Royall's Lake

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This recreational area, owned and operated by R.R. Royall, was located near Union Hill, between Bryan and College Station. It was sometimes called Royall's Pool or Royall's Tank.

The management of Royall's Lake wish to announce that ladies' day at the bathing pool has been changed from Wednesday to Thursday afternoon and night. Bryan Daily Eagle, 27 July 1910, page 3

The Union Hill League will give its annual picnic at Royall's Lake in the Postoaks on Thursday, August 25th. Bring your baskets and lets have a good time. Everybody invited, especially The Eagle force. R.R. Royall. Bryan Daily Eagle, 23 August 1910, page 3.

To the Editor of The Eagle: The Union Hill annual league picnic took place at appointed time and schedule on August 25, and we did surely enjoy the day. It was very pleasant and many were the expressions of joy – joyful for the privileges of meeting at Royall's Lake in the post oaks, which is an ideal place for picnics and public gatherings in general – so cool, so shady and such nice clear water. Oh, my! The eating was fine. It seemed as if each housewife tried to see if she could not excel her neighbor in fixing something good to eat. People were present from as far as Kurten and we were so glad to welcome them. There were over two hundred bright faces there and we had such sweet singing and a talk by our former Sunday school superintendent, Mr. Taylor, of your city. Bryan Daily Eagle, 30 August 1910, page 1

[ad] Notice! Royall's Lake ... <u>Bryan Daily Eagle</u>, 10 April 1911, p.2. "... bathing suits for rent ..."

The Christian Sunday school will have its picnic Friday at Royall's tank. We will have a car to leave at 9:30 a.m. We will leave the car at Union Hill. A wagon will be provided to haul baskets and ice. Price for the round trip, adults 10 cents, children 5 cents. We want every member in line. Come early, as the cars run on schedule time. J.J. Ray, Superintendent. Bryan Daily Eagle, 17 May 1911, page 2, col.4

Union Hill ... Water at the Hill is very scarce. Tanks, creeks and pools are almost dry. I learn that Royall's pool has still about thirteen feet of water, and everybody is welcome to its use. (weekly) <u>Bryan Eagle</u>, 21 Nov. 1912, page 5, col.4

"The Union Barbecue," (weekly) Bryan Eagle, 4 September 1913, p.1.

[ad] For Fun, Frolic, Bathing and Fishing, go out to Royall's Lake, near Union Hill. Open day and night. R.R. Royall. Bryan Daily Eagle, 13 June 1914, page 6, col.4.

"New Swimming Pool," Bryan Weekly Eagle, 12 August 1915, page 2