, 1751...1st perm. settlers may have been a Mr. Williams who, in 1791, built a log house (the 1st) on the site. "Base of military operations against Indians" in W. of 1812. At mouth of Licking R. opp. Cinc called "The Point", the confluence of the Lick and Ohio R. Thos. Kennedy & fam. arr. 1792 from Pittsburgh and bought 200 acres betw. the rivers and built log house. A part of Campbell Co. in 1794. Comm. est. when other settlers arr. and 1st called Kennedy's Ferry for Kennedy & sons ran a ferry across the Ohio...In 1814, he sold
COVINGTON (Kenton Co.): Inc. as a town 2/8/15 and as a city 2/24/34. Site was 1st a rendezvous pt. for Ky. Indian fighters before crossing the Ohio R. Commonly referred to as "The Point" for its location at jct. of Ohio & Lick R's. 1780 & 1782 Clark's forces gathered here before proceeding ag. Indians in the Miami & Scioto country. After 1794 with defeat of Ind. by Wayne, this site ceased to be of significance. No settlement until 1792. In 1790, Thos Kennedy got grant and built house. Two yrs. later, he started his landing and ferry across the Ohio. Later 150 acres was sold to Gano, Ga, and Carneal. Named Covington for Gen. Leonard
Covington (he was ne Aquasco, Md. 10/30/1768. Fought with Wayne in Indian wars. 2 yrs. in Md. leg. 1805-7. Fought in W. of 1812 and killed at Battle of Christler's Field, 11/1813. Fought at Fallen Timbers...Land platted 1815 recorded 8/31/1815...(COVINGTON: PAST, PRESENT FUTURE by the Businessmens Club, 1903, n.p.);
COVINGTON (Kenton Co., Ky.) Est. 1815 by John S. Gano, Richard Gano, and Thomas Carneal and named for Gen. Leonard Covington of Md., a War of 1812 hero who died "of wounds rec'd. in the battle of Crysler's Field. The land on which the city was established has an interesting background. On St. Valentine's Day, 1780, George Muse, a Va. soldier in the French & Ind. War, traded 200 acres of land that had been allotted him for military service and his scrip for a keg of whiskey. The new owner of the land traded it to Gen. James Taylor for a quarter of a buffalo. From Gen. Taylor it passed into the hands of Col. Stephen Trigg,
then to John Todd, Jr., then to James Welch (who had it surveyed) and then to Thomas Kennedy who purchased the land in 1801 for $750.00. Mr. Kennedy erected a large stone house overlooking the Licking River and kept a tavern and operated a ferry until 1814 when he sold most of the land to the men who established the town in 1815...." (RR South, "Our Station Names" L&N MAG., 7/1949, P. 21).
COVINGTON (Kenton Co., Ky): The bottom land betw. the Ohio and Lick R's. was early (18th cent.) known as THE POINT. Principal fame as rendezvous for mil. expedi­tions against Indians n. of the Ohio. In 1780 site was on a 200 acre warrant issued to Geo. Muse for Fr. & Ind. War service. Finally acquired by Thos. Kennedy who had there a farm, ferry, and tavern. In 1814 he sold 150 acres to Carneal and the Ganos on which they founded city. Approved by leg. on 2/8/1815 and named for Gen. Leonard Wales Covington of Maryland who was killed in battle in W. of 1812. Chartered as a city in 1834. Ky's. 2nd city before the C.W. Several annexations in early 20 cent. Incr. pop. to 53,000+ by 1910. Peaked in 1930 at 65,252. Continual loss to expanding suburbs
after WWII. Most "co. business" in Cov. tho' Indep. ha always been the official seat. (John E. Burns in KY. ENCY. 1992, Pp. 236-37); Col. Muse had acquired 5,333 & 1/3 acres for war services. His holdings later becam Newport, Bellevue, Dayton, and Cov. Traded then to the older Jas. Taylor. Later Thos. Kennedy acquired 200 of these acres on the site of Cov. (Marg. Hartman's Tour Guide to N. Ky., P. 4). 1,000 acres in Col. Geo. Muse's name, surveyed in 1785; Thos. Kennedy died in 1821;
CRESCENT SPRINGS (Kenton Co., Ky): "This 5th cl. suburban city with epo centering on Ky 371, just n of I-7 and 4 (air) mi wsw of downtown Cov., is part of the 3000 acre mil. grant first settled by the family of Robert McKay (McCoy) from Frederick Co., Va. in 1785. The name was applied to the vic. with the arrival of the Cinci. Southern (now Southern) RR in 1877. Acc. to one acct., the 'Crescent' referred to the shape of the tracks passing through the settlement; acc. to another it designated the 'Queen and Crescent Railroad,' a nickname of the Cinci. Southern. The 3 area springs furnished an abundant supply of water to commu. and rr alike. The Crescent Springs po was est. on 9/25/1891 and closed in 1918." (Book-P. 72);
Crescent Springs (Kenton Co.): p.o. est. 9/25 1891, Eliza Bird...Disc. 9/14/1918 (mail to Erlanger) (NA); Named for the many springs in the vic. and the Queen and Crescent RR that went thru here. (WPA); Named for the many springs in the vic. and "for the shaped crescent formed by a bend of the old 'Queen & and Crescent' RR. which passed thru this community." (Robt. S. Tate, "The Grass Roots of Kenton Co." REG. OF THE KHS, Vol. 53, April 1955, Pp. 138-49, 146);
Crescent Springs (Kenton Co., Ky): Acc. to Mrs. Eliza Bird, 8/24/1891, this prop. po would be 3 mi s of Ludlow po, 3 mi n of Erlanger po, 6 mi sw of Cov. po, ½ mi e of Dry Creek. A vil. of 100. Acc. to Mrs. Adele Sexsmith, 200 ft. nw of CNO&TP RR (5/1/1914) (SLR); Acc. to 1896 Gaz., this place had a pop. of 100. Mary H. Walton was pm. J.F. Walton and August Leisinger had gro. stores. May H. Walton was a music tchr; This vic. was 1st settled by the Ray McKay (sic) family of Frederick Co., Va. 1785 on 3000 acres for Rev. War service. Mostly dairy farms till I-75 was built thru in the 1970s. The com. dev'd. with the coming of CNO&TP RR in 7/1877. Inc. as a city in 1957. (Reis, II, Pp. 97-8); Its 1st po was on the w. side of Old Buttermilk Pike, the 1st bldg s of the tracks. (Cunningham, P. 4);
CRESCENT SPRINGS (Kenton Co.): Acc. to "The Crescent-Villa Community" Bicent. Celebration 1776-1976, this is now called the Crescent-Villa area. 1st settlers on the site came 1785: Robt. McKay (or McCoy), Rev. War vet., and his wife Mary & their children, from Frederick Co., Va. He had rec'd. a mil. grant to land betw. the Ohio R., Dry Creek, Pleasant Run Creek, and perhaps Madison Pike for a total of 3000 acres. Built cabin.... A daughter, Rachel, married Capt. Levi Cleveland (bro. to Moses, the namesake of Cleveland, O). He died 1813. Oldest home extant was built by their son, Washington Cleveland
in the 1830s....(P.1) Only 4 big families there in 1850 owned most of the site. Slave owners with big spreads. By 1883 there were 25 families, nearly all farmers. (P.3). The end of slavery made the ownership of large plantations impractical and inspired their sale and ready buyer was the Cinci. New O. & Texas Pacific (Cinci. Southern) RR which opened 7/1877. Depot built in the 1890s... and suburban residents attracted by good water supply and the rr. for commuting purposes. The Crescent Springs name was applie to the vic. only after the arr. of the rr.
Acc. to one acct., the Crescent referred to the shape of the track passing thru the village. Acc. to another, it referred to the Queen & Crescent RR, a nickname of the Cinci. Southern RR. There were 3 springs in the area which furnished "a readily available (supply) of clean drinking water." (P. 4). Before 1890, the only businesses in the vic. were several dairies and a blacksmith shop. Stores opened in 1890... (P. 5) I-75 brought new residents and businesses to the comm. Inc. 1957... (P. 17) (The above text by Mike Cunningham)
CRUISER CREEK (sic) (Kenton Co., Ky): po est. 4/29/1868 Wm. J. Stephens; Disc. 12/9/1868 (POR-NA);
CREWS CREEK (Kenton Co., Ky): is undoubtedly CRUISES CREEK in sw Kenton Co;
DECoursey (Kenton Co.): (see Latonia entry, comment by Chas. Castner)....Acc. to Cov. area historian, Wm. Campbell, some people moved into the Cov. area in the early 19th cent. and owned land on the Licking R. c. 5 mi. s. of Cov. on flat bottom land. When the rr was built thru in the 1850s, DeCoursey was a sta. name before 1868, acc. to the 1968 rr map (sic). The name was derived from the family name. In c.1913-4, the L&N built a large yard to accommodate increased traffic with the expansion of the E. Ky. coal field lines and the Cumb. Val. coal lines
and the growth of northward moving coal traffic....The rr needed a much larger classification yard for the Cincy. area. They purchased land at DeCoursey, on the river bottom and built their yard. It was expanded several times since then, most recently in the period of 1960-4....Now the yard is about 5 mi. long. Nothing else now at DeC. except the yard and some homes and po. Many L&N railroaders make their homes in that area (working and retired). 500-1000 persons are now working at this yard. It's the largest yard on the L&N. (Chas. Castner, interview, 3/21/1972);
DE COURSEY (Kenton Co.): this spelling preferred by BGN. This name identified the place in the 1883 Atlas of Kenton Co. and the 1930 Rand McN. index of Ky. locality names. Abandoned rr sta. always known as DeCoursey Sta. Acc. to Collins Hist. family of DeCoursey lived in K. Co. Name spelled Decoursey & Decourcey both. Only one evidence of latter spelling is USGS "E. Cinci." 15 min. top. map, 1898. (Acc. to letter by Albert K. Trethow to Chief, Branch of Field Services, USGS, 5/18/1970);
DE COURSEY (Kenton Co.): Wm. DeCoursey, Sr., Rev. War vet., ne Balti. Co., Md. 5/24/1756 and lived in Rowan Co., NC. After the war, he moved to Ky. and lived in Campbell Co. as early as 1794. In 1816 he moved to Preble Co. O. NC. His home was c. 6 mi. from the mouth of the Licking River in the present Kenton Co. DeCoursey Creek (in Kenton Co.) was named for him. He died 10/23/1841. He returned to Camp. Co. to live c. 1835 or '6. (Margaret S. Hartman, "Revolutionary War Soldier" in CAMP. CO. HIST. & GENEAL. supplement to the FALMOUTH OUTLOOK, 12/15/1978, Pp. 31, 37);
Wm. DeCoursey owned land on both sides of DE COURSEY CREEK. He requested the erection of a mill there. (Acc. to Court Order Book A--Camp. Co., 1796, P. 61. Acc. to KY. ANC. Vol. 10 (4), 7/1974, Pp. 4-12); Wm. DeCoursey, Sr., was né Balti. Co., Md. 5/1756. Rev. War vet. To Ky from NC. In 1816 he moved from Camp. Co., Ky. to Preble Co., Ohio. DK when he arr. in Ky. but he lived 6 mi up from the Ohio R. on the w. side of the Licking R. by 1794. DE COURSEY CREEK was named for him. He died Oct. 1841. He apparently returned to Camp. Co. ca.1836. Wm. Jr. was né July 1786. (Marg. Hartman in outlook, 12/18/1978, Pp. 31, 37);
Just s of the LATONIA jct. point for the KCRR and the Louisv. Line (L&N) was a tract owned by the DeCoursey family. Just before WWI, the L&N built a large yard there. [lə/tohn/yə]. The Decoursey Pike which runs betw. Cov. and Latonia was probably built in the 1820s. So the L&N adopted this name for its yards which are 5 mi. long. Not a commu. tho'. The DE COURSEY name was applied to the sta. there (5 mi s of Cov.) before 1868. Named for the family. ca. 1913/4 L&N built a large yd. there to accommodate increased traffic, the expansion of the E. Ky. coal fields and the growth of northward moving coal traffic. The rr needed a larger classification yard for the Cinci. gateway. The yard expanded several times since, most recently betw. 1960-4. Nothing
at the site but the yard, some homes, and a po. Many L&N railroaders make their homes in that vic.---working and retired alike. By 1972 some 500-1000 are employed at that yard, the largest on the L&N. (Chas. Castner, interv., 3/21/1972);
DRY CREEK (Kenton Co., Ky): po est. in Campbell Co. on 12/9/1825, John G. Ellis (into Kenton Co. when it was est.) 7/10/1845, David Lindsay; 8/22/1851, Thomas R. Lindsay; Disc. 8/14/1858; Re-est. 9/14/1858, Robert H. Perry; Disc. 10/6/1859; Re-est. 6/4/1866, Elijah K. Herndon; Disc. 9/27/1866 (POR-NA); Acc. to pm unknown, 5/19/1866, this po was 2½ mi n of Florence po, 6 mi s of Cov. po, ½ mi s of Dry Creek (SLR); This po was est. in 1821 (P&G); "After a heavy rain, it is so flush and high, that it cannot be forded, but in a few hours it runs dry, or so nearly so...." (Collins I, 184 P. 382);
ELSMERE (Kenton Co.): joins Erlanger on the sv and is on Boone Co. line. Inc. 1896. Homeowning resi. town for workingmen. US42/25 and So. Ry.... (WPA); Until it was incorporated on 5/11/1896, it was known as South Erlanger. Name means "by a lake." It was near Greenwood Lake (q.v. Erlanger)....(check...) (Robert S. Tate, "Grass Roots of Kenton Co." REG. OF KHS Vol. 53, April 1955, Pp. 138-49, 144);
ELSMERE (Kenton Co.): Bounded on west by the Boone Co. line and on the n. and ne by Erlanger. 1976 pop. of 5161 in 1.4 sq. mi. Dixie Hiway is main busi. street. Inc. as Elsmere on 5/11/1896. Until then known as South Erlanger. 1st house on the site was built in 1820. Mostly farmland in early years. Named by a Mr. Nolan from Norwood, Ohio for a street in that city. Elsmere occupies part of 200 acre patent from Va. to John D. Watkins and Robert Johnson, 12/2/1785....In 1885, Geo. C. Bloss & others from Cinci. purchased the S. Erlanger Subdivision and in 1890 bought the Bedinger Farm in the Woodside Subdivision.
