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2LT 14 1945 2628 APO 698 C/O

Robert J. Dole  
Office of the County Attorney  
Court House  
Russell, Kansas

Phone 3-3511

ATTENTION: ALL RUSSELL COUNTY MERCHANTS  
READ THIS MEMORANDUM CAREFULLY

The 1959 legislature passed numerous laws. According to my research some of these are important to business men and women. I am, therefore, reminding the merchants of Russell County of New Laws or Amended Laws which I feel are important.

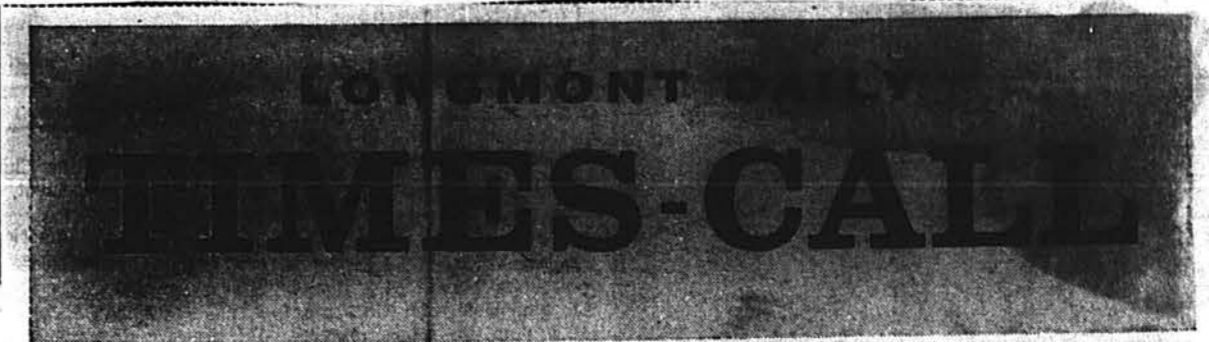
1. The Law which will most directly affect merchants in our County relates to worthless checks. After June 30, 1959 worthless checks under \$50.00 shall be considered misdemeanors and worthless checks of \$50.00 felonies. Before the 1959 amendment worthless checks under \$20.00 were considered misdemeanors and worthless checks of \$20.00 or more were considered felonies. Before the amendment if a person wrote a check for over \$20.00 and then left Kansas, we could initiate proceedings to have him returned to face prosecution, and, of course, in many cases the case would be settled by payment of the check and court costs. Under the amended law if a person writes a check for any amount up to \$49.00, we could not return him to Kansas for prosecution, but on a check of \$50.00 or more we could return the check offender.

A similar change was made with reference to laws relating to larceny, destruction of property and concealing or disposing of property subject to a chattel mortgage or a conditional sale note. In other words, prior to June 30, 1959 \$20.00 was the dividing line and after June 30, 1959 \$50.00 will be the dividing line. The practical result is that if a person steals something with value of less than \$50.00, destroys property of a value less than \$50.00 or conceals or disposes of property subject to a chattel mortgage or conditional sale note with a value of less than \$50.00 or writes a check for less than \$50.00, as set out above, he has committed a misdemeanor only and if he should leave the State of Kansas after commission of the crime, he cannot be returned for prosecution.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Require identification.
2. Require the check writer affix his right or left thumb print to the backside of the check.
3. Call the Bank upon which the check is drawn and check other references given by the party.
4. If still in doubt, don't take the check.

2. A new shoplifting law was passed. Under the law if the value of the article lifted is less than \$50.00, it is a misdemeanor (petty larceny) and if over \$50.00, it is a felony (grand larceny). The important part of this law provides detention for questioning on the store premises or in the immediate vicinity thereof in a reasonable manner and for not more than a reasonable time, by the merchant or his authorized employee. If done on reasonable grounds for belief of guilt, it is a defense to actions for assault, false arrest, false imprisonment, defamation or slander. In other words, under this new statute, it appears that the owner or an employee may detain a person suspected of shoplifting if he has reasonable grounds to believe that person to be guilty for a reasonable time, either in the store or outside thereof. YOU SHOULD PROCEED CAREFULLY UNDER THIS NEW STATUTE, AS IT HAS NOT YET BEEN COURT TESTED IN KANSAS.



