Acadians of SW Louisiana Engaging in Foreign Affairs

Exporting their skills in forestry, agriculture, and commerce, Louisiana Acadians are becoming a special asset of economic importance in foreign affairs.

In Lafayette, Mayor Louis L. Basque Parish was greeted by a welcoming committee at the airport, and his official tour of the city included visits to the Acadian Wax Museum and the Louisiana State Capitol. The mayor's visit was part of a conference of Acadian mayors from various parts of the country.

In New Orleans, Governor Huey P. Long welcomed the mayor, and a reception was held at City Hall. The governor praised the mayor for his efforts in promoting Acadian culture and history.

The mayor then traveled to Mexico City, where he was received by President Miguel Alemán. During the meeting, the two leaders discussed the potential for increased trade and cultural exchange between Louisiana and Mexico.

The mayor also visited Canada, where he met with Prime Minister Louis St. Laurent. The two leaders discussed the importance of Acadian heritage and the need for more cooperation between their countries.

Overall, the mayor's trip was a success, and it helped to strengthen ties between Louisiana and its Latin American counterparts.