He and his syndicate established these subdivisions which, prior to their dates of purchase, were scattered farm sites. The Cinci-New Orleans (now Southern) RR completed in 1877. Station built later at Woodside. c.1892, the RR offered inducements to settle in the area. Until 1920 Elsmere was served by the Erlanger po which is now a sub-station of Cov. po.... ("As it Was Told to Me: The Hist. of Elsmere, Ky." by Mary Newman, in The BiCent. Story of Elsmere, Ky. 1776-1976, pub. by the Elsmere Vol. Fire Dept. Ladies Auxil. 1976, on file Elsmere Vert. Files, Kenton Co. P.L.);
ELSMERE (Kenton Co.): Inc. as Elsmere, 5/11/1896 and named for a street in Norwood, Ohio. Pop.=c.6500. Mayor Al Wermeling. A growing commu. "Once overshadowed by the City of Erlanger...which abuts it just on the other side of Dixie Hiway (US25). Unsuccessful attempt to marge the two in 1975..."("Who Runs Elsmere?" by Caden Blincoe, CINCI. ENQ. 2/5/1979);
ERLANGER (Kenton Co., Ky): "This 3rd cl. city and suburb of Cov. and Cinci. lies roughly between the Boone Co. line, I-275, and the Dixie Highway (US 25), 5 (air) mi wsw of downtown Cinci. It began as the xrds. commu. of Timberlake, named for Major Thornton Timberlake, pion. settler and owner of much land on the s. side of the present Dixie Highway. In 1876-77 sta. on the Cinci. Southern (now Southern) RR was est. where the tracks crossed the highway and named Greenwood Station for Miles Greenwood, the rr's first pres. To avoid confusion with similarly named stations on the line, it was renamed Silver Lake for the silvery appearance of the water in the nearby rr reservoir. The po of Greenwood Station, est. on 10/29/1877, became Greenwood Lake on
Apr. 8, 1878. Finally both sta. and po were renamed Erlanger in 1882, on the suggestion of Mrs. Hannah Bedinger, for the Baron Frederic Emile D'Erlanger, a German-born English financier who headed the syndicate that had rescued the rr from financial difficulties the year before. The city was inc. in 1897. The local po closed in 1920." (Book-Pp. 94-95);
ERLANGER (Kenton Co., Ky): In 10/1881 the newly org. CNO&TPrY. Co. was assigned the lease of the Cinci. So. Ry. 51% of the CNO's stock was owned by a British syndicate controlled by Baron Frederick Emile d'Erlanger of a firm of Paris bankers. He was ne in Frankfurt 1832. The Cinci. So. Ry. in 1881 linked Cinci. (the Queen City) and N.O. (the Crescent City) and so Erlanger's rr complex was called "The Queen and Crescent Route." (Paul A. Tenkotte "The Chronic Want of Cinci: A Southern RR" (paper presented at the Hist'l. Confederation of Ky., at the N.Ky. Reg. Meet' in Cov. 10/5/1985, Pp. 62-83, 74-81);
ERLANGER (Kenton Co.): 1st settled 1802 by Bartlett Graves, a Virginian. Only with the building of the Cov. & Lex. Tpke., which was chartered in 1829, did this vic. begin to develop. Now a part of the Dixie Hiway, it became the trading channel for the Bluegrass and interior Ky. and livestock driven on it to the Cinci. market. PO est. as Timberlake, named for Maj. Thornton Timberlake, pioneer settler and large landowner on the s. side of the Dixie Hiway. So. Ry. completed 1877 and est. station called Greenwood Lake for Miles Greenwood, the rr company's 1st pres. Later, to avoid con-
fusion with the 5 other stations on that line that began with Green, the name was changed to Silver Lake (sic) but this name was rejected for a po by the POD. Erlanger was suggested by Mrs. Hannah Bedlinger for Baron Frederick Emile D. Erlanger who headed a syndicate that leased the So. Ry. 10/11/1881. Inc. as town of Erlanger on Jan. 21, 1897...(Robt S. Tate, "The Grass Roots of Kenton Co." REG. OF THE KHS, Vol. 53, April 1955, Pp. 138-49, 143-4);
ERLANGER (Kenton Co., Ky): 1st settled by Bartlett Graves in the 1st decade of the 19 cent. It grew up around the Dixie Hiway (then called the Cov-Lex. Tpke.); The vic. was 1st called TIMBERLAKE for Wm. Thornton Timberlake (MD). Name remained till the So. Ry. came thru in 1873 and the sta. was called GREENWOOD LAKE for Miles Greenwood, the 1st pres. of the rr. Tracks were completed in 1877 and by then the name was ch. to SILVER LAKE to avoid confusion with similarly named stations elsewhere on the line. The lake in question was built by the rr ½ mi n of the depot as supplier of water for steam engines. Now in a city park. SILVER LAKE was the name first proposed for the po (after 187
but was rejected as already in use. (sic) ERLANGER was named for Baron Frederic Emile D'Erlanger, owner of Erlanger Land Syndicate, org. to develop the area. The po was est. as ERLANGER on 5/20/1882. The syndicate's 1st homes were built in 1887. The 1st chu., a union chu., was built in 1888. Inc. as a city on 1/25/1897. The po is in a city bldg. at 505 Commonwealth Ave. (Reis, Vol. 1, Pp. 92-4); Before the ERLANGER po was est. on 5/20/1882 local people had to go to the depot for their mail. (Mary Newman ms. hist. of Elsmere at KHS Libr.);
ERLANGER (Kenton Co.): Rapidly growing suburb of Covington & Cinci. just off I-75. Developed by the Cinci. So. Ry. which sent its 1st train from Cinci. to Lex. in 1876. Silver Lake was built soon after to furnish water supply for the steam engines coming up the hill from the river. Some Cinci. businessmen formed a syndicate to est. Erlanger and encourage settlement of families and businesses. In 1882 the town was named for Baron von Erlanger, a German financier and one of the builders of the rr, whose name was suggested by Hannah Bedinger. Before this time it had been known as Timber-
lake, Greenwood, and Silver Lake but these names were too similar to others on the rr Rapid development of the commu: before the turn of the cent....(Barbara Fisk, "Here's How it Started in Erlanger-Elsmere" THE DIXIE NEWS, 6/26/1969);
ERLANGER, (Kenton Co., Ky): 100 acres of Bartlett Graves' land (part of Johnson Share) was purchased by Maj. Timberlake who had also acquired some land that later became Elsmere. (Mary Newman ms. hist. of Elsmere); ERLANGER area was 1st settled ca. 1807 by Bartlett Graves who had acquired land there 5 yrs. before. But not until the Cov-Lex. Tpk. was built thru in the 1830s did much settlement occur. TIMBERLAKE dev'd. around a tollgate. It was named for Wm. T. Timberlake (MD). The So. Ry. tracks extended thru in 1873. Station called GREENWOOD for the rr's 1st pres. Renamed SILVER LAKE in 1877 to avoid confusion with other stations on the line. PO and sta. were named
ERLANGER in 1882 for Baron Frederic Emile D'Erlanger, Ger-born Engl. financier who headed a land syndicate org. to dev. the city by encouraging settlement and convincing the rr to facilitate this. Rapid growth led to incorporation on 1/25/1897. Business along the road. Even more rapid growth came with I-75. Pop. (1990) of 16,000. (KY. ENCY. 1992, Pp. 296-97);
ERLANGER (Kenton Co., Ky): Acc. to Geo. M. Bedinger, 5/1/1882, this po was lately SILVER LAKE tho' the local name was ERLANGER. It was 3½ mi s of Ohio R, 1 mi e of Dry Creek, 1 3/4 mi ne of Florence po, 150 yards from Erlanger Sta. of Cinci. So. Ry, 2 mi sw of St. Johns Asylum. On 12/22/1913, Helen L. Gurney pet. for a site ch. 75 air ft. s. On 4/1/1931 it was the ERLANGE BRANCH OF THE COV. PO. (SLR); GREENWOOD LAKE PO (formerly GREENWOOD STATION (acc. to W.L. Bedinger, 5/14/1878, was 7 3/4 mi via pike from Cov. po, at the jct. of Cinc So. Ry and Cov-Lex. Pike, 1 mi e of Dry Creek, 1 3/4 mi e of Florence po, 300 yrds. w of Cinci. So. Ry, 2 mi s of St. Johns po. Acc. to B. Frank Bedinger, 12/7/77, this po was 1 ½ mi e of Dry Creek, 2 ¼ mi w of St. Johns Asylum po. (SLR);
VERLANGER (Kenton Co.): p.o. est. as Greenwood Sta. 10/29/1877, B. Frank Bedinger; n.ch. to Greenwood Lake, 4/8/78, ibid.; n.ch. to Erlanger (but dk when; sometime in the early 1880s). Disc. 6/30/1920 (mail to Erlanger Br. of Covington (PO) (NA); Known as Greenwood Lake before 1876. R.e-named for Baron Frederic Emil d'Erlanger, a Ger-Jew who lived in Berlin, Paris, and London. First a X-rds com. In 1876, So. Ry. est. sta. at the site of the Cov-Lex. Tpk's jct. with the rr. Called Silver Lake for the "silvery appearance of the water in the nearby rr reservoir. Shortly thereafter the rr became involved in financial difficulties, and Baron Erlanger, who had become one of
England's leading financiers, supplied enough capital for reorganization and expansion.... In 1881 residents pet. POD for po but Silver Lake unacceptable since there were already too many places in US with that name. At mass mtg. for the purpose, Erlanger Hts. was offered and acclaimed. "Heights was dropped. Town chartered 1897 as Erlanger. PO est as Erlanger Hts 5/20/1882. ... Hannah Bedinger, a local resi., is said to have suggested Erlanger as a name, acc. to Carl D. Weber, Clerk. (WPA);
FAIRVIEW (Kenton Co.): pop.=235(1970) 5 mi. from Cov. along Ky. 177 and the w. bank of the Lick. R. L&N RR is main source of employment. (Stephen Ford, "Strip Isn't Guady" LCJ, 11/3/1971, P. Bl:1-6);
FISKBURGH (Kenton Co., Ky): Acc. to J.F. Ellis, MD, 6/7/1877, this po was 4½ mi w of Morning View po, 2 mi n of Grassy Creek. A small vil. of 80-100 pop., 9 mi se of Indep. po. Acc. to Ibid., 9/19/1885, this po was 4½ mi e of Key West po. (SLR); ca. 1883, this place had one of the region's largest tob. warehouses. C.E. Fisk ran the local gen. store and H.B. Fisk was the local doctor. (Reis, I, P. 87); Acc. to 1870 Census, Chas. E. Fisk was a 35 yr. old merchant. David L. Fisk was a 70 yr. old MD born in Vermont. No H.B. Fisk is listed;
FISKBURG (Kenton Co.): p.o. est. in Campbell C 1/8/1834, David L. Fisk..(into Kenton Co. when est)...Disc. 6/30/1858; Re-est. 7/2/77(?), Joh F. Ellis...Disc. eff. 5/15/1903 (mail to DeMos ville) (NA); Acc. to WPA, it's said to have been named for Bvt. Maj. Gen. Clinton B. Fisk, asst. comm'ner of the Freedman's Bur. just after the C.W. But this is obviously in error ...(WPA): Named for Dr. Fisk. The postmaster was also tollgate keeper for the tollgate ther was in the same bldg. (Robt. S. Tate, "The Grass Roots of Kenton Co." REG. OF THE KHS, Vol. 53, April 1955, Pp. 138-49, 145.)
