

From San Diego From St. Augustine
 2224.9-----BAY ST. LOUIS, MISS.----- 592.1
 23.0 mi. See Memo. under Chief Menteur, La. (18 mi. by Gravel road to Pearlgrine ferry.)
 Pop. 3033. Elevation 26 ft. On the Bay of St. Louis.
 2195.9---PEARL RIVER. (Miss.-La. State Line)--- 621.1
 12.3 mi. See Memo. under Chief Menteur, La.
 2183.6-----SLIDELL, LA.----- 633.4
 18.5 mi. See memo. under Chief Menteur, La.
 Pop. 2958. Elevation 11 ft. Tourist Camp—North edge of town, secluded, well-landed pine grove, toilets, water, Country hotel, ST. Cousins, J. Eddins and E. F. Hailley.
 The Slidell people are battling thru some of the most difficult road and bridge building problems on the OST. It is the key-point for travel between New Orleans and the North and East. The town is on the bank of an extensive waterway basin east and south of them. They have built gravel parish roads, and are winning thru with the OST line. Slidell is part of the district that ships over 34,000,000 of early strawberries annually, Satsuma orange and early truck district. Artesian wells with natural flow 30 ft. above surface. Larges brick yard in South. Shipbuilding and creosoting.
 INFORMATION AND SERVICE
 Slidell Garage. Storage, repairs, supplies. T. J. Eddins.
 2165.1-----CHEF MENTEUR, LA.----- 651.9
 22.7 mi. Gravel and Paving.
 "The Chef" is the ferry landing, south side of Lake Pontchartrain for passage between New Orleans and the East or the North.
 Detour Memo.—Between Bay St. Louis, Miss., and New Orleans, La., are the Pearl River delta, Lake Pontchartrain, and the other basins. There have been problems to engineers for centuries. The Old Spanish Trail is financed and building from Bay St. Louis, Miss., across the Pearl river basin to Slidell. The road is being built and across the marshland at the foot of Lake Pontchartrain to Chief Menteur where a good road will be found to New Orleans. This is the largest of the mills on the OST is at Raceland. Hospitable people.
 2084.2-----HOUMA, LA. (Bayou Black)----- 732.8
 23.3 mi. to Gibson. Shell
 Pop. 5160. Elevation 13 ft. Tourist Camp—None. Two country hotels. OST vice president, Julius Dupont; Counselor, Calvin Wurziow.
 This is still a part of the old Mississippi River delta section. Bayous reach from Houma to the Gulf like the spreading fingers of the hand, with graveled drives and plantations along the banks and the bayous to the waters. Houma is an important fish, shrimp and oyster packing and shipping center, and also trapping and fur-bearing for sportsmen, deer hunting, water fowling, etc. South, at Dulac, a recreation beach is developing. Natural gas. Fine schools. The OST along Bayou Black to Gibson is one of the prettiest drives in Louisiana.
 INFORMATION AND SERVICE
 Association of Commerce, Corinne Wolff, Secretary.
 THIBODAUX ROUTE
 THIBODAUX, LA. (Bayou Lafourche)
 18.7 mi. to Gibson. Gravel and Dirt.
 Open August, 1922.
 Pop. 3528. Elevation 18 ft. Tourist Camp—None. Modern hotel. OST Councilors, Dr. H. S. Smith and W. S. Lafourche.
 Thibodaux is one of the old centers of the rich bayou country of Louisiana. The town is a progressive city improvements, schools, public recreation park, and playgrounds, and golf. Old homes of U. S. Chief Justice White, Governor Nicholls Louisiana, and of Gen. Bayou, Confederate Army. Old Episcopal Church, Dr. J. P. F. Bishop of the confederacy. Graveled drives in all directions, and old sugar plantations, mills and other things that are reminiscent of Old Louisiana. Lake Ferret, 27 mi. north and west.
 INFORMATION AND SERVICE
 Drexler Motor Co. Storage, drive-in station, accessories. J. L. Drexler.
 Jeffries Hotel, European Plan. John H. Mayer.
 Bank of Thibodaux and Trust Co. C. P. Shaver, cashier.
 Bank of Lafourche. K. J. Braud, cashier.

