Possum Glory / Pine Township Water Company*

Owned by Pennsylvania Steel Company of New Jersey

Estimated 1915 population of Heilwood: 2,500

Location: Eastern Indiana County; Pine Township; near headwater of Yellow Creek; on Cherry Tree & Dixonville Railroad; Built up Section (Heilwood) on hill at elevation of 1,777 feet.

Industries: Mining village of Penn Mary Coal Company.

Water Supply: Pine Township Water Company incorporated in 1903 for
Domestic purposed in Pine Township; Possum Glory Water
Company incorporated on same date for industrial
Purposes; the two system are the same, built in 1906 and
Owned by Pennsylvania Steel of New Jersey.

Source and Collection: 4-8" drilled wells, 140 feet deep, cased 40 feet

Through the coal seam; water pumped directly to system

By four 360,000 gallon electrically driven deep well pumps,

Water is medium-hard.

2. Yellow Creek held in reserve for emergencies; earthen dam Just above mine impounds 1,000,000 gallons; 8" gravity main, 100' to pumping station at Power House; pumping equipment 2-720,000 gallon Smith-Vaile Duplex pumps.

Distribution: By pumping directly through 8" force main; with 8" connection To 55,000 gallon wooden equalizing tank on hill top at elevation 300' above pumps; pressure 35-100 pounds; 2.4 miles of Distribution mains- 4"-8"; 24 fire hydrants-4" and 2 ½".

Consumption: Supply to 2,300 people; 171 taps; average daily consumption 175,000 gallons domestic; measured by pump displacement; 500 gallons industrial usage for steam purposes.

*Source: Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Water Supple Commission, Water Resource Inventory report, July25, 1913, pg 1062.