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GRIMES COUNTY, TEXAS

Records of wells, drillers' logs, water analyses,
and map showing location of wells

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Introduction
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This pamphlet contains records of a few typical wells in Grimes County, Texas, with tables of well logs, well water analyses, and a map which shows the wells described, each well having a number on the map corresponding to the number assigned to it in the well tables.

The records were obtained in the course of an investigation which was undertaken as part of a statewide study of the underground water resources of Texas. The investigation was made by the State Board of Water Engineers, in cooperation with the U. S. Department of the Interior, Geological Survey. The field work was carried out by Samuel F. Turner of the Geological Survey. The analyses were made in the laboratory of the Geological Survey at Washington by Margaret D. Foster. The field tests were made in Houston by Samuel F. Turner.

The well records serve as a guide to land owners and well drillers who may need information regarding wells and pumping plants, the depth to ground water in different parts of the county and the quantity and quality of water yielded by wells.

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Records of wells in Grimes County, Texas

(All wells are drilled unless otherwise noted in "Remarks" column.)

(Principal water-bearing beds are sand or gravel.)

No.	Distance from Navasota	Owner	Driller	Date completed	Depth of well (ft.)	Diameter of well (in.)	Principal water-bearing bed	
							Depth to top of bed (ft.)	Thickness (ft.)
e/ 1	At Navasota	Missouri Pacific Ry.	McMasters & Pomeroy	1926	334	--	254 301	37 12
2	4 $\frac{3}{4}$ miles southeast	Gulf Coast & Santa Fe Ry.	Layne-Texas Co.	1930	406	8	41 98 156	22 45 17
e/ 3	6 miles south	R. B. Templomen well 1	Dearing & Noble	1931	4,559	--	--	--
e/ 4	10 miles south southeast	W. J. Lyles	--	1929	23	--	--	--
5	8 miles east southeast	State Highway	--	--	--	--	--	--
e/ 6	11 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles east southeast	T. B. Stoncham	--	--	22	36	--	--
7	do.	do.	--	--	15	8	--	--
8	13 miles east southeast	State Highway	--	--	--	--	--	--
9	14 miles east southeast	J. A. Greenwood	--	1910	20	36	--	--
10	14 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles east southeast	J. A. Neely	--	--	25	30	--	--
e/ 11	do.	P. B. Bookman well 1	Cullen & West	1930	3,452	10	--	--
12	do.	B. T. Williams	B. T. Williams	--	29	6	--	--

a/ Bench mark is point from which water-level measurement was made and was usually top of casing, top of pump base or top of water pipe clamp.

b/ A, air; J, jack; B, bucket; G, gasoline engine; W, windmill; H, hand.

Records obtained by Penn Livingston and Samuel F. Turner
 (See "Table of field tests" for tests of hardness, calaride and sulphate,)

No.	Height of bench mark above (+) ground (ft.) a/	Water level		Pump and kind and amount of power b/	Use of water c/	Remarks
		Below bench mark (ft.)	Date of measurement			
1	--	--	--	--	RR	See driller's log.
2	3 $\frac{1}{2}$	22.5 d/	1930	A, -	RR	At Wood Station, Casing; 235 feet of 8-inch. Screens set at 39 to 60, 94 to 136 and 151 to 170 feet. See driller's log.
3	--	--	--	--	--	Oil test. See driller's log.
4	--	--	--	B, H	D, S	Dug well. Two miles southeast of Courtney.
5	--	--	--	None	S	One mile west of Yarborough. Spring at contact between sand and clay in road
6	1	8.7	Apr. 14, 1931	B, H	D, S	Dug well. At Stoneham. ditch.
7	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	8.1	do.	B, H	D, S	At Stoneham.
8	--	--	--	None	S	Two miles east of Stoneham. Spring at contact between sand and clay in road
9	--	--	--	J, W, G, 3	D, S	Dug well. At Plantersville. ditch.
10	--	--	--	J, G, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$	D, S	Do.
11	--	--	--	--	--	Oil test, see driller's log. Two miles south of Plantersville.
12	--	--	--	B, H	D, S	Two and one-half miles south of Plantersville.

c/ RR, railroad; D, domestic; S, stock.

d/ Reported by driller.

e/ No field tests made on water from this well.

Records of field tests of samples from wells in Grimes County, Texas
 (Analyzed by Samuel F. Turner. Parts per million. For records
 of wells see corresponding numbers in well tables.)

