

Union Hill

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Union Hill was the community located between College Station and Bryan. It was located roughly near where the Chicken Oil Company now sits.

Newspaper articles:

The Union Hill School House debating society....," Bryan Daily Eagle, 8 Sept. 1896, p.4, col.2

College Station, Texas – Dear Happyhammers: I read the club talk and saw that a little girl said that she was ugly because she had freckles. I think that anybody that has freckles is pretty. I feel awfully sorry for that little crippled girl. I go to school at Union Hill, and like to go to school and play townball. I surely like to read about Buster Brown and Hans and Fritz. They are so funny. I had better quit. "Mayblossom"
Houston Post, 4 June 1905, page 35

"Teachers Called on the Eagle," (weekly) Bryan Eagle, 26 Dec. 1907, p.1. Mentions "Union Hill School"

"County Schools," (weekly) Bryan Eagle, 17 Sept. 1908, p.2. Mentions "Union Hill School"

"Fire in the Country," Bryan Morning Eagle, 12 November 1908, page 5. The Carson home at Union Hill.

"County Teachers Institute," Bryan Daily Eagle, 28 September 1909, page 1. Teachers in attendance included R.W. Bittle, College; Leila Suber, College; J.L. Stasney, Shiloh; Corris Suber, Union Hill, etc.

"Union Hill News," (weekly) Bryan Eagle, 24 February 1910, p.5

"Union Hill," (weekly) Bryan Eagle, 10 March 1910, p.3

"Union Hill," (weekly) Bryan Eagle, 10 March 1910, p.8, col.6

"Union Hill," (weekly) Bryan Eagle, 24 March 1910, p.1, col.3

"Union Hill," (weekly) Bryan Eagle, 21 April 1910, p.4

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

The *Eagle* received by mail this morning from Mr. R.R. Royall of Union Hill an ear of pop corn that had been popped by the heat of the sun, on the stalk. It was grown by Ab Carson and nearly every grain on the ear was popped when found. Bryan Daily Eagle, 30 August 1910, p.1

"Union Hill," (weekly) Bryan Eagle, 13 October 1910, p.3

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," Bryan Daily Eagle, 30 Aug. 1911, p.2, col.5

"Union Hill," (weekly) Bryan Eagle, 28 September 1911, p.8, col.2

"New Teachers of Brazos County," (weekly) Bryan Eagle, 12 Oct. 1911, p.8. Mentions "Union Hill School"

"From Union Hill," (weekly) Bryan Eagle, 9 November 1911, p.8, col.1

"Union Hill," (weekly) Bryan Eagle, 30 November 1911, p.4, col.6

"Store at Union Hill," (weekly) Bryan Eagle, 15 February 1912, p.5, col.6

"Union Hill Headlights," (weekly) Bryan Eagle, 14 March 1912, p.7

"Union Hill," (weekly) Bryan Eagle, 2 May 1912, p.2, col.1

“Union Hill News,” (weekly) Bryan Eagle, 11 July 1912, p.7, col.1

“Union Hill Notes,” (weekly) Bryan Eagle, 25 July 1912, p.8, col.2

“Union Hill News Notes,” (weekly) Bryan Eagle, 19 September 1912, p.3, col.2

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) Bryan Eagle, 21 Nov. 1912, page 5, col.4

“Union Hill Notes,” (weekly) Bryan Eagle, 26 December 1912, p.2, col.2

“Union Hill News,” (weekly) Bryan Eagle, 4 April 1913, p.5

“Union Hill,” (weekly) Bryan Eagle, 16 April 1913, p.5, col.4

“Union Hill News,” (weekly) Bryan Eagle, 8 May 1913, p.8, col.1

“Union Hill Notes,” (weekly) Bryan Eagle, 22 May 1913, p.5.

“In Memory of Carl Carson,” (weekly) Bryan Eagle, 12 June 1913, p.8, col.6

“Union Hill News Notes,” (weekly) Bryan Eagle, 23 October 1913, p.7, col.3

“Union Hill Notes,” (weekly) Bryan Eagle, 29 January 1914, p.8

[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.

"Struck By Lightning," Bryan Daily Eagle, 31 July 1915, p.3, col.4. T.F. CARSON of Union Hill

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

"Union Hill Burglary," Bryan Weekly Eagle, 9 Dec. 1915, p.1, col.1.

Milton Gross, a young Negro, was landed in jail this morning by Officers Morehead and White on a charge of burglarizing Allen Smith’s store sometime last night. The officers went to the Negro’s home and recovered \$11.00 in nickels that had been taken from the cash drawer. It was the work of only a very few moments to pick up the right man when the officers learned that the loot consisted of nickels. It was learned that Gross had rented a bicycle and paid for it in nickels, and that he had a number of nickels in his pocket. Also, he had worked for Mr. Smith as a turkey picker before Christmas and was familiar with the store. After his arrest and a few minutes “sweating” he ‘fessed up and told where the rest of the loot was. The officers went to the home of the boy’s mother at Union Hill near College and procured a pocket full of nickels, which will be returned to

Smith, and the loss will not be more than one or two dollars. It was a clever piece of work on the part of the officials. The young Negro is also wanted on a charge of theft of a pair of shoes at College, according to reports from the officers. Bryan Weekly Eagle, 1 January 1920, page 1.

College Station, Texas, Aug. 21 – Construction of the Agricultural and Mechanical Consolidated School is being rushed with the view of having the building completed and equipment installed by Sept. 13, the opening date. The Consolidated School includes the school districts of Welborn, Union Hill, Dowling, College Station and Shiloh. Students will be brought from the rural districts to the high school in an omnibus. Vocational agriculture, domestic science and arts and manual training will be covered in the school. It will have the grammar grades and will carry through high school. It will be affiliated with institutions of higher learning. It just such a school as the college wishes to see established in the rural districts of Texas. It means, according to President W.B. Bizzell, who has fostered the organization of this school, the abolition of the two room school and the substitution thereof of a modern building with a definite course of instruction and a capable and adequate teaching staff. This is done with but little additional expense to the patrons of the school. W.L. Hughes of Brady will be the superintendent of the new school. The high school staff will include George Wilcox of Jacksboro, V.R. Glazener of Midway, Miss Marie Frey of Corsicana, Miss Stout of Austin, while the graded school will have miss Alma McKnight of Marlin, Miss Quata Wood of Hico, Miss Corinne Nash of Dallas, Miss Ruth Wallace of Commerce and Miss Ina Lipscomb of Calvert. Dallas Morning News, 22 Aug. 1920, p.2

"Three Thousand Dollar Fire Loss at Union Hill Today--Martin Kapchinsky is Loser," Bryan Daily Eagle, 3 Dec. 1925, p.2, col.4

"Old Carson Home Razed by Flames Saturday Night," Bryan Weekly Eagle, 8 Mar. 1933, p.1. C.A. Carson home at Union Hill

"A-M Consolidated Man to Teach in Nashville School," Bryan Weekly Eagle, 12 June 1935, page 1. He taught science and had also driven the school bus to Wellborn and Union Hill (about 55,000 miles)

"75th Annual Union Hill Homecoming Next Week-End," Bryan Daily Eagle, 26 Aug. 1951, p.1

Deed Records:

Union Hill Missionary Baptist Church: Brazos Co. Deed Book 35, p.274 (1911); Brazos Co. Mechanics Lien Book C, pp.117-118 (1911)

Union Hill Methodist Episcopal Church: Brazos Co. Deed Book 54, pp.234-235 (1918); Book 59, pp.51-53 (1922); Book 62, pp.449-450 (1918)