

CUBAN COUNCIL ENVOY IS HEARD

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Franklin, La., Man Honored for Editorial

Cubans have the feeling they have been sold out, not only by the American people but by the American government, Frank Bartes said Monday night at the commemoration of the 61st anniversary of the Republic of Cuba.

Bartes, a delegate of the Cuban Revolutionary Council, spoke in Gallier Hall at a meeting sponsored by the council, the Cuban Student Directorate, Alpha 66, Second Front Escambray, Directorio Magisterial and Revolutionary Rescue.

"So there will be no doubts about the sentiments I want to express, I will speak in English," he said.

"On May 20, 1902, with Cubans and Americans united, the Republic of Cuba was formed as an accomplishment of the battle for independence."

'BIG BATTLE YET TO COME'

Since 1902, he said, Cuba has become one of the most advanced nations in Latin America.

"It is now in the hands of Russia, the main foe of the free world," Bartes stated. "In contrast with the 1898 conflict, we stand alone."

"We have a feeling of frustration and sorrow over this," he said.

"The big battle is yet to come. Cuba some day, somehow will be liberated; it will be free again by our own efforts."

During the program, Robert J. Angers Jr. of Franklin was hon-

Cuba's Anniversary Observed in Exile



HONORING THE EDITOR and publisher of the Franklin Banner-Tribune of St. Mary Parish and commemorating the 61st anniversary of the Republic of Cuba were the purposes of a Monday night meeting in Gallier Hall under auspices of six Cuban organizations. From left are Frank Bartes of the Cuban Revolutionary Council; Rob-

ert J. Angers Jr. of Franklin, honored for his April 23 editorial, "Come to Louisiana, You Cuban Patriots"; Carlos Bringuiet of the Cuban Student Directorate, and Ernesto Bascuas, a member of the Cuban Revolutionary Council. All four were among the speakers on the program.

ored for his editorial in the Franklin Banner-Tribune, which he edits and publishes.

Titled "Come to Louisiana, You Cuban Patriots," the editorial appeared in the April 23 issue.

ANGERS GETS OVATION

In it, Angers stressed that there is no substitute for victory,

and the will to win still exists among most Americans.

"Dramatize your plight so that the American conscience might cry out how we have so far shirked our responsibility," it said.

"For you see, we believe that America can no more afford the risk of a Communist Cuba than

she can a Communist Louisiana."

He received a standing ovation.

Also speaking were Carlos Bringuiet of the Cuban Student Directorate, Ernesto Bascuas, a member of the Cuban Revolutionary Council, and Dr. Jose Manuel Cuzco.