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## 500 County Republicans Hear Kansas Congressman

By ART WHITNEY  
The Republican Party can win the November elections by uniting GOP strength, capturing the independent vote and drawing support from "disenchanted" Democrats, in the opinion of Congressman Bob Dole of Kansas.

Dole addressed a Saturday night crowd estimated "right at 500" by Carl Larson, Longmont area vice chairman of the Boulder County Republican Committee, after a fund-raising steak fry at Roosevelt Park.

If the GOP stalwarts who paid \$5 a plate for guaranteed Colorado beef expected a program in behalf of the presidential candidacy of Sen. Harry Goldwater, they were denied.

Goldwater's name did not appear in the formal text of Dole's address, which the congressman admitted abandoned because "it's so dark I can't read it." However, Dole prefaced the prepared statement with an expression of confidence in Goldwater.

"We will have party unity," he said. "I believe we can work together and elect Barry Goldwater with the help of independents and disenchanted Democrats."

Dole generally followed the text of an address lambasting the administration of President Lyndon Johnson, principally the chief executive's fiscal policies.

Referring to the administration as the "Cornball Express," Dole said Johnson promised "a progressive administration which is efficient and honest and frugal" in his annual State of the Union address last January.

"Somehow he gave the distinct impression, without really saying it, that his Utopian dreams would be fulfilled at no extra cost to the management," Dole said.

"Oh, he did mention the word 'deficit,' but it was sandwiched into a sentence which sounded like something else. He said he would submit a budget which would 'cut our deficit in half . . .'" "It sounded good and it made a hit with Congress and the American people, too, but in reading the fine print, what he really said was that the deficit would be cut in half, from \$10

billion to \$4.9 billion. "This was progress of a sort for a \$4.9 billion deficit is better than a \$10 billion deficit, but who can be happy over that? The fact is, a deficit is a deficit; it is not a balanced budget."

Dole was introduced by Congressman Don Brotzman of Colorado's second district, who received a standing ovation which eclipsed his colleague's appearance.

Brotzman said he, Dole and about 60 other members of Congress were "out" to elect Republicans from the top right on down to Don Brotzman. Brotzman also said that the party's objective was unity and the support of independents and "disenchanted" Democrats.

County Chairman Gerald Caplan introduced Brotzman and all Republican candidates for office in Boulder County.

#### 3. SWITCH BLADE KNIVES

After October 1, 1959, it shall be unlawful to manufacture, possess, display, offer, sell, lend, give away or purchase any knife the blade of which opens automatically by hand pressure on a button, spring or device in the handle, or which opens or falls or is ejected into position by the force of gravity, or by an outward, downward or centrifugal thrust or movement. All such knives shall be surrendered to the Sheriff and violation for possession, selling, displaying, offering, lending, giving away, purchasing or manufacturing shall be a fine of not more than \$500.00 or imprisonment not to exceed 90 days, or both.

#### 4. CIVIL RIGHTS

This simply prohibits denial of civil rights on account of race or color. Restaurants are added to the list of establishments such as schools, hotels and certain places of amusement which are forbidden to discriminate on account of race, color, national origin or ancestry.

#### 5. LAWS OF GENERAL INTEREST

1. Searches and Seizures. Search warrants for stolen or embezzled property may now be made in the night time instead of the daytime only as heretofore provided.

2. Voting by Sick or Disabled Voters. Right to cast vote, where voter is sick or physically disabled, is extended to city elections, both primary and general.

3. Liability of Parents for Damages by Minors. Any person, partnership, corporation, association or religious organization, and any taxing district, or department, institution or agency of the State may recover damages up to \$300.00 from the parents of any minor under 18 years of age living with his parents, if such minor maliciously or willfully destroys any property belonging to any such person, partnership, etc.

There were many, many other laws passed, but changes in the Check Law and the new Shoplifting Law are important and your attention is therefore called to them, along with other laws of general interest. If there is any doubt about checks or other criminal law violations, check with Sheriff Milton Galyardt or my office.

Sincerely yours,

*Robert J. Dole*  
ROBERT J. DOLE  
County Attorney

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