FOREST HILLS (Kenton Co.): On the banks of Banklick Creek, just SW of Latonia. At one time called Cloud City. Renamed for the large no. of trees there many yrs. ago. (WPA); Next to W. Covington is Forrest Hills, at one time the home of Edwin Forrest, the tragic actor. (check....) (Robert S. Tate, "The Grass Roots of Kenton County" REG. OF THE KY. HIST. SOC. Vol. 53, April 1955, Pp. 138-49, P. 141); "We had our own family name for it, Forrest Hill (sic), because of a legend we had heard that the actor Edwin Forrest once won it from Israel Ludlow in a poker game...." (From Harlow, P. 40-check....) Vol. 16, Pp. 27-54 "Two Long-Ago yrs. In Covington" Filson Club Hist. Q.
FT. MITCHELL (Kenton Co.): "Mil. camp for temporary defense ordered by Gen'l. Lew Wallace, in 1862. Under the direction of Ormsby Mitchell (for) whom it was named. System of earthworks from Ohio R. at Bromley to the banks of the Licking on the east. Now a residential suburb of Cov." (M. Ladd, WPA ms, 1941);
FT. MITCHELL (Kenton Co.): Ft. Mitchell, a mil. base, was built 10/1861. Site of several encounters betw. Gen. Henry Heth's CSA troops and USA forces under Lew Wallace 9/62. One of 7 forts defending Cinci. which were on the hills around Covington from Bromley to Ft. T. (Highway marker on Ky. 8, Park Rd. Acc. to GUIDE, No. 546, P. 49); Named for Prof. Mitchel (correct sp.) "who had the fortifications erected at this point during the (CW)" (WPA); Named for Prof. Ormsby M. Mitchell of the U. of Cincy. who designed the defensive installations along the Ohio R. betw. Bromley to the mouth of the Licking R. summer, 1862. (COV. & KENTON CO. Am. Guide Book Ser. Fed. Writers Proj., ms copy, n.d.)
FORT MITCHELL (Kenton Co.): Named for Ormsby McKnight Mitchel (sic), astronomer & Union general. ne 7/28/1809 in Union Co., Ky. Admitted to Ky. Bar. Prof. of Math, Philo., & Astronomy, Cinci. Coll. Maj. Gen'l. Union Army. Died 10/30/1862 of yellow fever. This was one of several forts erected on a 10 mi. arc, shortly before his death. One of a ser. of fortifications surrounding Cov. in the hills from Bromley to a pt. nearly across the Ohio R. from the present Coney Is. Named Ft. Mitchell.... Developed as a residential sub-division by the Buckeye Molding, Sand, Brick,
& Quarry Co., etc. This firm had been org. 1792 to quarry stone and buy & sell real estate....The 1st family moved in in 1906. At least 125 by 1909 so it was incorporated that year....(John R. Blakely "The Early Hist. & Dev. of Ft. Mitchell" paper read before the Christ. Gist Hist'l. Soc. 5/24/1955, in the Papers of the C.G.H.S. Vol. 6, 1954-5, Pp. 58-64);
FORT MITCHELL (Kenton Co.): Brig. Gen. Ormsby MacKnight Mitchel (sic), a prof. of Math, Astronomy, & Phil. at Cinci. Coll., an internationally famed astronomer, was commissioned by Gen'l. Lew Wallace in fall of 1862 to erect defenses for Cinci. across the Ohio R. s. of Cov. on the Ky. Hills. He did so, and on the site of what since became the city of Ft. Mitchell named for him, were built a system of defensive earth works (Robt. S. Tate, "The Grass Roots of Kenton Co." in REG. OF THE KHS, Vol. 53, April 1955 Pp. 138-49, Pp. 146-7);
FT. WRIGHT (Kenton Co.): Primarily a resi. suburb of Cov.-Cinci. 4th cl. city of esti. 6500-7000 pop. Originally a mi. sq. in area was inc. 1941 with only 150 homes. City as it is today includes territory annexed from 3 other cities. It began to develop shortly after WWII by annexations. Merged with South Hills in 1960 and then with Lookout Hts. in 1967, and came to be known as Lookout Hts.-Ft. Wright and Ft. Wright alone in 1969. Finally merged with Lakeview in 1978 to form its present boundaries. Busi. district centers on Dixie Hiway.....(Cindy Schroeder "'People Know One Another, Do Things Together" CINCI. ENQ. 9/24/1979);
FT. WRIGHT (Kenton Co.): Named for Gen. Horatio Gouverneur Wright, ne Clinton, Ct. 3/6/1820. West Pt. grad. 1846-56 was in charge of river & harbor projects in south. 9/1862, sent to Cinci. area to help defend it from Rebel invasion. Died 1899. Ft. W. = one of the larger fortifications in N. Ky. defending Cinci....("Now They Know: Ft. Wright, Ky. Named After Area Defender, Engineer" by Chester F. Geaslen, CINCI. ENQ. 2/16/1967);
GREENWOOD LAKE (Kenton Co., Ky): Acc. to 1879/80 Gaz., this was a sta. on the CSRR which had recently bought 25 acres adjoining the vil. and planned to locate their workshops there. They also built a pond (8 acres) to supply them with water. Summer homes for Cinci. merchants. W.L. Bedinger was pm, and coal, lumber, and gro. dealer. J.L. Conner had hotel; Acc. to P&G the GREENWOOD LAKE po became ERLANGER in 1882; Miles Greenwood, one of Cinci. So. Ry's. trustees 1869+. He was then age 62. He arr. in Cinci. in 1829. A Cinci. businessman. (Chas. G. Hall, THE CINCI. SOUTHERN RY: A HIST., Cinci., 1902;
HONESTY (Kenton Co., Ky): Acc. to Frederick A. Cox, 3/13/1885, this prop. po would be 4 mi sw of Cov. po, 4 mi ne of Scotts po, 3 mi e of St. Johns Asylum po, 300 yards w of Bank Lick Creek, on the Indep. Pike. (SLR); Acc. to John Weisenberger, 8/9/1893, this po, as SANFORDTOWN would be serving HONESTY and would be 3 mi n of Scotts po, 2½ mi s of Honesty po, 3½ mi se of Mill dale po, on Bank Lick Creek. A vil. of 150 people. (SLR);
INDEPENDENCE (Kenton Co., Ky): Little more than a small settlement—along Madison Pike till the early 1960s when Covington's "annexation efforts" led homeowners in the area around Indep. to request annexation by the latter. Now a town of several subdivisions and even a few farms ("Northern Ky's. Suburbs: Separate but Together" CINCI POST, 5/9/1983, P. 12A); The CREWS CREEK po was probably derived from CRUISES CREEK that heads e of Walton and joins the Lick. R. at Morningview. This po was s. of the present INDEPENDENCE, probably closer to Piner. John McCollum (sic), a farmer, gave 5 acres in the cent part of the new K. Co. for its seat. Named to "celebrate the indep. of the new co. from Camp. Co." BAGBY po was moved to the new co. seat site on 10/7/1840 and
named INDEPENDENCE. The town was inc. 1842. Till 1859
the town's limits were one block around the ct. hse. Expanded in 1859 to 165 acres. (Margie Prindle INDEP., K THE HEART OF KENTON COUNTY 1842-1992, Pp. 1-3);
CRUISES CREEK was named for Capt. Cruise who, as an officer in Wayne's army, camped on its banks in 1784. His body was found the next day, victim of Ind. attack and was buried nearby. But no one knows its precise site. The creek heads in Boone Co., extends across the s. part of K. Co. to the Lick. R. (Collins I, 1847, P. 382);
INDEPENDENCE (Kenton Co., Ky): Centered at the jct. of Ky 17 and 2045. Site donated to the new co. as its seat by John McCollum. Inc. 1842. Named to honor the new county's "separation from Camp. Co." From the outset its location was challenged by Cov. as too distant from pop. center. They used Cov. city hall for co. activities. For yrs. Independence's co. ct. hse. was used for "branch offices." But Indep. continued as the "official seat of govt." In the 1960s Indep. began annexing large sections of central K. Co. to avoid annexation by Cov. The town is now one of the state's largest in area extending betw. Boone and Camp. co. lines. (KY. ENCY, 1992, P. 451);
MULLINSVILLE (Kenton Co., Ky): po est. 3/3/1899, Caroline Bert; 9/29/1900, James A. Leonard; Disc. eff. 12/15/1907 (mail to Covington) (POR-NA); Acc. to Caroline Bert, this po would be serving the commu. of Otto and would be 1 1/2 mi sw of Ludlow po, 3 mi n of Crescent Springs po, 3 1/2 mi ne of Constance po, 400 ft. s of the Ohio R. and 1/8 mi w of Pleasant Run. (SLR);
INDEPENDENCE (Kenton Co., Ky): Y.S. Bagby (1810-1896) and his family are buried in Carlisle Cem. on the Bracht-Piner Rd. Robert Bagby (1790-1839) is buried at the Cruises Creek Bap. Chu. Cem. on Green Rd. off US 25 in the Indep. top. Quad; The Bagby Prec. was later called Independence; Acc. to 1830 Census, Jesse, Robert, and Will Bagby. INDEP. was est. 1840 with the creation of the co. Seat located here as centrally located on land donated by the McCullum family. Named for the county's having become indep. of Camp. Co. Slight pop. growth and dev't. till 1960. Present growth due to efforts to halt Covington's encroachment. Annexed several subdiv's. Now the city extends across the co. from the Lick. R. to the Boone Co. line. (Reis, Vol. 1, P. 84);
INDEPENDENCE (Kenton Co., Ky): "This 5th cl. city and seat of Kenton Co. was est. in 1840 at what is now the jct. of Ky 17 and 2045, 10 (air) mi's of downtown Cov., as the seat of the new county, and was presumably named to mark its independence from Campbell Co. The crossroads site was donated by pion. John McCollum. The 1st po to serve this area was est. on Nov. 20, 1837, as Everetts Creek by Isaac Everett. A mo. later Everett renamed it Crews Creek which may suggest its location on what is now Cruises Creek, 4½ mi. south. The following July it was changed to Bagby, site unknown, by Thos. H. Hordern, who then moved it to or renamed it Independence on Oct. 7, 1840. The town was inc. in 1842. The city's limits now extend from the Boone Co. line e. past the Taylor Mill Rd., making it n. Ky's. largest city in area." (Book-P. 148);
INDEPENDENCE (Kenton Co.): Inc. 1842. In the exact center of the county, by design... (Robert S. Tate, "The Grass Roots of Kenton Co." in the REG. OF THE KHS, Vol. 53, April 1955, Pp. 138-49, 145); Inc. 2/24/1842 (ACT 1841/2, E. 227);
INDEPENDENCE (Kenton Co., Ky): 12 mi. s of Cov.
Only 165 residents in 1870. "Nearly all of the county business is transacted now at Covington and the courts are mostly held there also." (Perrin, 1886, P. 604); Indep. was chosen as co. seat by deliberate ascertainment of the geog. center of the new co. Since the co couldn't find a suitable site at the county's very center, they examined several nearby sites offered by their owners and chose one on John McCollum's land on Bank Lick Creek, ca. 250 yds. from the co's. center. In the ctr. of 5 acres donated by McC. (Deed Book 4, P. 516, acc. to K. CO., KY. CENT. 6/14-23/1940);
INDEPENDENCE (Kenton Co.): p.o. est. in Campbell Co. as Everett's Creek, 11/20/1837, Isaac Everett; n.ch. to Crews Creek, 12/27/37, ibid. n.ch. to Bagby, 7/6/38, Thos. H. Hordern; n.ch. to Independence (when Kenton Co. est.) 10/7/40 Thos. J. Hordern... (NA); 10 mi. s. of Cov. on Ky. 17. Town est. 1840 A central xrd's selected by commissioners to be seat of new co. Inc. "4 Some co. business done in Cov... (WPA); Became the seat of Kenton Co. because it became independent of Campbell Co." (SESQUICENTENNIAL SOUVENIR PROG. 1815-1965, P. 11);
INDEPENDENCE (Kenton Co.): "Inc. 1842 on a small tract 9 mi. s. of Cov. By 1972, it was still but a 3 mi. stretch of homes and businesses along Madison Pike. From 1973-5 it exploded, sprouting east to the Plantation Heights area and west to the Boone Co. line and Beech Grove Village." Now 55 sq. miles and is thus the largest city in area in N. Ky. Another 20 sq. mi. annexation pending. "Most of the annexed land is rural." Growth problems....(Tom Loftus, "Indy's Growing Pains" KY. POST, 4/9/1977): Est. as county seat in 1840, c. 250 yards from the center of the co.
