CODOFIL Sends Representatives

Four representatives of CODOFIL will leave today to attend an international conference of French-speaking nations to be held in Quebec, at the invitation of the Agence de Cooperation Culturelle et Technique.

The Louisiana delegation will consist of CODOFIL Chairman James Domengeaux; Mamou attorney Paul Tate, a member of the CODOFIL executive committee; James Bezou, director of CODOFIL for Orleans Parish; Richard Guidry, French-speaking USL student from Gueydan; and Leo LeBlanc, who represents the government of Quebec in Louisiana.

Trudeau Hosts

The conference is being hosted by Pierre Elliot Trudeau prime minister of Canada, and Robert Bourassa, prime minister of Quebec. Many of the delegations from French-speaking nations will be headed by their presidents, Robert Shuman, French foreign minister, will represent France.

The Agence de Cooperation Culturelle et Technique is comprised of more than 33 French-speaking nations.

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CODOFIL representatives have been invited to the meeting as observers “because of the interest that has been created in Louisiana in the efforts to preserve and expand the French language,” according to Domengeaux.

Many Leaders

Domengeaux said, “Meetings have been arranged for us to see the prime ministers of Canada and Quebec as well as many distinguished leaders of other French countries. CODOFIL will have the opportunity to continue the expansion of its educational processes through the use of French teachers in our elementary and pre-school levels, to enlarge the exchange program between the young of Louisiana and the French-speaking world, and to seriously discuss the touristic approach which is developing more and more interest in Louisiana by people of the French language.”

The Louisiana delegation will return on Oct. 17.