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Washington Column

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Washington (NEA) — The republican party is having policy troubles more and more. Last week's meeting of the republican national organization strategy committee in Washington produced lots of harmony and a demand that somebody ought to raise \$900,000 but little else.

The republican strategy committee, which met in Washington at the call of National chairman Hugh D. Scott Jr., was made up of half a dozen elements. Representatives were there from the republican national committee, the republican house committee, the republican senate committee, the republican state central committees and national and state finance committees.

It was apparently a case of too many cooks to do any cooking. All that came out was a decision to do something later on. So anyone holding his breath to find out what the new and revitalized party now stands for, might as well relax. Policy decisions, it is now announced, are to be worked out at a series of regional conferences.

A session on the problems of industry and taxation, to be held in New England some time, was talked about but not decided on. Sen. Owen Brewster of Maine is strong for this one.

The idea of having a midwest farm policy conference did take hold. It will probably be held in Des Moines in September. The idea is to see if something can't be worked out at the grass roots level to help the republicans get back the farm vote.

The idea of having one big national republican convention just before the 1952 congressional elections was apparently killed for good.

This ties in with sentiment from one wing of the party leadership, to the effect that the republicans already have a good enough platform. The reference is to the platform adopted at Philadelphia last June. This platform has never been used, according to one somewhat cynical view, and they might as well try to get some good out of it instead of starting from scratch to build a new one.

The stunned house republicans who came back to Washington last January started right in to set up a new kind of policy committee. Great things were expected of it. So far it has held about three meetings and made one policy pronouncement. This was an unequivocal stand against excise taxes on transportation and luxury goods. The issue hasn't come up yet, but it's one of republican minority leader Joe Martin's pet projects.

The senate republican policy committee under Robert A. Taft of Ohio has of late distinguished itself only by a couple of violent rows over public welfare legislation and the whole Truman legislative program in general. At last week's meeting of the national organization strategy committee, which was created by Chairman Scott after the Omaha national committee meeting last

News of Redmond, Vicinity

Redmond, May 11 (Special) — Senior Westminster Fellowship members will be guests of honor at a banquet to be held at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Wesley Baker, May 15, at 7:30 p.m.

Irma Jean Galbraith was hostess to the Westminster Fellowship group Sunday night. Patsy Hartford, freshman, and Alta Mae McFall, junior, were presented their F.H.A. degree Friday, May 6, at the mother-daughter tea. Patsy won the junior homemakers degree and the F.H.A. emblem, and Alta won the chapter homemakers degree.

Barbara Luff was a week-end guest of Donna Hubbel at the Hubbell home. Wilburta Davis was back in high school Monday after having been ill for several days.

Mrs. J. M. Sweet was called to Portland Tuesday because of the illness of her mother. A. G. Davis went to Lexington Wednesday to visit relatives. Doris Sweet, senior at the University of Oregon, was a week-end guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Sweet.

Miss Darlene Russell spent several days last week with Carol Sweet. Mrs. Bess Peterson spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Phil Dahl. Mr. and Mrs. George Brewster were Sunday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Phil Dahl.

William Fisher, social economics teacher at Redmond high, has received word his father, who has been seriously ill, is recuperating satisfactorily. Mr. and Mrs. William Galligan and sons went to Suttle lake Saturday.

Mrs. Phil Dahl and Mrs. Harold Barkley went to Portland Tuesday. They returned Tuesday evening. Mrs. Everett Van Matre and two children left Friday for Kansas City, Missouri, to visit her parents. Mrs. Van Matre plans to be gone six weeks.

North Unit Melodiers played for the dance at the Lookout grange Saturday night. Joanne O'Neil went to Eugene over the week end to spend Mother's day with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. O'Neill.

Cliff McCulloch spent the week end in Eugene visiting relatives and friends. Tony and Randy Gobelman, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Gobelman, were baptized Sunday at the Community Presbyterian church.

Miss Lois Calkins and Miss Barbara Berg were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Kester last

January, somebody did produce a draft statement of principles for which the party should stand. No action was taken on it. The reception was so cool that nobody claimed authorship. Specifically, the eight-point program was against high taxes, more power for the chief executive and communism. It was for a sound national economy, the highest living standard for all, an open foreign policy, national defense and peace.

This set of principles could be written on a post-card, all right. But what they meant or how they were to be achieved was spelled out no better than in a similar statement of republican principles drawn up under the direction of Indiana congressman Charles Halleck, in 1946. It was just another republican disappointment and a flop.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Lumpkin have returned from their honeymoon and will be at home in the Humphrey apartments. Mrs. Lumpkin was Miss Jean Pickles. C. E. Thompson went to Eugene Monday to attend a Chevrolet meeting. He returned Monday night. Girls P. E. will hold a playday with Bend at Redmond this week. The girls have planned a wiener roast. The G.A.A. will furnish cokes. Miss Ruby Stephenson sponsors girls P.E. and G.A.A.

