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By Barry Massey
Associated Press

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Name: Robert Dole
Party: Republican
Earned income: \$139,688
Honoraria: \$90,007
Honoraria donated to charity: \$65,500
Major assets: Five certificates of deposit and a house in Russell, each valued at \$50,001 to \$100,000.
Major sources of unearned income: Interest on two CDs, each valued at \$5,001 to \$15,000.
Major liabilities: None.
Gifts: \$1,100 Tiffany crystal eagle from the Fund for American Studies; \$705 Tiffany crystal globe from the Foreign Policy Association in New York; \$100 shirts and ties from Sophie Vavilis of New York; \$100 Hermes silk tie from Sen. Don Nickles, R-Okla.; and \$100 poinsettia tree from a former staffer.

Narrative: Dole received an Army pension of \$16,584. He kept \$24,507 in honoraria — more than other senators because his higher salary entitled him a higher limit on retained honoraria. Of the \$65,500 in donated honoraria, only \$15,000 was from speeches delivered after the Senate's honoraria ban took effect in August 1991. Dole's wife, Elizabeth, president of the American Red Cross, received \$211,500 in speaking fees. She contributed the fees to the Red Cross Endowment for At-Risk Youth and to a retirement plan and paid speech-writing expenses. Elizabeth Dole reported assets worth up to \$5 million.

Name: Nancy Landon Kassebaum
Party: Republican
Earned income: \$110,728
Honoraria: None
Honoraria donated to charity: None
Major assets: Commercial real estate in Kansas, \$250,001 to \$500,000; ranch land in Kansas, \$200,002 to \$500,000.
Major sources of unearned income: Royalties from gas wells, \$15,001 to \$50,000; dividends from Atlantic Richfield and Exxon stock, \$10,002 to \$30,000.
Major liabilities: Business loan of more than \$1 million; personal loan of \$250,001 to \$500,000.
Gifts: Four tickets to NCAA basketball regional finals from CBS Television in Washington, valued at \$152.

Narrative: Kassebaum purchased gas wells in the Hugoton field of southwestern Kansas worth \$50,001 to \$100,000. Her assets included corporate stocks worth up to almost \$1.5 million. She had stock worth \$100,001 to \$250,000 each in Arco, Exxon and General Electric. She has commercial real estate holdings in Wichita worth up to \$1.3 million, including stock in a company that owns the historic Eaton hotel. Kassebaum also has a scholarship fund for teachers, worth up to \$100,000, which contains money from previous congressional pay increases and some campaign receipts.

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Dole commends Yeltsin speech, prepares for Russian's visit today

By Ray Hemman
The Hutchinson News

Boris Yeltsin's speech before a joint session of Congress on Wednesday won a rave review from Sen. Bob Dole, R-Kan.

Yeltsin visits Wichita today as part of his historic trip to the United States. The Russian president will be Dole's guest.

"It was a historic speech," Dole said during a telephone news conference with Kansas journalists Wednesday afternoon. "I listened to Democrats and Republicans after it who said it was one of the great speeches of all time here."

"He said a lot about a partnership, about the failure of communism, about friendship, about no more lies, about looking for POWs."

"Everything he said took a lot of courage. Let's face it, they are still a long ways behind the curve."

During his appearances in Washington, Yeltsin has been

taken aback by suggestions he is there to gain U.S. handouts.

"He's not looking for money," Dole said. "He's looking for investment. He's looking for some way to get democracy, which is finally starting in all the republics there, to grow."

"He talked this morning of freedom and democracy and partnership and jobs and business rather than missiles and war and confrontation."

On the other hand, Dole said he thought Congress would grant aid to Russia and other republics of the former Soviet Union in the future because the aid would help ensure that hard-line communists do not gain the opportunity to overthrow Yeltsin.

"He said today they would never go back to communism," Dole said. "I hope he's right. I think he meant by that if he succeeds, they will never go back to communism."

This morning, Dole will accompany Yeltsin to Kansas. Also

flying out from Washington with Yeltsin will be Sen. Nancy Kassebaum, R-Kan.; Rep. Jim Slatery, D-Kan.; Rep. Dan Glickman, D-Kan.; and Rep. Dick Nichols, R-Kan.

