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Pratt-Congressman Bob Dole, during a brief visit here today, stated that the October 21 Republican Rally in Pratt featuring former Vice President Richard M. Nixon, was the highlight of his "brief" but "busy" campaign for re-election to Congress.

"I was impressed, and not from a partisan standpoint," Dole stated, "with Nixon's knowledge of problems affecting Kansas and the Midwest. I was also impressed, as a Republican candidate, with the fact Nixon was making over 150 appearances in October for the Goldwater-Miller ticket.

"Without question, Nixon at 51, still has a tremendous future in national politics. When the present 'second-guessing' contest among Republican leaders ends, I predict that Nixon, Cong. Bob Taft--narrowly defeated in his bid for the Senate--and Pennsylvania Governor Bill Scranton will be working with Senator Barry Goldwater and former President Eisenhower to rebuild and reunite Republicans, independents, and many Democrats, for victory in the 1966 elections. I might add," Dole continued, "that Nixon could well be the Republican to watch in 1968."

Congressman Dole, who has been visiting his District this week, will speak Friday to the student body at McPherson College and then meet with constituents in Salina and Beloit.