Abbeville Featured
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The City of Abbeville, an ever-growing populace, was featured in the January issue of the Louisiana Municipal Review.

Following are excerpts from the article:

“Colorful Abbeville is a rarity, even for a state which has an uncommon number of colorful towns. It is the Wild Iris Capital of the World, and a place which has been called a “horn of plenty” of fur and fish, seafood, waterways, sugar cane, cattle and oil. It is also the Dairy Capital of Louisiana and a mecca for gourmets. And it is, at the moment, a city determined to push forward with a whole series of projects which can only be described in superlatives.

“Led by Mayor Young A. Broussard and Councilmen Guy Broussard, Goldman Viator, Willie Meaux, Justin Broussard, and J. Harold Sellers, Abbeville is understandably proud of the Highway 167 bridge over the Vermilion River. The four-lane span will facilitate traffic and allow an easier flow of auto-mobiles into the city, and also provide a convenient way to bypass the metropolitan traffic.

“SPECIFICALLY, Abbeville for some time has been setting a smoking pace in the field of bread and butter improvements — that is, those basic necessities which a progressive town must have. These include big-league advances in streets, the sewerage system, drainage, utilities and the like. Although the city has compiled a proud record of such achievements in the last two years, it can hardly match the huge $94,000 public improvement program which lies ahead.

“Coupled with Abbeville’s glowing municipal growth is comparable industrial expansion. The latest news in this category involves a plant to process menhaden (an inedible but plentiful fish found in the Gulf) for conversion into cattle feed and fertilizer.

“The menhaden plant will join a pleasant variety of other valuable industries such as the Vermilion Creamery and the Steen Sypyr Mill.”