

Hand-cut stone revived as building material

CUMBERLAND, Ky.—The ring of the stonemason's hammer and the sound of his hammer are heard anywhere but you can hear the sound daily at Kingston Court State Park.

The park is providing work for several local stonemasons and helping preserve a skill that has been all but lost.

Once stonemasons were highly paid and respected craftsmen but modern building techniques have replaced masonry, driving stonemasons to other pursuits.

With little or no such work, the park, largely handed down from father to son, almost completely disappeared.

Younger boys are working on the project and learning masonry from the older men we have here," Park Superintendent James McGinty said.

"There aren't many other places a young man could learn masonry these days."

Some 15 men are working at the park under the Cumberland Valley Work Opportunity Program.

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OBSTACLE RACING—Jeffrey Chasten, six-year-old of Louisville, recently raced through an obstacle course of bowing pins in record-time to become a winner at the second annual Kentucky Olympics for Handicapped Children held in Louisville. The Olympics, sponsored by the Metropolitan Parks and Recreation Board, Bueche-Fern Creek Juvenile and the Recreation for the Handicapped Committee, are designed to give Kentucky's handicapped children an opportunity to compete in sports and games. (Karen Nam Photo)

Outdoor Lore

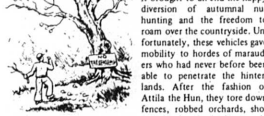


By Nevyl Shackelford - University of Kentucky College of Agriculture

In the good old days before the automobile destroyed the remoteness of the countryside, there were encounters with yellow jackets that angrily contested the plucking of grapes in the fence rows. Sometimes there were encounters with huge black snakes taking last sunbath on rockpiles before hibernating for the winter. There were the trails of strange tracks and trails in the dust of the lanes-trails and tracks of animals, insects, and birds also out foraging in preparation for the cold days to come.

When the automobile came brought to an end the happy diversion of autumnal hunt and the freedom to roam over the countryside. Unfortunately, these vehicles gave mobility to hordes of marauders who had never before been able to penetrate the hinterlands. After the fashion of Attila the Hun, they tore down fences, robbed orchards, shot songbirds and livestock, destroyed crops, and littered fields and roadsides with pop bottles, beer cans, and other forms of offensive debris. With his privacy thus grossly invaded and his generosity outraged, the farmer and landowner had no other recourse than to take drastic action.

As a consequence, "No Trespassing" signs now sprout everywhere—more than often backed up by loaded shotgun, and the old private property and are no longer free for the taking. Everyone are the days.



These expeditions had a particular charm. To be out in the bright blue fall weather, to wander lonely, windwept ridges where the hickory trees grew, to follow cattle trails through old pastures, where the largest mammals could be found; and to scuff through the dead leaves along country lanes bordered by hazelnet bushes interlaced with wild grape vines was a lot of fun.

In addition to the wealth of delicious walnuts, hickory nuts, persimmons, haws, pawpaws, and wild grapes to be gathered for later eating, there were often odd abandoned orchards to explore for apples. These wild apples, although often knobby and warm eaten, were eaten on the spot and had

around here where a stonemason could find work or a young man could learn the trade," McGinty said.

"There are a few old masons around who do a little work for themselves but nowhere a man could find steady work. We like to think this industry is keeping a pioneer skill alive in this area."

Robert Henley says it takes at least a year of steady work just to learn the basics of how to cut stone, many years to become a real craftsman.

"I like splitfin" stone better than anything I ever done," Henley says, pausing over a sandstone slab. "You've got to like work like this, 'cause if you don't, you mess it up."

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