

# Main Street Trees



**Times Remembered**  
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water that gave new life and health to many. Dances were held in the large ballroom of the Estill Springs Hotel. The hotel was probably built in the 1830s and changed owners several times before it burned on December 14, 1924.

The first day I drove by and saw the destruction of beautiful yards and all the gorgeous trees cut down I actually cried. My heart was broken. Estill Springs has always been a very special place to me because I lived nearby and I walked with my grandfather, James Rice "JR" Garrett, every week to get sulphur water from the spring. I cherish the times we walked down the tree line lane together to the springs; he, holding my hand and talking non-stop about all the history of this place and telling me the about the ash and oak trees that were nearly 300 years old. What great memories!

Most Irvine residents have already noticed the road construction on Main Street and Highway 89; many people that I have talked with have expressed sadness and displeasure. I know I am certainly disappointed with the destruction of all the beautiful trees that lined Estill Springs' entrance; especially the magnolia trees.

Folks, this is a historical place; I know the property is privately owned, but it should have been acquired years ago by the city or county and made into a historical park. Think about the tourism it would have created. Perhaps it could have been made into a resort again.

Back in the day, it was said that people came from miles around to attend parties and dances and bathe and drink the white sulphur

I understand progress, but in my opinion there was no need for the section of the road from Estill Springs. Looks like a turning lane to the school could have been made without destruction to Estill Springs back to Main Street. I can see the bad curve being taken out on down the road, Highway 89, across from the former location of Irvine Flea Market. But we didn't need all the other destruction!!

But who am I? Just a heart broken citizen.



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# Estill Springs - 1890

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The following article was published in the "Estill Eagle" on July 18, 1890

W.H. Lilly, having purchased Captain J.M. Thomas' half of Estill Springs, the Hotel will be opened by him for guests June 15, 1890. Special passenger rates will be made from Cincinnati, Louisville, Lexington and between points by rail to Richmond, Ky., and thence by easy stage over well graded road to the Springs. Parties from any of the above points can, by taking their morning trains, reach the Springs the same evening for supper. The table will be first class. The housekeeping in charge of an experienced hostess. Means for healthful recreation provided. A bowling, billiard room, nice boats on the Kentucky river that skirts the property, a long clear sheet of water, with smooth, clean, sandy bed for swimming. Several nice roads for driving, and most delightful shady woods and hills to ramble in. Bathrooms on the premises. The surroundings are picturesque. Sweet Lick Knob, cone shaped and forest covered, rises sever hundred feet high in rear of the hotel. From its sides and summit, the view of the town of Irvine at its feet, the windings of the Kentucky river with its bottom farms, the outlying spurs and knobs that project their bold, green points into the horizon, makes the difficult climb and scenes from the summit, one of no ordinary impressiveness. The air is always cool, the mountains west of the Hotel shut off the mid-day and evening sun, and leaves the hotel nestling in delightful shade. From its base a few feet from the Hotel colonnade, issue the mineral springs that have given new life and health to many. The waters are white, red and black sulphur, chalybeate and alum. The White

Sulphur or "Sweet Spring" water acts on the skin, liver and kidneys, and with salt, is a mild purgative. Though very light on the stomach, (it is impossible to drink too much) it removes all sorts of impurities from the system. The Black Sulphur is tinctured with iron, or in other words is sulphur and iron combined. There are two springs of the Chalybeate, one more strongly impregnated with iron than the other. The grotto in which one of these trickled forth is a favorite retreat. The water is Nature's tonic, distilled in her own laboratory. It is a wonderful invigorator and appetizer. Often the best results are obtained from alternating these waters, cleaning with the Sulphur and tonight with the iron. Rarely do they fail to restore the system to vigor and health. There is no case known in which they have ever produced unfavorable symptoms. We could get a thousand certificates of these waters if necessary. With real, new clean beds and linen, furniture of good class, tasteful parlors, dining room 28 by 72 feet, newly fitted and furnished, the proprietor, Mr. W.H. Lilly, has made Estill Springs the most delightful as it is the most healthful resort in the Mississippi Valley. Last season it had the best patronage of any springs in Kentucky. Daily mail. Stages meet all day trains. Livery furnished at reasonable rates. Board by the day \$2.50, Board by the week \$12.50, Board by the four weeks \$40.00. Children over 10 years will be charged full rate, under to half rates. For further information address: Estill Springs Company, Irvine, KY

## Estill Springs in the Early 1900's

**BIBLE TRIVIA**  
 by Wilson Casey

1. Is the Book of Nahum in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. From John 5, who stirred up the water at the pool of Bethesda? Priest, Angel, Wind, Jesus
3. What 8-year-old boy served as King of Jerusalem for 100 days?