Gov. Joan Finney is expected to meet Yeltsin in Wichita.

"I'm going to talk to him on the way out, suggest to him that this is where a lot of the wheat comes from that they've been consuming the past few years," Dole said. "This is where a lot of the grain comes from that they've received under the \$4.86 billion in credits."

"We are sort of the breadbasket of America, just as Ukraine is the breadbasket of the former Soviet Union."

"... He'll get a pretty good idea that Kansas is well-advanced in agriculture. We've got the people. We've got the technology, and we have the know-how. That's what he's after. He'd really like to get the people to invest."

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Doles says Yeltsin to get food for thought

By Ray Hemman
The Hutchinson News

When Boris Yeltsin visits Kansas next week, the Russian leader probably will return home having learned a simple message.

"In my view, he (Yeltsin) is going to be impressed with his visit," said Sen. Bob Dole, R-Kan., during his weekly telephone press conference with Kansas journalists Friday. "He's going to have some ideas he didn't have before."

"In the final analysis, it's going to be a reminder to him how important it is to have an adequate agriculture if you are going to feed the people of the Russian Republic — 250 million people. Now they are importing a lot of their food. That's why they don't have enough money for anything else. Maybe it will trigger something in the next month to six months that will be helpful."

Yeltsin's visit to Kansas Thursday will be one of the highest-ranking visits by a foreign head-of-state official to Kansas in the 20th century, according to information Dole's office had received from the Kansas State Historical Society.

The most recent high-ranking Soviet group to come to Kansas was a delegation that toured Dodge City, Hutchinson and Wichita on Oct. 29 and 30, 1989. The highest-ranking official on the tour was Yevgeny Primakov, who was then the chairman of the Council of Union for the Supreme Soviet.

Several other heads of state have visited Kansas in the past decade. Kansas State University, for example, has hosted heads of state from El Salvador (Napoleon Duarte), Costa Rica (Oscar Arias) and Nicaragua (Violeta Chamorro) for speeches in the the Landon Lecture series. Additionally, King Carl Gustav of Sweden attended the Messiah Festival in Lindsborg in 1976, said Patricia Michaelis, curator of manuscripts and director of the collections division for the Kansas State Historical Society.

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Dole: Perot not realistic about presidency

WICHITA (AP) — Joining a White House-led attack on the likely presidential candidacy of Ross Perot, Senate Minority Leader Bob Dole accused the Texan of having an unrealistic view of Washington politics.

The Kansas Republican said during a telephone news conference that Perot as president would have to make decisions that would displease some people.

Somehow Perot has gotten the idea that "he's going to dance with Congress like Fred Astaire and Ginger Rogers," Dole said.

Dole criticized Perot's plan to control Social Security costs, saying his suggestion that some people send their Social Security checks back to the government would not be taken seriously.

After some polls showed Perot leading in a possible three-way race, Vice President Dan Quayle began a Republican attack on the Texas billionaire, saying Perot did not have real solutions for the nation's problems.

On another matter, Dole said Russian President Boris Yeltsin, who is scheduled to visit Kansas next week, has an uncertain future as Russia's leader.

"I think he'd tell you the same thing," Dole said. "It's sort of touch and go. That's why I think it's really the measure of the man and what a powerful world leader Yeltsin is. You talk about somebody having to charge uphill. Everything he does is uphill. It's heavy lifting."

Yeltsin will be the highest ranking foreign head of state to come to Kansas in this century, Dole said.

The last Russian leader to visit the state was the grand duke of Russia who went buffalo hunting by train in 1872 with George Armstrong Custer and Buffalo Bill Cody as guides, Dole said.

Dole also defended President Bush's decision not to sign the United Nations treaty protecting plants and animals at the Earth Summit in Brazil.

"We've got the best environmental laws of any country in the world," Dole said. "We're doing things other people are only talking about."

Dole also said he wants the Senate to consider a proposed balanced budget amendment. The House rejected the amendment by nine votes, this week, Dole said. Democrats who co-sponsored the amendment bowed to pressure from Democratic leadership and voted against it.