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Quayle agrees to take charge of key Dole group

By John King
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WASHINGTON — In an overture to social conservatives, GOP presidential front-runner Bob Dole announced Thursday that Dan Quayle would take charge of a political committee Dole has used to support Republican candidates for nearly two decades.

In becoming chairman of Campaign America, the former vice president did not endorse Dole's presidential campaign. But Dole aides predicted the association would solidify Dole's standing with Christian conservatives, an important Republican primary constituency.

Quayle was on the verge of entering the 1996 presidential race himself earlier this year, but abruptly changed his plans after assessing the daunting fund-raising and organizational hurdles. He later ruled out running for Indiana governor in 1996 but said he would like to seek the presidency down the road.

Quayle has been looking for a way to raise his political profile, and should get the opportunity through Campaign America. Dole, the Senate majority leader, had used the political action committee to bankroll his travels on behalf of GOP candidates while expanding his own political network.

Quayle also has been interested in finding a way to help the Kansas Republican short of an outright endorsement, which he considers premature, according to a close political adviser who spoke on condition of anonymity.

Tapping Quayle to lead the PAC is similar to an overture Dole made to economic conservatives earlier this

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year in arranging for Jack Kemp, the former congressman and housing secretary, to be named chairman of a Republican commission studying proposals for dramatic tax reform.

"Senator Dole is clearly looking for lots of ways to send messages to the conservative base of the party," said Gary Bauer, a former Reagan White House aide who runs the Family Research Council, a social conservative group. "I think the biggest impact will be a sense that Dole is for real in his more conservative stance, that he is putting a great deal of money where his mouth is."

Since the 1987-88 cycle, Dole has used Campaign America to contribute more than \$2 million to scores of state, local and federal Republican candidates, according to computerized Federal Election Commission records.

In last year's campaigns alone, Campaign America contributed nearly \$770,000 to 1994 GOP campaigns

and committees. It has about \$1.7 million in the bank and already has contributed \$150,000 to 1995 and 1996 GOP hopefuls.

"The people of this country want a strong Republican agenda to lead us into the next century," Quayle said in a statement. "That is why Bob Dole founded Campaign America, and that is why I will be proud to serve as its chairman." He had no comment beyond the statement.

Dole established Campaign America in 1978. It has become common for leaders in both political parties to have these so-called "leadership PACs" in addition to their personal campaign committees. Such PACs have become an important vehicle for building support among congressional colleagues and in key states.

They are frequently criticized by advocates of campaign reform, who complain that the PACs allow special interests to curry additional favor on influential lawmakers after they have made the maximum contribution to personal campaign committees.

Dole-Specter Midwest Legacy Documentary on SHPTV Tonight

Readers of The Daily News are reminded of the television production about Russell and it's two outstanding citizens which will be shown at 7 p.m. today on Channel 9, Bunker Hill, Channel 5 on Cable Television.

The production, titled "Bob Dole/Arlen Specter: Midwest Legacies," has been produced by Scott C. Williams, Russell, program director for Smoky Hills Public Television.

The show depicts Dole's popularity as a senior in Russell High School in 1941. During one of the shots he performed in a county 4-H Style Revue at Banker's Department Store.

Most of the film began with the campaign of the Russell men for the presidency, Campaign 1996. Some of the first film shot by Williams was on April 10, when Dole made his presidential announcement at the Topeka ExpoCentre.

Many of the early shots of the men were taken by Dale Danielson.

The production alternates between the lives of Dole and Specter.

The first shots of Specter were taken shortly after his family moved here from Wichita; He was 12 years old and played ball with

the Little Leaguers. Tonight's production ends as both men begin their first public office.

The production will be 58 minutes 15 seconds long. Other sequences of the show will be televised on Sunday, Oct. 8, at 8 p.m., and Friday, Oct. 20, at 10 p.m.

Williams had been planning a production about Russell for two years, beginning in the days he was a student of Dr. Jay Gillette, a telecommunications instructor at Fort Hays State University. He and Dr. Gillette made an independent study of Russell at the time.

He said today that when Specter announced he was going to be a candidate for the presidency, "this brought me into the picture."

Williams said he got "some great footage" in Topeka, and since then he has taken about 50 separate 20-minute tapes, which will be incorporated in the production.

Williams, who lives in Russell, has been employed with the station since August, 1993. Previously he

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Dole-Specter —

(Continued From Page 1) spent 10 years as a photographer and writer for The Salina Journal.

He was born and reared in Prairie Village, Kan., in the Kansas City area.

