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DOLE ACCUSES KENNEDY OF "PROPAGANDIZING"
IN MAILING OF VETERAN INSURANCE ~~PREMIUMS~~

DIVIDENDS

Rep. Bob Dole (R. of Kansas) charged today that the Kennedy Administration wasted thousands of dollars on printing and inserting political propaganda in veterans insurance ~~premium~~ *dividends* check mailings and urged veterans to "return the slips with suggestions for economy in government written on the backs."

Dole said that while "Single-Space Salinger (Pierre Salinger, White House Press Secretary) trumpeted that he was saving \$500 by single-spacing press releases, Kennedy was spending thousands in a bogus attempt to propagandize veterans into believing that the dividends earned by their payments for GI insurance were somehow manufactured by the Administration and were part of an anti-recession program."

The Kansas lawmaker said Kennedy has asked the public to suggest ways to economize and added:

"I have written President Kennedy, and have returned the two slips which accompanied my dividend check -- with some pertinent suggestions on how the Administration could save money, perhaps by reusing the same slips next year. I urge all veterans to return these slips with appropriate suggestions for further economy in Government."

Dole said 5,300,000 checks were mailed to veterans, and conservative estimates of cost of printing and inserting the "political propaganda" slips run into the thousands of dollars.

"Aside from the phony suggestion contained on the slips that Mr. Kennedy was coming to the rescue of our Country's veterans, this waste of manpower and materials will wipe out the widely-publicized savings of his Press Secretary for several years," Dole stated.

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