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UC Committee Formed By Board To Aid Bid For Local Campus

A nine-member committee composed of representatives throughout the county, will serve as liaison group for the homestretch drive by the county to insure location of a University of California branch campus at the Cowell ranch.

Proposed by Supervisor Francis Silliman, the committee was approved yesterday by the board of supervisors and the UC site committee composed of local citizens and officials.

Assemblyman Glenn Coolidge is co-chairman for the northern section while Joe Crosetti of Watsonville heads the southern division.

Other committee members are: Dr. A. E. Allegrini, Attorney Eugene Adams, Louis Haber, Santa Cruz; Dr. Forrest Murdock, Aptos; Attorney Phillip Boye and Henry Mello, Watsonville. Lewis Nelson, chairman of the board of supervisors, will serve as an ex-officio member.

One of the chief aims of the group will be to present a strong front before the state legislature, and assist Coolidge and Senator

Donald Grunsky in presenting the county's case in Sacramento.

Silliman explained the committee will also present duplication of work by other agencies or individuals.

"These men are all recognized and respected in Sacramento," Silliman said.

Supervisors unanimously passed a resolution commending the local UC site committee for its work in the campus campaign.

Administrator Richard O'Reilly, a site committee member, briefly outlined some of the problems the county will face if the Cowell site is approved.

"What was a crying need for revenue will be a screaming need," he stated.

A new look must be taken at the county building program.

The county and city spent \$18,400 for a site location study, O'Reilly pointed out. He emphasized the board should be willing to spend at least twice that sum for a study to plot the settling of the new university community which would have a 73,000 population.

A revision will have to be made in the county-wide general land plan which anticipated a 200,000 population by 1985. O'Reilly presented a chart to the board showing a 300,000 population in the next quarter century if the new university is located here.

UN Deadlock Is Delaying