Well No.	Owner	Date of collection	Depth of well (ft.)	Hardness as CaCO ₃ a/	Chloride (Cl)	Sulphate (SO ₄) b/
2	G. C. & S. F. Ry.	-	406	230	100	50
5	State Highway	-	-	30	45	10
7	T. B. Stoneham	Apr. 14, 1931	15	110	8	15
8	State Highway	-	-	25	20	10
9	J. A. Greenwood	-	20	110	45	10
10	J. A. Neely	-	25	200	230	10
12	B. T. Williams	-	29	110	180	10

a/ Hardness as calcium carbonate by the soap method.

b/ Sulphate by turbidity method and may be as much as 25 per cent in error.

Table of Drillers' Logs, Grimes County, Texas

	Thickness (feet)	Depth (feet)
<u>Driller's log of well 1</u>		
Missouri Pacific Railway, owner.		
Surface soil - - -	10	10
Sand and muck - - -	65	75
Yellow clay - - -	95	170
Gummy lime - - -	49	219
Hard rock - - -	1	220
Blue sand and shale - -	34	254
Good water sand - - -	37	291
Gumbo - - -	10	301
Good water sand and gravel	12	313
Gumbo - - -	21	334

	Thickness (feet)	Depth (feet)
<u>Driller's log of well 2</u>		
Gulf Coast and Sarte Fe Railway, owner.		
Soil - - -	3	3
Clay - - -	10	13
Sand - - -	14	27
Clay - - -	14	41
Sand - - -	22	63
Sandy clay - - -	35	98
Sand - - -	45	143
Clay - - -	12	155
Rock - - -	1	156
Sand - - -	17	173
Clay - - -	5	178
Sand - - -	4	182
Clay - - -	11	193
Hard shale - - -	19	212
Blue sandy shale - - -	12	224
Rock - - -	1	225
Sandy shale - - -	31	256
Shale - - -	44	300
Gumbo - - -	12	312
Shale - - -	26	338
Hard shale - - -	25	363
Sand rock - - -	12	375
Gumbo - - -	30	405

	Thickness (feet)	Depth (feet)
<u>Driller's log of well 3</u>		
R. B. Templemen Number 1.		
Clay - - -	20	20
Sand and gravel - - -	69	89
Shale - - -	40	129
Gravel - - -	11	140
Shale - - -	12	152
Sand - - -	9	161
Shale - - -	42	203
Sand - - -	10	213
Shale - - -	179	392
Gumbo - - -	19	411
Sticky shale - - -	66	477
Sand and gravel - - -	14	491
Shell rock - - -	1	492
Hard shale and gravel - -	11	503
Hard shale - - -	10	513

	Thickness (feet)	Depth (feet)
<u>Driller's log of well 3--Continued</u>		
Water sand - - -	4	517
Hard shale - - -	14	531
Gumbo - - -	7	538
Sticky shale - - -	8	546
Sand - - -	18	564
Gumbo - - -	16	580
Sticky shale - - -	15	595
Green sand - - -	17	612
Sticky shale - - -	37	649
Sand and gravel - - -	18	667
Sticky shale - - -	8	675
Gumbo, lime and shale - -	15	690
Sticky shale - - -	99	789
Gumbo - - -	25	814
Sandy shale - - -	20	834
Gumbo and shale - - -	82	916
Limey shale - - -	66	982
Brown, blue and sandy shale - - -	58	1040
Shale and boulders - - -	18	1058
Sandy shale - - -	27	1085
Sticky shale - - -	12	1097
Shale - - -	10	1107
Sandy shale - - -	9	1116
Gumbo - - -	15	1131
Gray sand - - -	13	1144
Blue shale and sticky sand - - -	19	1163
Gumbo - - -	13	1176
TOTAL DEPTH - - -		4559

