French Emphasis — Discussing efforts to preserve the French language and culture in Louisiana were, seated, left, Jean-Jacques Fournet, council general of France; and Jean-Joseph Delapal, chairman of the Council for the Development of French in Louisiana; standing, left to right, Roland Vincent, French consul general; and Jean-Joseph Delapal, chairman of the Council for the Development of French in Louisiana; standing, left to right, Roland Vincent, French consul general; and Jean-Joseph Delapal, chairman of the Council for the Development of French in Louisiana; standing, left to right, Roland Vincent, French consul general; and Jean-Joseph Delapal, chairman of the Council for the Development of French in Louisiana.

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French Consul Satisfied
With Acadiana Food, Talk

The consul general of France for the southern states is sampling French food and the Louisiana dialect of Acadian. Saturday, and indications were that he would return to his home in New Orleans satisfied with both.

Accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Jean Perrot, director of French cultural services in New Orleans and guided by James Domineaux, chairman of the Council for the Development of French in Louisiana, Jean Vincent spent yesterday bringing a 21-year gap in his acquaintance with Acadiana.

The consul last visited Louisiana in 1958 as a young lawyer. Saturday he visited the Lafayette area as an official representative of the French government.

Food Sampled

Mr. Vincent sampled Cajun food at a party hosted by the French Cultural Society in Rayne. An all-French menu was served in a private parlor and included coffee and pastries to eat in Henderson and-dish in Breaux Bridge and Lafayette on Saturday.

The consul enjoyed by finding generous portions of the local foods he favors. In Odonis, and Lafayette. Included among the VIPs were the mayor of Odonis and C.E. Taylor, the French consul."Mr. Vincent also visited the French government in New Orleans."

Support Pledged

The French government is very pleased with the CDAFIL program and will continue to assist in its development, he said. "Preserving another language opens up a door to other types of civilizations and cultures," he emphasized. "Furthermore, it provides a realization of other people that leads to tolerance and understanding of languages."

Enrichment Provided

"Some physicians say it is possible for us to enrich ourselves from other cultures," Mr. Vincent said. "That is one of the objectives of the CDAFIL program, to provide a cultural center to be operated by the city of New Orleans."

Consul General Fournet said: "The French government will help the best we can."

Mr. Fournet also said that the French language is an important part of the CDAFIL program, which includes courses and seminars for Louisianans who wish to learn French. The program is expected to be operating in the fall of this year.

(1) Exchange of young people at the secondary school level.

(2) An exchange program for professional people, such as physicians.

Pumps are being raised by a New Orleans group to convert the old Uranium springs into a French cultural center. Mr. Fournet said that the program is expected to be operating in the fall of this year.

(3) Exchange of students and teachers at university level. Presently there are two universities offering this program.

(4) A program of cultural events is being planned for the program. Currently there are plans for a French cultural center.

French Residents Arrive

Some of the French exchange students arrived in New Orleans recently and will be participating in the CDAFIL program. The French government will help the best we can."