

PATRIOTIC MISS, 4-year-old Mari Becker, flag in hand, is enthusiastic as she sees Sen. Bob Dole walk by on his way from the speaker's stand to the fire station. She is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Becker, Rt. 1, Osborne, and grand-daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Krug, Russell. Her mother, Eloise, made the dress for Mari in honor of Bob Dole Day in Russell. Bob Dole Day in Russell.

(Staff Photo)



BROTHER'S HOME—was the site of a committee meeting for Dole campaign leaders from several areas of Kansas. Bob and Elizabeth are shown talking with supporters in a

brief stop at the home of Kenneth and Anita Dole, who were hosts to about 20 campaign finance fund volunteers. (Staff Photo)



SURPRISE GIFTS for Bob and Elizabeth Dole came from residents of the Russell Kare Center who presented them with a bouquet of home-made cloth flowers. Mrs. Ethel Staltzman, Salina, second from left, was spokesman, while Mrs. Harriet Dick,

activity director, second from right, stood by. The wastebasket in which the flowers were placed is to be used by Dole, Mrs. Staltzman said, "to sweep out the White House." (Staff Photo)



MASSED MICROPHONES emphasized Sen. Bob Dole's remarks from his heartland home as he declared a presidential candidacy bid "with no illusions of the magnitude of "with no Illusions of the magnitude of the undertaking." He added: "I will neither attack my opponents in the Republican Party nor the incumbent president. My fellow Republicans have views which the American people must weigh and the president has a record which must be considered and accounted for." ered and accounted for." (Staff Photo)



AMONG FRIENDS, Sen. Bob Dole is flanked by members of his immediate family. Shown on the completion of his remarks in which he announced his bid for the Republican presidential nomination, Dole smiles at well-wishers with his mother, Bina, at left, his wife, Elizabeth, second from right, and daughter, Robin, at right. In making his announcement in Russell, Sen. Dole

stated, "I came home simply because the strength I need is here. I know that as I travel the country in the weeks and months ahead, I will be heard and helped by others who agree with me, who will consider my views and examine my record and judge my capacities and they will determine, as they should, whether I succeed or fall."





PRESS CONFERENCE, following the street-side declaration, was in the fire station where his father, Doran R. Dole, was a volunteer for 51 years, found Sen. Dole outlining his bid and stating that he intends to

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THE WORD moves out from Russell, Kan., within seconds after Sen. Dole completes his remarks from the outdoor stage near City Hall Monday morning. These telephones are provided by the United Telephone Company of Kansas, Inc., with eight headsets mounted on a small trailer unit and placed directly outside the telephone company office, only a few feet from the center of the day's events. (Staff Photo)



REUNION—Bob and Elizabeth Dole take advantage of the Mayor's Breakfast in the City Building Monday morning to join with Kiwanians who assisted in providing the coffee and rolls for more than 300 from other areas of Kansas. Dole is a past president

of the civic organization. The mayor's guests, following the breakfast, stepped from City Hall into a reserved space on the street at the left of the platform from which Sen. Dole made his announcement.



TOUCH IS NOT FORGOTTEN—Sen. Bob Dole shows Cole and Rogers Dawson Drug Store co-owner Steve Cole that he hasn't forgotten how he served soft drinks when working at the store with Chet, Bub and