

✓ MONTGOMERY COUNTY (Ky): 199 sq. mi. "This co. was est in 1797 from part of Clark Co. and named for Gen'l. Richard Montgomery (1738-75), a Rev. War officer killed in the assault on Quebec." (Book-P. 201); n=18 counties were formed in whole or part from the orig. Montg. Co. It was 1st explored in 1775 by Wm. Calk, Enoch Smith, Robert Whitledge; Grassy Lick and Hinkston Creeks drain the n, nw, and west central parts of the co., ca. 1/3 of the county; Lulbegrud Creek drains the west central & sw parts, ca. 1/8 of the co the rest of the co. is drained by Slate Creek, the main drainage system (over 1/2 of the co.);

✓ Acc. to trad. , Montg. Co's establishment came as a result of Mt. Sterling's loss to Winch. as seat of the then newly created Clark Co. That and the fact that, as Goff Bedford pointed out (I, P. 177) it was too large to administer from Winch;

✓ Gen'l. Richard Montgomery (1737-1775), Irish-born. Killed in the 1775 assault on Quebec at the start of the Am. Rev.; On 12/14/1796 the Ky. Gen'l. Ass. org. Montg. Co. and named it for Gen. Richard Montgomery, a victim of the ill-fated assault on Quebec in 1775. The co. originally extended all the way to the Va. line and took in what became 18 co's. Floyd was the first to separate in 1799. (Boyd & Boyd, Mt. S., 1984, P. 5). The co. had 27 po's. (Ibid., P. 133);

✓ The northern $2/3$ of Montg. Co. are in the Outer Bluegrass; the rest are in the Appal. foothills. The eastern & southern $1/3$ "border the e.Ky. coal field with its high knobs and ridges" & its highest elevations. (Top. P. 5) The co. is drained by the branches of the Ky & Licking R's. Its prin. streams are the ~~Slate~~ Slate, Lulbegrud (Red R.), and Hinkston Creel. M. Co. took $4/5$'s of Clark Co's orig. terri. (Bedford II, P. 243); For what was taken from the orig. Montg. Co. (1796-7) see Ibid., P. 241. Get an overlay;

✓ AARONS RUN (Montgomery Co., Ky): PO est. 2/3/1837, Wm F. Lumme; 11/20/1843, James R. Wilson...Disc. 3/4/64; Re-est. 3/6/1866, John P. Maury; 9/25/1867, Thos C. Greaves..Disc. 8/21/1871; Re-est. 2/22/1877, Colby Bybee; 10/25/78, Thos. J. Denton; Disc. 9/30/79; Re-est. 2/10/1892, Jas. T. Caywood; Disc. 4/5/94 (mail to Sideview) (POR-NA); ["Æ/ənz Ruhn"] PO & hamlet named for the stream which is a branch of Hinkston Cr. Acc. to Haas Gazetteer, 1959-60, this place was near Sideview and on Aarons Run and Grassy Lick Creeks, 6 mi. from Mt. S. Had 2 stores, 2 distilleries, Masonic Lodge, 1 flouring mill (water-powered), 1 MD, tobacconist, 1 boot-shoe maker, 1 blacksmith, 2 surveyors, Pop. of 60. (Hazel Boyd, interv., 6/23/1977);

✓ AARONS RUN (Montgomery Co., Ky): Acc. to Jas. T. Haywood, 1/21/1892, this po was 2½ mi e of Side View PO, 3 mi nw of Judy PO, 4½ mi se of Plum Lick PO, 25 yds. w of Aaron's Run of Grassy Lick Creek. A vil. of ca. 60. (SLR); Aaron Higgins died in or nr. Chillicothe, C ca. 1789. He was one of 7 pion. brothers who settled early in Montg. Co. (Advocate, 6/22/1950); Aarons Run was the co's 2nd po. (Boyd & Boyd, Mt. S., 1984, P. 133; The po was named for the stream and the stream was named for Aaron Higgins, ca. 1776

✓ AARONS RUN (Montgomery Co., Ky): Aaron Higgin
acquired 3093 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres on Lick Creek (Fay. Co.)
that were surveyed on 3/12/1784 and 1106 acre
on Buck Lick Creek (Fay. Co) surveyed on 12/
17/1783. And 1000 + 400 acres on Buck Lick Cr
(surv. 12/12/83) (Jillson I, P. 63, from Va.
Grants); Aarons Run had been so named at
least by 1794, acc. to an item in the KY. Gaz
4/15/1794;

✓ BEAN (Montgomery Co., Ky): PO est. 7/9/1914, Elijah T. Hollon; 11/29/1915, Wm. T. Huff; Disc. eff. 1/14/1922 (mail to Jeffersonville) (POR-NA); name for a prominent Montg. Co. family; Families of Beans. Voting prec. (Hazel Boyd, interv., 6/23/1977; Acc. to Elijah F. Hollon, 4/16/1914, the name prop. for this po was Joy and the prop. po would be 300 yards w of Spruce Creek, 8 mi nw of Sage PO (Powell Co.), 4 air mi n of the co. line, a little more than 4 mi w of Means PO and 3½ mi ese of Jeffersonv. PO, on co. road betw. them. | On 2/23/1918, Wm. T. Huff pet. for a site ch. to a pt. 75 rods w of Spruce Creek, 4 mi w of Means PO, 4 mi w of Chambers Station (rr), 4 mi s of the co. line (sic). (SLR);

The Beams were descendants of John Bean, Jr. (1766-1849) ne Hagerstown,, Md. and died in Winch. Wife was Eve Senseny (1771-1853) and their son James^d Bean (1800-1873) was ne Winch & died in Mt. St. James' wife was Mary (nee Smith) (1822-1848) who also died in Mt. S;

✓ BENTON (Montgomery Co., Ky): PO est. 4¹/₂/1840, Jas. Wills; Disc. 2/3/1842 (POR-NA); Horace Benton (50 is mentioned in the 1850 Census as a farmer. He and his wife Louisa (42) lived in Dist. # But no Wills in the area. Horace Benton is also mentioned in the 1840 Census;

CAMARGO (Montgomery Co.): Acc. to legend, it was named by a group of Mex. War soldiers who had settled there after the war. They had served with Zachary Taylor. The hometown of E.C. O'Rear, late chief justice of the Ky. Ct. of Appeals. Its claim to fame was derived from a story linking Judge O'Rear to the town: "He once attended a one-room school there, then read law in an attorney's office, never having the opp. of attending a university. After he had gained fame, he was guest of hono at a lawyer's (sic) dinner at Philadelphia.

The guests were queried as to their alma maters. When it came to Judge O'Rear he answer that he was a graduate of the University of

Camargo. 'Of course, replied one of the distinguished guests,' the University of Camargo; it is a great institution. I have often heard of it.'" (Gerald Griffin of LCJ, "Hundreds See Mrs. Roosevelt at Dedication of State School" LCJ, 5/25/1937.); Camargo had a rural ~~branch po~~ branch po from Ca. 1957-1963 (P&G); Thos. C. Ricketts was the founder of Camargo. His father, Jas. W. Ricketts was, in 1889, a 65 yr. ol mechanic. Acc. to "Diary of Dr. L.C. Jeffries", excerpted by Mrs. Carl C. Boyd in E. KENT., Vol. 6 (3), 12/1970, Pp. 3-5);

CAMARGO (Montgomery Co., Ky.) (sic)

Settled by several Spanish-Am. War vets. Named for a town in Mexico. (Mrs. Geneva Thompson, ms for Geo. Boswell, MSU, c1965 from Milburn Kendrick, ne 1902, a farmer and Menifee Co. historian.)

