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WASHINGTON, D.C., Feb. 4, 1970 -- William A. Taggart, Prairie Village, Kans., has joined the staff of U.S. Sen. Bob Dole (R-Kans.) in Washington, D.C. as a special legislative assistant for agricultural affairs. Taggart, who for the past 16 years has been associated with farm reporting and research on several agriculturally-related Kansas publications, will assist the Kansas senator, who is a member of the Senate Agriculture and Forestry Committee and two agricultural subcommittees.

Taggart was graduated from Wichita High School East in 1948 and attended University of Kansas in Lawrence where he received a B.S. in journalism in 1954.

Before joining Dole's staff last month, Taggart was public relations director for Far-Mar-Co., Inc., a regional grain marketing cooperative in Hutchinson, Kans. His position there involved agricultural liaison work in Kansas, Nebraska, Colorado, Iowa and Missouri, working out of the firm's office in the Kansas City Board of Trade. From 1961 to 1964 he was corporate president of Newspaper Management, Inc., Lawrence which published two rural Kansas weekly newspapers. Prior to that Taggart was on the staff of the High Plains Journal, Dodge City, an agricultural publication serving western Kansas and eastern Colorado. From 1955 to 1959 he was on the Wichita Eagle staff.

Taggart attended the Armed Forces Information School at Ft. Slocum, N.Y. in 1953 while he was serving with the U.S. Army from 1952 to 1954.