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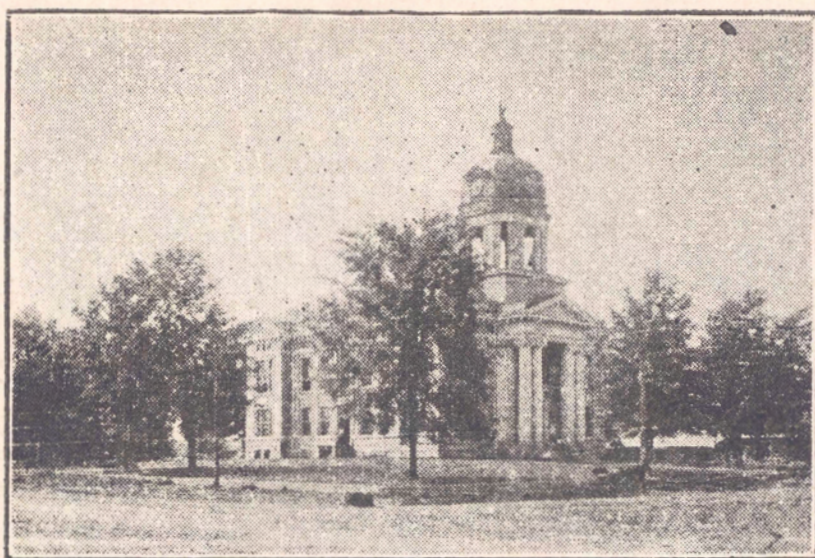
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CHICKASAW COUNTY COURTHOUSE

**LAND
OF
OPPORTUNITY**

**PROGRESSIVE
LEAGUE**

HOUSTON, MISSISSIPPI

Chickasaw County is situated in the north-eastern part of the state of Mississippi. Houston is the County Seat. This County is blessed with four essential elements to make one happy. First, we boast of the best climate in the United States east of the Rocky Mountains. Second, the water is abundant and good. We have good health and good society.

The thermometer has never been higher than 97 degrees during the past twelve years, nor has it been lower than ten degrees above zero, and that on one day only.

North and south of Houston lie the celebrated Pontotoc Red Clay Ridges, which cannot be surpassed in fertility for fruit and vegetable crops. On the east lie the delta lands of Houlka, Long and Cane Creeks. These delta lands are the equal of any in the United States. Here the Black Prairie Belt sets in and extends to the Monroe County line. There it is that you can see vast expanses of alfalfa meadows.

On the west lies the great Flat Woods Belt with its untold thousands of acres of undeveloped land that are awaiting the man of energy and pluck to convert them into good farms and homes. These lands will produce all kinds of grain and grass to perfection.



The above shows a forty-acre corn field in the great Flat Woods Belt. This field was cleared in April, 1916, planted on May 6th, 1916, and picture made August 15th, 1916.

This corn paid the expense of clearing the land, cultivating and gathering the crop and a small profit besides.

Many hundred acres of land like the above can be purchased within three miles of Houston and within reach of the city schools, at from \$7.00 to \$10.00 per acre.

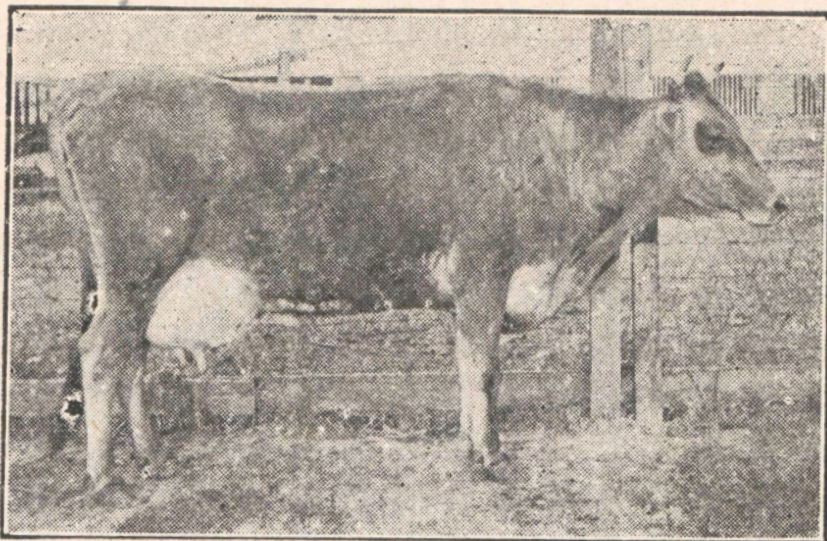
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Houston, Mississippi**



The above shows a farmer and his corn field on the Red Clay Hill section north of Houston. This man has cultivated this land for more than seventy years and it is still yielding good crops of all kinds.