✓ p.o. est. 11/22/1848, J.M. Ricketts; 7/20/1853, Edwin Geo. Orear (sic) (till 10/3/54) ...Disc. 11/3/63; Re-est. 8/7/77, Wm. F. Horton....Disc. 8/31/06, eff. with mail to Mt. Sterling) (NA) Pop=200 (Rand McN. c1970).

po. disc 10/30/1963 (PO)

✓ CAMARGO (Montgomery Co.): ("Kə/m(ah)r/g(oh)"
cf Judge O'Rear....(Hazel Boyd, 6/23/1977);
Acc. to John M. Prewitt, Camargo was named
by Mex. War vets. for the town in Mexico. He
also said it had been rumored that the name
was really in honor of an entertainer named
Camargo who delighted said vets during their
tour of duty in Mexico." (Hazel Boyd, from
her interview with Prewitt, and in a letter
to me, 8/25/1977); Boyd thinks the Camargo
name is older than the Mex. War. Has seen
references to the Camargo Chu, as est. in the
name in the early 19th cent. (Interview, 6/23
1977);

✓ CAMARGO (Montgomery Co., Ky): "During the Mex. War, there was a large contingent of vols. who entered the service from Ky., quite a no. of them being from the vic. of what is now Camargo. During the war these vols. were billeted in a small Mex. vil. called Camargo. These troops saw no action and did very little in the war other than have a good time. The Mex. vil. of Camargo was very pleasantly remembered by them because of the availability of wine and women. Following the war, a po was est. at the present location of Camargo., and a mtg. of

residents was held to decide on the name of the po. Because of the above fond memories, it was suggested that the vil. be named after Camargo, the Mex. town...." (Tom P. Senff, ms. in Mt. S-Montg. Pub. Libr.); On

7/17/1877 Wm. F. Horton stated that this po was 4 mi nw of Jeff. PO, 5 mi se of Mt. S. PO. A vil. of 130. \\ Acc. to Ibid., 1/2/1886, the po was 1 mi n of Brush Creek, 4½ mi nw of Jeff. PO, 5 mi se of Mt. S. PO, 3 mi sw of Spencer PO, 3 mi n of Levee PO. (SLR);

From a letter by Edward C. O'Rear of Versailles, Ky. to Judge Thos. D. Grubbs, Mt. S., Ky. 11/8/1949 re- the pn of Montg. Co. (in response to Grubbs' request for info. to pass on to Emmett Hardy (copy in Mt. S-Montg. PL))

"In the Mex. War Capt. Turpin of Montg. Co. raised a co. of vols. who served with credit in the US Army in actions in Mex. Upon their return, many of them having gone from the se part of the co., they found a wide place in the Big Road, as the old highway leading into the mts. was called. There had been built a blacksmith shop (Foster's) and John Pendleton's wagon shop, and 2 or 3 residences, Dr.

Rickett's, the Botts' and the Kitchens'. The soldiers dubbed the place 'Camargo' in memory of a city of considerable note in n. cent. Mex., which they had visited. No doubt the euphony, and maybe some irony, suggested it. The Mex. city of that name was in honor of a world-famed beauty of the 16th cent., whose charm had entranced many of the capitals of Europe. / "Adjacent to the vil. of Camargo is the remnant of an old fort, evidently that of the pre-historic race of mound builders, who left many evidences of their having had

permanent abodes in what is now Mont. Co. as the mounds are n of Camargo, and in and nr Mt S....The Meth. Chu. of Camargo was first called 'Fort Chapel', orig. built about 1820, and was located near the edge of the ancient fort. The present chu. bldg., some rods w of the 1st site, was built before the CW. Tho' more than 90 yrs. old, it is maintained in excel. condition of repair, and use....."

✓ CAMARGO (Montgomery Co., Ky): "This 6th cl. city with
epo, on US 460, 4 (air) mi se of Mt. S., is generally
believed to have been named for a town in Mexico by
veterans of Zachary Taylor's army in the Mex. War
(1846-48). But, acc. to one acct., it may have
honored a Mex. entertainer named Camargo who
'delighted' American servicemen during their stay in
his country. Yet references to an early 19th cent.
chu. of this name in the co. have also been found.
The po was est. on 11/22/1848 with J.M. Ricketts, pm,
and closed in 1963." (Book-P. 47);

✓ CASH'S NOB (sic) (Montgomery Co., Ky): po est. 7/21/1846, James J. George; 11/10/1848, Reuben Porter... 12/2/1861, John M. Stephens; Disc. 7/31/1863 (POR-NA)

✓ Caleb Kash, Sr. settled on Gilmore's Creek, now in Wolfe Co. His bro., James Kash, Sr. settled in Montg. Co. Kash's Knob was named for James. James married Phoebe Lacey. He later moved to the Red R. below Hazel Green. (ms. on the Kash family by Roy Mason Kash of Duke Med'l. Sch., Durham, NC, 1940, in the Mt. S-Montg. Co. Pub. Lib.); Acc. to Green Trimble's Recollections of Breathitt, Kelly Kash (was this Caleb?) left Greenbrier Co., Va. and settled in the fall of 1797 on the st. rd. 13 mi from Mt. S. at the foot of what's now called Kash's Knob. He later moved to the site of Hazel Green, Ky;

✓ CHASE (Montgomery Co., Ky): po est. 5/15/1901, Isaac J. Chase; Disc. eff. 6/30/1902 (papers to Levee) (POR-NA); Acc. to Isaac Chase, 3/25/1901, this prop. po would be on Lulbegrud Creek, 4½ mi se of Levee PO 6½ mi nw of Clay City PO, 5 mi sw of Jeff. PO.(SLR);

✓ ELM HILL (Montgomery Co., Ky): po est. 6/15/1869,
Silas H. Lane; Disc. 8/25/1871 (POR-NA); Acc. to
Silas H. Lane, 10/5/1868, this prop. po would be 4½
mi s of Sharpsburg PO, 5½ mi n of Mt. S. PO, 4 or 5
mi e of Aarons Run PO, ¼ mi e of Hampton Creek. Not
a vil. (SLR);

EWINGTON (Montgomery Co., Ky): Acc. to W.C. Thompson, 7/1882 this prop. po would be 1 mi s of Hinkston Creek. || Acc. to Jeff Davis Sewell, 5/23/1887, the po was 3 mi e of Mt. S. PO, 4 mi w of Stepstone PO, 3 mi w of Flat Creek PO, 3 mi n of Slate Creek. At Ewington Sta. of NN & MV RR, 10 ft. s of tracks. || Acc. to Wm. Paul Weckesser, 9/23/1913, the po was 4½ mi n of Slate Creek, ¾ mi e of Mt. S. PO, 15 yards n of the C&O tracks. Ewington Sta. (SLR); Ewington is 3 mi ne of Mt. S. Named for the family, descendants of Md-born Putnam Ewing (or perhaps Jas. Ewing.) (a col. by Harry Mills, undated, on early Mont. Co. families);

✓ EWINGTON (Montgomery Co.): p.o. est. 7/24/
1882, Wm. C. Thompson..Disc. 8/9/83; Re-est.
6/20/1887, Jefferson D. Sewell...Disc. 8/31/
1913; Re-est. 12/16/13, Wm. P. Weckesser;
Disc. 7/15/1915 (mail to Mt. S.) (NA);
("Yū/(ih)ŋ/tən") Now: gas sta. and a store.
Used to have another store but it closed.
Named for the local Ewing family. DK how long
it was referred to as Ewington. RR stop. (Mrs
Hazel Boyd, interview, 6/23/1977);

✓ EWINGTON (Montgomery Co., Ky): Sta. on the C&O RR where it crosses the old Owingsv. Tpk. e of Mt. St. Named for Col. Jack Ewing of Bath Co., one of its leading citizens. (Judge O'Rear's letter to Grubbs, 1949); Named for Andrew Jackson Ewing, large landowner from whom the C&O secured right of way. For this the rr agreed to open a rr stop there and name it for him. ca. 3 mi e of Mt. S. on US 60. Store destroyed by fire after WWII. Only rr stop & siding remain. (Tom P. Senff, Mt. S., from data submitted by Everett Stafford of Camargo, in the Mt.S -Mont. Lib.);

FIDDLER'S HILL (Montgomery Co., Ky): just above Aaron: Run Pike, on site once owned by Jas. Wilson. By 1951 it was owned by descendants of Wm. Henry who was called "Tucker Bill". On the right hand side of the road to/ Sideview is the Wilson-Caywood Cem. (sic) in which is buried: Mrs. Abraham Wilson (7/25/1785 in Culpepper Co., Va. --5/24/1847) and W.M. Wilson (1834-?), etc. Jas. R. Wilson (12/31/1805-12/15/1870 & his wife Hannah (Jones) Wilson (1821-1876) were moved to Mt. S. (Acc. to cem. records in Mt. S-Montg. Co. Pub. Lib.);

✓ GILEAD (Montgomery Co., Ky): po est. 6/1/1893, Bettie Hainline; 10/11/1895, James W. Adamson; 6/19/1896, Alfred E. Carnahan; Disc. 10/16/1903, eff. 10/31/03, (papers to Mt. Sterling) (POR-NA); [Ghihl/ee/aed] or [Ghihl/ee/əd]. Named for Mt. Gilead Chu., an old Pres. Chu. in the Lulbegrud area, above Levee. Disc. (Hazel Boyd, interv., 6/23/1977); Acc. to Miss Bettie Hainline, 5/9/1893, this prop. po would be 1½ mi n of the Levee PO, 2½ mi s of Hadden PO, 4 mi w of Camargo PO, 50 ft. w of Lulbegrud Creek. Vil. of 85. (SLR);

✓ GRASSY LICK (Montgomery Co., Ky): "This xrds hamlet with epo lies on Grassy Lick Creek, for which it was named, at the jct. of Grassy Lick, Pruitt, and Donaldson Rds., midway betw. US 460 and I 64, and 3½ (air) mi wnw of Mt. S. The creek is said to have been named ~~for~~^{by} pion. hunters for the gathering place of large herds of buffalo and deer at a salt spring at the forks of the creek in an open grassy meadow, alleged to be where bluegrass was first planted in Ky. The po, which was est. as Grassy Lick on May 14, 1886, with John W. Pharis, pm, became Grassy in 1895 and closed in 1902. The commu. has always been called Grassy Lick." (Book-P. 122);

