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The city of Aransas Pass is situated on Live Oak Peninsula, at the terminus of the Glacier-To-Gulf Highway, 150 miles southeast of San Antonio. It is on a direct parallel with Tampa, Florida, and approximately 400 miles south of the latitude of Los Angeles.

It has an abundance of good, pure water at shallow depth, natural shade trees and good drainage, the elevation ranging from the shore line to about 25 feet at the opposite side of the city. The streets are 80 to 120 feet wide, with two boulevards 150 feet in width. The city is amply provided with churches, excellent schools, and a modern ice, light and power plant.

Health conditions cannot be surpassed. An equable climate with good water, and with the prevailing wind from the southeast, being off the Gulf, and no mosquitoes, makes malaria, typhoid and pneumonia unknown at this place.

Aransas Pass being situated on the 28th parallel of north latitude, is just beyond the snow line to the south, and sufficiently distant north to escape the tropical heat, and yet enjoys all the advantages of a sub-tropical climate. Very seldom does the thermometer register above 90 degrees. There are no hot winds. The Gulf breeze is not only cool, but it comes with invigorating freshness. The nights are almost uniformly cool, usually making a bed covering desirable. The winters are also mild, as it is not often the temperature falls below the frost line, and there is seldom a freeze.



Ships Docked at Port Aransas.

The average rainfall is about 28 inches per annum and the frost data for the past sixteen years shows December 23rd to be the average date of the first killing frost and January 31st the average date for the last killing frost, making the average length of the growing season to be 326 days in the year.

Industrial Opportunities.

Aransas Pass occupies a geographical position that presents unsurpassed opportunities for creating one of the greatest industrial cities of the Southwest. It is situated approximately midway between Galveston and Brownsville on the mainland and only six miles distant from Port Aransas, where the Government has spent many millions of dollars in building one of the finest harbors on the Gulf Coast. This harbor has direct rail connection through the Aransas Harbor Terminal Railway with the Southern Pacific System at Aransas Pass.



Unloading Oil, Port Aransas.

Just six miles southwest on the mainland, Aransas Pass has the advantage of another deep water harbor, at Pt. Ingleside that gives promise of great industrial development. The Humble Oil & Refining Co. are now actively engaged in constructing docks at this place which is the terminus of their pipe line just completed to the Mirando oil fields in Webb and Jim Hogg Counties, near Laredo.

Aransas Pass and Pt. Ingleside are to be connected by a hard surfaced road, which will make Aransas Pass the beneficiary of development at that place account of its many advantages as a place in which to reside.

Shrimp Cannery.

The San Patricio Canning Co. is a new industry for Aransas Pass, which deals exclusively in shrimp. Its plant is one of the most modern canneries on the Gulf of Mexico. It occupies a spacious building and is equipped with labor saving devices that permit the handling of



Shrimp Canning Plant.

forty thousand pounds of shrimp daily.

During the shrimping season a fleet of 18 boats is engaged in catching shrimp.

About 250 people are employed in canning their product, which is shipped to the various markets in the United States.

Ransom Island Resort.

Being connected with Aransas Pass by a shelled highway and situated in Red



Partial View, Ransom Island.



Vineyard of B. Nelson Near Aransas Pass.

Fish Bay, Ransom Island resort is ideally located to afford pleasure and recreation to those who come down to the sea to hunt and fish or to go boating and bathing.

The city of Aransas Pass has been to large expense in creating a FREE salt water play ground. A fishing pier, extending far out into Corpus Christi Bay, has been constructed and camping arbors built for shelter, the use of which is FREE to the public. Lots may be leased from the city for the construction of lodges at reasonable rates. Privileges of a bath house, skiffs, bait and fishing tackle may be had on the island at reasonable charges.

Truck and Grape Growing

The large truck and grape growing industry of Aransas Pass and vicinity, is the result of toil and intelligent study of conditions for many years. It has been demonstrated to the outside world that climate and soil and adaptability of growers to productive conditions makes



Tedford Packing Shed.

this the greatest truck and grape growing section of Texas.

The truck and grape lands of Aransas Pass and vicinity have not been exploited by land boomers and conditions are such that they will not be. Prices of land are based upon productive value.

The average yield of this land in grapes, tomatoes or cucumbers nets the growers from two to three hundred dollars per acre each year. This average is often materially increased by planting



Waco Boy Scout Camp, Ransom Island.



Gathering Cucumbers, Aransas Pass, Texas.

fall crops and also by including other classes of vegetables in their Spring and Summer crops, such as peppers, squash, peas, beans, strawberries, etc. Raw land that will grow such crops, can be bought for \$40.00 to \$100.00 per acre.

Grapes are considered to be the sureshot crop as there has never been a failure since this industry was started on this peninsula.



Gathering Tomatoes, Aransas Pass, Texas.

Irrigation is unnecessary and the quality of the truck grown here is unsurpassed, according to the buyers, who flock here during the shipping season, when several hundred cars are sold.



Red Fish Caught at Aransas

Hunting and Fishing.

As Aransas Pass and the immediate surrounding country offers a greater variety of game and fish life than any other section of the United States, it is a paradise for the hunter and angler.

The hunting season for ducks and



State Game Commissioner Turner E. Hubby (at right). Got His Limit at Aransas Pass Last Day of Hunting Season.

geese opens November first and closes January 31st. Almost every known variety of water fowl that migrate to the South in the Winter, can be found on the bays or in the adjacent fresh water lakes, and weather conditions permitting, the bag limit allowed by law can be obtained without much effort.

The fishing in the back bays and in the Gulf cannot be excelled, as there is not a month in the year when good sport in some way may not be had. The bays



Unloading Lumber at Port Aransas.

abound with a great variety of edible fish that afford pleasure and profit; while those that fish for the pure love of the sport may gratify this desire to the fullest extent with tarpon, kingfish, jackfish, Spanish mackerel, red fish and jewfish.



Tarpon Fishing is Good at Port Aransas.

The waters of the inland bays immediately adjacent to Aransas Pass are closed against seining and netting.

It is a Sportman's paradise, as is evidenced by the constantly increasing number of those who annually make Aransas Pass their headquarters.



Transporting Cars to Ocean Beach Drive.

Ocean Beach Driveway

The above picture shows the method of handling automobiles from Aransas Pass to Port Aransas, where they are transferred across the harber to Mustang Island by ferry. The Ocean beach driveway begins here and extends to Point Isabel, 130 miles distant, which is the longest beach drive in the world. Along this picturesque and unique drive are the greatest fishing grounds on the Gulf for red fish, especially at Corpus



Canal Ten Feet Deep, Two Miles Long in front of Aransas Pass



Paved Road to Aransas Pass.

Christi pass, 20 miles from Port Aransas and Shell Banks, 55 miles down the beach.

Also along this drive may be seen the wrecks of many different kinds of craft, revealing tragedies at sea of long ago.

Road to Aransas Pass

View of section of Glacier-to-Gulf Highway, between Aransas Pass and Gregory, completed in April, 1926. This road connects Aransas Pass with the outside world and has removed the curse of isolation, which has so long retarded its development as a recreational and resort center. This road now enables easy access to Ransom Island and also to the Ocean Beach Driveway from Aransas Pass to Point Isabel along the Gulf beach.

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