Mrs. Jennie Thompson and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Johnson were Sunday guests of the C. E. Thompsons. Mrs. Jennie Thompson, Thompson's mother, remained for an indefinite visit. Mr. and Mrs. Gene Morton and son, Ken, were Sunday guests of the Hugh Skippers.

Mr. and Mrs. Reino Koski were overnight guests of the Hugh Skippers Monday. Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Gariss, of Seattle, are house guests of the Ben Davidsons. The two families drove the Metolius loop Sunday, stopping to inspect the hatchery on the way home.

Jo and Carol Lew, of Los Angeles, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Terry Isaacson. Saturday night Haystack grange will sponsor a supper, auction and dance. The proceeds will be used for the grange hall to be built in Culver. The North Unit Melodiers will play for the dance.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Green and daughters were guests of Green's parents near Pendleton over the week end. Mr. and Mrs. Dick Moorman moved to Powell Butte from Redmond.

Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Hatfield and Peggy, Mr. and Mrs. Vic Morton and Paula, Mrs. Tye Renness, Mort and Jackie, and Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Morton and Pam, were Sunday dinner guests of the Lee Mortons.

Boyd Wolf and son, Don, attended a state convention of the Oregon Amateur Radio association in

Mrs. W. D. Rowsey and daughter are house guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Morton. Mrs. Rowsey is Morton's sister.

Miss Leola Stevens went to Portland last week end to shop and visit relatives. Bruce Lindquist entered the Eugene hospital last week end for medical treatment. Eugene last week end. The convention was held at the Osborne hotel Saturday and Sunday.

Carl Lindquist, of Powell Butte, spent Saturday night with Bruce Lindquist.

SOUTHWEST REDMOND Southwest Redmond, May 11 (Special)—Mrs. Everett Parr spent the day in Bend Monday visiting friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Johnson, of Lacombe, visited Saturday at the Loyd Shanks home. The Johnsons hope to find a suitable location in Central Oregon and eventually move here. Mrs. Johnson is a niece of Mrs. Shanks.

Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Ralston, of the Circle M ranch, were business callers at the Owen Brown home Friday. Sunday visitors at the Loyd Shanks home were Mr. and Mrs. Walter McCallum, of Bend.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Enlow entertained a few friends at their home Friday evening, the occasion being Mrs. N. W. Enlow's birthday. Present were Mr. and Mrs. Alex Lewis and family, of Tumalo, Burton Brown and the N. W. Enlow family.

Orrie Page, of the Alfalfa community, visited Friday afternoon with Richard and Clifford Brown. Redmond grange will entertain Pomona grange at the hall Saturday, May 14. The afternoon program will be open to the public.

Richard Holt, Ronnie Jahns and Richard Hayward of this community took part in the grade school program Friday. Bruce Hein was in Redmond Friday, having made a trip to Central Oregon to enjoy trout fishing. He operates Hein's turkey hatchery at Milwaukie, and is a cousin of Mrs. Owen Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Shanks have received word from their son, El-

Piano Pupils in Annual Auditions

Seventy-five piano pupils of three Central Oregon music teachers are participating in the annual piano auditions sponsored by the National Guild of Piano Teachers. The auditions began today and will continue through tomorrow, with Miss Elizabeth Newman, Los Angeles, as adjudicator. Miss Newman is well known as a teacher, composer and writer of children's material.

don, who is en route by train to naval training station at Norfolk, Va., that he is having a very enjoyable trip. He is in the naval communications department. Norman Burke and F. A. Hein, of Prineville, visited Friday evening at the Owen Browns.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. McCallum, of Redmond, were visitors Friday at the Loyd Shanks home. Teachers whose pupils are tak-

ing part are Mrs. Fred Hodecker, Redmond, and Mrs. Genevieve Fisher-Neves and Mrs. Clarence Bush, both of Bend. Auditions are being held at Mrs. Bush's studio, with the pianists competing for district, state and national honors.

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Madras May Get Branch Sawmill. Madras, May 11—Madras may have a sawmill, which would be a branch of the The Knot Lumber Co., Redmond, if sufficient water for a mill pond and operation of the boilers can be obtained.

Phil Dahl, representative of the company, said this week that the mill will employ 125 persons, if it is installed. He estimated that 2,000 gallons of water daily would be required for the boilers. The city, reclamation service and water district officials are conferring on the situation.