French Grants Approved

Two grants totaling $205,000 have been recommended by the Department of Health, Education and Welfare to bolster the program of French instruction in the schools of Lafayette and St. Martin parishes.

U.S. Rep. Pat Caffery informed by telephone from Washington Saturday afternoon that the federal department has earmarked $115,000 for the Lafayette Parish School Board and $90,000 for the St. Martin Parish School Board. The St. Martin grant specifies it is to be used to assist in teaching art and social studies as well as French.

“These grants recognize the importance of the work done by James Domengeaux and the Council for the Development of French in Louisiana,” Caffery said.

“I feel this $205,000 grant will mark the beginning of a fine program of cooperation between CODEFL, school authorities and the federal government, and I will certainly continue to work closely with these groups to assure the success of our French language program.”