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Maysville Milling and Feed Company

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MAYSVILLE MILLING AND FEED COMPANY

Important Business Founded on Cornerstone of Quality and Service

Backed by Leaders of Community

A newly organized enterprise that from its beginning has taken a prominent part in the business life of Maysville, and one that has already contributed in no small way to the recent splendid industrial and commercial development of this section is the Maysville Milling and Feed Company.

This business is the most recent of the

Such is the backing of the Maysville Milling and Feed Company.

Its organization complete, business was started last October first with J. C. Rains as Manager and Jack Brannon as Assistant Manager.

Mr. Rains has been for years widely known among the business men and farmers of Northeastern Kentucky. He

As evidence of this policy, the company assumed the exclusive agency for Featherflake Flour, one of the best to be found on the market; Channel Drain Galvanized Roofing and Cary Composition and Asbestos Roofings, well-known as products of the highest merit. It also has exclusive sale on Amco Open Formula Feeds, made by the American Milling



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vast and immensely important Cochran-Duke interests, which, as everyone in this section of Kentucky knows, have been the most rapidly expanding units of Maysville's program of growth and progress.

The men behind this company have been long outstanding in their desire and ability to foster the welfare and promote the development of the community. They are men of the stamp who can and do make things go. They are leaders in every phase of the life of the city. Undaunted by obstacles or cries of pessimism, they make vast strides where others fear to try, and their results are counted, not only in successes for themselves, but in benefits to the whole community and everyone of its citizens.

first started in the tobacco and grain business in 1887. In 1912 he entered the warehouse business, continuing until he assumed his present position. During his long connection with the tobacco industry, he has been one of the foremost workers for the development of the Maysville market, and is now Secretary of the Maysville Tobacco Association.

Mr. Brannon has been a leading farmer and was for four years connected with the Burley Tobacco Growers Association.

From the start of the business the most stressed policy has been one of handling only the highest grade of products, and in laying the cornerstone of success upon the foundation of Quality and Service.

Company, one of the leading manufacturers in its line in the country.

All feeds, seeds, fencing, roofing and kindred products are carried, and all must measure up to the rigid standard of quality that marks the company's policy.

During the next season, the mill will be operated for grinding wheat. Farmers of this section will find offered a convenient and reliable service.

The Maysville Milling and Feed Company has made an auspicious beginning. In the character of its ownership and management, and the policies upon which the business has been organized, it gives every promise of meeting with an even more rapidly increasing success.



January and Wood Company's Mills From Second Street, Showing Offices and Older Section of Mills.

and the celebrated "Maysville" brand of cotton warp and twine, produced by the mills, has become widely known throughout the country.

The January and Wood Company is now owned by the Cochran family, in whose hands it has been for many years. The members of this distinguished family have through generations linked their fortunes with those of Maysville. To them more than any other family or group, the measure of achievement obtained by the city, its development and progress must be credited.

The present high standard of the mills has been achieved through constant development over the long period of their existence. The original mill was built in 1834 by William Shotwell. This building is still standing. It is the center portion, readily distinguishable by its dormer windows. Shotwell operated the mill until 1844, selling out to Richard Henry Lee.

The four story building fronting on Second Street was erected in 1844. Lee continued the operation of the mill until February 4, 1848, when it was purchased by Andrew M. January, Christian Shultz, William Stillwell, and Thomas Mannen. On January 12, 1849, William Stillwell sold his interest to Henry Cutter.

In 1851, Andrew M. January and Benjamin W. Wood purchased the interests of Shultz, Mannen and Cutter, and formed the firm under the present name of January and Wood. This partnership continued until the death of A. M. January in June, 1877.

Subsequently, the interests of other January heirs was purchased by Harriet January Cochran and A. January Grundy. B. W. Wood was elected President and Robert A. Cochran became Secretary and Active Manager of the mills.

On January 1, 1888, the business was incorporated as the January and Wood

Company, with a capital stock of two hundred thousand dollars. Robert A. Cochran continued as manager of the mills for nearly two decades, until his death in January, 1896. He was succeeded by his son, Robert A. Cochran, Jr.

In August, 1896, the half interest of B. W. Wood was purchased by Harriet J. Cochran and her sons. The ownership of the stock has since been entirely in the hands of the Cochran family.

Since 1859, the mills have had but three superintendents: Charles Bromley, from 1859-1870; H. N. Jacquith, 1870-1885; Charles Bromley, again, from 1885 until 1892; and Frank Bromley, his son, from 1892 until the present.

In 1870, the mills were re-equipped throughout with new machinery, much of which was brought from England.

In May 1915, a disastrous fire destroyed the cotton sheds, together with a frame iron-clad building adjoining the mill on the north. The present modern three-story addition was built where these buildings stood and was completed early in 1916.

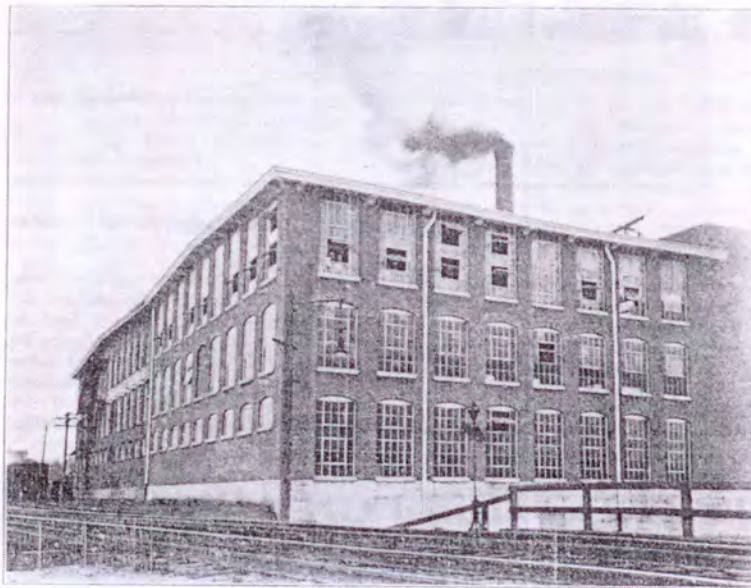
The old Dye House was torn down in 1918, and a modern brick building was erected to take its place. This same year, all of the older buildings were given an overhauling, new floors put down, windows widened, modern metal sashes put in, the boiler plant and engine scrapped, and electric motors installed throughout the mill.

In recent months, another fine modern addition has been erected, adding greatly to floor space and further increasing facilities.

Robert A. Cochran, was general manager of the mills until 1926, when he retired from active business affairs. At the time of his retirement, he had been the directing head of the mills for thirty years, and had done much to expand the business, and to further its development and improvement.

The January and Wood Company always has been entirely a Maysville institution. Though its reputation is country-wide, its business extensive and widespread, its executive and sales offices are located in Maysville. Its whole interests are here; its directing officers are leaders of the business, social, and civic life of the community.

Its entire output, much of which goes to the wholesale trade in Cincinnati, Chicago, and St. Louis, is sold through its local offices. Throughout its long, honorable history, it has been bound up with Maysville, a foremost factor in the prosperity of our section. Maysville people are proud of this old, yet modern industry, and of the success and wide recognition that has come to it.



January and Wood Company's Mills From Short Street and C. and O. Tracks, Showing Newest Unit of These Famous Mills.