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 17.8 mi. Gravel and Shell.
 Pop. 387. Elevation 12 ft.
 2043.1-----MORGAN CITY, LA. (Berwick Bay)----- 773.9
 8.7 mi. Gravel. Ferry over Berwick Bay from 5:45 A. M. to Midnight. Ferry 35c.
 Pop. 5429. Elevation 15 ft. Tourist Camp—None. Country hotel. OST Councilors, M. E. Norman and H. J. Boudreaux.
 Morgan City is on Berwick Bay, the Gulf outlet of the numerous waterways that constitute the Atchafalaya Basin. It is said you can cruise, fish and hunt many days out from Morgan City over lakes, bays and bayous noted in song and commerce, and seldom repeat on your course. Of some 2000 mi. of navigable waters in southern Louisiana, a half are in this basin. This was the ancient outlet of the Mississippi River. The lumber and fur industries, and the oyster shell chick feed industry, are extensive.
 Avoea Island with 16,000 acres is dyked, reclaimed and extensively developed. Morgan City ships 30,000,000 early cabbage plants. On Lake Palourde is the Morgan City bathing and camping beach.
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 Association of Commerce, A. W. Van Pelt, Secretary.
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 Schwing's Restaurant. Day and night service. Tourists welcomed.
 Miller-Leonard Motor Co. Next to Post Office. Star-Durant-Flint.
 2034.4---PATTERSON, LA. (Atchafalaya River)--- 782.6
 17.9 mi. Gravel.
 Pop. 2588. Elevation 10 ft. Tourist Camp—None. Clean country hotel, good meals. OST Councilors, H. P. Williams and J. F. Williams.
 Old sugar plantations again, sugar mills, plantation homes, clusters of negro cabins, shaded drives, the Atchafalaya River and then the Bayou Teche, by the roadside. This is the beginning of the Teche country, the land of the Acadian exiles. Patterson lies near the junction of the Atchafalaya River and the Bayou Teche, with Grand Lake just above. Here the negro express mill in the world has developed—the F. B. Williams Co. West 15 mi. on Bayou Teche, their second big plant will be built, west and south by gravel road is Bayou Salpe Beach (salt beach) on the Gulf. Graveled roads in all directions. A friendly town, and numerous pleasures if you stop a while.
 INFORMATION AND SERVICE
 Sananers Ford Store. J. B. Sananers.
 2016.5-----FRANKLIN, LA. (Bayou Teche)----- 800.5
 18.8 mi. Gravel.
 Pop. 3504. Elevation 11 ft. Tourist Camp—Small grove on Bayou Teche. Hotel. OST Counselor, Wilson McKerral.
 INFORMATION AND SERVICE
 McKerral Motor Co. Opp. Court House. All service.
 1997.7---JEANNERETTE, LA. (Bayou Teche)--- 819.3
 11.0 mi. Gravel.
 Pop. 2512. Elevation 20 ft. Tourist Camp—In pecan grove on Bayou Teche, east end, semi-secluded. Water, ice plant, toilets, caretaker. Country hotel. OST Councilors, A. J. Morel and Frank Beaulieu.
 Jeannerette is another center for the enjoyment of the numerous waterways of southern Louisiana. Salt and oyster beaches, fishing, boating and camping, and the town is on the bank of Bayou Teche, the OST still and the Acadians. The scene is the same as the old South. Graveled drives in all directions thru bigly cut and planted plantations of Gen. Bayou, and thru sugar plantations, rice and corn lands. Southward 18 mi. is the Weeks Is. a salt water bathing. Beach Bay sites for camping on the wooded bluffs. Further on same road 850 ft. depths. Other salt islands, active mud, are in this district and considered the purest salt deposits in the world. Chateaufort, near water beach on Grand Lake is about midway between Jeannerette and Franklin. A road, 2 mi. from Jeannerette, leads to Grand Lake for fishing and hunting. A friendly people.
 INFORMATION AND SERVICE
 Citizens Bank. C. C. Edwards, Tourists welcomed.
 Beaulieu Motor Co. Lincoln-Ford-Fordson. Repairs, storage.

