F. V. MOUTON AMONG SPEAKERS
AT FORTY THIRD BIRTHDAY
CELEBRATION OF CROWLEY

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Urges Road Improvement
As Factor of Bringing
Cities Together

Honor Founders
of Rice City

Speakers Praise Crowley
and Predict Prosperous Future

“We must visualize prosperity
beyond our city limits,” is the
thought that Secretary Mouton of
the local Chamber of Commerce
left with the many persons who
attended the banquet at the Egan
Hotel in Crowley Saturday night
to celebrate the forty-third birthday
anniversary of that city. Mr. Mouton,
among the principal speakers of the occasion,
was accompanied by four other citizens
from this city who were guests at the banquet.

An excellent menu was served
to 186 guests at the banquet.
President Sudduth of the Crowley
Association of Commerce was in
general charge of the program.
J. G. Medlenka sketched the
growth of Crowley and predicted a
bright future for that city. R. C.
Watkins of New Orleans, vice-
president of the Southern Pacific
Lines in Louisiana, told of the part
taken by railroads in the development
of communities and also an-
nounced improvements to be made
at Crowley for the convenience of
the railroad.

Secretary Mouton conveyed
greetings and congratulations to
Crowley from Lafayette and
stressed the value of cooperation
between the cities of Southwest
Louisiana. “Old Sister Lafayette
is happy indeed to see Sister Crowley
getting along in years and
growing fairer and popular, and
bigger and still unmarried,” Secre-
tary Mouton said. “Before Sister
Crowley was born, Sister Lafayette
was wearing short dresses, and
then crinolines, but today all
the Sister Cities of Southwest
Louisiana are wearing silk stock-
ings and everybody who comes to
see them falls in love with them.
It behooves us, therefore, to keep
up this reputation and popularity,
to tell the world about it, and to
adorn all this household of beau-
tiful and growing girls with the
latest styles of progress, develop-
ment, culture, and refinement.
Our problems are mutual and
paramount,” he said.

Secretary Mouton commented
on road improvements as a means
of bringing the cities closer to-
gether and also spoke of other
matters of general interest to the
cities in this section of the state.

“And so,” he stated in conclud-
ing his remarks, “Sister Crowley,
your older sister (Lafayette,
brings greetings, compliments.

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