Shamgar, Jehoiachin, Adino, Sisera  
 4. From which book's 10:35 does Jesus say the scripture cannot be broken? Matthew, Mark, Luke, John  
 5. Who was Jacob's firstborn as found in Genesis 35? Reuben, Ehud, Joshua, Elah  
 6. From Judges 1, who fed 70 kings at his table? Benaiah, Nebuchadnezzar, Adonibezek, Mephobosheth  
**Answers on bottom of Page 13**  
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**seeds of Hope**

"Don't worry about the sweet by-and-by," said the president of the university I attended years ago. "That will be here soon enough. God has promised it and that's all we need to know. As sure as God has kept His Word in the past He will honor it today, tomorrow and every day, from now until the sweet by-and-by is here. What we need to worry about is the nasty now-and-now."  
 That goes with the phrase we often hear: "Some people are so heavenly minded that they are no earthly good."  
 While being concerned about and planning for the future makes good sense, we need to be much more concerned about what we might do every moment of every hour to honor God every day. With that thought in mind, David said, "But I call to God, and the Lord saves me. Evening, morning and at noon I cry out in distress and He hears my voice."  
 Notice his priorities: He would not retire at night without going to God in prayer, asking for His forgiveness, peace and protection so he might rest well and be at ease with God. Nor would he begin his day without asking God to guide him and guard him and give him His power and protection. And then - right in the middle of the day - he would stop everything and go to his Lord in prayer. He needed His help in the "now!"  
 Prayer, for David, was not a trivial ritual. It was his life - his source of strength. "I cry out...He hears!"  
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## Legalized Murder by BOB CASEY, preacher Cornerstone Church of Christ Bond Street at Camp Avenue in West Irvine

One of our politicians in the race for president seems (if you believe the news on TV) to say that because of a statement made by him was: "that abortion was murder and should be treated as a crime." Then he said: "I have never given it very much thought." This is important because he came to this conclusion based upon the human conception that all the unborn babies are considered to be a total human being, even though not yet born.  
 Now I don't know how much he has studied the Bible, but this I do know: is that in **Luke 1: 26-45** is the story of the conception of Mary by the Holy Spirit, plus her immediate visit to the home of her cousin Elizabeth now being six months pregnant herself with John the Baptist. Even though only a few hours had elapsed since the angel's visit with Mary, when she got to the house of Elizabeth and knocked on the door calling for her cousin, this was what took place and was said. The first thing Elizabeth said was: "Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of the womb, and whence is this to me, that the mother of my Lord should come unto me." Now notice carefully the two strong points mentioned here. First, only after a few hours Mary was said to have fruit (a human being) in her womb. Secondly, only after a few hours had passed, she was considered a mother. But today some would like to believe that a nine month old is only a human being after it has been brought forth out of the womb and able to breathe on its own.  
 There is no doubt with the invention of the ultra sound machine that babies are human beings from conception. How sad it is that our supposed supreme court allowed this abortion thing to take place. But the supreme being one day will take them unto his accounting for, at present, the murder of one million babies a year. Will God continue to bless America: I think not! For He has said: "That all nations shall be turned into hell that forget God," (**Psalm 9:17**).  
 Now back to our original thought, even the common sense thinking of this one man determined that abortion was murder no doubt, but people want the liberty to get like unrestrained animals and so they give in to their lust and babies are begotten. But to many this is just an inconvenience, so they have them terminated (just another word for murder). And so they continue to beget one child after another. Sadly, it is not uncommon now with the pill IU 44 that one woman could end the lives of several children in her lifetime. I believe that this man, even not knowing was murder. I hope some one points the Bible story out to him to encourage his stand against abortion.  
 Maybe, I'll just write him a letter to inform him myself, to keep on standing up for this truth.  
 Visit with us at Cornerstone. Our attendance was better last Lord's day, with one lady obeying the gospel and was baptized for the remission of her sins. Hope to see you soon.  
**Sincerely, Bob Casey (859) 369-4165**

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