History of Breaux Bridge
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A new levee was constructed in the vicinity of the current townsite of Breaux Bridge in 1860, and in 1870 the Governor returned to the Atchafalaya Basin to buy more land for the state legislature. In 1871, the legislature passed a resolution to establish a town near the levee, and Breaux Bridge was incorporated as a town in 1872. The town was named in honor of Joseph Breaux, a prominent local citizen.

The levee played a crucial role in the town's early development, providing a protective barrier against flooding. However, the levee was also a source of contention, as some residents opposed its construction, fearing it would damage their property. In 1912, the levee was raised and extended, and in 1940 it was further improved to accommodate the growing population of the town.

The town's economy was based on agriculture, particularly rice and sugar production. The first rice mill was established in Breaux Bridge in 1908, and by the 1930s the town was a major center for the rice milling industry. The town's economy was also supported by the construction industry, with several large-scale projects undertaken in the early 20th century.

The town continued to grow and prosper throughout the 20th century, with a population of over 2,000 by the 1950s. Today, Breaux Bridge remains a thriving community, with a rich history and a strong sense of identity.

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In the business district, the bridge which was built to replace the one destroyed in 1864 was not in use until 1868.

On April 9, 1864, Gen. Sherman, who had crossed the Mississippi a few miles below Bayou Teche, and the 30th Illinois Volunteers rode into Breaux Bridge October 29, 1900. On August 1, 1917, they were proceeding along the Bayou Teche towards Opelousas at all, and was, in fact, a most un-

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