ALLAIN PEYREFITTE (left), president of the cultural committee of the French National Assembly, is welcomed to Lafayette by James Domengeaux, chairman of the Council for the Development of French in Louisiana. Dr. Hosea Phillip (right), University of Southwestern Louisiana professor of French, is extending a French welcome to J. Sourdille, member of the French Assembly for the Department of Ardennes. Six French officials arrived for a tour of Acadiana.

**French Delegation Tours State's Acadiana Region**

CODOFIL Hosts Sunday Activities

(Lafayette, La. — Four members of the French National Assembly, led by the former Minister of Education of France, visited Acadiana Sunday in a program arranged late Saturday night between the Council for the Development of French in Louisiana and the office of the French Consul General in New Orleans.

CODOFIL chairman James Domengeaux and other council members, as well as a delegation from the University of Southwestern Louisiana headed by Dr. Ray Authement, academic vice-president, greeted the visitors at the Lafayette airport.

The French visitors were taken on a tour of Lafayette, visiting Breaux Bridge, had lunch at the Evangeline State Park in St. Martinville, and were welcomed by members of the French-American Society meeting at the USL French House Sunday afternoon. Dr. Paul De-Coted, honorary French consul at Lafayette, is president of France-America. He presented Domengeaux who in turn introduced the assemblymen.

Allain Peyrefitte, president of the cultural committee of the French National Assembly and former minister of education, expressed his delight with the reception his group received and arrangements made on such short notice. He took cognizance of the movement to preserve the French language and culture and said his delegation insisted on visiting Acadiana to get the feel of the French effort. Domengeaux told the France-America meeting that France would play a key role in the Louisiana movement, particularly with assistance with elementary French teachers.

Other members of the French National Assembly touring the area were P. Buron, C. Guichard and J. Sourdille. Accompanying the group was Jean-Herve Donnard, French cultural counselor with the French embassy in New York.

Coordinating arrangements were made by Jean Petinelli, French cultural counselor at French Consulate in New Orleans. Joining Dr. Authentic in the USL welcoming group were Dean Thomas Arceneaux, Dr. Hosea Phillip, Dr. Phillip Dur and Miss Mario Mamanakis.

Also greeting the French visitors were Leo LeBlanc, Quebec representative in Louisiana, and Miss France LeMay, CODOFIL secretary.

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