This section is especially noted for its fine pastures, and is also one of the surest and best farming sections of this territory. It is high and dry and will yield good crops almost without fail and regardless of weather conditions. This climate and soil is especially adapted to fruit growing.



Quite an interest has been manifested by some of our people in dairying. Note here some of our Jersey Queens.

The outlook along this line of endeavor is unbounded, as all kinds of dairy feed can be produced here as cheaply as in any part of the world.

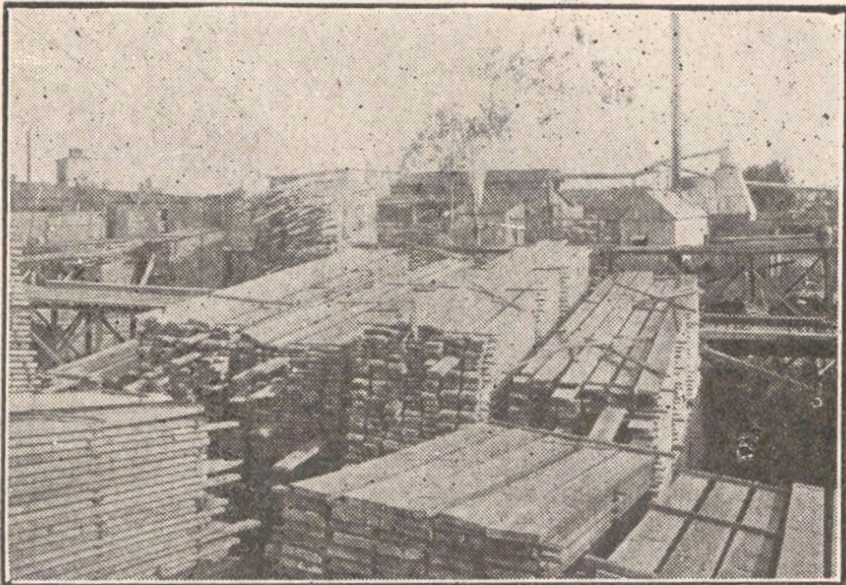




The above group of Herefords is perhaps the first effort by any of our stock men to raise a strain of beef cattle. They were sired by a thoroughbred bull to ordinary cows. Beef cattle can be raised here with little effort. All kinds of grasses grow so luxuriously and cheaply that failure is next to impossible, when the man does his duty by the herd.

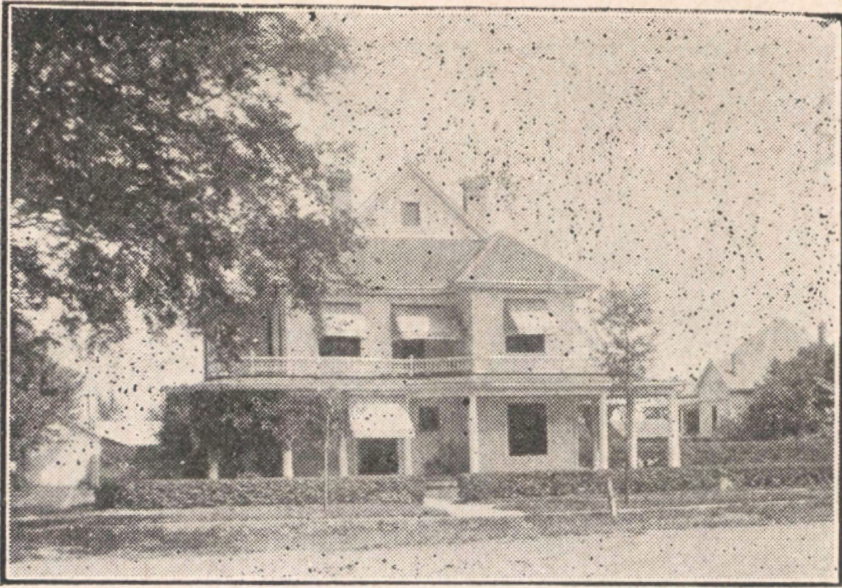
In this section you will find thousands of acres of undeveloped cut-over lands, which can be bought at remarkably low prices. This affords unlimited opportunity to anyone desiring to enter into stock or cattle raising, or any class of farming desired.

Dairying, truck farming and poultry raising is rapidly and profitably developing here.