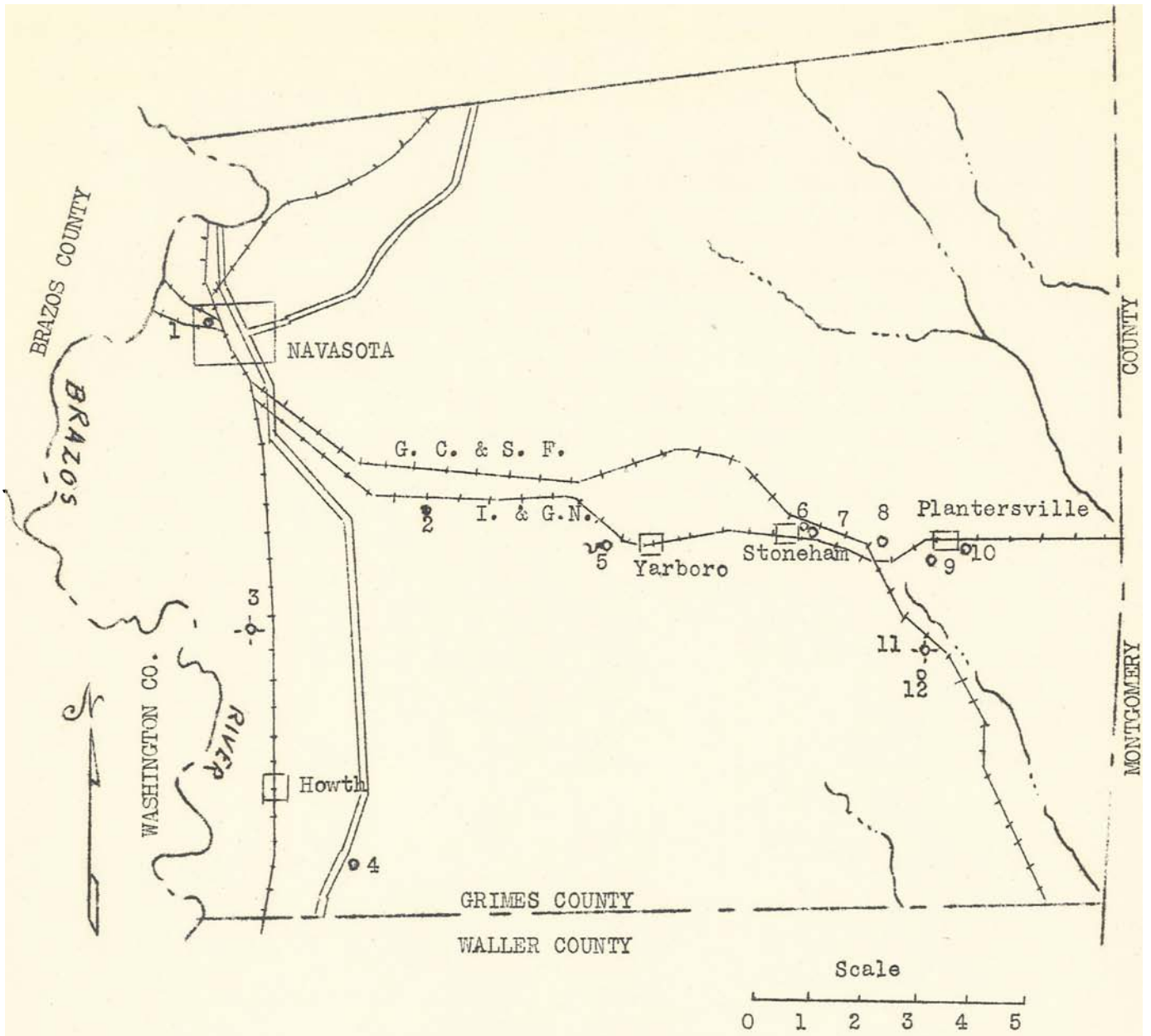
	Thickness (feet)	Depth (feet)
<u>Driller's log of well 11</u>		
P. B. Bookman Number 1.		
Clay - - -	18	18
Yellow sand - - -	61	79
Gumbo - - -	4	83
Yellow gumbo - - -	37	120
Sand and streaks of gumbo	10	130
Sand and gravel - - -	18	148
Soft white gumbo - - -	14	162
Sand - - -	12	174
Gumbo - - -	10	184
Sand and boulders - - -	113	297
Gumbo and boulders - - -	72	369
Sand and boulders - - -	29	398
Shale and boulders - - -	62	460
Gumbo - - -	104	564
Gumbo with sandy streaks-	26	590
Blue shale - - -	28	618
Loose sand and boulders - -	22	640
Gumbo and sand - - -	19	659
Tough gumbo - - -	72	731
Blue and pink gumbo - - -	48	779
Gumbo - - -	61	840

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Table of Drillers' Logs, Grimes County--Continued

	Thickness (feet)	Depth (feet)
Driller's log of well 11--Continued		
Sand - - - -	13	853
Gumbo - - - -	21	874
Sand or shale - - - -	5	879
Coarse sand - - - -	16	895
Slick hard shale - - - -	32	927
Gumbo - - - -	59	986
Hard sand - - - -	4	990
Hard green sand - - - -	3	993
Tough gumbo and lime - - - -	10	1003
Soft sand - - - -	4	1007
Shale and lime - - - -	3	1010

	Thickness (feet)	Depth (feet)
Driller's log of well 11--Continued		
Gumbo and lime - - - -	61	1071
Sand - - - -	4	1075
Tough gumbo and lime - - - -	67	1142
Gumbo, shale and lime - - - -	15	1157
Sand - - - -	15	1172
Gumbo and lime - - - -	11	1183
TOTAL DEPTH - - - -	-	3452



MAP OF GRIMES COUNTY, TEXAS,
SHOWING LOCATIONS OF WATER WELLS

LEGEND

- Ordinary drilled or dug well
- Well with pumping plant
- ⊕ Well drilled to test for oil or gas
- ☉ Spring