Title: Robert J. Dole Senate Papers-Press Related Materials

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Primary Creator: Dole, Robert J. (1923-)

Extent: 71.0 Linear Feet

Arrangement: All series are arranged chronologically then alphabetically within each date range.

Languages: English

Scope and Contents of the Materials

Clippings, manuscripts, press releases, correspondence and newsletters (114 boxes) document those functions of the Dole offices related to the media, 1961-1996. Arranged in 10 series - Columns, Journal Articles, Media Activities Plan, Newsletters, Op-Eds, Press Releases, Speeches, Subject Files, TV/Radio Files, and Newspaper Clippings - the records illuminate the communications of Senator Dole with constituents through newsletters (2 boxes), newspaper columns (1 box), and press releases (33 boxes). Records contained in Subject Files (28 boxes) concern subjects of interest to the Senator and his offices from 1964 to 1996, and also cover interactions between Dole's press secretaries and members of the media. The Newspaper Clippings series (36 boxes) includes articles and clippings relating to Bob Dole's extensive time in office, covering the years 1969 through 1996.

Administrative Information

Repository: Robert J. Dole Archive and Special Collections

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Series 1: Columns, 1976-1986 (Box 1)

Description: Newspaper columns written by Senator Dole as part of the "Talking With Kansans" series.

Series 2: Journal Articles, 1970-1989 (Box 1 - 8)

Description: Articles in popular and trade magazines, as well as newspaper magazines, focusing on Senator Bob Dole and/or Senator Elizabeth Dole. Also includes several journal articles written by Dole.

Series 3: Media Activities Plan, 1977 (Box 8)

Description: One folder of correspondence with members of the press, responding to requests for information, as well as correspondence with constituents.

Series 4: Newsletters, 1973-1986 (Box 9, 10)

Description: Newsletter released by Senator Dole's office from 1973-1986. Many of the subjects addressed coincide with material found in the Press Release and Columns subseries. The majority of the newsletters were issued by the Washington D.C. office. Newsletters issued before 1984 have headings describing the specific area they discuss, e.g. Agriculture Newsletter, Veterans Newsletter.

Series 5: Op-Eds, 1979-1985 (Box 10, 11)

Description: Opinion-Editorials written by Senator Dole for various newspapers including the New York Times, Washington Star, and Christian Science Monitor, as well as many local Kansas newspapers. Also included are a few op-eds about the Senator. Subjects discussed include the economy and national budget, agriculture and farm aid, Social Security and Medicare.

Series 6: Press Releases, 1961-1996 (Box 11 - 44)

Description: Press releases issued by Bob Dole's office throughout his career in Congress. The papers are organized chronologically by month and year.

Series 7: Speeches, 1973-1994 (Box 44 - 46)

Description: Manuscripts for speeches delivered by Senator Dole. These speeches were given in a variety of settings including dedication ceremonies, social club luncheons, and business council meetings. Some of the material relates to the 1976 presidential campaign and material relating to Reagan's 1980 campaign is also represented here.

Series 8: Subject Files, 1961-1996 (Box 47 – 74, 115)

Description: Correspondence, clippings, photographs and other materials related to subjects of interest to the Senator and his office throughout his career. Also included here is the correspondence of several press secretaries, as well as items such as actuality lists and other records related to interactions with the media.

Series 9: TV/Radio Files, 1970-1988 (Box 75 - 78)

Description: Transcripts of TV and radio programming featuring Senator Dole from 1970-1988. Also includes clippings, memos and correspondence related to the Face Off radio program, in addition to transcripts of the program which featured Senator Dole and Senator Ted Kennedy.

Series 10: Newspaper Clippings, 1969-1996 (Box 79 - 114)

Description: Newspaper articles and stories pertaining to Senator Dole, Elizabeth Dole, campaign and personal events.