

Republican Platform Drafters Expect No Major Differences

San Francisco—(AP)—Republican policy drafters meet today to draw up a platform based on the theme of "Peace, Prosperity and Progress" under President Eisenhower.

Sen. Prescott Bush (R-Conn.), chairman of the resolutions committee for the 1956 Republican Convention, predicted the new GOP statement of principles will be drafted without major fights or differences, even on civil rights.

"It will be a platform based on the Eisenhower record of achievements," Bush predicted. "We hope to come up with a platform that is brief, forthright and honest . . . and we hope it will be considerably shorter than the 1952 plank."

"Our committee intends to

draft a platform presenting the Eisenhower record of peace, prosperity and progress and our pledges for the future—promises which will be kept, as we kept those we made in 1952."

Bush's committee, composed of some of the ranking party leaders, will hold hearings in 10 subcommittees in the next two days and hopes to be able to work out a final draft by the time the GOP national convention opens next Monday.

On civil rights, an issue currently plaguing the Democratic convention in Chicago, Bush predicted the GOP would recommend that the Supreme Court decision on segregation is the law of the land and that the Republican Party pledges its efforts to implement it.

Both Bush and Sen. H. Alexander Smith (R-N.J.), a key member of the foreign policy

Gas Explosion Blamed for Deaths

Monticello, Utah—(AP)—Gas exploding in the shallow basement of the Lariat Cafe was officially blamed today for a Monday dinner time explosion that killed 15 persons and injured more than 30 others.

State Industrial Commission Chairman Otto A. Weisley said a "very, very careful and deliberate" investigation of the devastated building had not yet determined whether the gas was natural or butane.

subcommittee, said they hoped the platform would strongly oppose the admission of Red China to the United Nations.

In some other fields of foreign policy, notably Israel, Yugoslavia and the extent of economic and military aid to other nations, the subcommittee headed by Thurston B. Morton of Kentucky may run into less

Equipment Moved to Elk Creek Road

County crews have finished crushing rock on Butte Falls rd. and equipment has been moved to Elk Creek rd., Paul Rynning, county engineer said today, paving work on Table Rock rd. north of Bybee bridge.

unanimity of opinion.

A thorough rewrite of the GOP's 1952 platform on foreign policy is planned. The '52 plank was largely devoted to condemnation of the Democratic administration. The new plank, Smith said, would be "positive, will show what Mr. Eisenhower has accomplished and the direction the administration plans to go in the future."

HOUSE HITS CAR

Hollywood—(AP)—William J. Gerber will find it hard to make his friends back in his hometown of Ottawa, Ill., believe that while he was night-clubbing early Tuesday a house ran into his parked car. The house was being moved to a nearby city when it slid from support beams and crashed into Gerber's car.

Langlie Hard at Work Drafting Republican Convention Address

Olympia, Wash.—(AP)—Gov. Arthur B. Langlie was hard at work today drafting a hard-hitting keynote address for delivery at the National Republican convention Monday in San Francisco.

Aside from a heavy schedule of official business, the governor has been spending four to six hours a day on the biggest speaking assignment of his 21-year political career.

"And I start pretty early in the morning, usually about 5:30," Langlie said. "I even wake up wondering about it."

Presenting a positive view of GOP programs will be a major job of the keynote. But Langlie also finds himself in much the same position as he did after the state Democratic convention.

He must answer a blistering attack by the Democrats.

Langlie, who replied to Democratic charges while addressing the state GOP convention last month in Seattle, now is faced with a similar situation following a vigorous attack on the Republicans by Tennessee Gov. Frank G. Clement Monday night in Chicago.

Langlie had no immediate comment on Clement's volley. He will save it for Monday.

The Washington governor who set the state convention on fire with his oratory, has indicated he will stress the contention that the GOP has reversed a

VERY LITTLE RUSSIAN Hamilton, N.Y.—(AP)—Only nine American secondary schools offer courses in Russian, according to a study by Henry W. Mott at Colgate University. He said most schools do not offer the course because few states have Russian tests in college entrance examinations.

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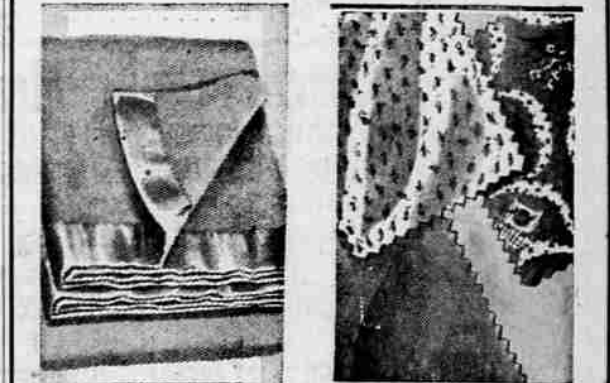
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Justice of the Peace Association of Oregon will convene Thursday and Friday in the Southern Oregon college library at Ashland with election of officers, lectures, demonstrations and panel discussions among items on the agenda.

Speakers will include District Attorney Walter D. Nunley, Gale Powell, assistant attorney general with the department of motor vehicles; R. B. Seppel, director of the permit division, department of motor vehicles; James Banks, of the department of motor vehicles traffic division; Judge Ann Crago, Pendleton; Judge Sam K. Dodds, Milton-Freewater; Judge H. Richstadt, Woodburn; Howard J. Akers, general extension division, University of Oregon; Mrs. Nelle Burns, Ashland district justice of the peace; and County Judge Rodney Keating.

Topics for speakers will include the prosecutor's role in the courtroom, overloads, justice court administration and procedure, state police and radar, appeals, bail bonds and problems of the justice court and teenage drivers. A demonstration will be held on rights of the court in matters of contempt and a mock trial will be held in which a charge of driving while intoxicated is reduced to a reckless driving charge.

Judge Keating will be speaker at the banquet Thursday night and Mrs. Burns will be toastmistress.

Chicago Polio Cases Flare Up in New Area

Chicago—(AP)—A decline in the number of polio cases reported in the hardest hit area of Chicago's record outbreak of the disease was apparently offset by an increase in another congested area.

Health authorities reported that only 11 of the 25 new cases reported for the last check period occurred in the slum-junction West Side area, which previously accounted for more than half of the new cases daily.

However, the new total was only three cases below the record one-day total of 28 cases Aug. 2. The latest figures brought the total to 741 cases and 21 deaths.

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