GRASSY PO (Montgomery Co., Ky): N.ch. from Grassy Lick PO (tho' not necessarily at this time) in the Grassy Lick Prec. Acc. to John Wm. Pharis, 4/26/1886, the Grassy PO was 4 mi s of Sideview PO, 5 mi w of Mt Sterling PO, 6 mi e of Wades Mill PO, on the w bank of the Grassy Lick Creek. (Acc. to W.B. Greene, 4/1895, the Grassy PO was serving a commu. called Grassy Lick on the w bank of Grassy Lick Creek, 4 mi se of Side View po, 5 mi w of Mt. S. PO, 5 mi e of Wades Mill PO. (SLR);

✓ GRASSY (Montgomery Co.): p.o. est. as
Grassy Lick 5/14/1886, John W. Pharis...n.ch.
to Grassy, 2/4/1895, Wm. B. Greene...Disc.eff
9/13/1902 (mail to Mt. S.) (NA)

5 mi. from Mt. S. on the Grassy Lick Pike.
Named by pioneer settlers. "When they reached
this place they found that the salt lick here
had attracted great numbers of buffaloes, and
that those animals had killed out the cane
and underbrush with the trampling feet. In
the space around the lick a luxuriant growth
of grass had sprung up, and the hunters and
settlers named the place Grassy Lick." (Gladys
Robertson, WPA)

✓ GRASSY LICK (and Grassy Lick Creek) (Montgomery Co., Ky.): "On its banks near or on the Howell farm there was a lick where the buffalos (sic) resorted in great numbers, and where the cane and undergrowth was killed out by tramping. Where the space was cleared the blue grass had sprung up luxuriantly, and when the early hunters saw this spot in the unbroken wilderness, they denominated it 'Grassy Lick.'" (Richard Reid, "Historic Sketches of Montgomery Co." read at 4th of July Celeb., 1876, and republished by the Woman's Club of Mt., S., 1926, P. 38.)

GRASSY LICK (Montgomery Co., Ky): Acc. to "Complete Record Book" A&B, Fay. Co. Circ. Ct., in 1775 Grassy Lick was known as Buck Lick. Wm. Lynn claimed he killed 2 large bucks here and would call the site (at the forks of the creek) Buck Lick. It was called Pasture Lick in 1780 because of the bluegrass in the bottom by the buffalo lick by Enoch Smith. By 1782 it was called Grassy Lick. (Hazel Boyd, notes sent to me, 8/25/1977); Acc. to Patrick Jordan, deposition of 9/5/1807 (Book B, P. 467), it was first called Buck Lick (1775) but by 1807 was known as Grassy Lick. He had been at the lick in 1775 with a party incl. Geo Rogers Clark, John Crittenden, Thornton Farrow, etc.

Acc. to Enoch Smith's dep. of 2/26/1806 (Book B, P. 469), tho' it was called Buck Lick in 1780, he had called it Pasture Lick in 1779. Acc. to Wm. Suddut in his 2/27/1806 dep. (Book B, P. 476), the stream was called Grassy Lick Creek by 3/1784. In 1785/6 he heard of a w branch of this stream called Buck Lick Creek and he also heard the main stream called this as well. Acc. to dep. of Elias Tolin, 2/27/1806 (Book B, P. 478), Grassy Lick was called Buck Lick in 1775. He referred to the bluegrass growing around the lick on the ridge when he first saw it in Aug. 1775. Acc. to Jesse Hodge's dep. 9/5/1807 (Book B, P. 484) in 1779 some from Boonesb. were calling it Grassy Lick, and others were calling it Buck Lick and still others Pasture Lick.

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GRASSY-LICK (Montgomery Co.): Was known by this name as early as 1776 to denote the lick. The lick is at the forks of Grassy Lick Creek of Hinkston's Fork of Licking R. The site was pre-empted in 1776 and has since been variously known as Blue Lick and Parkins Lick. "It was improved by Aaron Higgins in 1776 and was then an area remarkable for its quantity and quality of 'English' or Native Bluegrass. Buffalo and deer came there to feed in large numbers in the open grassy meadow." (Jillson, PIONEER KY. 1934, P. 120); Named for the native bluegrass.....

GRASSY LICK (Montgomery Co.): This is what it is referred to locally. ("Ghr(ae)s/ee L(ih)k") (Hazel Boyd, 6/23/77); Acc. to deposition of Wm. Suddith, taken 2/27/1808, before Jeremiah Davis, Montg. Co. "sometime in the mo. of 3/1784, (he and several others) were at the lick on this creek which the company called Grassy Lick and the creek Grassy Lick Creek. That about the yr. 1785 or 1786, (he) heard a western branch of said creek called Buck Lick and a few yrs. afterwards heard the creek called Buck Lick Creek And within a yr. or two past, Hugh Forbes called the creek that passes by Mt. S. Buck

Lick but does not know how early either of the said creeks had that name. The main creek I have heard called Grassy Lick, Pasture Lick, and Buck Lick. The western branch at present is called Aarons Run which about the yr. 1788 or 1789 was called Buck Lick." So there really was a lick there, a buffalo lick. It's where blue grass supposedly 1st planted in Ky.... Buck Lick was so called in 1775.... The above quote from a ms. privately published by Lillie Taul Edsall called GRASSY LICK, MONTGOMERY CO., KY and shared with me, with commentary, by Hazel Boyd, 6/23/77);

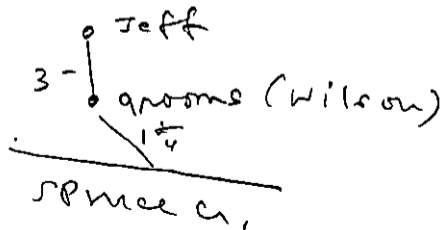
Jas. Sewell was one of the 1st settlers of the Grassy Lick. In fact, his entry seems to have been the 1st one....Grassy Lick & Sewells Shop are not the same community... Grassy Lick is at the forks of Grassy Lick Creek, at the curve in the road where there is a store and a chu. Chu. still there. The chu. is supposed to have been there by 1791 or '92. A sch. was up on the hill behind it. A large store was there at least by 1900....The commu. has never been referred to as just Grassy, always Grassy Lick. The spring at the site of the lick is at

the|jct. of the Donelson and the Grassy
Lick Pike....(Hazel Boyd, interview, 6/23
1977);

GRASSY LICK CREEK (Montgomery Co.): Named for the gathering of buffalo and deer at a salt spring on the banks of the creek. (Hazel Boyd, letter to me, 8/25/1977); The Grassy Lick Chu. founded before 1790, log chu. built 1793....Oldest continuous Meth. chu. in Ky. Bluegrass was found at a salt spring 100 yds ne of the chu. Active....(Ibid.); PO called Taul est. at Grassy Lick 5/14/86 and sic, 12/13/1902. Its name may have been changed to Grassy 2/4/1895. (Ibid.) (check on this....).....

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✓ GROOMS (Montgomery Co., Ky): Acc. to John M. Myers, 3/6/1895, the (re-est.) po would be called Wilson and would be 3 mi s of Jeffersonv. PO, 6 mi se of Camargo po, and $1\frac{1}{4}$ mi n of Spruce Creek. || Acc. to John F. Grooms, 6/15/1891, the^xpo was serving the commu. of Camp Branch $4\frac{1}{2}$ mi s of Jeff. PO, $\frac{1}{4}$ mi n of Spruce Creek. No vil. (SLR); *Prop.



