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Suggestions Made For Re-Organizing Chamber Of Commerce Into Active Group

Recommendations for putting the Coquille Chamber of Commerce back on its feet and making it an active organization were presented at a meeting Tuesday by Dick Maeyaert, chairman of the special re-organizing committee. The committee recently completed a careful study of the chamber.

Suggestions Offered

The committee has made the following suggestions:

1. That the officers consist of 12 elected directors instead of 20 and that they elect a president and vice president from their group to head the chamber.
2. That the present president appoint a nominating committee of 5 members to nominate 12 directors. The membership should also be given a chance to nominate others from the floor.
3. That election of directors be held prior to November 30 and officers installed the first week in December. That in future years, the installation be held the first week in January or as soon as possible thereafter.
4. That membership be extended to all retail, wholesale, professional, granges, churches, civic clubs, labor unions and other groups and individuals. New prospective members moving into the area or starting a business be granted three months membership without dues. That no member shall have more than one vote.

Sliding Scale For Dues

5. All members shall be expected to pay dues with the exception of churches. It is recommended that a sliding scale of dues, with dues at \$5.00, \$10.00, \$15.00, \$20.00 and \$25.00 be used. Each classification would be based on number of employees, volume of business, etc. Members should be shown the classification list and allowed to pick the classification they feel covers them.

6. General meeting once each month in the evening with directors meetings held once each month at noon.

7. Wherever advisable, directors (with the exception of the president and vice president) be appointed to head the major committees. They should be allowed to choose their own committees. Suggested committees include membership and finance, retail trade, civic affairs, industry (to include lumber and logging), agriculture, publicity, Coos County Chamber, information (this committee would be to acquaint members with the scope and purpose of the chamber.)

Provide Essential Projects

8. Make a strong concerted effort to provide various projects essential to community development. Many community activities are carried on by the various service and civic clubs but there are many projects too large for any one club to handle. These should be taken care of by the chamber and the efforts of all organizations co-related.

9. Voting for director be done by written ballot. No member shall be entitled to more than one vote.

10. As soon as funds are available, a full-time secretary should be employed.

11. Retention of membership in the Coos County Chamber of Commerce.

12. Salaries and expenditures be discontinued on December 31, 1954 and all books audited.

13. Move the chamber office back to the lobby of the Coquille hotel.

14. That use of warrants be discontinued and funds drawn only on signature of two of the following: president, secretary and/or treasurer.

In concluding the report from his committee, Maeyaert stated that "we should all give very grave consideration to what we must do if we are to have a successful chamber of commerce. A large number of us must devote considerable time to the various activities we must engage in. The

School Census To Start This Weekend

Coquille's Parent Teacher Association will again take the School Census for the Coquille School District. Members of the PTA will start their enumerating this weekend and will continue until the entire district is covered.

All children from "the cradle" to age 20 will be counted. The effective date of the census is October 25th. The count will also include children away from home, whether in the Armed Forces, attending college or temporarily living elsewhere.

Special note will be taken of those that are incapacitated and unable to attend regular school classes. Special classes at home

publicity committee must not only publicize the chamber's activities but must attempt to sell the public and the businessman on the need for a chamber."

New Industries For Coquille Area

He continued by saying that "we know many new industries are looking this way and we must attempt to secure our share of them for Coquille and vicinity. We need realize the very definite need for greater housing accommodations than we now have. We cannot grow without new homes for new residents."

"There are many things to be done for this area that can only be done by a completely organized and efficient chamber of commerce in Coquille."

Members of the re-organizing committee were U. E. McClary, Dr. R. M. Falk, Ed Hughes, Harry Slack, Dr. Ralph Milne, Murl Pettit, Jerry MacMurray, secretary and Maeyaert.

Following the committee report, the chamber members voted to adopt it and instructed the committee members to prepare a constitution and by-laws. President Ed Hughes will appoint a nominating committee which in turn will appoint the 12 directors.

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Mrs. Robert Harris plans to drive to Eugene this weekend to visit her daughter, Bobbye Jean who is a freshman in journalism at the University of Oregon. Miss Harris is celebrating a birthday this week.

City Engineer Mike Huddlestone has announced that an open house will be held October 31 at the new Sewage Disposal Plant if the weather permits.

Members of his staff will conduct the public through the plant and explain its operation.

Blood Needed Badly

Donors Wanted For Bloodmobile Here Tomorrow At Community Hall

Success of the drive for more blood for the American Red Cross blood donor program in Coos county depends on how many people turn out tomorrow and give a pint of blood.

The Red Cross Bloodmobile will be at the Coquille Community building from 12:30 until 5:30 p.m.

The Bloodmobile is at the Myrtle Point Myrtle Crest school today (Thursday) in Myrtle Point from 1:30 until 4:30, and people

unable to donate blood here are urged to go to Myrtle Point. Appointments for the Coquille Blood program may be made by phoning the Coquille Hotel, or telephoning Coquille 13 or 8111.

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Church Youth Wins

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Library To Open

Opening of the Coquille library from six to seven each Wednesday for students taking the popular "Personal Problems of Daily Living" from Mrs. Jennelle Moorhead, University extension instructor, was announced today by Mrs. Mary Alice Watkins, librarian.

Approximately fifty books are on reserve from the Oregon State library for the course which is being held each Wednesday from 7 until 10 p.m. Classes meet in the Coquille high school.

Preferential Tea

A "Preferential Tea" was held by members of Beta Sigma Phi sorority Sunday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Jean Clark with Mrs. George Bolster and Mrs. George Chabourn as co-hostesses.

Five new members pledged at the tea were Mrs. Donald Brown, Mrs. Robert Riedel, Mrs. Tom Stevens, Mrs. Robert Thomas and Mrs. John Williams.

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