## **CUBANS FORM NEW PARTY**

Vice President and Havana Mayor Split With Democrats

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HAVANA, May 14—Vice President Gustavo Cuervo Rubio and Paul Menocal, Mayor of Havana, last night announced their withdrawal from the National Democratic party and the organization of a new political party.

The split in the Democratic party, founded by the late President Mario Menocal, resulted from the controversy over Presidential candidates for the 1944 elections, with former Prime Minister Carlos Saladrigas y Zayas and Vice President Cuervo Rubio opposing the Presidential possibilities of this party. It is expected that the new party will withdraw from the government coalition that elected President Fulgenico Batista.

Eleven Senators, seven Representatives, two Provincial Governors and two city Mayors of the Democratic party have joined the new organization.