✓ GROOMS (Montgomery Co., Ky): Moses Grooms is listed in the 1810 and 1820 Censuses of Montg. Co.; Moses Grooms was living in Bourbon Co. in 1808 when he married Eliz. Wall, daughter of John Wall

✓ GROOMS (Montgomery Co., Ky): po est. 6/30/1891, John F. Grooms; 4/15/1893, Druzettie Hammons; 12/17/94, Mary L. Grooms, declined; Disc. 1/24/1895 (mail to Jeffersonville); Re-est. 6/3/1895, John M. Myers; Disc. 7/19/1895 (mail to Jeffersonville) (POR-NA); [Grumz] Named for a local family. A Grooms store is located some distance away, nr. the Bath Co. line. "Just as you go over down there by the silo, go over the bridge into Bath Co. there was a store there and it's called Grooms Store. He (Clay Grooms) sold it and moved out. He still lives in the co., on Grassy Lick Pike. Clay Grooms bought that store, ran it a while and sold it. So his name was not applied to it for very long. The Grooms commu., however, is near Willoughby, in the Hall Creek section." (Hazel Boyd, interv.. 6/23/1977):

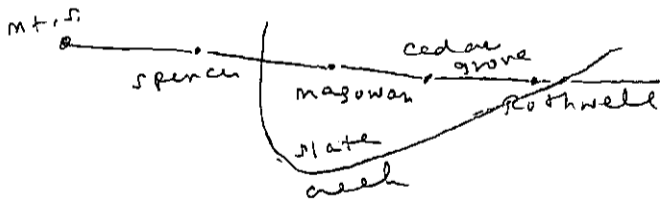
✓ HADDEN (Montgomery Co., Ky): po est. 2/10/1892, Rufus Hadden; 3/8/1894, Jos. West; 12/6/1897, Clarence Hadden; 4/5/1898, John P. Humphries; Disc. 10/21/99 (papers to Mt. Sterling) (POR-NA); Acc. to Rufus Hadden, 1/25/1892, the name proposed for this po was Hadden's Store and it would be $3\frac{1}{2}$ mi s of Mt. S. PO, $3\frac{1}{2}$ (sic) mi w of Levee PO, $4\frac{1}{2}$ mi n of Kiddsville PO, on the backwaters of Lulbegrud Creek. Not a vil. (SLR); In 1895 Hadden was $3\frac{1}{2}$ mi from Mt. S. Jos. West was the pm and storekeeper; Perry Hadden, ne 1799, married Marguerite Wills (1839-1910) in Montg. Co;

HARPER CREEK (Montgomery Co., Ky): Named for John Harper, an early settler; SPENCER CREEK (Montg. Co., Ky): Named for Spencer Reed who came to Montg. Co. with Wm. Calk and built a cabin. (Reid's "Hist'l. Sketches of Montg. Co." Reid also discusses Somerset, Slate, and Grassy Lick Creeks and gives an Indian derivation for Lubegrud Creek....)

HARPER RIDGE (Montgomery Co., Ky); Nr.
Morgan Sta. Settled by and named for John
Harper from Prince Wm. Co., Va. who came to
Slate Creek to search for land. (Mrs. E.W.
Bach in Early & Modern Hist. of Wolfe Co.,
n.d., P. 111);

✓ HERBERT (Montgomery Co., Ky): po est. 3/16/1887, Wm. F. Henry; Disc. 11/5/1887 (papers to Side View) (PORN-NA); Acc. to W.F. Henry, 1/17/1887, this prop. po would serve a commu. at Grassy Lick, 4 mi e of Plum Lick PO, on the e side of Grassy Lick Creek. (Acc. to Wm. F. Henry, 4/5/1887, the local name of the commu. was also Herbert and it was on the bank of Grassy Lick Creek, 4 mi e of Plum Lick Creek, 7 mi nw of Mt. S. Pl and 3 mi ne of Sideview PO. (SLR);

✓ HOPE (Montgomery Co., Ky): Prop. name Slate and to serve a commu. called Magowan. Acc. to Marion Burke Chester, 7/8/1890, the prop. po would be 5 mi e of Spencer PO, $3\frac{1}{2}$ mi w of Cedar Grove PO, 3 mi e of Slate Creek, 250 yards s of Johnson (rr) Sta. ||



Cedar Grove is in
Meriflee Co.

On 6/12/1902, Jas. Rogers pet. for a site ch. 200 yards sw to a pt. $3\frac{1}{2}$ mi n of Cedar Grove PO, 4 mi se of Spencer PO, 4 mi s of Crooks PO (Bath Co.), 3 mi s (sic) of Slate Creek, on the K&SA branch of the C&I at Johnson Sta. || Acc. to Beaulah Dawahare, 10/22/15, the po was serving a place called Johnson Sta. 150 yards w of Little Slate Creek, 30 ft. w of K&SA RR tracks. || Acc. to Easter Whitaker, 7/22/1939, the po was $\frac{1}{4}$ air & rd mi from the Bath Co. line, 11 rd mi e of Mt. S. PO & RR sta. (apparently Johnson Sta. was gone by this time), $1\frac{1}{2}$ mi e of Slate Creek. RR had been disc. || On 1/31/1950, Russell F. Wingate pet. for a site ch. 1455 ft. n to a pt. 400 ft. (air & rd from Bath Co. line, adjacent to Little Slate Creek, 11 mi se of Mt. S. PO. (SLR);

The Magowan family prog. was James Strode Magowan ne 1774 in Berkley Co., Va. Moved to nr. Mt. S., Ky. where he acquired much land. Died ca. 1852. Was a state leg. from Montg. Co. Had a tanyard in Mt. S. His son James P. (1801-1858). James P.'s sons included James Asa, John Trabue, Wm. Cuthbert, John Trabue (1834-1909). (Acc. to an undated Harry Mills col. on early Montg. Co. families, in a scrapbook in the Mt. S-Montg. Co. Public Libr.); Jas. S. Magowan of Mt S. was Montg. Co. jailer, 1806;

✓ HOPE (Montgomery Co.):
p.o. est. 8/9/1890, Marion B. Chester...(NA);
("H(oh)p") Not a family name. DK the origin of
the name. (Hazel Boyd, interview, 6/23/1977);
Commu. named for the Hope po. 1st pm Marion
B. Chester on 5/2/1890 petitioned the POD for a
po to be called Magowan for a prominent area
family. Rejected. Then Slate was suggested for
the local creek. Rejected. Asked for a short
name which wouldnt be like any other po in the
state, he finally wrote Hope in the space pro-
vided. New po was on the Ky. & SA RR, 250 yards
from Johnson Sta. on the rr. (Acc. to Mrs.
Russell Wingate, pm of Hope) ("It's Hope, But
First Name Suggested was 'Magowan'" MT. STER.
ADVOCATE, 8/25/1971);

✓ HOPE (Montgomery Co., Ky): "This hamlet with po lies at the jct. of Ky 713 and 965, 8½ (air) mi ese of Mt. Sterling. When the POD rejected Marion B. Chester's pet. for a po to be named for the prominent Magowan family, he suggested Slate, for the nearby creek. This too was ~~turned~~ down and, instructed to select a short name, he submitted Hope. Perhaps he hoped this would be sufficient. The po was est. on 8/9/1890 with Chester as pm and the commu. was named for the po." (Book-P. 143);

✓ HOWARDS MILL (Montgomery Co., Ky): Named for the grist mill on Slate Creek run by a Mr. Howard or his family. On the Howards Mill Rd. 6 mi e. of Mt.S. "In recent years a dam has been placed across the creek at the old mill site, thus forming a reservoir for the Mt. S. city water supply." (Tom P. Senff of Mt. S., ms. in local library); It's on the rd. to Olympia Springs, nr site of Morgans Sta. The mill was a water mill on Slate Creek run by ✓ the Howards. Capt. Jas. Howard, a Mt.. S pm & co. ct. clerk, was a member of that family. Vil. is 6 mi se of Mt. S. (Judge O'Rear's letter to Grubbs, 1949);



HOWARD'S MILL (On Slate Creek, Montgomery Co., Ky): Some 8-10 miles below Drakes Mill. Shortly after the turn of the century, it was acquired by Ky. Utilities and Mt. Sterling is now supplied with water from the dam built here. (Mrs. Gladys Robertson, Mt. S., Ky., WPA ms. on old mill sites); The grist mill was built 1845 by Capt. Jas. Howard on Slate Creek. In '47 he opened a store next to the mill and his bro-in-law & partner Thos. I Skillman operated it. Howard moved to Mt. S. in late 1848 to become ct. clerk and Skillman took over the mill's operation. Wm. Rattel &

later Jas. Turley ran the store. Meanwhile
J.M. Glover started a saw mill nearby....(Mrs
Carl Boyd, "Water Grist Mills in Montg. Coun-
MT. S. ADVOCATE, 4/14/1976, Pp. 4A-5A);

✓ HOWARDS MILL (Montgomery Co., Ky): "This 19 cent. mill vil. and farm trade center, now only a hamlet on Ky 1331 and Slate Creek, 4½ (air) mi e of Mt. S., was named for James Howard's watermill, built there in 1845. The po was est. on 6/20/1851 as Howard's Mills (there were actually 2 mills there by that time) and after an intermittent existence and a n.ch to Howard Mills in 1897, closed in 1903." (Book-P.14.

HOWARD'S MILLS (Montgomery Co., Ky): Acc. to Marcus L George, 10/22/1888, the po was re-est. and renamed Howard Mills and was 30 yards e of Slate Creek, 15 mi w of the Licking River, 3 mi e of Ewington PO, 3 mi s of Stepstone PO, 4 mi n of Spencer PO, 3 mi e of C&O. (Acc. to John F. Horton, 5/29/1890, the po was on Slate Creek, 3 mi e of Ewington PO, 3 mi s of Stepstone PO, 4 mi n of Spencer PO. (SLR)

✓ HOWARD MILLS (Montgomery Co): p.o. est. as
Howard's Mills 6/20/1851, John Turley...Disc.
5/12/1864; Re-est. 1/31/1866, James H.
Phillips..Disc. 2/5/69; Re-est.. 5/4/69, Jos.
Sondheimer...Disc. 6/2/88; Re-est. 8/10/88,
Marcus L. George....n.ch. to Howard Mills, 5/
1893, John F. Horton...Disc. eff. 10/31/1903
(papers to Mt. S.) (NA); see vert. files, KHS
/ Montg. Co. for an article on grist mills in the
co. by Mrs. Hazel Boyd.....