Note the above planing mill and lumber yard, where there is carried in stock millions of feet of rough and dressed lumber of all kinds for building purposes at prices which will enable every one who wants to build a home or barn to do so.

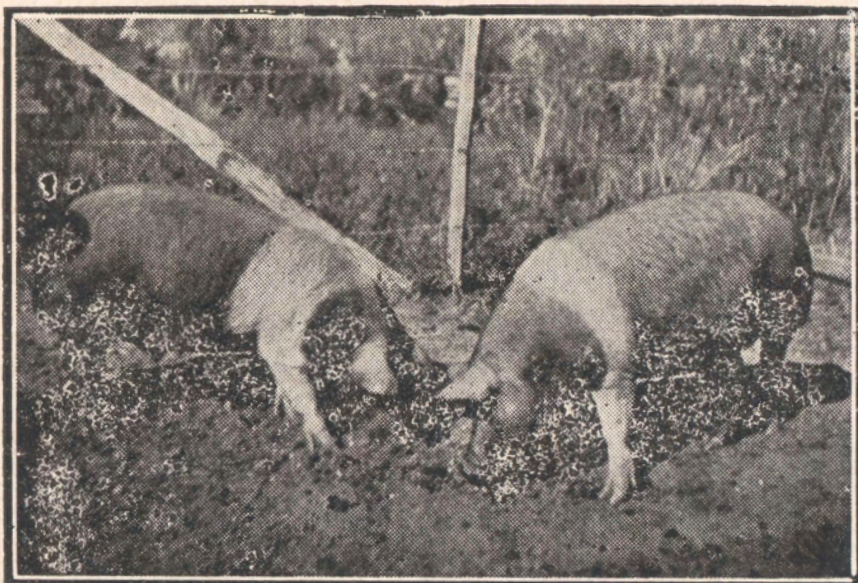
Our industries in Houston consist of one Handle factory, (Illinois capital), one Spoke factory, (home capital), one Planing mill (home capital), one Compress (home capital), one Oil mill (home capital), one Ice plant and 3 Cotton gins (home capital), 2 banks, 30 mercantile houses, one bottling plant, municipally owned water and light plant.



The above is one among the many attractive homes in Houston.

Houston is a desirable place to live. Health conditions are as good as could be. It is well situated as to drainage; the city water is free from any trace of lime or minerals; society is the very best, and consideration and kindness is extended to everyone.

We have the inducements to offer, come and make your home with us.



The above shows two pigs seven months old. Weight 258 and 253 pounds respectively. They have been raised on a balanced ration, cost of feed being 3 1-2 cents per pound. Market value today, \$51.50, for the two.

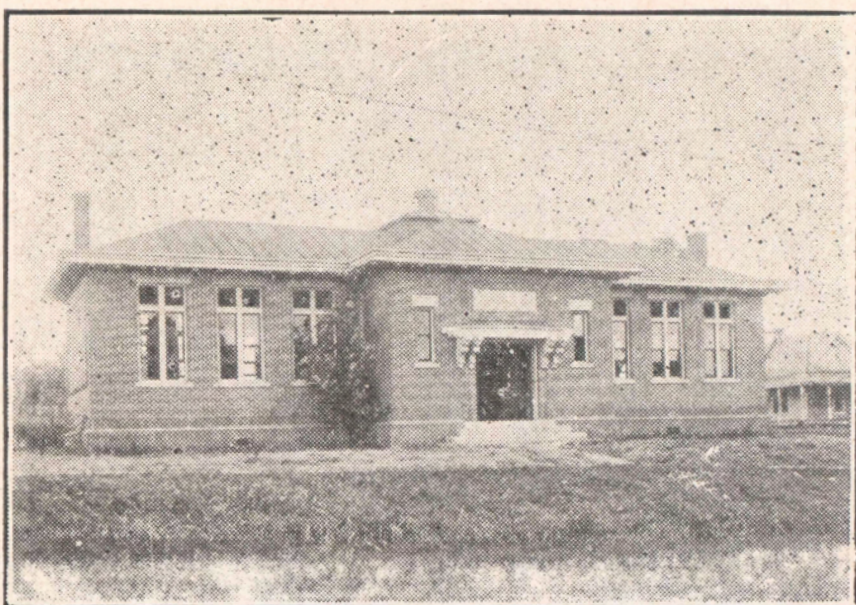
There is seldom ever any hog disease here, and they can be raised here cheaper than any place in the United States. They can be left on the pastures the year round. "Cheap Meat" is the slogan of the times. Here is the place to produce cheap meat.



