

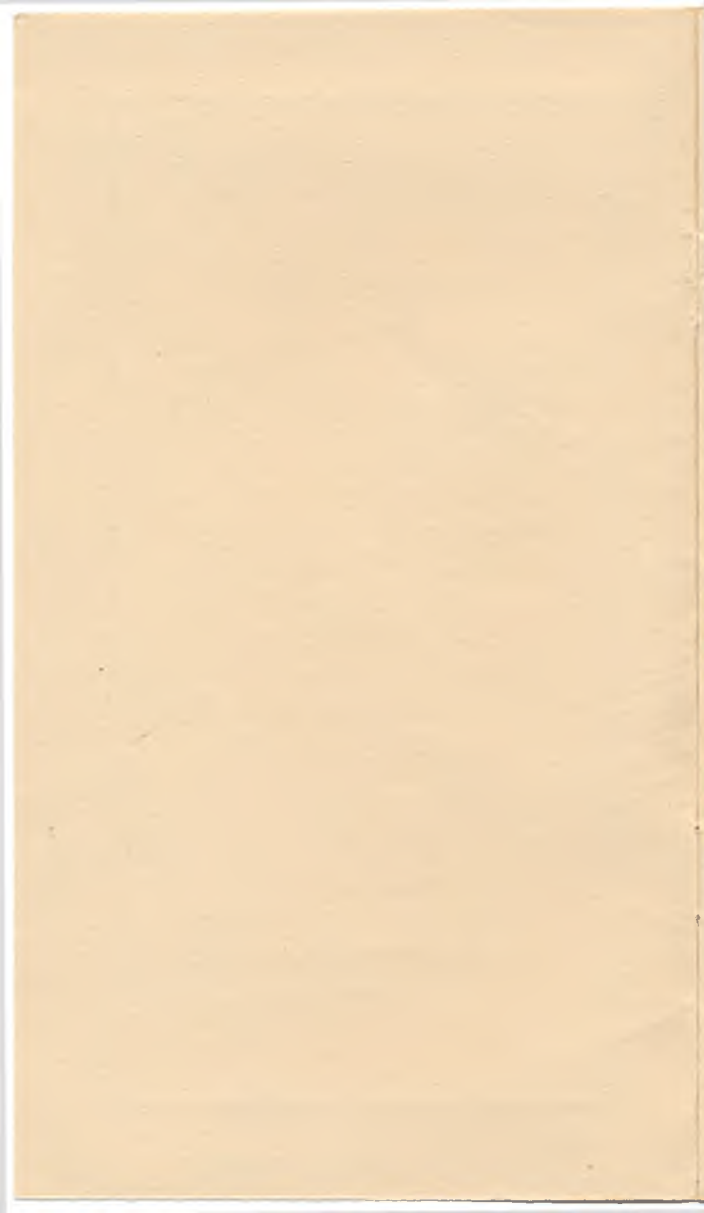
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*This brief statement of
the foundation and objectives of the
Committee of One Hundred is from
a recent address given by the Club's
President, Mark C. Honeywell.
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request of many members.*

WHAT IS THE COMMITTEE OF ONE HUNDRED?

In a rapidly growing city such as Miami Beach, it is of vital importance to the continuance of the American tradition that people who bring their families here and build or purchase homes, shall take an unswerving interest in the advancement of their city, aiding at all times to make it a safe, beautiful and continuously more desirable place in which to live. Honest, progressive and enlightened city government is essential to sustain and further this ideal. The Committee of One Hundred, although in no sense a political organization, has among its objectives the protection of the civic rights of its members, the maintenance of and cooperation with sound local administration, plus the support and advancement of all necessary modern institutions.

Organized in 1926, the Committee successfully continues its chief original purpose of bringing together, under the banner of friendliness and good will, men who have broad interests in human progress, believe in real fellowship and greatly desire the civic betterment of Miami Beach and

its environs. Through the years an average of between 300 and 400 men, outstanding in every line of business and professional endeavor, have successfully forged a compact cooperative body with membership drawn from practically every state of the Union, several provinces of Canada and one or two foreign countries.

Democracy is the spirit of the group. As individuals and as a club, we abominate "high hatting" and what right thinking people recognize as snobbery! The simple standard of membership is that a candidate be a gentleman in the true meaning of the term, one who sees all things with broad vision and tolerance, free from petty tyrannies or local jealousies. This unswerving policy of selection explains the steady, forward march of the Committee. Members are brought together at the club house on Tuesday evenings throughout the winter season to fraternize, make and cement friendships as well as to meet with and hear the views and experiences of especially invited guest speakers who have distinguished themselves in government service, the broad fields of industry, research, political economy, exploration and adventure. Our rostrum actually is a forum where various sides of pertinent national and international questions are presented; problems upon which intelli-

gent men constantly focus their attention and seek sound information.

Activities of the season usually begin with a largely attended dinner held in the early fall at a convenient and pleasant place in the North. In December, when most of the members with their families have sought the sunshine and outdoor happiness of sub-tropical Miami Beach, the series of addresses commence. In normal times special features such as an Annual Ladies' Night; Annual Outing and the Southern Dinner are regularly scheduled among the major social activities of the organization.

Some newspaper friends occasionally have had a little fun at our expense by calling this a "Millionaire's Club." True enough, there are a number of wealthy men among our members; men who have won that status by their intelligence, courage and tenacity. In short, they are of the group whose continual effort and accomplishment provide the leadership through which our national supremacy is assured. It is unthinkable that they should be excluded from good fellowship and happy contacts only because they have been successful.

This in simple outline is the foundation and human structure of the Committee of One Hundred.