✓ HOWARD MILLS (Montgomery Co.): ("H(ah)rdz" 
 H(ow)rdz M(ih)lz") Named for James
Howard who had a water mill there. In 1845,
the mills were built by Howard and Jas. Cook
PO on Slate Creek, 6 mi. from Mt. S. 2 chu's
Spencer and Corinth Xian Chu., hotel, 2
water-powered flouring mills and 2 water-
powered sawmills, 3 gen. stores, MD, 2 black
smiths, 2 meat packers, a distillery, 2
carriage makers, harness maker, saddler (acc
to the KY. STATE GAZETTEER & BUSINESS DIR.
1859-60, Geo. W. Haas. Pop. then was 100.)
When the water wheel broke down, the mill
ceased op'ns. c1853 and was re-activated

later...Now: little vil. Site of dam for Mt. S. waterworks. chu., store; sch. is closed. Howard later moved to Mt. S. and became co. ct. clerk. He was probably bro. to Geo. Howard who had one of the 1st stores in the co. in c.1795. Doubts any Howards are left in the vic. (Hazel Boyd, interview, 6/23/1977);

JEFFERSONVILLE (Montgomery Co., Ky): Acc. to Isaac H. Alfrey, the po was $1\frac{1}{2}$ mi n of Slate Creek (Sycamore Creek), $2\frac{1}{2}$ mi se of Camargo PO, 4 air mi from co. line. || On 2/7/1921, Mrs. Maggie McNabb pet. for a site ch. to a pt. $1\frac{1}{2}$ mi w of Slate Creek, $7\frac{1}{2}$ mi se of Mt. S. PO, $3\frac{1}{2}$ mi n of Bean PO. || On 5/19/1948 Mrs. Grace Pearl Bedford pet. for a site ch. 0.1 mi n to a pt. 0.4 mi s of Sycamore Creek, $3\frac{1}{2}$ mi n of Means PO, $7\frac{1}{2}$ mi s of Mt. S. PO. The new site faces US 460 while the former site faced a side road. (SLR);

✓ JEFFERSONVILLE (Montgomery Co., Ky): "This 6th cl. city with po is strung out for nearly 4 mi along US 460 ese from a pt. 6 (air) mi se of Mt. S. and along Ky. 213, 519, and 1050 which extend n and s from the main highway. By the mid 19 cent. it was an important market center for e Ky. cattle and was given the perhaps derogatory nickname of Ticktown, either for the tick grass grown in the area, or for the fact that cattle in the local pens collected ticks. It is not known when the Jeffersonville name was applied to the place, but the po of this name was est. on March 9, 1866 with Jas. H. Scholl, pm, and probably named for Thos. Jefferson. The town was inc. in 1876 and re-inc. in 1967." (Book-Pp. 152-3);

✓ JEFFERSONVILLE (Montgomery Co.): "Tick Town"
sign on US460, $\frac{1}{2}$ mi. e of town. (pers. obs.,
spring, 1980); The commu. was est. c.1800 or
earlier, one of the county's earlier settle-
ments. Probably named for US Pres. Thos.
Jefferson. Est. by act of Ky. Leg. 3/1876. The
1st trustees=B.R. Ensor, W.J. Salyer, John
Adams, R.G. Salyer, & Henry Greenwade. In the
early part of this century (sic), the whole
commu. was called Ticktown. Two explanations
for this name: either named for a type of
grass, tick grass, grown in the area, or for
the fact that cattle in the pens there collect.

ed ticks. Commu. now includes Lucky Stop; i.e. it's now within the corp. limits. It was the name of a road house built in the 1930s. Lucky Stop was painted in big letters on the roof of the building by its owner, Will Hopkins, c. 1937. About 1840, the commu. began to move from its orig. location nr. Slate Creek where there was water mill to the present site. A steam-powered sawmill began operation nr. the present city hall site. (Thos. Anderson, Mt. Sterling, Ky. in a letter to me, 9/30/1980);

✓ JEFFERSONVILLE (Montgomery Co., Ky): A prosperous lumber town when 1st inc. in 1876. Leo Daniels is the local historian. He was rural mail carrier in ca. 1973. Re-inc. in 1967 to encourage development. Pauline Cole was mayor in ca. 1973. Annexations incr. town's size. Most of new area extends, fingerlike, along side roads. "spider shape." (Stephen Ford, "Best Govt. Not Always Least" LCJ, date unknown but probably 1973);

✓ JEFFERSONVILLE (Montgomery Co.)
Inc. 3/20/1876 and re-incorp. 1967. Strung
out along US460 for c. 5 miles. (Frank Ashley
"Jeffersonville: City Born in 1876 is Seeking
Second Life" (LCJ, 11/24/1969.) (Inc. 3/20/
1876 (ACTS, 1876, Vol. 2, P. 670.)
p.o. est. 3/9/1866, Joseph H. Scholl..(NA);
("Dj(eh)f/er/sən/v(ih)l"). Nicknamed Ticktown
by Mt. S. residents. Used to be a big cattle
market for people from E. Ky. They'd drive
their stock here, and country people would go
there to buy their stock. There were so many
ticks they all called it Ticktown. Also an in-
for cattlemen, c. 1st decade of the 20th cent
and earlier. cf Tom Anderson, hist. tchr. at

the local h.s. No local Jefferson family.
DK when 1st settled or why named. (Hazel
Boyd, interview, 6/23/1977); In the 1st
order book, 1853, reference is made to a
Mt. Sterling-Jeffersonville Tpk. In Deed
Book 23/523, Sept. 1850, a deed refers to
Ticktown. In Reg. of the KHS, 4/1854,
P. 125, "Addison M. Ballard Diary, 1840-41
for 8/26/1840, reference is made to "Tick-
town, 8 mi. beyond Mt. S., where we spent
the night." (check....) (Mrs. Boyd, letter
to me, 8/25/1977);

✓ JUDY (Montgomery Co., Ky): "This xrds hamlet with
epo lies at the jct. of Ky. 11 and 537, 3½ (air) mi
n of Mt. S. The po, est. as Judys on March 12, 1887,
with Hiram C. Wilson, pm, became Judy in 1892 and
closed in 1903. It was named for a pion. family
whose prog., John Judy, was one of the 4 owners of
the orig. site of Mt. S." (Book-P. 156); Named for
a pion. family that lived in the vic. of the
Somerset Chu. on the Maysville Pike. Some
still do. (Judge O'Rear's letter to Grubbs,
1949);

JUDY (Montgomery Co., Ky): Acc. to H.C. Wilson, 1/19/
✓1887 the prop. name would be Maplewood and the po
would be 5 mi s of Mt. S. PO (sic), 7 mi n (sic) of
Sharpsburg PO, 5 mi ne of Sideview PO, 2 mi w of
Hingston (sic) Creek. No vil. They had been instructed
to choose another name. || Acc. to Mrs. Bee Mannix,
5/16/1892, the Judy po, late Judy's, was 1½ mi s of
Hinkston Creek, 5 mi n of Mt. S. PO, 6 mi s of Sharps-
burg PO, 2 mi e of Aarons Run PO, 5 mi e of Sideview
PO. Judy po was on the rd. thru Plum Lick and Little
Rock to Paris and on the rd. betw. Mt. S. & Sharp.
The Aaron Run po was just s of that rd. (SLR);

✓ JUDY (Montgomery Co.): ("Dju/dee") John Judy was one of the 4 owners of the orig. site of Mt. Sterling, c.1792...He was the Judy family progenitor in the county. The community was named for the family. (Hazel Boyd, interview, 6/23/1977); cf Mrs. Dudley Hunter, Sycamore St., Mt. S. She's very interested in hist. Her brother, Bascom Judy still owns land out there. Judy is given on Beers Map. The Judys were a very early family in that area. (Ibid.); In 1895 Judy had 2 gen'l. stores run by Flanders & Son and L.H. McClure;

JUDY (Montgomery Co.): p.o. est. as Judys,
3/12/1887, Hiram C. Wilson...n.ch. to Judy,
4/18/1892, Bee Mannix..Disc. eff. 10/31/1903
(papers to Mt. S.) (NA); In the summer of 1775
John Judy had helped clear some 1400 acres of
site of present day Mt. Sterling for its prop.
Enoch Smith. For his labor, he rec'd. 100 acre
of Mt. S. land. ("Present Site of Mt. Sterling
Once Given to Two for Work on Enoch Smith Farm
by Barbara Hickey, LEX. LEADER, 8/3/1956);
John Judy settled here 1779. Orig. Tschudi prog. came
from Switz. to Pa. and thence to Va. & Ky;

