

## FROM OLD HOME PLACE TO NEW

**Outline of Need:** Mr. & Mrs. Crum moved “home” from Indiana after Mr. Crum retired twenty seven years ago. They moved into the home place with Mrs. Crum’s mother. It was an old log home built by Lon Maynard eighty to a hundred years ago—built out of chestnut and oak trees from the property. There were three different teams of men hewing out and chinking between the logs. Inside petition walls were rough lumber; one room had old DuPont dynamite boxes with newspaper as coverings for the ceiling and walls.

Mr. & Mrs. Crum wanted to repair the old home place that her mother inherited. The home was hard to heat in the winter. They had to use gas heaters and gas lights, which was a big concern. The termite damage was beyond repair--they didn’t know what they were going to do.

**How Rural Development Helped:**

They didn’t think it was possible to build a new home due to Mr. Crum’s fixed retirement. They contacted a few non-profit organizations for assistance but were not eligible. Finally, they contacted employees of the USDA Rural Development office in Paintsville, placed an application and were determined eligible for assistance. They were so excited. They were looking so forward to having a safe, hazard-free and energy- efficient home.



**The Results:** Mr. & Mrs. Crum are so thankful to Rural Development. They said the program is great. They are very pleased with their new home; friends and neighbors are always telling them what a nice home they have. Mrs. Crum says the heating & cooling are the greatest. One of Mrs. Crum’s comforts is that she can set the temperature on seventy four degrees.

The Crum’s are also glad the logs, and other parts of the old “home place” are being preserved.

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