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In a speech delivered here today before a Spring Rally of the District Young Methodist Federation, Congressman Bob Dole told the delegates today's young people are more alert and eager to participate in the crises surrounding them than young people of any preceding generation.

Dole stated today's boys and girls are actively assuming leadership roles not only in the United States, but throughout the world.

"All too often people get the idea citizenship suddenly begins at 21-that until then youths are sort of hangers-on with no real part in the community and country around them," Dole said.

The Congressman urged his listeners to vigorously pursue their quest for knowledge and to cultivate the attitudes and actions that will last throughout life. Volunteering for work in community-oriented activities such as hospitals, orphanages and churches are qualities of good citizenship, Dole told them.

Congressman Dole also recounted to the convention, many of his impressions and experiences of his trip to India last December as a member of a special congressional mission appointed by President Johnson to investigate and report on food shortages.

Dole had addressed a meeting of the Fourth District Republican Women's Club at McPherson earlier in the day.