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# NEWS from U.S. Senator Bob Dole

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## DOLE MOVES ON BOX CARS FOR SUGARBEET CROP

TOPEKA, Kan. --- Senator Bob Dole said today that he has contacted the Interstate Commerce Committee Chairman George Stafford through his Washington office to assist in obtaining adequate rail cars for transportation of the sugarbeet crop in Western Kansas.

As a result of Dole's inquiries, the I.C.C. has put out an order to the Rock Island Railway authorizing it to intercept 200 open hopper cars from other lines as needed to move the crop. The Rock Island line goes through Thomas and Sherman Counties in the far western part of the State.

In Southwestern Counties where sugarbeets are grown, rail service is along the Santa Fe line, and the I.C.C. has informed Dole that the Santa Fe expects to have enough cars to handle the crop. Dole says he stressed with I.C.C. Chairman Stafford the "urgent necessity" of having the freight cars available to move the crop because "sugarbeets can't be held for long under current weather conditions without running a serious risk of spoilage". Dole said that he told Stafford that he would transmit concerns from individual Kansans who are having trouble obtaining transportation for their crop directly to the Chairman for resolution, and that he expected Stafford to move promptly on any such request.