✓ KASH'S KNOB (Montgomery Co., Ky): c. 13 mi. from Mt. Sterling. Named for James Kash who came to Ky. from Greenbriar Co., Va. in the fall of 1797 and settled first in this vic. at the foot of this hill. Later settled in the vic. of the present Hazel Green. All Ky Kashes are descendants of 2 brothers, James & Caleb who came from Va. to Ky. in 1797 and died nr. Hazel Green. (J. Green Trimble, Recollections of Breathitt, 1939, P. 5)

LEVEE (Montgomery Co., Ky): "In the early days of settlement of this part of the country, a map maker came down by boat or canoe, it is supposed by way of the Ohio, Ky, and Red R's. Following Lulbegrud Creek, he rowed as far as the water depth would permit, then tied up his craft and marked that spot 'Levee.' Known in the county as 'The Levee'. Levee, Ky. is about 6 mi s of Mt. St., has a po, gen'l. store, chu., sch. and a no. of very nice homes." (~~Judge O'Rear's letter to Grubbs, 1949~~) (Tom P. Senff, Mt. S. from data by Ewett Stafford, Camarpos, in Ms. in Mt. S. - Montg. Co. Library);

✓ LEVEE (Montgomery Co.)
p.o. est. 1/3/1850, Valentine C. Hainline...
Disc. 7/24/1866; Re-est. 11/27/1866, Wm. C.
Oldham; Disc. 11/22/1869; Re-est. 5/13/1870,
Samuel Clark... (NA); ("L(eh)/vee") cf Harry
Hadden (age in his 80s) who lives nr. there.
Doubts there was a local family by this name.
Assumes the name had something to do with the
lay of the land--the levee of a creek. (Hazel
Boyd, interview, 6/23/1977);

✓ LEVEE (Montgomery Co., Ky): Acc. to Raymond Knox, 2/2/1904, the po was 30 yards w of Lulbegrud Creek, 3 mi ne of Kiddville PO, 6 mi from Mt. S. PO, 2 mi from co. line (air). || Acc. to T.J. Douglas, 11/17/1918, the po was $\frac{1}{4}$ mi n of Lulbegrud Creek and 6 mi from Mt. S. PO. || Acc. to Georgie Riddell, 7/25/1939, the po was on Ky 11, 6 mi s of Mt. S. PO, 190 yrds. n of Lulbegrud Creek. (SLR);

LUCKY STOP (Montgomery Co.): ("L(uh)k/ee
St(ah)p") Still locally called this. Still
a store there. (Hazel Boyd, interview, 6/23/
1977); Acc. to John M. Prewitt (but unveri-
fied), this may have been the name of a taver
on the county line, selling alcoholic beyer-
ages during prohibition or some other time
when the county was dry. (Hazel Boyd, in a
letter to me, 8/25/1977; she said she will
check further...);

✓ MONTAVIEW (Montgomery Co., Ky): po est. 3/9/1868,
James L. Shubert; 3/14/1873, Wm. C. Shubert; Disc.
11/18/1879 (POR-NA); Acc. to W.C. Shubert, 6/22/1876,
the po was $\frac{1}{4}$ mi n of Slate Creek and 10 mi n of Red
R., $4\frac{1}{2}$ mi e of Jeff. PO, $3\frac{1}{4}$ mi w of Pine Table PO (S)
(SLR);

- ✓ MT. GILEAD CUMB. PRES. CHURCH (Montgomery Co., Ky):
Org. before 1840 but disbanded ca. 1908. (Montg. Co.
Ky. Bicent. 1774-1974 (ca. 1974, P. 80);

MT. IDA (Montgomery Co., Ky): po est. 3/21/1848, Thos. T. Dobyms; 4/29/1856, John B. Dobyms...4/12/1859, Sam'l. T. Dobyms; Disc. 6/13/1861; Re-est. 6/12/1866, Mrs. Sarah A. Gifford; Disc. 4/10/1867 (POR-NA); [Mownt ~~q:/dæ~~] cf Mrs. Boyd's hist. of churches for the bicent. This name referred only to a chu., one of the abandoned ones in the co., and never to a commu. cf Ed Prewitt. (Hazel Boyd, interv., 6/23/1977); Acc. to Sarah A. Sifford, 12/13/1866, the po was 1 mi w of Grassy Lick Creek, 6 mi se of N. Middletown PO, 6 mi w of Mt. S. PO, 5 mi s of Aarons Run PO, 5 mi n of Stoner PO. (SLR)

Acc. to 1850 Census, Thos. Dobbys (54), a farmer, and his wife Sarah G. (43) but no children or neighbors named Ida; Is there a Biblical significance of Mt. Ida? Check....

- ✓ MT. IDA (Montgomery Co., Ky): Name derived from that of the highest mt. in Crete (over 8000 ft.) connected with the worship of Zeus and with other allusions in Gr. mythol. Also the name of a mt. range in Asia Minor. Mt. Ida is the co. seat of Arkansas's Montgomery Co. which had also been named for Gen'l.
- ✓ Richard Montgomery (1736-1775) who had been killed in Benedict Arnold's abortive assault on Quebec. The Ark. town was first called Montgomery (Ct.Hse), then Salem, and then (said to have been named for a mt. of that name nr. Boston, Mass.) (Ernie Dean, Ark. P. Pp. 62-3). But this doesnt tell us how Ky's Mt. Ida got its name;

- ✓ MOUNT STERLING (Montgomery Co., Ky): The mound itself was an Indian mound, some 25 ft. high, nearly 125 ft. in diameter at its base, and circular. (Collins II); The Little Mountain was a large mound "125 ft. in diameter at its base, and about 25 ft. high, covered with trees", a "burial site for.. mound builders" at the jct. of the present Queen & Locust Streets in town. Its "most striking feature" gave the town its "orig. name" Little Mountain Town. (Boyd & Boyd, 1984, P. 1); Much of the site of the future town was a 1400 acre pre-emption of Enoch Smith, 1775. (Ibid.); The first home built within the city's present boundaries was 6/1779, just e of the mound. (Ibid. P. 2); "No record of an

permanent settlement (in what became Mt. S.) until ca. 1789-90" when Hugh Forbes, who had acquired some land next to the mound, laid off lots and sold them for residence. The settlement that developed was called Little Mountain Town. Forbes built a cabin on his land in 1791. (Ibid., Pp. 2-3); Forbes as the community's founder, was permitted by his neighbors to rename the town and he chose Mount Stirling for "a town in his native Scotland" and the little mountain. It was always two words tho' it was often spelled Mountsterling in early records from 1820-1840. (Ibid., P. 3); On 12/17/1792 the Ky GA approved the formation of a town to be called

Mount Sterling (sic) on the property of Enoch Smith Hugh Forbes, John Judy, and Samuel Spurgeon on the banks of Small Mountain Creek (aka Little Mountain Creek). While still a part of Clark Co. which had itself only been est. 11 days earlier. Montg. Co. wasnt created for another 4 years. (Ibid., Pp. 3-4) The town was laid off in 1793; The po was est. as Montgomery Court House in 1801 but was soon changed to Mt. Sterling. Its 1st pm was Jos. Simpson who had been appointed on 10/1/1801. (Ibid., Pp. 131-2) Enoch Smith built his stone home at Mt. S. in 1797. It burned ca. 1950. He was pion. surveyor of the co. Donated most of present Mt. S. site. (Hazel Boyd in E. KY, P. 1);

✓ MOUNT STERLING (Montgomery Co., Ky): "This 4th cl. city and seat of M. Co. is on US 60 and 460, just s of I-64, and 92 mi e of downtown Lou. The settlement that grew up on Enoch Smith's farm is said to have been first called Little Mountain Town for a large Indian mound at the jct. of the present Maysville and Locust Streets. But Hugh Forbes, one of the proprietors, thought this name unsuitable for what he hoped would become an important town, and suggested instead that of the city in Scotland where he had been raised. Perhaps by way of compromise the place was christened Mt. Stirling but somewhere in the recording of the name it was corrupted to its present spelling and never corrected. In Dec. 1792 it was chartered as

Mt. Sterling by the fledgling Ky. leg., and when the co. was created in 1797 it became its seat. On Oct. 1, 1801 the po was est. as Montgomery Ct. Hse. with Jos. Simpson, pm, but became Mt. Sterling in 1807." (Book-P. 205); Collins (II, P. 632) claimed that Mt. S. had been named for a Mr. Stirling, a one time owner of the site; In 1793, parts of Mt. S. were owned by Enoch Smith, Hugh Forbes, and Sam'l. Spurgeon. The town was surveyed that yr. by Enoch Smith;