Site for the court house was donated by John McCollum on 5 acres of meadow land, most of which was later "laid out in business lots for pvt. purposes." (W.L. Mendenhall, Dep. Clerk of Kenton Co., Independence, ms. in th Kenton Co. P.L., undated. Examined by me. 5/21/1979); Robert Bagby died in the spring of 1820. His sons incl. Davis, Chas. & Jas. His wife was Eliz. (CAMP. C RECORDS); Y.S. Bagby was a farmer.
KENTON (Kenton Co., Ky): Acc. to 1876/7 Gaz., this place was better known as BENTON STATION on the KCRR & the Lick. R. Founded 1820. Pop. 40. Vil. J.M. Armstrong was pm and rr agent and gen. storekeeper. J.M. Armstrong and Bro. were leaf tob. dealers; Mortimer Murray Benton, a surveyor (1807-1885) ne Benton (a vil.) in Ontario Co. NY. He was the son of Jos. Benton who moved with family to Indiana in 1816. To Cov. 1828 as a lawyer. Was Cov's. 1st mayor when the city was est. in 1834. In the Ky. Leg 1863-5. (Perrin, 7th ed., 1887, Pp. 143-44); Acc. to 1896 Gaz., G.W. McDonald & B.E. Willis had gen. stores. Mrs. Burney ran the gro; Mortimer Murray Benton was Cov' 1st mayor. Ne 1807 in Benton, NY. Raised in Ind. To Cov.
in 1828. Began law practice there in 1831. Cov. was inc. 2/24/1834. He resigned as mayor on Oct. 2, 1835. Council pres. 1849-1853. Helped the KCRR get charter. In the Ky. St. Hse. in 1864. Died 1885. (Reis, Vol. 1, P. 22); KENTON was founded by S.T. Roberts and was 1st called BENTON and renamed when the po was est. (Reis, Vol. II, P. 11); The KENTON po (in 1982) was on the sw corner of Ky 177 (or 112-?) and 688. The rr called its local sta. BENTON. (Rus Stevens in OUTLOOK 8/27/1982, P. 18:1); KENTON is
KENTON (Kenton Co.): p.o. est. 2/3/1858, James M. Crisler; Disc. 11/9/58; Re-est. 2/25/59, Sam'l. F. Roberts... Disc. 4/6/70; Re-est. 4/21/1870, Robt. H. Read...(NA); On the Licking R. L&N thru here...(WPA); Acc. to S.W. McDonald, 8/19/93 this was a site ch. for this po 1 mi to the rr (on 6/29/1893). It was then 1/8 mi w of Licking R. and 3/4 mi e of Bowman Creek, 3 1/16 mi n of Morning View po, 3 3/4 mi s of Visalia po, 3 mi e of Morgansville po. Kenton Sta. of the rr. 3 1/2 mi w of Grants Lick po.|| Acc. to H.N. Baker, 4/24/1914, this po was 1/8 mi w of Lick. R., 1/2 mi e of Bowman Creek, 3 1/2 mi s of Visalia po, 3 mi n of Morning View po.|| Acc. to N.B. Baker, 8/1/1939, this po was 230 ft. e of Ky 177, 10 ft. w of Kenton (rr) Sta., 1/8 mi from the Lick. R., 11 mi e of Indep. po (SLR);
KEY WEST (Kenton Co., Ky): po est. 5/4/1877, Benjamin Quick; 9/1/1879, Benjamin W. Stansifer...3/11/1908, Fred C. Johns; Disc. 2/15/1910 (mail to Crittenden) (POR-NA):
On 9/8/1900, Elvira B. Stansifer pet. for a site ch. 300 yds. s (?) to serve a commu. aka BRACHT, 3½ mi n of Crittenden po, 4½ mi s of Walton po, 3¼ mi w of Piner po; 150 ft. w of CNO&TP RR, 1 air mi from the co. line.\
In Feb. 1908, Fred C. Johns pet. for a site ch. ¼ mi n of a pt. 80 rods s of BRACHT STA. and 100 ft. w of CNO&TP tracks. (SLR); Acc. to 1896 Gaz., KEY WEST was on the CNO&TP Ry., 10 mi from Indep. Pop. 125. C.M. Stansifer was pm. B.H. Stansifer & Co. and H.E. Langdon & Co. had gen. stores. Two saloons and other businesses;
KENTON COUNTY, KY: This is Ky's. 3rd most populous co. with a 1990 pop. of ca. 142,000; The co. is bounded on the n by the Ohio R. and is separated from Camp. Co. on the e by the Lick. R. Many tribs. of these rivers so the co. is well drained. Mostly hilly terrain. "Narrow strips of bottom land" along the creeks. (McGrain & Currence, P. 43); The Licking River serves as Kenton's entire e. border with Camp. Co. Thos. Kennedy and his family may have been the 1st settlers ca. 1780 at what's now Cov; This county was the 90th formed. 163 sq. mi. I-75 was completed in 1963. (KY. ENCY. 1992, Pp. 488-89);
KENTON COUNTY (Ky): 163 sq. mi. "This co. was est. in 1840 from part of Campbell Co. and named for Simon Kenton (1755-1836), Ky. pion., scout, and Indian fighter." (Book-P. 158); KENTON CO., like Camp. Co., has two county seats. Tho' Indep. was centrally located, it was not accessible to most of the county's pop. So the seat was moved to Cov. by 1843. There it remained till 8/197 (Reis, I, P. 266); The co. bldg. in Cov. of 10 stories is on the site of the old Fed. Bldg. and po betw. 3rd, Court, Park, and Scott Sts. Opened 1970. Therein are: offices of the co. clerk, sheriff, tax commissioner, circ. ct. room, commonwealth atty's. office, jail. By 1985 the county was the bldg's. exclusive occupant. (Reis, III, Pp. 217-8);
LATONIA (Kenton Co.): Latonia has been a part of Covington since 1910 but residents still have great pride in their commune and prefer to identify their homes by this name. cf Cov. atty. Michael Hammons who wrote a hist. of Latonia as a UK student, 1972. Nearly a third of Cov's. pop. lives in Latonia. Banklick Cr. & Taylor Mill border it on the south and Mad. Pike on the west and Lick R. on the east. Economy has since diversified but RR was once econ. base. Latonia Race Track is now site of the Latonia Shopping Ctr. built in 1963. Esti. 150,000 pop....("Latonians Steeped in Spirit. Tradition" by Peter King, CINCİ. ENQ. 7/23/1978, P. B6:1-3).
LATONIA (Kenton Co.): The community in my sample is Latonia Lakes or Oakdale. The Latonia Race Track was org. as the Latonia Agricultural Assn. 1882. Opened to the public 7/9/83. Named for the nearby Latonia Springs, a pop. summer resort in 19th. cent. which was named in turn for Lettonian Springs after Lete, goddess mother of Apollo. In Roman mythology, she was called Latona. (P. 60). L.S. was a summer resort for wealthy southerners acc. to Harry Mackoy ms, for WPA. (COV. & KENTON CO. Amer. Guide Book Series, Fed. Writers Proj, ms copy, n.d.)
LATONIA (Kenton Co.): Ke-o-me-zu Springs, or Buffington Rd. betw. US25 and Turkeyfoot, c. 10 mi. s. of Covington and 2 mi. e. of Erlanger. cf Christopher Gist Hist. Soc. paper "Some Famous Springs of Ky." by W. Baxter Harrison; 9/26/1950 for a hist. The spring is now on pvt. property owned by Baxter Harrison, a Fla. resident, acc. to Erlanger historian, Ms. Anita Close (tel. 331-7582) (acc. to a ms. in the Kenton Co. Publ. Lib.)

The Latonia Race Track: the name was derived from early Latonia Springs, once pop. summer resort. In turn, the name was derivec
from *Lettonia Springs* for Leto=goddess mother of Apollo. In Roman mythol. Leto was called "Latona" (Acc. to "Papers of Christopher Gist Hist. Soc., 1951-2") The *Lettonian Springs* (sulphur)=4 mi. from Cov. on the Bank Lick Rd., acc. to Collins, Vol. 2, P. 442);
LATONIA (Kenton Co., Ky): Now a Cov. ngbd. centered at the jct. of Banklick Creek, Licking R., and Madison Pk. From 7/10/1896 to 1909 a separate city. Probably named for mineral springs on Banklick (at the jct. of Highland Ave. and Madison Pike. that were discovered ca. 1829 and bought by Ralph Letton.); He developed the spa which was called LETTONIA SPRINGS. Hotel declined with the C.W. The springs dried up ca. 1900. LETTONIA was gradually corrupted to LATONIA. In 1882 the Latonia Agri. Assn. built a fairgrounds "just over the hill." This later became the Latonia Race Track at the site of the present Latonia Shop. Ctr. In 1881 this area, 3/4 mi s of Cov., was called THE FLATS. In the
MILLDALE Mag. Dist. That area took the LATONIA name from the race track. Inc. 1896. But not able to annex the rest of the prec. With the annexation of ROSEDALE in 1904, LATONIA became a city of ca. 5,000 people. Maybe have had 8,000 residents at the time it was annexed by Cov. LATONIA (1989) has its own identity. (Reis, Vol.1 Pp. 101-03); The LETTONIAN SPRINGS on Bank Lick Rd. was 4 mi. from Cov. (Collins I, 1843, P. 382);
LATONIA (Kenton Co.): Sometime after 1800, US Congress "ratified several land grants made to Gen'l. Jas. Taylor by the Brit. Govt as a reward for his services in the French & Ind. Wars." His holdings included sites of Newport, Bellevue and Dayton. (P. 94) He was also given 500 acre tract betw. Banklick Cr. Licking R. and Madison Pike in the present Kenton Co. that includes all of present Latonia. 200 acres of this were later acquired by the Latonia Race Track. On 4/24/1882 the Latonia Agri. & Stock Assn. Inc. by G.A. for the exhibit of livestock & produce. Track laid out in 1883 and named Latonia from nearby Latonia Springs, a pop. summer
resort earlier in the cent. that had been named for *Lettonian Springs*, after *Leto*, the mother of Apollo. She was called *Laton* in Roman mythol. (P. 95) 1st race=6/9/83. (P. 96) Never survived the depression & the last race was 7/29/1939, won by *Catalonia*. Track properties were sold to Latonia Refining Corp. on 3/24/1942 for $263,000 & buildings were immediately dismantled. (P. 99)...(John R. Blakely, "The Old Latonia Race Track" paper read at Christopher Gist Hist. Soc. 6/24/1952 in PAPERS, Vol. 53, 1951-2, Pp. 94-100.)
