

Houston Mural Key

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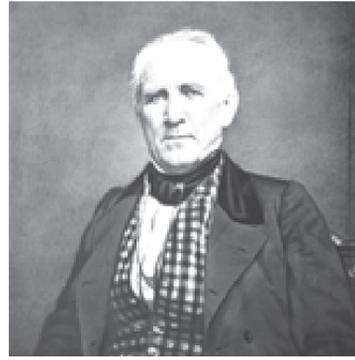
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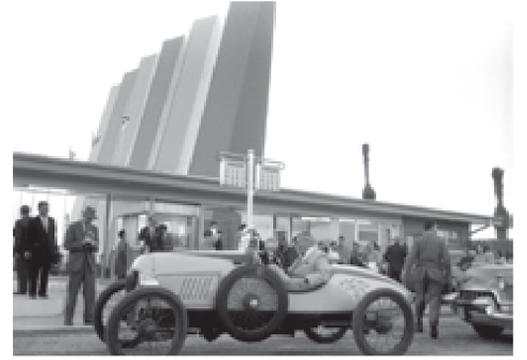
Preparing a sign for Chinese New Year. In 1870, the first wave of Chinese immigrants arrived in Houston. By the early 1900s, the community's first Chinese business district had opened.



The Moon Festival in Houston, 1981. In the 1980s, many Asian American families began relocating to Southwest Houston, an area that would become known as New Chinatown, but included various Asian communities.



Governor Sam Houston was a 19th-century statesman, soldier, and politician, best known for his instrumental role in bringing Texas into the U.S. union.



Loew's Sharpstown Outdoor Theater, 1958. The family-friendly drive-in theater opened in 1958, and also had a merry-go-round and a children's train that gave rides around the base of the screen.



Wells Fargo coach leads parade past the company's office in Houston, 1912.



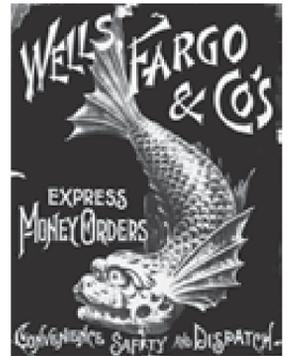
Houston bayou scene, late 1800s. Buffalo Bayou and the Houston bayou system played an integral part of the city's early success in trade and transportation.



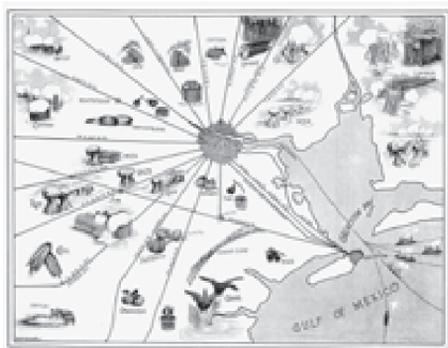
The Beaumont oil discovery in 1901 spurred the development of the energy industry in Texas, transforming Houston into a metropolitan city and the railroad hub of East Texas.



Chinese directory for Wells Fargo agents and customers, 1882.



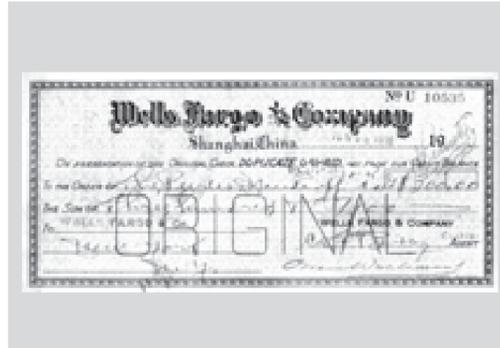
Wells Fargo poster advertising express money orders, c. 1900.



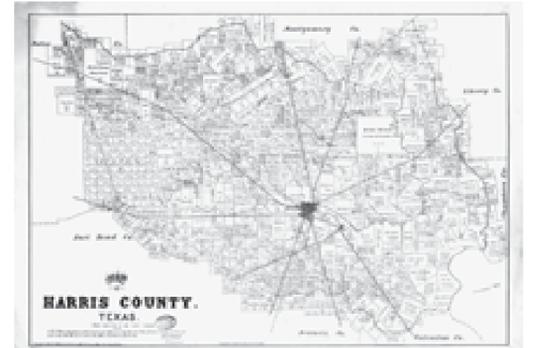
Illustrated map of Houston's products and railroad lines, published by the Houston Press Club, 1914.



Illustrated map of Houston, 1891. The city was incorporated on June 5, 1837, and was the temporary Texas capital until 1839.



Wells Fargo check issued in Shanghai, 1918. Wells Fargo services reached across the Pacific to Hawaii, Shanghai, and Manila.



Map of Harris County, published by August Gast & Co., 1879. Founded as Harrisburg County on December 22, 1836, the name was shortened to Harris County in 1839.

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