

Mr. MILLER. Judge Mansfield, we will have here tomorrow Maj. J. R. Parten, who is Director of Transportation for the Petroleum Coordinator. We will also have the director of the port at Port Isabel, who will be able to supplement the testimony of the last witness, Mr. Hofmokol. We will present also Mr. Holland, president of the Intra-coastal Canal Association, who will probably speak for only a few minutes, and then we will have Mr. E. B. Germany, an independent oil operator of Dallas, who will take very little time. Mr. John M. Fouts, of the Trinity River Association, will also make a statement.

The CHAIRMAN. How about Captain Barr?

Mr. MILLER. I do not know whether he will be here or not. Then Mr. Green will have several witnesses here from Florida.

Mr. GREEN. Mr. Buckman and Mr. Sharit and Mr. Johnson, and maybe one or two others want to be heard briefly.

Mr. MILLER. I think it might be possible, as far as our witnesses are concerned, to conclude tomorrow. I think as to most of the witnesses who will appear that most of their evidence is now cumulative, and there is naturally some duplication. If they may be permitted to make their statements briefly, without too much cross-examination, unless it is necessary to develop additional facts, I think we can conclude tomorrow, Mr. Chairman.

The CHAIRMAN. Yes, sir; I think so.

I have a letter from Hon. J. C. Looney, of Edinburg, Tex., regarding this section, and if there is no objection, I will place it in the record at this point.

(The letter reads as follows:)

OFFICE OF COUNTY JUDGE,
Edinburg, Tex., May 16, 1942.

HON. JOSEPH J. MANSFIELD,

Chairman, Rivers and Harbors Committee,

House of Representatives, Washington, D. C.

DEAR JUDGE MANSFIELD: I want to go on record as representing Hidalgo County as being in favor of the extension of the Intracoastal Canal to Brownsville, and I urgently request that your committee, when it meets on Monday, do everything possible to include this improvement in the project.

We appreciate your fine work on this committee and wish you every success.

Yours very truly,

J. C. LOONEY, *County Judge.*

Mr. MILLER. The committee has certainly been very patient.

Mr. CULKIN. We will now adjourn until 10:30 tomorrow, Judge?

The CHAIRMAN. Yes.

Mr. MILLER. Thank you, Mr. Chairman and gentlemen of the committee.

(Thereupon, at 5 p. m., the committee adjourned until tomorrow, Wednesday, May 20, 1942, at 10:30 a. m.)