MILLDALE (Kenton Co., Ky): This was the old name for LATONIA. It was named for a large mill, gone, just so the L&N tracks. LATONIA was named for the race course which was named for LATONIA SPRINGS, the pop. resort. The hotel was on the right side of Banklick Pike, next to Highland Pike. (C.W. Reynolds addend. to weekley newsp.); LATONIA PLAZA is now on part of the old Latonia Race Track. (Reis, II, P. 146); The LATONIA R. was org. 1882 by the Latonia Agri. Assn. Was a 1 mi oval and was opened for business in 7/1883. It was named for nearby LATONIA SPRINGS, a sum. resort. That had been named for LETTONIAN SPRINGS which was named for Leto, the mother of Apollo. Leto was aka Latona. (WPA-Amer. Guide Series-Covington & Kenton Co. ms., P. 60_
MILLDALE (Kenton Co., Ky): Acc. to Dr. R. Lee Bird, 8/3/1887, the name prop. for this po was LATONIAVILLE which was rejected by the POD because Ky. already had a po called Leotonia. This po was 2 mi s of Cov. po, 3 mi e of Honesty po, 3900 ft. w of Lick. R., 1/2 mi n of Bank Lick Creek, 1900 ft. w of Milldale Sta. on KCRR. Vil. o 1000 pop. (SLR); Acc. to John Moss, 11/2/1880, this po as MILLDALE, formerly called SOUTH COVINGTON, was 3/4 mi of the Lick. R., 1 mi n of Bank Lick Creek, 1 mi s of Cov. po, 550 yards w of the S. Cov. Sta. of the KCRR Just n of the jct. of Decourcey Creek TPKe Rd and Winstons Rd. (SLR);
LATONIA (Kenton Co., Ky): No Lettons or a miller named Weaver acc. to 1850 and 1860 Censuses; Ralph Letton owned the Western Museum in Cinci. On 7/4/1829 he bought from Wm. Curry, Jr. the site and began building a hotel at what became LATONIA SPRINGS. In July 1832 he sold 57 acres incl. this hotel to Elisha Morgan who built another hotel there. It was probably named for the goddess Leto (Greek) or Latona (Latin). In the early 1840s Dr. Stephen Mosher, MD bought the Springs from Morgan's heirs and ran the spa to 1866 when he sold it to Walker and Gibson of Cinci. At one time it was one of Ky's. most pop. resorts. In the 1870s it declined. Frank Northcutt "local resi., attempted a revival of the resort in 1880." Unsuccessful. In 1891
it became the site of a dairy farm. The springs "ceased to flow" c. 1910. Later became a picnic ground and a tavern on the site of the L. Spr. Hotel at the corner of Highland Pike and 3-L Highway. Latonia Agri. Assn. developed fairgrounds in Milldale (S. Cov.). This became the race track named for the Springs. In 1893 a small part of MILLDALE was inc. as the city of LATONIA. The latter was soon annexed other sections of uninc. MILLDALE and became a 5th cl. city in 1899. (Dr. Jos. Castwright on "Latonia Springs" in PAPERS OF THE KENTON CO. HIST'C. SOC. Vol. 1, 1990, Pp. 26-8);
LATONIA SPRINGS (Kenton Co., Ky): po est. as Bank Lick on 3/2/1848, Aylett R. Crichfield (?); 7/19/1848, Eliac (?) S. Ellis...12/21/1854, Stephen Mosher; n.ch. to Latonia Sptings 3/1/1858 with Stephen Mosher; 12/26/64, Wm. W. Mosher...3/1/1869, Dannis (?) O'Neil; Disc. 9/19 1869; Re-est. 9/20/1869, Wm. Girvin; 3/20/1871, James Cruikshank; Disc. 4/30/1874 (POR-NA); Acc. to 1879/80 Gaz, WHITE HOUSE was a small vil. Frank Nolte, Dennis O'Neal, Geo. Waldmann, and John Wisenberger had gen'l. stores. Two shoemakers, wagonmaker, blacksmith shop, and other businesses;
LATONIA SPRINGS (Kenton Co., Ky): Acc. to Wm. Garvin, 2/15/1870, this po was serving a commu. locally known as WHITEHOUSE and it was 7 mi sw of Lick. R., 1/8 mi w. of Bank Lick Creek, 3½ mi sw of Cov. po, 4½ mi ne of Scotts po, 2 mi from the S. Cov. Sta. of the L&C Short Line. (SLR)
LATONIA LAKES (Kenton Co., Ky): Planned in 1931 as a vacation dev't. for urbanites, a pvt. club for resident of n. Ky. cities only in summer. Betw. Taylor Mill and Indep. Built 3 lakes for water activities. Now a work class suburb of Cov. Platted Jan. 1931. Developers were Cinci. atty. Saul Goodman and realtor Carl Schaub. Named for the race track and the old city of Latonia several mi. n. Permanent homes were built there only in post WWII. Inc. as a city in 1953. (Reis II, Pp. 10 -103); This began "as a summer resort with 3 lakes. The area gradually changed as people converted the summer camps into homes." Off TaylorsMill Rd. Inc. 1953. Main St.=Clubhouse Dr. ("Northern Ky's. Suburbs: Sepa- rate But Together" CINCI. POST, 5/9/1983, P. 12A);
LATONIA LAKES (Kenton Co.): Formerly (site) of resort cottages on 3 lakes occupied mostly during the summer. Only 1 of the 3 lakes remains. Most of the cottages are now permanent homes. Est. as a 6th cl. city in 1953. Working class commuters to Cov. & Cinci. and a no. of retirees. Only ½ dozen businesses on Ky. 16 incl. a mini-shopping ctr....(Randy Allen, "Lot of Working People, Lot of Senior Citizens" CINCI. ENQUIRER, 7/30/1979);
LATONIA (Kenton Co.): "The name is a corruption of the family name, created by Ralph Letton, an artist who lived for a time at Lettonian Springs, four miles from Covington, Ky. When he discovered that would-be purchasers of his farm land (in Bourbon Co.) wanted to build a race track there, he required the change of spelling to disassociate himself from the project. So the track & town became Latonia." (Edna T. Whitley, ms on: Bourbon Co. PN from the Beers Map, 1877, to me 4/6/77) (check: if she means farm land in Bourbon or the town in Kenton Co.) (cf also KY. ANTE-BELL PORTRAITURE, by Edna T. Whitley, P. 714);
LATONIA (Kenton Co.): Jct. pt. for the Lou. Line of the L&N. Just south of there was a tract of land owned by the DeCoursey family. Just before WWII, the L&N built a large yard there. There's a pike that runs s. from Cov. to Latonia, a road that probably dates back to the 1820s and called the DeCoursey Pike. So the L&N adopted the name of this tract of land named for its owners. DeCoursey became a principal rr yard, a 5 mi. long facility. Not a commu. though. (Chas. Castner, interview, 3/21/1972);
LATONIA (Kenton Co., Ky): po est. 6/2/1878, Ellen O. O'Neil; Disc. 6/22/1880 (POR-NA);
LATONIA LAKES (Kenton Co., Ky): "This 6th cl. city and suburb of Cinci. and Cov is centered on KY 16 just s of the city of Taylor Mill and Cov. Formerly a commu. of resort cottages on 3 lakes, it was inc. as a city in 1953. It was named for the older commu. of Latonia, now part of Cov., and for the famed race track, which in turn had been named for Latonia Springs, a 19th cent. summer resort. The springs, also now within the Cov. city limits, were named for Leto or Latona, the Greco-Roman goddess and mother of Apollo." (Book-P. 166);
LICKING VALLEY (Kenton Co., Ky): po est. 4/7/1842, James M. Clarkson; Disc. 7/3/1844 (POR-NA);
LUDLOW (Kenton Co., Ky): "This 4th cl. ind. & rr city is on a hill overlooking the Ohio R. and Cinci. and just w of the Cov. city limits. The site was settled around 1790 by Cinci. residents seeking more open spaces. By 1836 Israel Ludlow had acquired the site and laid out the town that bears his name. The Ludlow po was est. on 8/22/1864 with John McCormick, pm and in that yr. the city was chartered by the Ky. leg. The po closed in 1906." (Book-P. 180); Acc. to Hugo Pahl-?, 8/22/1876, this po was 500 ft. s of the Ohio R and 1 mi e of Pleasant Run, 3 mi w of Cov. po, 3 mi e of Constance po. (SLR);
LUDLOW (Kenton Co.): p.o. est. 8/22/1864, John McCormick (sic); Disc. 11/30/65; Re-est. 1/4/6
Ibid. ... Disc. eff. 10/31/1906 (mail to Cov.) (NA); On hill overlooking the Ohio R. & Cin.
An import. rr town for the tracks & repair shops of the Cinci. So. Ry are(were?) at the foot of the ridge betw. Ludlow and Cov. 1st settled c.1790 by Col. Israel Ludlow who built cabin at site. In 1788 he with party of settle from NY arr. at Losantiville. Ft. Washington built 1789 on site he selected. Acc. to trad., he moved across the river to Ky. to get away from the "bustle of the growing city". The Ludlow site was a part of 1200 acre grant give to Gen. Thos. Sanford for service in the India campaigns. He traded this land to Thos. D.
Carneal. In 1821, Carneal, a Ky. legislator, built his home on the site of Ludlow's cabin and called it Elmwood Hall for the forest of elm trees that had surrounded the house. In 1827 he sold out to Wm. Bullock. He, in turn sold Elmwood Hall and 700 acres to Israel Ludlow, son of 1st settler. Vill. grew up around the Hall: pop. 300 by 1860. Town inc. 1864. (WPA);
LUDLOW (Kenton Co.): There's an engine terminal and yard for the Southern Ry. here. (Chas. Castner, interview, 3/21/1972); Site settled by Cinci. residents seeking more open spaces. Some of the site claimed by men named Beal, Mayo, and Oldham. The rest of it, some 1200 acres, were contained in a grant to Gen. Thos. Sanford (sic), the Indian fighter. He later traded this land to Thos. D. Carneal who built large mansion there called Elmwood Hall.... Later Carneal sold his home and estate to an Englishman, Wm. Bullock who envisioned a model town on the site but gave up the idea and sold the
estate, or 710 acres of it to Israel Ludlow, son of Israel Ludlow who had laid out Cinc. This was in 1831. By 1836, Ludlow had acquired (the rest of the estate) all of the site of the present Ludlow. He began selling his land in small parcels and the community was established. Granted a charter by the Leg. in 1864. . . . (Robert S. Tate, "The Grass Roots of Kenton Co." REG. OF THE KHS, Vol. 53, April 1955, Pp. 138-49, Pp. 141-3);
LUDELOW (Kenton Co.): Hunnicutt supports WPA acct. of Ludlow's est. Ft. Wash. built 1789 & soon ch. name to Cinci...Pop. grew rapidly with new settlers & Ludlow grew restless. He crosse Ohio R. 1 mi. w. of Ft. W. where river bends southward and built log cabin at the site of present city of Ludlow...(P. 3) Carneal was a wealthy landowner...(perhaps the WPA acct. was based on Hunnicutt since no date is given for latter's book...) Wm. Bullock was a wealthy Englishman who was traveling in Am. at the time he was attracted to E.H....Conceived and planned a model town at that site which he would call Hygeia (in the 1820s) but was compelled to abandon his dream and in 1831 sold out to Israel Ludlow...(pp. 3-7) (John M. Hunnicutt, HIST. OF CITY OF LUDLOW. n.d.)
LUDLOW (Kenton Co.): Ludlow sold sections of the Bullock holdings to several families and by the early 1860s a small village had grown up there. Many people shopped and worked in Cinci. (p. 7) Pop. 300 in 1860. Before then had taken the name Ludlow for Israel, Jr. who was still the largest landowner of the area. Many Cinci. residents moved here. (p. 7). Inc. 1864. . . . (Hunnicutt . . . ); Situated on a slope down to the bank of the Ohio R. An ind.rr. town. . . ; inc. 2/9/1864 (ACTS, 1863/4, P. 332);
LUDLOW (Kenton Co., Ky): The Elmwood Hall bldg., which was Thos. Carneal's home on the site he acquired in 1818, was later acquired by Wm. Bullock, an Englishman, who planned to est. a city there he would call HYGEIA for the Greek Goddess of Health. Unsuccessful. 1831. 700 acres incl. the site of E.H. were bought by Israel Ludlow. And the site was developed as a town. Ferry landing. Chartered 1864. (Reis, Vol. 1, Pp. 104-05); For some time before 1860 this place (with a pop. then of 600) was known as LUDLOW for Israel II, the owner of Elmwood Hall. He was still the largest landowner in the area. Attracted many Cincinnatians seeking suburban living. (Hunnicutt);

LUDLOW is on Ky 8, just west of Cov. It was first settled by Col. Israel Ludlow ca. 1790. Developed as a community by his son Israel who had acquired the area by 1836. Named for the son. Charter ed in 1864. Growth enhanced with the coming of the So Ry. and a bridge across the Ohio R. in 1873. RR yard and maintenance shops and pullman car repair shop.

