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REP. JOHN A. HARTLE 16th district-Steele county

Rep. John A. Hartle this session drops the role of minority leader which he held in

the 1955 legislature but will wield considerable influence on the part the c o n servatives will take in fashioning legislation.



Hartle is the Minnesota Republican state

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chairman, an office to which he was elected shortly after the 1955 session convened. He announced a month ago that he would not be a candidate for re-election as minority leader, feeling that it was not compatible with his party position.

In the 1949, 1951 and 1953 sessions Hartle was speaker of the house, a job for which his calm, judicious nature fitted him. He has served on practically every house committee during the 22 years he has represented Steele county. $M_{\beta}/s.5+\omega$

Hartle, with his brother, runs a show-place, 800-acre farm near Owatonna and for years has specialized in raising pure-bred livestock and Duroc hogs. He is on the Steele-Waseca county REA board, the county fair board and the Owatonna Elevator Co, board.

Hartle and his wife have Hartle and his whe have two grown children, Robert, Austin, and Mrs. Dorothy Flynn, Detroit Lakes. Between Nov 1956 Jan 1957