MT. STERLING (Montgomery Co., Ky): In 1775 Wm. Calk, etal. settled in the vic. of Small Mt. but soon abandoned it. Not until 1790 was the site again settled. It became a tow in effect when the leg. chartered it as such and officially gave it this name. Until then it was called Little Mountain. It was inc. short time before the co. was created (ch); The town has been strategically located at the jct. of key roads from the Bluegrass to the Big Sandy region of e.Ky. 35 mi e of Lex The settlement was first called Little Mountain Town for an Indian mound...but was re-

named at the suggestion of Hugh Forbes,, one of its owners, for his orig. home of Stirling in Scot. The E'town, Lex. & B.S. (later C&O) RR arr. here in 1872. The rte. was completed to the mouth of the B.S. in 1881. With this the town became the wholesale trade center for ne Ky and a key livestock (and later burley tob.) market. With the completion of I-64 in the 1960s came ind. expansion incl. several elect. mfg. plants. (Boyd, Ky ENCY. Pp. 657-8);

✓ MT, STERLING (Montgomery Co.): Acc. to Wm. Suddith's deposition (see Grassy Lick notes) the 1st cabin on the Mt. S. site was built 6/1779 for John Kelly, 30-40 steps e. of Little Mountain nr a large oak tree. ("Mownt Ster/1(ih)n"). Not called Mt. Sterling because it was on land owned by a Mr. Sterling. The "Mount" came from the huge Indian mound at the jct. of the present day Maysville & Locust Streets. The "Sterling" was for Stirling Scotland. Hugh Forbes owned the orig. site and he came from Stirling, Scotland and since he had started the town, he was given the privilege of naming it. Acc. to deposition of James Crawford, who was there when

it was named, the "i" had already been spelled "e" when the co. was formed. She assumes this was the phonetic spelling. Laid out in 1792. Acc. to the ACTS of the Ky. Leg., the town was est. in 12/1792 on Little Mt. Creek on land of Hugh Forbes, etal. on 364 acres authorized establishment of town by the name of Mt. Sterling (sic)...Acc. to Littell, Vol. 1, P. 125. The Battle of Estill's Defeat was fought at the site betw. the Hinkston Pike & US60 nr. the A.O. Smith plant, close to the e. edge of town...(Hazel Boyd, interview, 6/23/77);

7, MT. STERLING (Montgomery Co.): First known as Sterling. Town laid out in 1792 and land owned by a Mr. Sterling. This area was (a-habitat) sacred to the mound builders and many of the mounds were discovered by early settlers.

Prof. Constantine Rafinesque of Transy. U. in 1819 explored one of the largest of these, c. 5 mi. from town, and named it Little Mt. Many references thereafter to the "Little Mt. at Sterling" and eventually the two names were joined and the city became known as Mt. Sterling. The Battle of Estill's Defeat was fought at Little Mt. in 1782. (...) (from a newsp. article, one of an apparent series on Blue Grass area communities & their names, pre-~~(XX)~~ WWTT made avail to me)

MT. STERLING (Montgomery Co.): Laid out in 1792 on land owned by a Mr. Sterling (sic) whose name was bestowed upon the town. Before 1900, Mt. S. was the trading center for all of e.Ky. For many years known as the "Gate City to the Mts." (W. Hoffman Wood, "Review of Mt. Sterling's History" LEX. LEAD. Anniversary Edition, 1888-1938, 6/30/38, Sec. 3, P. 42:1-5.)

MOUNT STERLING (Montgomery Co.):

Est. 12/17/1792 (LITTELL, Vol. 1, P. 125.)

Inc. 3/21/1851 (ACTS, 1850/1, Vol. 2, P. 342.)

o | Named for a Mr. Stirling, former owner of the
land, acc. to COLLINS, Vol. 2, P. 632. (Clift
KY. VILL. P. 32.) P.O. est. as Montgomery

Court House 10/1/1801, Jos. Simpson..n.ch.

to Mt. Sterling, 1/1/1807, James Espy... (NA)

Enoch Smith's farm included the site of Mt. S

He and others had explored that area early in

1775 and that summer and cleared some 1400

acres of this land. He built small cabin on

the present Hinkston Rd. outside of town nr.

his gravesite. For their labor, he gave 100

acres each of this land to John Judy, John

Crawford and a Mr. Smith... (Barbara Hickey.

✓ MT. STERLING (Montgomery Co.): Surveyed by Enoch Smith, Sr. 1793. Most of the city was on land owned by Smith; the eastern section was owned by Hugh Forbes; the southern part owned by Sam'l. Spurgeon. The town was known as Little Mountain Town for several years.

"Among the early denizens was a shrewd Scotchman, lively and eccentric--Hugh Forbes. At a meeting of the citizens of the promising village for the purpose of giving it a fixed name, Forbes argued that 'Little Mountain Town' was a barbarous and outlandish cognomen and said there was a pretty little town in ^{ed} Scotland, where he spent his boyhood, call~~ing~~ing Stirling, and suggested as a compromise that

young city be christened 'Mount Stirling.'" This was accepted by the others "but with the contempt of, or carelessness for orthography, which sometimes distinguished our ancestors, the name was spelled wrong and has so continued to be."... (Richard Reid, "Historic Sketches of Montgomery Co", read at 4th of July Cele., 1876, and republished by the Woman's Club of Mt. Sterling, 1926.)

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MT. STERLING (Montgomery Co.): 1st called Little Mountain Town, the settlement that "grew up around Enoch Smith's cabin built in 1775. He surveyed this townsite in 1793." Later renamed Mt. Sterling. (Jillson, PIONEER KY. P. 91);

OLD DRAKES MILL (on Slate Creek, Montgomery Co., Ky): An old burr water-mill. So called for "its resemblance to a cockleburr. The rough or burr edges of the stone turning in opposite directions grind the corn between them....." All that remains are its foundations. On the Spencer Rd., c. 7 mi. from Mt. Sterling. (Mrs. Gladys Robertson, Mt. S., Ky., WPA ms. on old mill sites);

(THE)OLD SALEM CHURCH (Montgomery Co., Ky):
between Jeffersonville and the Menifee Co.
line. (Gladys Robertson ms. on old Montg. Co.
churches, WPA)

PETE-LEE GRIST MILL (Montgomery Co., Ky):
Off (present US460) beyond Jeffersonville.
Extant. A burr water-mill. (Mrs. Gladys
Robertson, Mt. S., Ky., WPA ms. on old mill
sites)

PREWITT (Montgomery Co.): Family of James Prewitt (1802-1879) and wife Henrietta Clay (Dawson) Prewitt (1812-1890) are buried at the Prewitt Cem. at Mt. Pleasant, the Prewitt homestead on Prewitt Pike nr. the Klondike Sta. (Letter to me, from Hazel Boyd, 8/25/1977);

PREWITT (Montgomery Co.): ("Prū/ət") Named for a local family. cf Mr. Ed Prewitt who lives on the end of Prewitt Pike, Mt. S. He's retired and doesn't do much. Very interested in hist. Klondike is the^{rr} sta. there ("Kl(ah)n/d(eye)k"), (~~xxxxxx~~) Named by someone who went to the Klondike goldfield, perhaps James Prewitt. The Klondike sta. was right in front of one of the Prewitt homes. It may have been the same as Prewitt Sta. (Hazel Boyd, interview, 6/23/1977);

✓ RICH VALLEY (Montgomery Co., Ky): PO est. 11/27/1869 with Wm. Stofer, pm; Disc. 3/28/1871 (POR-NA); Acc. to Wm. Stofer, 10/3/1869, the prop. po would be 4 mi se of Side View PO, 5 mi w of Mt. S. PO, on the w bank of Grassy Lick Creek, to serve a store, mtg.hse, and blacksmith shop. (SLR);

✓ SIDEVIEW (Montgomery Co.): Acc. to the papers of Ed C. O'Rear (1949) at the Mt. S. Library, "Sideview doubtless named for the fact the village (sic) is located practically on one side of the road and valley on Paris Turnpike (nr. the Bourbon Co. line)." (Hazel Boyd, letter to me, 8/25/1977); "This hamlet with epolies at the jct. of US 460 and Ky 645, 5 (air) mi nw of Mt. S. The po was est. as Side View on Oct. 22, 1858 with Jetson McDonald, pm, and closed in 1914. This probably descriptive name is now spelled as one word." (Book-P. 271);

✓ SIDEVIEW (Montgomery Co.): p.o.est. as Side View (two words), 10/22/1858, Jetson McDonald
..Disc. 2/3/64; Re-est. 6/4/67, Wm. Hall...
Disc. 6/30/1914 (mail to Mt. S.) (NA);
("S(eye)d ↔ (ah)d/vyū") Probably a descrip-
tive name. Doesnt think there's a family by
that name. The Sideview store is in a little
hol. with hills on both sides. Local people, it
assumed, named it for its geog. surroundings.
cf Mrs. J.O. Wills, in her 80s, a very sharp
and interesting local resident. Today it's
spelled one word....(Mrs. Hazel Boyd, inter-
view, 6/23/1977);

