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A The Topeka Capital-Journal, Monday, November 7, 1994 Chance meeting Virginia U.S. Senate candidate Oliver North, left, and Sen. **Bob Dole**, R-Kan., traded barbs with the Rev. Jesse Jackson in an unexpected encounter Sunday at the airport in Norfolk, Va. Dole was campaigning for North

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By CURT ANDERSON The Associated Press

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leader's job he held from 1984-86. "I think we have a better than 50-50 chance of taking the Senate," Dole said on NBC's "Meet The Press." "I think it's going to be a

good day for Republicans. Dole said the GOP appeared ahead in open seats that had been held by Democrats: Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Michigan, Arizona, Ohio, Oklahoma and one of Tennessee's two seats. Among the three open Republican seats, Dole said a close race was only apparent in Minnesota.

If the Republicans win control of the Senate, Dole said he'll immediately telephone Clinton to extend an olive branch.

"On those issues where we ought to be working together, let's work together," he said.

"We didn't get elected and we're not going to be getting the leadership, if we have it, just to obstruct or block everything Clinton wants."



Senate candidate Chuck Haytaian thanks Sen. Bob Dole for his appearance at a rally on Haytaian's behalf Monday in New Jersey.

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The smile on his face says it all as Kansas Sen. Bob Dole answers questions about Tuesday's election rout by Republicans. As Senate majority

Associated Press photo leader, Dole will become the second-most powerful man in Washington.

Dole savors GOP rout

By Curt Anderson

WASHINGTON - Incoming Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole savored the Republican landslide in congressional elections but pledged Wednesday to cooperate with Democrats and President Clinton whenever pos-

"I wanted to let you know right up front that we want to work together where we can," Dole told the president in a morning telephone call. "I'm a legislator and have been over the years. Maybe we can do some business."

The GOP gain of eight Senate seats in Tuesday's elections plus the switch of Alabama Sen. Richard Shelby from the Democratic to Republican side gives Dole a 53-47 majority when the 104th Congress convenes in January. Republicans also captured a House majority, winning at least 227 seats.

Dole, R-Kan., said after speaking by telephone with governors, members of Congress and state lawmakers that Tuesday's results stemmed from much more than simple anti-incumbent sentiment.

"There's no doubt in my mind that we sent a very powerful message yesterday, and it was a vote of confidence in Republicans," Dole said. "The amazing thing is not a single incumbent Republican governor, House member or senator lost."

Dole, 71, will become majority leader for the second time in his 26-year Senate career. He last held the post from 1984-86, which he said gave him experience in the differences between being in charge and being the loyal

He said he planned to meet soon to discuss those differences with incoming GOP House Speaker Newt Gingrich of Georgia, who never has served in the majority.

Dole noted that although the arch-conservative Gingrich once referred to the senator as the "tax collector for the welfare state," the two of them now have "a good understanding, a good relationship." See DOLE, Page 9

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"I've always felt it was much different when you were in the leadership than when you were not," Dole said. "I remember not being in the leadership. You could be a free spirit on most anything."

Dole said he planned to talk with incoming Republican committee chairmen before shaping the 1995 agenda, but he ticked off a list that included the farm bill, welfare reform, a balanced budget amendment and a new look at the crime

But first, Dole said, Congress should try to win back credibility with votes by addressing issues such as lobbying reform, the expense of financing political cam-paigns and reduction in committee staff and expense.

We won the election because I think the American people want to give us the opportunity," Dole said. If we don't do some of these

things, they're going to cancel our lease.

As majority leader in the mid-1980s, Dole pushed hard to reduce the federal deficit, including a cap on Social Security cost-of-living increases and cuts in defense spend-

Dole counts as his biggest accomplishment from that era as the passage of the 1985 farm bill, in which he stood against President Reagan to protect many agricultural subsidies but still managed to trim \$11 billion in spending.

As in those days, Dole once again is considering a run for the presidency. His Kansas colleague, Sen. Nancy Kassebaum said it isn't easy to balance a presidential candidacy and the job of majority leader. "You'll have to continually chal-

lenge Clinton, but as majority leader you have to work con-structively," she said. "It will tug you in two different directions."

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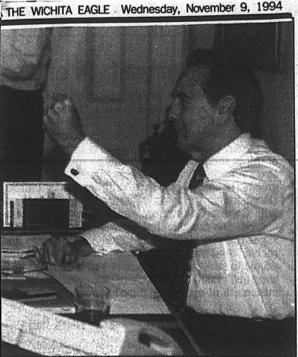
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Sen. Bob Dole gestures as he watches election results showing Republicans capturing Senate seats and winning in House races.

Republicans going strong nationwide

Quest for control of Congress on track as GOP makes gains

By Dan Balz

Los Angeles Times/Washington Post Service

WASHINGTON — Republicans picked up Senate seats from Maine to Oklahoma on Tuesday night and were poised for substantial gains in the House in their quest to seize control of Congress and force President Clinton to change the way he governs over the next two

The Republican wave also extended to governors' races, where GOP incumbents were handily re-elected across the Northeast and Midwest and the party gained governorships in Kansas and Oklahoma, Big-name Democratic governors in New York, Texas and Florida were in tight races. But two endangered Democratic senators, Edward Kennedy of Massachusetts and Charles Robb of Virginia, managed to blunt the Republican tide and

were re-elected. Sen. Jim Sasser, D-Tenn., was the first incumbent senator to fall, losing to Republican Bill Frist, a physician with no political experience.

In another Tennessee Senate race, Fred Dalton Thompson, a former Watergate committee attorney and sometime actor, defeated Democratic Rep. Jim Cooper, a leader in the debate over national health care, for the seat once held by Vice President Al Gore. Republicans picked up three other open Senate seats.

In Oklahoma, Republican Rep. James Inhofe defeated Democratic Rep. Dave McCurdy, who had seconded Bill Clinton's nomination two years ago but ran away from him this fall, to win the seat vacated by retiring Democratic Sen. David L. Boren.

In Ohio, Republican Lt. Gov. Mike DeWine defeated attorney Joel Hyatt, a Democrat, in a seat held by Hyatt's father-in-law, retiring Sen. Howard M. Metzen-