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 1986.7---NEW IBERIA, LA. (Bayou Teche)--- 830.3
 7.5 mi. Gravel.
 Pop. 6278. Elevation 21 ft. Good hotel.
 1979.2-----CADE, LA.----- 837.8
 6.0 mi. to Broussard, Old Spanish Trail. Gravel. 6.2 mi. north to St. Martinville. Gravel. Evanzeline Trail. Gravel.
 Pop. 200. Elevation 32 ft.
 At Cade turn north on the Evanzeline Trail for a visit to the heart of the Evanzeline country.
 ST. MARTINVILLE, LA. (Bayou Teche)
 Pop. 2465. OST Counselor, Mrs. E. E. Voorhes.
 St. Martinville the largest town in the Evangeline lived in the quaint center for many little journeys. On the bank of the Teche is the spreading live oak where Evanzeline and the Acadians were the heart of the Evangeline home, church and other sacred landmarks. The surrounding towns and country are rich with interesting pictures for the tourist. Bayou Teche is on a southerly course here, and these are the western highlands of the Atchafalaya Basin, the ancient outlet of the Mississippi River. The Acadians were exiled from Nova Scotia in 1755. Herded in old ships, families and friends turn asunder, some were landed in Maryland, some in Louisiana, most of them to become pioneers searching for one another. After three years the Maryland group worked south seeking their friends and lost ones. The French had been in the Atakapas in 1784 at the present St. Martinville. The Evangeline party reached Atakapas about 1760. Numerous gravelled roads.
 INFORMATION AND SERVICE
 Voorhes Hotel. Comfortable, home-like. Mrs. E. E. Voorhes.
 1973.2-----BROUSSARD, LA.----- 843.8
 12.1 mi. Gravel.
 Pop. 602. Elevation 33. OST Counselor, M. Billeaud, Jr. Three of the largest sugar mills in Louisiana are on the OST—Broussard, Raceland and Franklin. Daily capacity, 2000 tons of sugar. The OST is 96 test. The Franklin mill also refines, with daily capacity for 1,000,000 lbs. Visitors are usually welcome at these plants. The Chateaufort express mill in the world is the largest refinery in the world; refines only, does not grind cane.
 1960.0---LAFAYETTE, LA. (Bayou Vermilion)--- 851.0
 16.6 mi. Gravel.
 Pop. 7855. Elevation 40 ft. Tourist Camp—At Crystal Plunge Pool, 3 mi. north. Gordon Hotel. OST Councilors, A. P. Looze, and J. G. Oost. OST Director, Mrs. A. A. Anding, Opelousas, La.
 New census, 1925, pop. 11,237.
 The highest elevation on the OST in Louisiana are at Lafayette and Broussard. The sugar and corn areas eastward weld in this parish into the rice areas westward. Lafayette is a railroad and bus center. Forging Highway from Canada joins the OST here, and gravelled roads are building in all directions. The city improvements, schools and all show progressive development. The Southwest Louisiana Institute is a fine college. The waterways and bayous eastward give way now to land where shallow wells flow incalculable quantities of water and westward vast rice areas are cultivated. Lafayette is the Hub of Southwest Louisiana, and Cotton, rice, sugar, corn are the principal products.
 INFORMATION AND SERVICE
 Chamber of Commerce, Gordon Hotel. H. B. Skinner, Secretary.
 European Hotel. European Plan. W. S. Gardiner, Mgr.
 Billeaud Motor Co. Lincoln-Ford-Fordson. A. Theux.
 DeLuxe OST Cafe. Rest Room. C. O. Theriot.
 1949.4-----RAYNE, LA.----- 867.6
 8.0 mi. Gravel.
 Pop. 2720. Elevation 36 ft. Tourist Camp—None. Country hotel, good meals. OST Counselor, R. C. Holt.
 Rayne is developing importance. The town has 300 wells 300 to 400 ft. deep. Three to four million gallons of water daily. The plains of this section have been converted into vast fields of rice. Some cotton and corn are grown.
 INFORMATION AND SERVICE
 Stamm Motor Car Co. center of town. Dodge cars. All supplies. Road service. A. F. Stamm.
 Morgan's Garage. Road service. Repairs, supplies. East of town.

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