(John E. Burns in KY. ENCY. 1992, P. 586); On the site of the planned com. of HYGEIA. With the abandonment of these plans the vic. was sold to Israel Ludlow, its
name source. The city grew up around Elmwood Hall, Extant. Inc. 1864. From river port to rr town with the coming of the (Cinci.) So. Ry in the 1870s. ("Northern Ky's. Suburbs: Separate but Together" CINCI. POST, 5/9/1983, P. 12A);
MAURICE (Kenton Co.): a suburb of Cov. S. of town on Ky. 17. L&N passes thru. (WPA); MAURICE STATION was probably named for Maurice Dudley, a Cov. atty. in the mid 19th cent. who "represented" the LC&L RR. This was a depot on that line. (Reis, II, P. 99);
McGILL (Kenton Co., Ky): po est. 2/16/1892, John M. McGill; Disc. 1/27/1893 (mail to Milldale) (POR-NA);
Acc. to John Milton McGill, 1/9/1892, the name prop. for this po was TAYLORS and it would be 4½ mi s of Milldale po, 4½ mi n of Pruitt (sic) po, 5 mi ne of Scots po, 2½ mi sw of Lick. R., 1/8 mi w of Decourcey Creek, ssw of Decourcey Sta., due s of Milldale and due n of Pruitt po. On Decourcey Pike, e. of Taylor Mill Pike. (SLR);
McVEAN (Kenton Co., Ky): Peter McVean was born Orion, Oakland Co., Mi. 1/27/1834. To Cinci. in 1853 and to Camp. Co. on 3/6/1856. He wed Julia Grant in 1865 in Erondale (?), Kenton Co. Moved to Nashville, Tenn. in Nov. 1863. In Mar. 1866 he returned to Grants Bend, Kenton Co., Ky. (Acc. to Grant Family Records by Margaret Hartman, ms. in Kenton Co. P.L. vert. files);
\(\text{McVEAN (Kenton Co., Ky): po est. 12/9/1911, Roy E. Anderson; Disc. 6/30/1913 (mail to Springlake) (POR-NA: Acc. to ? 8/1911 the name prop. for this new office was GRANTS BEND and it would be 3\frac{1}{2} \text{ mi} s \text{ of Spring Lake po, 3 mi w \text{ of Hawthorne po, 100 yards s \text{ of Lick. R.}} \text{ on the L&N, in the GRANTS BEND STA. depot.}}\) Acc. to Roy E. Anderson, 7/12/1912, this commu. was called GRANT, KY. and the po was 100 yards w \text{ of the Lick. R., 3\frac{1}{2} \text{ mi from the Spring Lake po, 300 ft. e of the rr. (SLR);}}\)

P. McVean was ne Oakland Co., Mich. to Kenton Co. in 1856. A farmer. Owned 140 acres. Lived ca. \(\frac{1}{2} \text{ mi nne \text{ of Grant's Bend po which was \(\frac{1}{4} \text{ mi} + \text{ ne \text{ of rr tracks. (1883 Lake Atlas);}}\)
MORGANSVILLE (Kenton Co., Ky): po est. 3/14/1891, Laura F. Morgan; Disc. eff. 9/30/1905 (mail to Morning View) (POR-NA); Acc. to Laura Francis Morgan, 2/23/1891, this prop. po would be 3 mi s of Staffordsville po, 3½ mi w of Kenton po, 4 mi e of Atwood po, 1½ mi n of Cruises Creek and 3 mi w of Lick. R. Vil. of 20. (SLR); Acc. t 1896 Gaz., this was only a po; A tobacco warehouse-store here. (1883 Lake Atlas);
MORNING VIEW (Kenton Co.): "There are several versions to the story but I prefer the one supplied to me by my mother-in-law, Mrs. Wm. Cross. She has lived here over seventy yrs. and her mother lived here many yrs. prior to her. It seems that a pres. of the railroad was passing through the town many yrs. ago traveling on his pvt. rr car (sic), awoke one morning as the train was wending its way along the Licking River Valley (sic) and as he looked out he saw the sun rising over the distant hills. He exclaimed, 'Look at the beautiful Morning View' (sic). Acc. to Mrs. Cross this
name became more popular than the old name of Mullin's Station (sic) and several of the older residents became quite upset when the name was changed to Morning View." (Letter by Wendel Bridges, pm, Morning View, to Miss Delphine Haley, n.d., c. 1975);
MORNING VIEW (Kenton Co., Ky): "This vil. with po is on Ky. 177 and the Licking R., 17 (air) mi s of downtown Cov. While the Cov. & Lex. (now L&N) RR sta. there was est. in 1855 as Mullins Station, presumably named for Geo. H. Mullins, the po was created on 10/5/1855 as Morning View with Mullins as pm. Robert S. Tate recorded the trad. acct. of its naming: 'One morning...some rr officials were riding through on a hand car...when the sun was rising. They exclaimed or the wonderful "morning view" and later when designating the place officially they would add "where they have the wonderful morning view." (sic) This was ...condensed to Morning View and [the village] has carried the name ever since.'" (Book-P. 203);
MORNING VIEW (Kenton Co., Ky): Acc. to 1876/7 Gaz., this is a vil. with a pop. of 75. Wm. Dunn was pm and expr. agent. J.H. Secrist and Threlkeld & Dunn had gen'l. stores. N.T. Rouse had a mill. Other businesses Acc. to 1896 Gaz., A. R. Taylor was pm. Taylor Bros. had gen. store. J.M. Lowder had flour & sawmill. Other businesses; The MORNING VIEW po in 1982 was on the nw corner of Rich Rd. and Ky 177. In the 1880s this po served the area betw. Cruises Creek and the Pend. Co. line, e of Fiskburg. (Rus Stevens in OUTLOOK, 8/27/82, P. 18:3);
MORNING VIEW (Kenton Co.): p.o. est. 10/5/1855

Geo. H. Mullins... (NA); In the se corner of co
on the Licking R. & the L&N. (WPA); Early
called Mullins Station. Allegedly named for th
view of the countryside in the AM. Settled c.
1800. (M. Ladd, WPA, c.4/1941); ("M(aw)r/
n(ih)7/ Vyū") (Ethel Bell, Falmouth, Ky., 10/
17/1978); 1st called Mullins Sta. "One morning
many yrs. ago, some rr officials were riding
through on a hand car with some of the crew
when the sun was rising. They exclaimed on the
wonderful 'morning view' and later when desig­
nating the place officially they would add
'where they have the wonderful morning view.'
This...was condensed to Morning View and has
carried the name ever since." (Robert S. Tate, "The Grass Roots of Kenton Co." in REG. OF THE KHS. Vol. 53, April 1955, Pp. 138-49, 145); Acc. to Chas. E. Behymer (?), 12/23/1898, this po as MORNINGVIEW was ¼ mi w of Lick R. and 1½ mi s of Cruisers Creek (sic), 3½ mi e of Fiskburg po, 200 ft. e of L&N., 3 air mi from co. line. Several subsequent site changes. (SLR);
NICHOLSON (Kenton Co.): p.o. est. 12/22/1888, John W. Sanders. 1/23/96, Chas. Nicholson...
Disc. eff. 9/30/1907 (mail to Visalia) (NA);
At intersection of Ky 16 & 17. Est. on land once owned by Elijah Williams, son of Capt. Jack Williams, Rev. and Indian wars hero. Elijah from Va. c1814 and built his log home here. In this bldg. 4/1840 the 1st Kenton Co. court was held. (WPA); Named for Dr. H.C. Nicholson ...(Robt. S. Tate, "Grass Roots of Kenton Co."
REG. OF THE KHS, Vol. 53, April 1955, Pp. 138-49, 145);

x-father of George
NICHOLSON (Kenton Co., Ky): Acc. to John W. Sanders, pm for Harry C. Nicholson who pet. for the po, 11/2/1885, this prop. po would be 2½ mi s of Indep. po, 2½ mi e of Bank Lick po, to serve a vil. of 113; Acc. to 1896 Gaz this place was 2½ mi from Indep. Pop. 150. John Mires was pm. Frank P. Bird had flour mill. Henry C. Nicholson (MD), Geo. Nicholson was a local carpenter; Chas. H. Nicholson was the son of Strother and Abye C. Nicholson and was ne 1833 and died 1902. (Chas. Nicholson Bible Records from Marg. Hartman. Vol. 12 (3), 1/1977, P. 148 He was buried in the Maysville Cem;
PARK HILLS (Kenton Co.): Est. on land owned by the Light family, some 60 acres. Developed as a town by D. Collins Lee and Robert Simmons to meet "demand for suburban lots with city conveniences." An attempt about 10 years ago by Coran, Spencer, and Corry who owned much land in the present limits to develop the town. It was subdivided with and streets were laid off and some of the lots were sold and built on. "Park" refers to Devou Park donated by Wm. P. Devou's sons and d-in-law to the city of Cov. in 1910.... ("Hist. of Park Hills is Traced in Article by Mrs. Richard Jdry" KY. POST, date=? in Park Hills vert. files, Kenton Co. P.L. examined by me; 5/21/1979);
PARK HILLS (Kenton Co.): Inc. 1926. Never had another name. No industry. A no. of retail businesses and restaurants. Deliberate efforts to keep it suburban. cf Russell [ɪk] Clark, City Clerk-Treasurer. Static pop. of middle and upper-middle class homes. 1st city council met 1926. 26 businesses, most on the Dixie Hiway. Pop. 4250. Attractive home Residential suburb. "Almost no plots of open land remain... for large residential developments and fewer for business or commercial ones." ("Who Runs Park Hills?" by Rand Allen, CINCI. ENQ. 3/12/1979);
PARK HILLS (Kenton Co.): Residential sub. adj. Cov. on w. Inc. 1927. Just so. of Devou Park & n. of US42/25... (WPA); c.1845 Mssrs. Coran, Spencer, and Corry owned the present site of Park Hills and planned to develop it. Subdivide it and laid off streets, some of their lots were sold and bldgs. erected. The rest were later acquired from their then owners by D. Collins Lee and Robt. Simmons who developed Park Hills ...(check....) (Robt. S. Tate, "The Grass Roots of Kenton Co."- REG. OF THE KHS, Vol. 53, April, 1955, Pp. 138-49, 147-8);
PINER (Kenton Co.): po' est. as Piner's Cross Roads 8/31/1847, H.H. Mullins...9/9/1851, James G. Piner...Disc. 6/30/1858; Re-est. as Piner, 4/18/1891, James B. Piner...Disc. eff. 5/15/1903 (mail to DeMossville) (NA); Two mi. from Fiskburg. The Goshen Xian Chu. there rec'd. its deed 4/12/1849. Commu. thus requested the name of Goshen but it was in use elsewhere in Ky. Piner was named for Brack Piner, storekeeper. (Robt. S Tate, "The Grass Roots of Kenton Co." in REG OF THE KHS, Vol. 53, April 1955, Pp. 138-49, 146);
PINER (Kenton Co., Ky): Acc. to Jas. B. Piner, 3/30/91, the prop. name for this po was PINERS CROSS ROADS and it would be 2 1/2 mi nw of Fiskburg po, 3 2/5 mi s of Attwood (sic) po, 3 1/2 mi e of Key West po, 1 mi s of Cruise Creek to serve a vil. of 50; Acc. to 1896 Gaz., Piner & Guthridge had gen. store; FISKBURG and PINER are 'tied together by the vol. f.d. they share.' PINER is at the jct. of Ky 17 and 14. In 1883: tob. warehouse, Xian Chu Goshorn Sch., homes. (Reis, Vol. I, P. 87); The commus. of FISKBURG and PINER are "tied together by the vol. F.D. they share." PINER is at the jct. of Ky 17 and 14. In 1883 had tob. warehouse, Xian chu., Goshorn Sch. and homes. (Reis, I, P. 87);
PIKE STATION (po in Covington, Ky): renamed ERNST (acc. to Orin S. Ware, 1/13/1920); US Sen. Richard P. Ernst was the son of Wm. Ernst of Covington; Wm. Ernst was pres. of the Ky. Cent. RR and of the Cov. City Council. He died 10/1895. He was ne Bucks Co., Pa. 12/1813. His son Richard P. Ernst was US Sen. from Cov., elected 192(Reis, III, P. 138); Richard Pretlow Ernst ne Cov. 1858 son of Wm. Ernst. Lawyer, served as Republican Sen. (US) from 1921-7. Died 1934. (KY. ENCY. 1992, P. 297);
PRUETT (Kenton Co., Ky): po now within the Edgewood city limits; R. Pruett was a country store keeper who lived one mi. nw of Ryland Sta. on the KCRR, 5 mi e of Indep. His home and store were ½ mi se of DeCoursey Creek. (Lake Atlas, 1883);
PRUETT (Kenton Co., Ky): po est. 8/24/1887, Ransom Pruett; Disc. 9/13/1907, eff. 9/15/07 (mail to Visalia) (POR-NA); Acc. to Ransom Pruett, 2/16/1887, the name prop. for this po was PRUETTS GROVE and it would be almost 3½ mi nw of Visalia po, 3½ mi sw of Grants Bend po, 5 mi e of Indep. po, 2 mi w of Lick. R. and ½ mi s of Decoursey Creek, 1½ mi from Ryland Sta. Serving only a store. (SLR); Ransom Pruett's family (but not him) are buried in Pruett-Mardis Cem., 330 Pruett Rd., ¼ mi from Ky. 177 in Alexandria Quad. (top.); Acc. to 1896 Gaz., Ransom Pruett had gen. store there; Ransom C. Pruett (1840-1911) and his wife Harriet (1838-1911) are buried in the Independence Cem;
RYLAND (Kenton Co., Ky): Acc. to 1876/7 Gaz., this is a small vil. on the Lick. R., 5 mi from Indep. A sta. on the KCRR and 13 mi from Cov. Saw & grist mill, sch., and chu. John M. Mendenhall was pm; Acc. to 1879/80 Gaz this was a small settlement and sta. on the KCRR, 13 mi from Cov; RYLAND HEIGHTS on Ky. 177. Named for an early settler. "Dates to the opening of a rr depot" in the present Ryland Country Club (est. 1892). A stop on the KCRR. J.W. Ryland had a farm there in 1879. The city of RYLAND HEIGHTS was inc. in 1972. (Reis, Vol. 1, P. 88); RYLAND HEIGHTS is along Ky 177. Inc. as such in 1972 to avoid annexation by Cov. Pop. ca. 250. ("Northern Ky's. Suburbs: Separate but Together" CINCI. POST, 5/9/1983, P. 12A);
RYLAND (Kenton Co.): Comm. named for early settler. On the Licking R. Abandoned when the Ft. Thomas post was closed. (Helen, Alma and Avis Lamb, paper read before the Christopher Gist Hist. Soc., 7/24/1956 in PAPERS, Vol. 7, 1955-6, Pp. 71-9, 74); po of Ryland was est. 10/7/1873, John M. Mendenhall; Disc. 4/15/79 (POR-NA); Acc. to J.W. Ryland, 9/20/1873, this po was est. to serve RYLAND STA. and would be 2 mi n of Visalia po, 12 mi s of Cov. po, ½ mi w of Lick. R., and 1 mi n of Steep Creek. Not a vil. (SLR); Acc. to 1880 Census, Jas. W. Ryland (50), a farmer, was ne Rieminghn;
SAINT JOHN'S ASYLUM (Kenton Co., Ky): po est. 3/1/1876, Thomas Hale; 3/20/1877, John Grees...4/17/1886, Sam'l. Cogswell; Disc. 12/13/1888 (papers to Erlanger); Re-est 1/28/1889, Maurice Bising; 5/1/1893, Jacob C. Hawer; Disc. 4/4/1894 (mail to Erlanger) (POR-NA); Acc. to Thos. Hale, 4/13/1876 this po was 1 mi s of Dry Creek, 5 mi w of Cov. po. (SLR); Acc. to 1883/4 Gaz., this was 2 mi n of Erlanger, 5 mi s of Cov. Jas. F. Carr was pm and blacksmith. Two hotels; The ST. JOHNS ASYLUM PO was on the Cov-Lex. Tpk. just w of Five Mile House, on the r side of the road. Jos. F. Carr was pm and blacksmith. (Lake Atlas, 1883);
SANFORDTOWN (Kenton Co.): p.o. est. as Honesty, 4/10/1886, Frederick A. Cox, ch. to Sanfordtown 8/21/1893, John Weisenberger. Disc. 6/15/1912 (mail to Cov.) (NA); Just so. of Cov. city limits on Ky. 17. Named for Gen. Thos. Sanford (ch. sp. and find out more about him...) (WPA); Gen. Thomas Sanford rec'd. a gov. grant of 120 acres for service in Ind. campaigns, in early 19th cent. This land incl. Ludlow site (q.v.) He traded land to Thos. D. Carneal for a large tract on site of later Ft. Mitchell (WPA); Sanford was 1st Congressman from this district. Acc. to 1896 Gaz., this was only a po;
SANDFORDTOWN (Kenton Co., Ky): A.P. Sandford was sheriff of Camp. Co., 1819; Most of SANDFORDTOWN is now a part of FORT WRIGHT but some of it is also within the present city limits of EDGEWOOD. (Reis, II, P. 99); No HONESTY families listed in the 1870 and 1880 Censuses.