Some of the Russell people who will be shown in tonight's showing are: Henry Pohlman, Dean C. Banker, Russell T. Townsley, Gloria Nelson, Norma Jean Steele, Nadine Albrecht, G. B. "Bub" Dawson, Alice Mills, Morris Krug, Barbara and David Pitcock, Brad Seibel, Peter R. Williams and Eugene Balloun of Olathe.

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... And this won't do Dole any favors

The first new book to emerge about Bob Dole this campaign season is one he'd just as soon go straight to the remaindered racks.

"Senator For Sale," by Stanley Hilton, and published by St. Martin's Press, portrays Dole as someone devoid of political principle who has used most of his considerable clout to serve — and be served by — special interests.

Naming names and places, Hilton puts the Kansas senator at the head of an extraordinary money-making machine, even by congressional standards, that generates huge sums of contributions from corporate donors seeking favors. Many of these business lobbying groups are seen as having a vested financial interest in legislation Dole proposes and supports in the Senate.

Hilton claims that in Dole's 35 years in office he has failed to pass one single piece of significant legislation that has bettered people's lives and bears his name. Rather than promoting the public's welfare, Hilton charges, Dole has spent his most powerful years in the Senate protecting corporate welfare, preserving the privileges of big business through a multitude of obscure, made-to-order laws.

About Dole's character, Hilton paints a very dark portrait of the man who would be president.

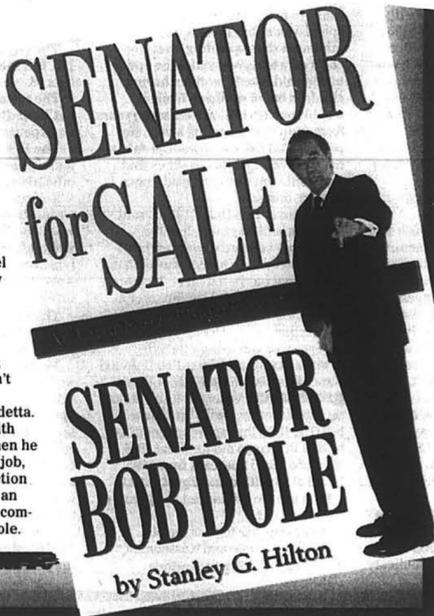
"Behind his mask, I believe he remains a hollow man," Hilton wrote at one point. Or this: "Daily contact enabled me to take a hard look at the kind of man Bob Dole is. ... His only real concern seemed to be raising money. He had contempt for common voters. And he believed in nothing."

Attempts to reach Dole or a

spokesperson from his campaign office in Washington were unsuccessful.

Hilton's perspective comes from working closely with Dole. He served as Dole's counsel on the Senate Judiciary Committee in 1979 and 1980.

In a recent interview with Hilton from his home in San Francisco, the author said he wasn't motivated to write the book by a personal vendetta. He said his relations with Dole were "cordial" when he left for a higher-paying job, and the book's introduction includes excerpts from an enthusiastic letter of recommendation signed by Dole.



'Senator for Sale' won't do Dole any favors

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Hilton does say he became disenchanted with Dole and the Republican Party during the 1980s, disagreeing with the Reagan administration over its economic policies and judicial appointments.

The author, who is a trial attorney, published another book about the Kansas senator in 1988, titled "Bob Dole: American Political Phoenix." He is currently researching a book about an adviser to Stalin.

Hilton said he wrote "Senator For Sale" so people would know of Dole's cozy relationship with corporate lobbyists and other special interests. He said focusing on Dole also served as a window into a hidden world where politically compromised politicians constantly in need of campaign contributions are prone to lose sight of

the public good.

"I think there are really two Congresses, the one designed for public consumption and the one that takes place behind closed doors with the lobbyists having access to the politicians," Hilton said.

"Dole is basically a very adept player in the system. I would say he is the most successful player in the game, in the sense that his fund-raising operation is probably more successful than anyone else's."

"To have real influence over who gets into office, and essentially to buy access into the system, you have to pay. The system is for sale. Just like buying apples and oranges. We're basically a system of one dollar, one vote, instead of one person, one vote," Hilton said.

Ironically, Hilton said he sees Dole as a "tragic figure." "Dole's sole motivation in political

life is a desire to acquire power and prominence, and he's pretty opportunistic."

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Dole takes campaign to computer network

By CURT ANDERSON
The Associated Press

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A Dole campaign spokeswoman said Monday that the contributions would be handled under all appropriate FEC rules.

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- Order a Dole for president poster.
- Send postcards to someone else describing how to access the Internet site.
- Find Dole's key supporters in each state, as well as the address and phone number for the state headquarters.
- Take a Bob Dole trivia quiz. Sample question: "What is the name of Senator Dole's dog?" (Answer: "Leader").
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Beginning Wednesday, the address for Dole's World Wide Web site will be: <http://www.dole96.com>