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To be the most progressive, highly developed, prosperous, thriving proposition in the Lower Rio Grande Valley.

A personal investigation will convince you of the greater advantages and opportunities offered.

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TARIFF DEBATE BEGINS TODAY

REPORT ON STEEL AND IRON BEFORE HOUSE.

Republicans Will Offer No Substitute But Will Offer an Indefinite Number of Amendments. Palmer of Pennsylvania Opens Debate.

Associated Press. Washington, Jan. 25.—The tariff revision debate in the sixty-second congress begins here tomorrow when Representative A. Mitchell Palmer, of Pennsylvania will open the argument in favor of the steel and iron schedule reported today by chairman Underwood of the ways and means committee.

The Republican attitude toward the democratic revision program was indicated in today's meeting of the committee when Representative Payne moved that the consideration of the iron and steel schedule be deferred until a report was received from the tariff board. This was lost by a strict party vote.

Representations of members indicated that there will be no republican substitute for the democratic bill but that a long string of amendments will be offered.

Efforts to have the wool schedule as revised by Underwood and his colleagues, redrafted to conform to the report of the tariff board was also lost.

Senator Smoot is repairing the bill along tariff board lines. Following the passage of the steel bill, chemical, and then sugar, schedules will be taken up. The cotton schedule will come next.

Underwood estimates that they will all be had at this session of congress but if there is time for more the agricultural bill will be taken up.

Both majority and minority reports were filed in the house today with the steel bill.

ARRIVES HURRIEDLY: LEAVES RAPIDLY

CONNAUGHT SPENDS A DAY IN CAPITAL.

Duke Makes Hurried Visit to Washington, Calls on President, Dines at Embassy, and Hurries Back to New York.

Associated Press. Washington, Jan. 25.—The Duke of Connaught visited the National Capitol today and went the American "Peace". Arriving from New York late in the afternoon, he whirled first to the British Embassy. He spent forty minutes in the White House where he was received by President and Mrs. Taft when he motored back to the Embassy where he was the guest of honor at a dinner to which most of the prominent members of the diplomatic corps were invited. He visited the National Press Club and then tired but "delighted", as he expressed it, sought his private car. He left at midnight to return to New York. The Duke is the first Royal visitor to Washington in many years. The President returned his call at the British Embassy.

Want Children's Bureau.

Associated Press. Louisville, Ky., Jan. 25.—The bill pending before the United States Senate which was vigorously opposed in a speech in the senate yesterday by Senator Bailey, providing for the establishment of a National Children's Bureau, was endorsed tonight at the initial meeting of the annual conference of the National Child Labor Committee. The conference will consider in its three days session here the dual question of child labor and education.

Opposed to Recal.

Associated Press. Columbia, S. C., Jan. 25.—Judge Alton R. Parker of New York, in an address tonight before the South Carolina Bar Association expressed himself as opposed to the recall of the judiciary and took exception to some criticisms on the bench in the past by Theodore Roosevelt. "I put into practice and carried to its inevitable conclusion," Parker said, "the recall of judges is the substitution of popular opinions for legal procedure. It is justice or injustice meted out not according to the law of its land, but according to supposed public sentiment."

REICHSTAG CHANGES POLITICAL COMPLEXION

RESULTS OF RECENT BALLOTS OVERTHROW CONSERVATIVES.

By Forming Alliances With Other Minor Parties Liberals Will Control. Conservatives Lost Heavily Cannot Hold Their Own.

Associated Press. Berlin, Jan. 25.—The political complexion of the new Reichstag, as demonstrated by the final result of 33 ballots taken today is shown by the following general party groupings: Socialists 119; progressive non-socialists groups 99; clericals 122; independent 1. The subordinate or allied factions are included for convenience with the parties with which they generally vote.

The results completely overthrow the working majority of the conservative centre of the last Reichstag, which is now able to muster only 191 and places the control in the hands of the national liberals who will be able to form a majority by throwing its strength with either right or left.

COUNSEL SURPRISES DEFENSE LAWYERS

BY UNEXPECTED PRODUCTION OF MARGIN SHEETS.

Government Contends that the Margin Sheets were Used at Meetings of Combine When Agreements Based on Them Were Made.

Associated Press. Chicago, Jan. 25.—The counsel for the government sprang a surprise on the defense in the packers' trial today when they produced 35 original weekly summary margin sheets for shipments made to the National Packing Company into the western territory between May and August 1909. The government considers the sheets sent to the offices of the company in Chicago every Monday were to be used at meetings of the National Packing company each Tuesday after which the alleged agreements in regard to shipments and margins were made for the current week.