The above shows a fifty-acre field of Lespedeza growing in the great Flat Woods belt. Yield per acre two and six-tenths tons.

You can get more land and better land for your money here than in any other part of this great country.

We want a creamery in Houston.



The Houston Carnegie Library was built in 1909, and was the first Carnegie Library in the State of Mississippi. It is supported by City appropriations and is free to the citizens of Houston.

It has 1350 volumes of books, 150 having been added in the last year. It is kept open 36 hours a week and has 744 registered borrowers, 450 of whom are active.

For information about anything at Houston or in the vicinity, address

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The Houston Baptist Church was built in 1907 and has 300 church members, 200 enrolled Sunday School attendants, 35 B. Y. P. U. members, 35 W. M. U. members and 50 Sunbeams.

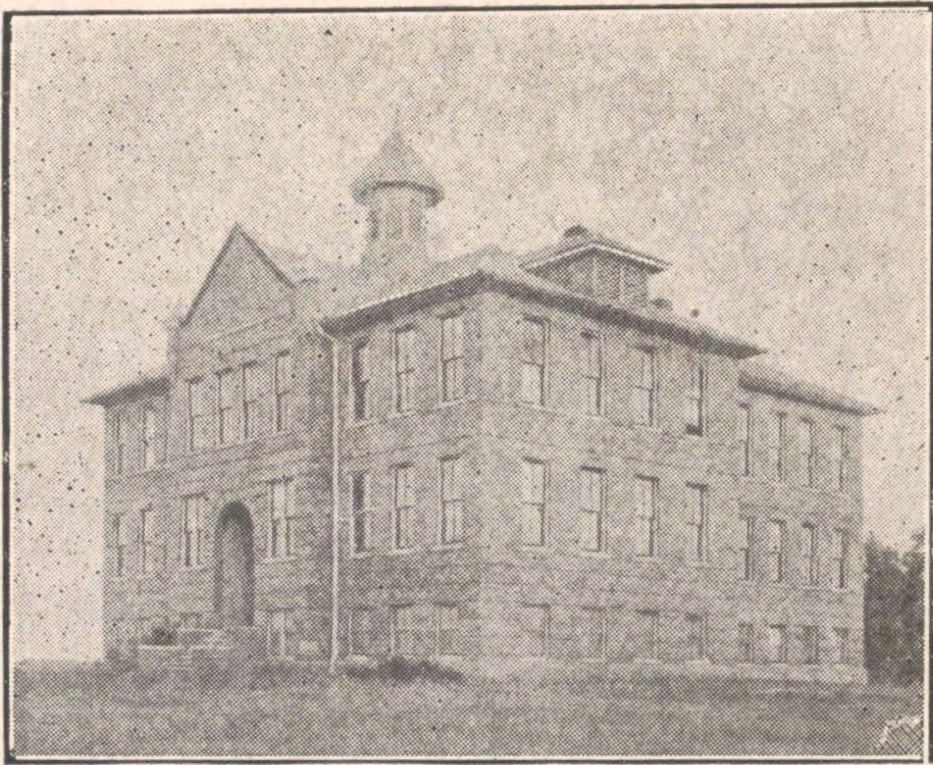
Visitors to Houston are cordially invited to worship with us.



The Houston Methodist Church was built in 1869 and has 281 Church members, 263 Sunday School enrollment, 36 members of the Women's Missionary Society and 22 members of the Young Ladies Missionary Society.

Come with us and we will do you good.

Strangers visiting Houston are always welcome.



The Houston High School was erected in 1906. There are about four hundred students enrolled. The faculty consists of twelve members. Departments are literary, business, domestic science, music and expression. Naturally Houston feels very proud of this splendid institution. All of its departments rank with the best in the state. The management of the City schools is in charge of one of the most progressive and thorough school men of the state. The school is affiliated with the State University.

In this little booklet we have tried to give, briefly, an idea of this great section of country. We have many hundred acres of good land especially suitable for stock-raising and farming, which can be bought for \$7 per acre. This land is covered with a heavy growth of wild grasses and furnishes good grazing for stock nine months in the year. This land utilized in farming will pay annually 10 to 100 per cent on the investment.

In a word, Chickasaw County offers the greatest opportunity to the home-seeker to be found anywhere.

Write the Houston Progressive League about it today,
Houston, Mississippi.



A view of one of the gravel roads near Houston. We have more than seventy-five miles of roads like this in the county, and more being built. The fertile lands around Houston are made easily accessible by roads like the above leading out of the town in six different directions. This is one of the desirable features about buying lands near Houston.

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