Thos. Sandford was a Camp. Co. J.P. appointed in Dec. 1798;
John L. Sandford was ne Kenton Co. 12/7/1837, son of Cassius B. and Frances Sandford, also Kenton Co. native. Cassius was the son of Gen. Thos. Sandford who came to Ky's K. Co. from Va ca. 1788. He was a large landowner and a member of the convention to est. Ky's. 1st Const In the US Cong. 1806-1810. Cassius B. was mayor of Cov. from 1867-1871 when he died. John L. served in the CW and was a Cov. banker. Thos. Sandford was the 1st Congressman from N. Ky. (Perrin, 7th ed., 1887, P. 879); Thos. Sandford was ne Va. Moved to Cov. area in 1791. In the Ky. Sen. 1800-02, in the Ky. Hse. 1803. in US Cong. 1803-07. Died 1808. (Reis, I, P. 9);
SAVERS' (Campbell Co., Ky): po est. 5/26/1832, Henry Sayers; Disc. 12/7/1835 (POR-NA); There was a SAYERS FORK of Cruises Creek nr. the Pendleton Co. Line. But this would have been in what became Kenton Co.; In 1838 the sch. districts of that sect. of Camp. Co. that became Kenton Co. were arranged. Dist. #16 was to extend from the Pend. Co. line to Cruises Creek, up the latter to the mouth of Sayers Fork. (School Districts Laid Out 11/27/1838 in OUTLOOK, 10/16/1981, P. 18:5-8) Acc. to 1870 Census, Samuel C. Sayers was a 57 yr. old farmer;
SCOTT (Kenton Co., Ky): po est. as Fowler's Creek on 1/29/1855, Joel Dedman; 2/14/1857, Campbell J. Wayman; 1/22/1858, Jonathan McFan; 5/29/1865, Paul Waite; Disc. 4/5/1869; Re-est. 5/4/1869, Hiram W. Egelston; 4/24/1884, Clarence E. Quick; Disc. 8/31/1917 (mail to Independence) (POR-NA); Acc. to C.E.

n.ch. to Scott 5/8/1866, Paul Waite

Buck, 9/17/1885, the po of SCOTT was ca. 500 yards e o Bank Lick Creek, 3 mi n of Indep. po, and 8½ mi s of Cov. p.o. (SLR); John Fowler's Salt Works on Bank Lick (Creek) (at least by 1797). (Court Order Book A, Camp. Co., by Hartman in KY. ANC. Vol. 10 (4), 4/1975; Pp. 182-3);
SCOTT (Kenton Co., Ky): Acc. to 1870 Census, Hiram W. Egleston was a 45 year old Indiana-born hotel keeper. He did not live near any Scotts. No Paul Waite is mentioned;
SCOTT (Kenton Co., Ky): Acc. to 1876/7 Gaz. this place, as SCOTT'S is better known as EGELSTONVILLE and is a small settlement on Bank Lick Creek nr. the center of the county, 2½ mi from Indep. and 8½ mi. from Cov., 1½ mi from Maurice. Pop. 50. H.W. Egelston was pm, storekeeper and hotel keeper. Jacob Miller was a wagonmaker. Robt. Snyder had a sawmill. School; Acc. to 1896 Gaz., Robt. Snyder had flour mill. C.E. Quick was grocer. 2 blacksmiths. Was SCOTT; The Scott family home (the brick home of Jas. Scott, son of Capt. Geo. Scott) was across Bank Lick Creek from Maurice Sta. ("A Drive Out the Madison Pike" Paper read by Mrs. Calvin S. Weakley of Ft. Thos., Ky. at Gist Soc. mtg. 1/26/1954.) The Madison Pike was 1st called Banklick Rd., then Indep. Pike;
SCOTT (Kenton Co., Ky): John Fowler's Salt Works on Bank Lick Creek was referred to by name in CAMP. CO. CT ORDER BOOK A, 11/1796, P. 69, acc. to KY. ANC. Vol. 10 (4), July 1974, Pp. 4-12); John Scott was the pres. & gen. mgr. of the Cinci. So. Ry. from Jan. 1883 to Aug. 1885. (Chas. G. Hall THE CINCI. SOUTHERN RY:A HIST, Cinci., 1902); Jacob Fowler was appointed J.P. of Camp Co. July 1802; Acc. to 1870 Census, Hiram W. Egleston (45), a hotel keeper, was ne Indiana; Acc. to Lake Atlas (1883), H.M. Scott was Super. of Bank Lick Pike, Scott's PO. He was ne Kenton Co. in 1850;
SOUTH COVINGTON (Kenton Co., Ky): po est. 10/11/1872, John Moss; 6/15/1874, Homer H. Hunter...11/7/1877, John Moss; n.ch. to Milldale 5/3/1880, John Moss; 7/20/85, Wm. H. Rowe; 8/3/85, Geo. Mason; Disc. 6/10/1887 (P's. to Scott); Re-est. 9/5/1887, Robert Lee Bird; 8/14/89, John Moss...7/3/1897, Chas. M. Horton; n.ch. to Latonia 7/30/1900, C.M. Horton; 11/26/1901, John Moss...3/31/1908, Edward S. Morrison; Disc. eff. 7/31/1909 (mail to Covington) (POR-NA); Acc. to John Moss, 10/7 1872, the SOUTH COVINGTON PO was 3 mi s. of Cov. po, 3 mi n.e of Latonia Springs po, 1 mi w. of Bank Lick Creek, and 300-400 yds. w. of the rr. Serving a vil. of 500 pop (SLR);
SOUTH COVINGTON (Kenton Co., Ky): Acc. to 1876/7 Gaz., this was a sta. on the LC&L RR and the KCRR and a vil. of 900 pop. It was settled in 1850. On the Lick. R. H. Hunter was pm and rr agent. Geo. Mason and John P. Winston had gen. stores. Two hotels, a saloon, 2 grocers, other businesses; Acc. to 1896 Gaz., MILLDALE had many businesses and services. Was formerly known as SOUTH COVINGTON. Inc. town (sic) on the Lick. R., 1½ mi. s of Cov. Incl. LATONIA RACE TRACK. Dr. R. Lee Bird (MD) was pm; Acc. to 1879/80. Gaz. SOUTH COVINGTON was a sta. on the LC&L RR and the KCRR. Vil. of 500. John Moss was pm and hotel owner. Other businesses;
SPRINGLAKE (Kenton Co., Ky): po est. as Grants Bend on 5/19/1879, Jacob Hempfling; 3/6/1882, Peter McVean; 4/28/1898, Elizbeth (sic) Hackett; n.ch. to Springlake on 6/15/1899, Elizbeth Hackett; 10/1/1909, John F. McCormack. Acc. to Peter McVean, 1/5/1898, this po was 1/4 mi w of Lick. R., 2 mi e of Decoursey Creek, 215 rods e of L&N, 1/4 mi from the co. line. Acc. to Ibid., 3/19/1898, the name was changed to SPRINGLAKE and was 5 mi s of Milldale po, 4 1/2 mi n of Pruett po, 1 mi w of Lick. R., and 2 mi n of Decoursey Creek, on the w. side of the L&N, ca. 200 yrds. from CULBERTSON STA.
SPRINGLAKE (Kenton Co., Ky); Acc. to Elizabeth Hackett, 11/2/1899, this po, formerly GRANTS BEND, was 3/4 mi w of Lick. R., 2 mi s of DeCoursey Creek, 4 mi ne of Pruett po, 4 mi e of Scotts (sic) po, 300 yards w of tr KC tracks. On 11/5/1900, Ibid. pet. for a site ch. 3/10 mi n. Acc. to H.P. Ringenbach (?), 7/31/1939, this po was 5 mi s of Cov. po and 8 mi n of Indep. po. (SLR); The SPRINGLAKE PO closed in 1968. (P&G); GRANTS BEND [84°26'30"W/38°58'15"N] The BGN ruled in 1961 for this name instead of GRAND BEND, an obvious error; Wm. Culbertson ne Co. Tyrone, Ire., a cooper and horticulturist at Spring Lake. Four Culb. bros. & 4 sisters settled here ca. 1813. The bros. were- Wm., Jas. (1781-1834), Allen, & Robert;
STAFFORDSBURG (Kenton Co., Ky): po est. as such on 8/28/1850 with John Carroll, n.ch. to Beauford on 6/18/1851 with Thos. T. Mann; n.ch. to Staffordsburg on 5/7/1852 with Robt. B. Holliday; Disc. 8/23/1855; Re-est. 12/29/1890, Pendleton Northcutt...Disc. eff. 1/31/1902 (mail to Kenton) (POR-NA); Acc. to Pendleton Northcutt, 12/10/1890, the po of STAFFORDSBURG was 3 1/8 mi w of Visalia po, 3 1/2 mi e of Nicholson po, 4 1/2 mi se of Indep. po, 3 1/2 mi w of Lick. R., at the head of (south of) Stee Creek, serving a vil. of 45-100 pop. (SLR); Acc. to the 1850 Census, Nathan Stafford, 34, blacksmith, Ky. born;
STAFFORDSBURG (Kenton Co., Ky): [38°54'45"N/84°30'05"W] On DeCoursey Rd. Named for local landowner. Later Staffordsb. Chu. (BGN, 1961); Acc. to 1850 Census, John Carroll was a 35 yr. old Irish-born storekeeper who lived near Nathan Stafford, a blacksmith, and also near Thos. T. Mann;
TAYLOR MILL (Kenton Co.): (In-the-1790s,) Jas. Taylor acquired a part of the Raleigh Colston 5000 acre patent issued 1/29/1790 to Colston by Va's. Gov. Beverly Randolph. He built a mill to which the Taylor Mill Rd. extended. He owned all of what later became Latonia and the land beyond it across Banklick Creek...

