

# Stark Contrast of Cubans in Florida

Miami

In a carefree mood reminiscent of pre-Castro Cuba, several hundred wealthy Miami Cubans and other Spanish-speaking residents drank and danced in small hours of the day at a large community to see the of Spanish-speaking Florida.

Henry M. Ramirez, chairman of the President's Cabinet Committee on Opportunities for Spanish-Speaking People, billed as the evening's principal "honored guest," spent yesterday morning touring the Chicano and Puerto Rican migrant workers' camps.

Ramirez, a California-born educator of Chicano parentage and once a migrant

It's squalor, poverty, exploitation and despair," he said. "These are camps owned by big fruit and vegetable-picking companies which own the workers."

Ramirez said the migrant families pay the companies \$25 a week to rent waterless shacks without sewage facilities or toilets, are forced to buy food-stuffs and other necessities at company stores, and are often paid in scrip.

He said his efforts here would make it possible to channel some of the millions of dollars earmarked annually for Cuban refugees by the federal government to the Spanish-speaking migrants.

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