PRESIDENT MADERO WILL SPARE REYES.

In Signed Interview Mexican President Says Former Insurrecto Leader Will Be Imprisoned for a While.

Associated Press. San Antonio, Jan. 25.—In a signed statement given to a staff correspondent of the San Antonio Express president Francisco Madero of Mexico, says that General Bernardo Reyes will not be shot but will be given a prison sentence of six or eight years for an attempt to incite rebellion.

Madero also approves the efforts of Congressman Slayden of Texas, to secure an appropriation for the erection of a permanent home for the American Ambassador in Mexico City. He also says that control of the national railways will continue to be vested in and exercised by the Mexican government.

President Madero says a New Era of progress, moral, social, and political is in sight.

Celebration Expenses.

Associated Press. Washington, Jan. 25.—Secretary Knox, on authority of President Taft, today presented to the house committee and expenditures in the state department voucher accounts for \$29,000 expended at the Lake Champlain celebration in 1909. The vouchers were the most part costs of wine, travel and the entertainment of guests that celebration. Secretary Knox said that hereafter all expense accounts will be scrutinized closely.

Publish Endorsement.

Associated Press. Washington, Jan. 24.—A bill passed the house today requiring the president to publish every written or verbal endorsement of candidates for all federal judgeships, from the Supreme Court down, prior to the appointment of judges.

Cattle Market.

Associated Press. Kansas City, Jan. 25.—Cattle, steady to 10c lower; export steers \$6.60 to \$8. Hogs steady to 5c lower; heavies, \$6.25 to 6.35. Sheep, steady to weak.

HOTEL ASSOCIATION HAS BEEN ORGANIZED

DEFINITE STEPS TAKEN TO SECURE BIG TOURIST HOTEL.

B. F. Yoakum Will Duplicate Amount Raised by Brownsville for Project. Citizens Undertake Move in Business-like Way.

The Brownsville Hotel Association was organized and the first definite steps taken towards securing a fine tourist hotel to cost \$200,000.00 or more, at the meeting of business men held yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock. The meeting had been called by Wm. Kelly and Juan G. Fernandez, representing a committee of citizens which was informally organized recently.

The meeting was opened about 4:30. There were about eighteen present. Mr. Kelly explained briefly, in effect, that the object of the meeting was to consider the means of financing a project to build a tourist hotel here. Mr. Kelly said that it was estimated that \$75,000 to \$100,000 would have to be raised. He also informed the meeting that B. F. Yoakum, when here a short time ago, promised that he would duplicate whatever amount was raised in Brownsville for the hotel.

Temporary organization was effected, with Mr. Kelly as chairman, and E. A. McGary as secretary.

It was proposed that an association be organized and stock subscriptions for the hotel solicited. The motion was put by R. B. Rentfro, and was carried. Mr. Kelly was made chairman of the association.

In accepting, Mr. Kelly said that this was a time for deeds, not words and in a few pointed sentences set before the association the work in hand—to raise money to build the desired hotel.

The method of raising the needed coin was discussed at length, all present agreeing that the hotel is a great and growing necessity. It was decided finally to appoint a committee of four to formulate a definite plan of campaign and to report the same at a meeting of the association to be held later. John G. Fernandez, S. L. Dworkman, E. A. McGary and Wm. Kelly were nominated by R. B. Crocker to serve on the committee. They were elected unanimously. The committee was authorized to add other members.

It was decided that, as the hotel will be a benefit to the entire Lower Rio Grande Valley, as well as to Brownsville, the citizens of other Valley towns should be invited to subscribe; and as the proposition is considered a good business deal, it is expected that liberal subscriptions will be taken by out of town people.

Those present at the meeting were:

Captain William Kelly, E. A. McGary, J. B. Scott, L. K. Morris, B. G. Stegman, John G. Fernandez, C. P. Barreda, S. L. Dworkman, S. C. Tucker, L. A. Whitney, R. B. Crocker, B. E. Hinkley, Judge E. C. Forto, D. H. Cummins, C. W. Winstedt, R. B. Rentfro and M. J. Slattery.