SIDE VIEW (Montgomery Co., Ky): Acc. to J.H. Staggs,
2/8/1904, the po was on Aarons Run and 20 mi from the
Licking R., 7 mi nw of Mt. S. PO, 5 mi se of North
Middletown PO, 2 mi from the co. line. (SLR);

SOMERSET CHURCH (Montgomery Co., Ky): On the Maysville Rd. (US 40), the orig. building was off of 40, nr. the present structure. The first chu. was org. 1832. Burned. Replaced in 1875. A Christian chu. (Gladys Robertson ms. on old Montg. Co. churches, WPA)

SPENCER (Montgomery Co.): Assumes it was named for the creek. ("Sp(eh)n/ser") The creek was named for Spencer Reed (sic) who came to Montgomery Co. with Wm. Calk when he brought his family c.1791-2...Has always heard this referred to as Spencer but wouldn't know if it were called Spencer Village a long time ago. Now: store, church. Used to be Upper ~~Lower~~ and Lower Spencer Schools. The Xian Chu. there; some relig. org. bought that chu. property. (Hazel Boyd, interview, 6/23/1977);

SPENCER(Montgomery Co., Ky): Acc. to Robert H. Lyons, 2/12/1879, the prop. po would be 6 mi due e of Mt. S. PO, 3½ mi se of Howards Mills PO, 1 mi e of Slate Creek. || Acc. to H.C. Ledford, 3/4/1901, the po was 5½ mi e of Mt. S. PO, 5 mi w of Hope PO, 4 mi ne of Camargo PO, on the nw side of the rr. Vil. of 40.

(SLR); In 1779 Spencer Reed rec'd. a grant for 400 ✓ acres on the waters of Licking R. in the present Mont Co. (Green Trimble's Recollections of Breathitt);

✓ SPENCER CREEK (Montgomery Co., Ky): So-called at least by 1779 for Spencer Reed whose cabin was built on its banks in 6/79. (Acc. to deposition of Nicholas Anderson of Montg. Co. 6/8/1804 in Record Book A, P. 803.) Acc. to dep. of John Harper (same source, P. 804) it was Wm. Calk who suggested the creek's name;

✓ SPENCER (Montgomery Co.): p.o. est. 3/17/1879
Robert H. Lyons...Disc. 8/15/1911 (mail to
Mt. S.) (NA) Spencer Creek was named for
Spencer Reed "who came to Montgomery Co. with
Wm. Calk when he brought his family" and
built his cabin there." (Richard Reid,
"Historic Sketches of Montgomery Co." read
at 4th of July Celeb., 1876, and republished
by the Woman's Club of Mt. S., 1926, P. 38)

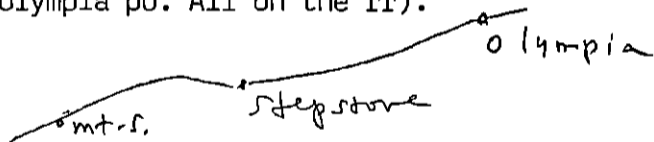
? May have had a po. as spencer est. 12/21/
1818, Andrew Pardy (?) --- (NA)

SPENCER (Montgomery Co.): Acc. to Clark Co. Order Book No. 1, P. 230, In 9/1795, a Montg Co. land survey referred to a creek ~~now~~ called Spencer's Creek 5-6 mi. below Spencer Reed's improvement. Acc. to Ibid., P. 231, 9/1795, "to establish Spencer Reed's improvement on a branch of Slate Creek, called Spencer's Creek, made in 1779 (400 acres)." In *ibid.*, P. 138, 10/1794, another reference made to Spencers (sic) Creek. (Hazel Boyd, letter to me, 8/25/1977);

SPENCER (Montgomery Co.): Spencer Creek (acc to Reid, HIST. OF M. CO., 1876), this was named for Spencer Reed who came to Montg. Co. with Wm. Calk (c.1791-2). This begins se of Mt. S. and empties into Slate Creek. The Spencer Chu. was org. 1796 by Robt. & Moses Bledsoe as a Bapt. chu. under the ministry of Rev. John Smith. About 1827 it became Calvinistic. c. 4-5 mi. se of Mt. S. on the Spencer Rd. On Beers map, 1879. There were 257 members in 1839. (Mrs. Hazel Boyd, letter to me, 8/25/1977);

✓ STEPSTONE (Montgomery Co.)
Inc. 3/28/1884 (ACTS, 1883/4, Vol. 1, P. 930)
p.o. est. 2/15/1882, James Harper...Disc.
eff. 11/14/1931 (mail to Irvine) (NA); A de-
scriptive name; stepping stones in a creek.
No families of that name. On the C&O... (Hazel
Boyd, interview, 6/23/1977); Reference made
to a Stepstone Creek (but Step Stone sp. two
words) in Clark Co. Order Book 1, P. 44, 8/27
1793, and a Stepstone Ford (sic) Ibid., P. 13
10/1794. (Hazel Boyd, letter to me, 8/25/77);

✓ STEPSTONE (Montgomery Co., Ky): Acc. to James Harper 1/31/1882, the prop. po would be 7 mi ne of Mt. S. PO, 1½ mi w of Slate Creek, at the Stepstone (rr) Sta. On the E.L. & B.S. Div. of the C&O RR, due n of Howard Mills PO and (ene of Mt. S. and sw of Olympia po. All on the rr).



Acc. to ? . 4/82, the po was 2 mi w of Slate Creek, 8 mi e of Mt. S. PO, 3 mi n of Howards Mills PO, 20 ft. n of the C&O tracks. (Acc. to Harry S. Bittinger:

2/2/1904, the po was on the n side of Stepstone Creek
15 ft n of C&O tracks, 100 air ft. from co. line. ||
On 1/6/1928, Clyde F. Brown pet. for a site ch. 230
ft. w to a pt. 50 ft. n of Stepstone Creek (a very
small stream), 7½ mi e of Mt. S. PO, 37 ft. n of the
C&O tracks, 100 ft. s of the co. line. || 2 mi w of
Slate Creek. (SLR);

✓ STEPSTONE (Montgomery Co., Ky): Most likely named for the rock formation in the stream that is a branch of Slate Creek. "The bed of this stream is of rock ledges, broken at intervals in steps of a few inches each in its descent. The C&O Ry Co's line is down its valley." The C&O had a sta. there ca. 5-6 mi from Mt. S. Vil. developed around the sta. that was named for it and the creek. (Judge Edward C. O'Rear in a letter to Thos. D. Grubbs of Mt. S. on the pt of Mont. Co. 11/8/1949. ms. on file in Mt. S-Montg. Libr)

✓ STOOPS (Montgomery Co., Ky): po est. 5/7/1898, Rebekah S. Gillaspie; Disc. eff. 9/15/1906 (mail to Mt. Sterling) (POR-NA); Two bros., Dr. A.B. and Walter Stoops brought their families from Nicholas Co. in the 1880s and settled in the Hinkston Val. nr. the Springfield Chu. PO, which was est. in Walter's home, and the settlement were named for the family. Located at the jct. of the Hinkston & Van Thompson Pikes. (Judge O'Rears' letter to Grubbs, 1949); Acc. to Mrs. E.M. Terry, a resi., it was named for her grandfather, John Stoops, the father of Dr. A.B. & Walter who were the owners of the site. It had a store, blacksmith

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shop. Now: only several homes, chu., polling
place for Stoops Prec. (Tom P. Senff, a Mt. S
atty. from data submitted by Everett Stafford
of Camargo, on file in the Mt. S-Montg. Lib.
Acc. to Rebekah Smith Gillaspie, 3/1/1898, this prop.
po would be 3 mi e of Judy PO, 5 mi nw of Ewington PO,
4½ mi w of Flat Creek PO (Bath Co.), 1 mi n of Hink-
ston Creek. (SLR);

WILLOUGHBY (Montgomery Co.): Not very old. Though sometimes called Willoughby Town, there's no town there, nor a store. It's a little commu. Some govt. agency made a study of it because of the inbreeding. There's dozens of homes and they're all Willoughbys and they intermarried. So the commu. is just a no. of homes occupied by Willoughbys, a very prolific family. Now still just a bunch of shacks on a hillside along a road. Lots of children who didnt move away but built their homes nearby. Willoughby Town was identified on Beers & Lanagan 1879 map, in the SW part of the Jeffersonville Prec. ("W(ih)l/a/bee") (Hazel Boyd, interview, 6/23/1977);

WILLOUGHBY NATION (Montgomery Co.):

A settlement 8 mi. from Mt. S., off US460.

"To reach it, go right at Jeffersonville and go about $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles. The Willoughby and Martin families settled (here) and..plied their trade of making ax handles, indulged in family feuds, and..intermarried. Both.. families are well-known names in Ky. feud annals." (Gladys Robertson, WPA)

✓ WILSON (Montgomery Co., Ky): po est. 6/13/1860,
Abraham Davisson; Disc. 8/25/1870 (POR-NA);