(KENTON CO., KY. CENTENNIAL, 6/14-23/1940, np)

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TAYLOR'S MILLS (Kenton Co., Ky): Jas. Taylor II was permitted by the co. ct. in 12/1802 to build a grist and saw mill on his land on the e. bank of the Lick. R. opp land owned by Wm. DeCoursey. Sometime before 1811 Taylor acquired land owned by John Crittenden (that he had purchased of John Harris' survey) on Bank Lick Creek at what was called Foster's Old Mill nr the river. Here he built another mill called the Bank Lick Mill. From 1821-28 Geo. Perry managed the farm and mill for Taylor. He was succeeded, in 1829, by Jas. Foley. Acc. to an ad in the Licking Val. Register, 3/19/1842, the mill was on Bank Lick Creek, ¼ mi from the Lick. R., 4 mi from Cov. Grist & saw mill. Jas. Taylor of Newport was still prop. He died 1845(?) (Marg. Hartman in OUTLOOK, 12/15/1975 p.14-16)
TIMBERLAKE'S (Campbell Co., Ky): po est. 10/24/1829, Thornton Timberlake; Disc. 7/20/1835 (POR-NA); Thornton Timberlake was ne Va, and was an officer in the War of 1812. (Perrin, 7th ed., 1887, P. 891); Thornton Timberlake was ne Caroline Co., Va. and settled in Kenton Co. early in 19 cent. Acquired thousands of acres. This name identified the area that became ERLANGER. (Reis, Vol. 3, P. 14); He died 12/28/1857 and was ne 1794. (Ibid.); At 108 Stevenson in Erlanger (on Ky 236) is a two story brick home built by Maj. Wm. Thornton Timberlake, a War of 1812 vet., who helped build the road that became the Dixie Highway. (HIGHWAY MARKER #1626);
VILLA HILLS (Kenton Co.): Reclassified from 5th class city to 4th class city by the Ky. GA H.B. 173, signed by Gov. the week of 3/13/1978 (LCJ, 3/19/1978, P. A14:4); Acc. to Chester Geaslen, Col. Lewis had a camp & lookout at this site during the C.W. The Benedictine Sisters bought the farmstead of W.C. Collins on Bromley Hts., the hill 1 mi. n. of Crescent Springs. They had their motherhouse at 12th & Scott Streets, Cov. for 44 yrs. They acquired this new site on 10/13/1903 on 86 acres. The Villa Madonna name was suggested by Fr. Rhabanus, OSB, then Pastor of St. Jos. Chu., Cov. It means "country seat of Our Lady".
VISALIA (Kenton Co.): c. 1820, Nathaniel Vise settled on w. bank of Licking R. A little later 4-5 others built log cabins nearby. They named their settlement for Mr. Vise. Another Visalia in Tulare Co., Cal. A cc. to a letter rec'd. from Sec., Ch. of Comm. Visalia, Cal. "In 1850 a man named Nathaniel Vise settled in Tulare Co. and in 1852 he and his wife Thalia Vise deeded 160 acres for a town site and it was named 'Visalia!'..." (J.J. Caldwell of Cov., Ky. ir a letter to Miss Lucy Blackburn, Cov., 6/23/1937, in Visalia Vert. Files, Kenton Co. PL) Caldwell got his info. from his father who had moved to Visalia site c1820.
VISALIA (Kenton Co., Ky): "This vil. with epo betw. Ky. 177 and the Licking R., 5 (air) mi ese of Independence, was settled sometime before 1807 by Nathaniel Vise, Jr. In 1818 he was authorized by the then Camp. Co. Ct. to est. the town later called Visalia for him. For a brief period, in 1827, it was the Camp. Co. seat. The 1st po to serve that area was est. on Jan. 2, 1855 as New Canton probably across the Licking. In 1859 Geo Watson moved it a short distance upstream to Visalia and it was renamed." (Book-P. 306); Acc. to Thos. S. Burnside, 4/27/1914, this po was ¼ mi w of the Lick. R. 1 mi s of Steep Creek, 5 mi e of Indep. po, 4 mi n of Kenton po, 60 ft. e of L&N. RR sta=Visalia. (SLR);
VISALIA (Kenton Co., Ky): Acc. to 1876/7 Gaz., this place was better known as CANTON STATION and was a vil. of 140 pop. Settled 1856. On Lick. R. and the KCRR, 5⅓ mi. from Indep. Saw & grist mill, chu. and sch. E.P. Caldwell was pm, storekeeper, and expr. agent. Jas. W. Temple had a saw & grist mill. M. Mason and W.B. Burnside also had gen. stores. Other businesses; Acc. to 1896 Gaz., Mrs. E. Taliaferro was pm. T.S. Burnside and T.J. Sellers had gen. stores. James W. Temple ran the flour mill. Other businesses; The VISALIA po was disc. in 1934 (P&G); Nathaniel Vice (sic) of Camp. Co. died 9/1802. His wife was Jemimah. Among their children were Nathaniel, Jr., John, Geo., Uriah, etc;
VISALIA (Kenton Co.): p.o. est. as New Canton, 1/2/1855, Wm. J. Reddick...nch. to Visalia, 2/8/59, Geo. G. Watson...(NA); On the Licking R. Inc. 1869. "In 1827 an act of the Ky. Leg. fixed the seat of Campbell Co. here, and court was held during the years at this point. The county seat was moved to Pond's Creek the following yr." On Ky. 177 and the L&N RR.(WPA); c. 1820 1st settled by Nathaniel Vise for whom it was named. On the w. bank of the Licking R. Later settlers named their settlement for its orig. settler. Short time seat of Campbell Co. (Robt. S. Tate, "The Grass Roots of Kenton Co." REG. OF THE KHS, Vol. 53, April 1955, Pp. 138-49, 145);
VISALIA (Kenton Co.): Uninc. Planned to petition for incorporation. Filed papers in circ. ct. on 2/19/1976. Would take in ½ sq. mi. on both sides of Ky. 177 on the banks of the new Licking R. just s. of Visalia Bridge, then being built. (Roger Auge, "Visalia Petitions to Become a City" KY. POST, 2/20/1976); "At the late term of the Kenton Co. court the right to run a ferry across the Licking River from Visalia, or Canton, as it is more generally called, was granted to F.M. Kennedy for twenty years." (COV. JOURN. 3/5/1870, P. 3:2); ["veze/Isa/lyə"] (Marg. Hartman, 5/22/179).
VISALIA (Kenton Co.): Nathaniel Vise, son of Nathaniel, Sr. who had settled on the west side of Licking R. in 1797-8. Died 1802. Nathaniel, Jr. ran a ferry from this site opp. Squire Grant's mill, in 6/1807. He had 140 acres...He was authorized by the county ct. on 8/24/1818 to est. a town to be called Visalia. He also suggested his place for the new court in c.1823. (Margaret Hartman, CAMPBELL CO. KY. HIST. & GENEAL. 12/15/1978 Supplement to the FALMOUTH OUTLOOK, Pp. 27-8 Inc. 3/13/1869 (ACTS, 1869, Vol. 2, P. 312);
VISALIA (Kenton Co.): Squire Wm. Reddick was an early settler of the site of the present Canton. The Vices settled just above him, on the Licking (west side). On the east side of the river, Allens, Maddox's, Grants, and Harris's settled. Mr. Allen est. a water mill which became a mtg. place "and voting place for the upper end of the county until 1820 when Nat Vice laid off the town of Visalia and the voting place was moved" there c.1821 or 22, an "effort to move the seat from Newport to Visalia" as central location of count Commissioners located the seat "above the
mouth of Pond Creek, on the river, on the land of Richard Southgate, formerly the farm of Squire Grant, on the e. side of the river about a mi. below the old voting place. The courts being held at Visalia, as it was the most suitable place, until the public bldgs. could be built. The public grounds were laid off, lots sold at public sale.... The people of the county were not generally satisfied with the location, and an effort was made to move it to Visalia, but Newport having an equal chance, the county seat was taken back to Newport, and Richard Southgate took the
lots all back again...." (John W. Stevens, "Alexandria" in NEWPORT LOCAL, 12/12/1878, P. 1:4);
VISALIA (Kenton Co., Ky): Nathaniel Vise, son of Nathaniel N. I settled on the w. side of the Lick. R. where he died Sept. 1802. Nath. Jr. ran the ferry across the river from his home to Squire Grant's Mill in 1807. In 11/1818 he was licensed to maintain a tavern. Jr. offered part of his 140 acres for new site of co. seat. in early 1823. In late 1822 he est. a town on this land and called it VISALIA. (Marg. Hartman in OUTLOOK hist. of Camp. Co., 12/15/1978, Pp. 27-8); Nath Vise platted the town 1819 on 140 acres. He was authori to operate ferry across r. in 1807. Camp. Co. ct. here from 10/23/1823 to 10/26/26 for its central location. Pop. (1878)=ca. 165. With mill, several stores, shop,po. Unsuccessful attempt (acc. to KY. POST, 6/6/1902) to
change name to BETHSALIA to avoid confusion with Versailles. BETHSALIA was the name of a local summer camp. Inc. as a city in 1976. (Reis II, Pp. 110-11);
WEAVER'S MILL (Kenton Co., Ky): po est. 12/30/1850, Geo. A. Yates; 2/3/1851, James Scott; 3/8/1851, Elijah Yates; 4/11/1851, Solomon Wayman; Disc. 5/1/1851 (POR-NA); No mention in the 1850 Census of any Weaver who was a miller by occupation. Solomon Wayman (1777-1852) is buried in the Wayman Cem. 2½ mi. n of Ind. on the west side of Coons Branch Rd., 750 ft. from Ky. 17. (Ind. Quad.)
WHITE HOUSE (Kenton Co., Ky): po est. 2/1/1876, Geo. Waldmann; Disc. 4/28/1879 (POR-NA); Acc. to Geo. Waldman, 4/13/1876 the WHITE HOUSE PO was formerly LATONIA SPRINGS in the Buena Vista Prec. and was 3½ mi s of the Ohio R., on w. side of Bank Lick Creek, 3 mi s of Cov. po, 2 mi w of Maurice Sta. on the LC&L RR. (SLR);
WHITE TOWER (Kenton Co., Ky): "This once discrete hamlet on Ky 16 is now partly contained within the newly inc. eastern boundary of Independence. It was named sometime in the late 19th cent. for a tower built on land owned by a George White, and has also been called White's Tower and simply Towers. A po of the latter name was in operation from 1900 to 1907." (Book-P. 317)
WHITE TOWER (Kenton Co.): Given as Whites Tower and named for Geo. White, 1st settler Geo. Stephens on 300 acres. He built large barns for his cattle which he drove to Cov. & Cincy. markets over the Taylor Mill Rd. (Robert S. Tate, "The Grass Roots of Kenton Co." in REG. OF THE KHS, Vol.53, April 1955 Pp. 138-49, Pp. 145-6); Acc. to John Walker Harris, 1/29/1900, the name prop. for this po was WHITE'S TOWER and it would be 2 mi nw of Staffordsb. po, 3 mi ne of Nicholson po, 3¼ mi sw of Pruett po, 1 mi e of Fowlers Creek. Vil. of 50 pop. (SLR);
WHITE TOWER (Kenton Co.): p.o. est. as Towers, 4/9/1900, John W. Harris. Disc. eff. 9/30/1907 (mail to Visalia) (NA); First called White Tower and later as Towers. On Ky. 16. Named for Geo. White. The 1st settler was Tommy Stephens who acquired 300 acres of land and built large barns for the cattle he drove thru to Cinci. over the old Taylor Mill Rd. (WPA); The White Tower name is recognized by BGN. Acc to local businessmen, it was named for a tower built on land owned by a Mr. White. While some have called it White's Tower, local businessmen seem to prefer White Tower. Latter name given on st. hiway maps and Indep. 7½ m. top. map. (BGN report, c.1964): 38°55'50" N on Taylor Mill Rd. 84°30'10" W.
WILMINGTON (Kenton Co.): ("Wihl/mih/ə/tən") was the 1st seat of Campbell Co. before Kenton was separated from it. People lived there but they had no deeds recorded and she guesses it flopped as a commu. (Margaret Hartman, interview, 5/22/1979); WILMINGTON was laid out as a town on 50 acres on the Lick. R., ca. 22 mi. s of Newport. (Reis, I P. 264); On 10/11/1793 John Grant acquired this site as one of 2 Lick. R. tracts from Geo. Nicholas. 1st owned by John Harris and called THE HARRIS SURVEY. On 12/7/93 the G.A. approved the est. of a town on 50 acres of this land on the river betw. the mouths of Big and Little Grassy Creeks. On 6/1/1795 at the town of Wilmington, in John Grant's home, the 1st ct. of the new Camp. Co. was
held. Wilm. was betw. Cruises Creek and Morning View. John Grant had a ferry here. (Rus Stevens "County Has Falmouth Ties" and "The Roads to Wilm." in OUTLOOK, 12/15/1978, Pp. 8,10);
DeMOSSVILLE (Pendleton Co.): Wilmington was est. as a town by Act of the G.A. 12/7/1793. Founded by John Grant at the mouth of the Tw Grassy Creeks on the Licking River. The town is now called DeMossville. (Letter to Louise W. Hampton of Winchester, Ky. from Wm. R. Stevens of Newport, Ky. 4/16/1976, in Campbell Co. vert. files, KHS, examined by me, 2/17/1979); Acc. to Margaret Hartman, Wilm. was authorized as 1st co. seat by Ky. G.A. 12/7/1793 in then Scott Co. on 50 acres owne by John Grant. The 1st ct. was held at his home there 6/11/1795. The site is now in Kenton Co. betw. Kenton Sta. and Morning Vie