

## NEWS from U.S. Senator Bob Dole

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## DOLE MEETS WITH SIMON, NEW FEDERAL ENERGY CHIEF

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Senator Bob Dole met early this morning with William E. Simon, who is being named head of the new Federal Energy Administration. Simon and Dole met to discuss the details of the Administration splans for general aviation fuel allocations and also to discuss other critical fuel shortage problems facing Kansas.

Dole said he impressed upon Simon "the seriousness of the critical fuel situation in Kansas with regard to diesel fuel, gasoline, propane, heating and crude oil and other petroleum products, and praised the Administration's fuel policy flexibility, evidenced over the week-end with regard to general aviaton fuel."

Dole and Simon met just prior to Simon's scheduled meeting with members of the House leadership. After the meeting with Simon, Dole met briefly with Vice-President Designate Gerald Ford and discussed the fuel situation with him. Then Dole left to attend a breakfast with a Wichita delegation in Washington for the day. The Wichita group was here to discuss the general aviation fuel needs with members of the Kansas Congressional delegation.

Over the week-end, the President had told Dole that aviation fuel reductions previously announced had been altered. The decision came after Dole had informed the Administration of the serious economic repercussions they were having in Kansas and particularly in the Wichita area.

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