While not nearly so largely attended as the importance of the move undertaken would warrant, the meeting made up in earnestness what was lacking in numbers. Those present included a number of Brownsville's most prominent and substantial business men. The discussion throughout was earnest and pointed, and showed that the members fully realize the great necessity for a fine tourist hotel here, and have set about the work in a business-like way that will bring results.

ITALIANS HOLD TURKISH PRISONERS

After Conference With French Representatives, Italian Government Decides to Hold Prisoners.

Rome, Jan. 24.—After conference with the premier and foreign minister of Italy, with Ambassador Barrere of France, today, as to the detention of 29 Turks found aboard the French steamer Manouba, which was captured and searched, announcement was made that Italy would continue to detain the men. Italy maintains her right to capture and seize ships of neutral nations suspected of carrying contrabands of war, but announces herself ready to submit the cases to The Hague Tribunal and pay indemnity if error is committed.

SAN BENITO, Texas

The GEM CITY of the RICH and FERTILE Lower Rio Grande Valley

19 miles north of Brownsville, situated in the midst of an exceedingly prosperous farming community and conceded to be the most important agricultural shipping point on the Houston-Brownsville line of the "Frisco" Railway system.

THE PRE-EMINENCE of SAN BENITO, as a City, and its surrounding AGRICULTURAL community, as a farming proposition over any other town or section in the LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY, has been established beyond any fear of successful refutation. The MARVELOUS growth and ADVANCEMENT of this 2 1/2 YEAR OLD City and the extensive and wonderful DEVELOPMENT of the farm land tributary to the SAN BENITO IRRIGATION CANAL SYSTEM, are the source of AMAZEMENT and ASTONISHMENT to the VISITOR, easily CONVINCING him that this is the PLACE TO LOCATE if he is desirous of enjoying good health, living in comfort, securing successful results from his efforts and ultimately attaining financial INDEPENDENCE, as his just reward and to which he is entitled.

WE CAN'T BE TOO EMPHATIC IN OUR CLAIMS. The Lower Rio Grande Valley, and San Benito in particular, has been endowed by Nature with a rich, deep and extremely fertile soil, the productiveness of which is the equal of, if not superior to the soil of any section on earth and a climate unsurpassed for uniformity throughout the entire year by any locality on this Continent.

These conditions, coupled with our excellent, Reliable Irrigation and Railroad Facilities, complete an ideal and perfect combination of advantages at San Benito offered by no other agricultural section in this country.

Inspection and comparison will prove all our statements and claims made in this regard.

The IRRIGATING CANAL SYSTEM at SAN BENITO (Gravity) is the largest in the South and one of the largest and most EFFICIENT in operation anywhere at the present time. The main canal is 27 miles in length, 250 feet in width and carries 20 feet of water at all times. There are 150 miles of lateral canals and 550 miles of lead ditches, giving a capacity SUFFICIENT to SATISFACTORILY WATER the 50,000 ACRES reached by this immense IRRIGATION SYSTEM. In connection with this our DRAINAGE SYSTEM TEM IS PERFECT.

TO MARKET YOUR PRODUCTS SUCCESSFULLY AND IN A SATISFACTORY MANNER IS JUST AS IMPORTANT TO YOU AS THE PRODUCTION OF YOUR CROPS. Here is where SAN BENITO has a tremendous ADVANTAGE over any other section. In addition to the "FRISCO" Railway system which traverses this farming section, in one direction, we have the SAN BENITO and RIO GRANDE VALLEY INTERURBAN LINE, now in operation with modern and up-to-date equipment. This line extends out of the city of SAN BENITO in opposite direction and traverses this vast AGRICULTURAL COMMUNITY from END TO END within convenient distance of every farm. HOW CAN YOU IMPROVE UPON SUCH AN ARRANGEMENT?

WE NOW HAVE OVER 22,000 ACRES UNDER ACTUAL CULTIVATION, EVERY ACRE DEMONSTRATING NOT ONLY THE FERTILITY OF THE SOIL, BUT THE EFFICIENCY OF OUR IRRIGATION AND EFFECTUAL DRAINAGE, AS WELL.

Don't forget that here is where the pre-cooling plant is to be located. There are now only three in operation, two in California and one in Florida. This will make the fourth in the United States—SEEKING IS BELIEVING, COME LET US SHOW YOU.

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The central town and irrigated district of the valley.

Every modern utility of an up-to-date town. Modern farms. Good roads and shipping facilities.

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Investigate the advantages of Mercedes for your farm and for your family. Train every morning.