

San Benito, Tex., Gem of the Lower Rio Grande



PANORAMIC VIEW OF SAN BENITO

Phenomenal Growth of City in Irrigated Region

San Benito is attracting attention in all parts of the United States because of its rapid growth. Two years ago it was not on the map. Today it has a population, within the city, of 2,000 and a trading population of 3,000 additional, making 5,000 in all.

San Benito is the seat of the territory tributary to the great San Benito Gravity Irrigation Canal, the largest in the State. It is ideally located on the Main Line of the St. Louis, Brownsville and Mexico Railroad, 19 miles north of Brownsville. Its remarkable growth has been due alone to the fact that it is located in the center of one of the most prosperous agricultural regions in the State, a region which is developing faster, perhaps, than any in the United States.

San Benito has cement sidewalks, wide, well drained, well graded

streets, city water and lights, good schools, permanent and expensive residences, churches, good, well constructed business blocks and well stocked stores.

San Benito is one of the most desirable locations in the State for a winter home. Splendid climate. Convenient to seashore. Good fishing, bathing, boating and hunting. "Pleasure and profit go hand in hand." The winter visitor can make a handsome income from a small winter truck farm, an orange grove or a sugar plantation.

San Benito has unequalled transportation facilities. Interurban railroad now building. All farms within a mile and a half from transportation. Interurban will centralize trade of all the surrounding country here. Splendid opening for business houses.

The San Benito Irrigation Canal is one of the finest in the United States. It is purely a gravity canal, taking its water supply from the Rio Grande without the aid of pumps. It is 37 miles long, 250 feet wide and 20 feet deep. More than 70 miles of main laterals or branch canals, ranging from 25 to 50 feet in width, have been constructed.

The climate is semi-arid. Mild summer and winter. Not so warm in summer as cities as far north as St. Louis and Chicago. No oppressive days. The winters are the delight of the northern visitor. Flowers and plants of all kinds grow in the open all winter. No rainy season or foggy days. No prevalent diseases. Most healthful region in America. Profit and pleasure go hand in hand.

The San Benito soil was made by the silt deposits of the Rio Grande in ages past. It is many feet in depth and of inexhaustible fertility. It is generally friable and easily worked. Varies from a black sandy silt to a rich chocolate loam.

The combination of soil, water and climate at San Benito makes it possible to grow a larger variety of products here than in any other section of the United States.

San Benito is in the center of a Forty Thousand Acre Tract of Land irrigated from the San Benito Canal. No region of the United States offers superior advantages in an agricultural way. It is in the heart of the Delta of the Rio Grande.



Cabbage and Onion Wagons Waiting Turn to Load Into the Refrigerator Cars

Sugar cane, cotton, corn, broom corn and alfalfa are the staple products. Winter vegetables and fruit and nuts grow to perfection and all conditions here are more favorable to their production than in any other section of the United States.

Sugar cane yields from 30 to 50 tons to the acre and needs to be replanted only once in six years. Full twelve months a year for the crop to grow. This region is second to none in the western hemisphere as a sugar cane country. Planters are now making from \$50 to \$100 per acre on sugar cane.

Cotton makes from three-fourths to one and one-half bales an acre and may be picked in time to follow with a crop of winter vegetables on the same ground.

Corn yields two crops a year and finds a ready market at from 75c to \$1 per bushel.

Alfalfa is very profitable. It is cut from six to ten times a year and yields from three-fourths to a ton and a half to the acre each cutting.

WINTER VEGETABLES

Cabbage, onions, cauliflower, cucumbers, string beans, tomatoes, egg plants, radishes, beets, turnips, peas, celery, Irish and sweet potatoes, pumpkins, water melons, cantaloupes and strawberries yield abundantly and we market them ahead of any other section of the United States. San Benito farmers are now making from \$100 to \$500 per acre on these products.

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