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# Dole questions farm policy basics

By Guy Boulton  
The Wichita Eagle

The United States no longer sets farm commodity prices, and adjusting the level of agricultural production may no longer be the way to bring prosperity to the American farmer, Sen. Bob Dole told wheat growers Monday.

"When we cut production, that doesn't mean much, because somebody else is going to pick it up," Dole said at the annual convention of the Kansas Association of Wheat Growers.

Dole does not expect much change in farm programs for two to three years. But he questioned

whether the government's current policy is meeting the needs and long-term interests of agriculture.

Twenty years ago, the United States was the unquestioned world leader in agriculture. But other countries have since shared in the so-called Green Revolution and have taken market share away from American farmers.

"We now find ourselves at a relative disadvantage to our major competitors," Dole said.

Dole said that the European Economic Community has "waged nothing short of an all-out war" to gain market share. And he asked whether the United States has helped other

countries gain market share.

"Can we breathe life into agriculture production by trying to take more land out of production?" Dole, the senior member of the Senate Agriculture Committee, said he had no definitive knowledge of who might be named secretary of agriculture. But he added that farmers should also be concerned about who becomes administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

In his discursive comments, which ranged from Somalia to health care, Dole acknowledged that he has been criticized for his harsh comments following the presidential election.

"I'm not there to pick a fight with the new president. That's not my job," Dole said. "My job is to try to be a responsible leader of the opposition."

Dole praised Sen. Lloyd Bentsen, D-Texas, as an "outstanding appointment" for secretary of the treasury. Bentsen is thought to be the leading candidate for the post.

"That's somebody who's recognized as a good, solid, moderate-to-conservative Democrat," he said.

The senator also noted that health care will be a major issue facing Congress. And he reiterated his support for allowing farmers to deduct their health insurance.



Dole finds it self at a disadvantage.

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## Justice department to probe Dole's charge

By The Associated Press  
WASHINGTON — The Justice Department's criminal division will look into Senate Minority Leader Bob Dole's accusation that an Iran-Contra indictment was politically timed to wreck George Bush's re-election campaign, the department said Friday.

Attorney General William Barr decided to use the normal department procedure and rejected Dole's request for an independent counsel to investigate the indictment of former Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger on Oct. 30.

Also Friday, Dole's office said that the Iran-Contra prosecutor who obtained the indictment, James Brosnahan, has contributed \$17,000 to Democratic candidates since 1984.

Meanwhile, records show that Dole has gotten \$13,000 in campaign contributions since 1987 from the law firm representing Weinberger. The contributions are individual donations and money from the political action committee of the firm — Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom.



Dole

Staffers of the Kansas senator handed reporters a sheet listing Brosnahan's contributions to the presidential campaigns of Walter Mondale and Michael Dukakis, to Sen. Howard Metzenbaum, to Sen.-elect Diane Feinstein and to other Democrats.

Dole reiterated his demand that Iran-Contra prosecutor Lawrence Walsh should fire Brosnahan, which Walsh has rejected before.

"There is either impropriety or the appearance of impropriety and it ought to be investigated," Dole said of the campaign contributions by Brosnahan.

Walsh responded Friday by saying that "we think it is inappropriate for the Senate Republican leader to intrude" in a pending prosecution.

## A Special Teacher

That a small town in Kansas would have two United States senators now serving in Congress is unusual, but a closer look reveals that such an honor must partly rest with a teacher and the educational opportunities that were available there in the earlier years.

Recently, two former students of Russell (Kan.) High School, Sen. Robert J. Dole, the minority leader of the Senate, and Sen. Arlen Specter of Pennsylvania, were interviewed about their school days in Central-Western Kansas and both heaped credit on one

teacher, Alice Mills, 92, their former English and math teacher.

Both men said Miss Mills had a major influence on their lives and must share in part of their success.

These two lawmakers, and Walter Chrysler, the founder of the auto dynasty bearing his name, all came from small western Kansas towns... so good education as it's sought today all boils down to the teaching profession, the desire to learn, and the discipline that causes it all to happen. — The Independence Daily Reporter

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## Talking With Kansans

Senator Bob Dole



## Ethanol Breakthrough

The President's breakthrough for ethanol is good news for farmers and good news for the environment. For Kansas, it's good news for our 9,000 corn producers and our four ethanol plants.

Ethanol is the clean burning, domestically produced renewable resource that can be a big part of our energy answer for the future.

Under this program, all the environmental benefits under the Clean Air Act are retained. The president also has reversed the environmental protection agency's mandate that an even greater share of our energy needs would have to come from overseas in the form of imported methanol.

I expect that by 1997, the market for ethanol will grow by another 600 million gallons per year to 1.5 billion gallons.

I am pleased the president heard our calls from the farm belt to give this All-American fuel the boost it needed.

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## Horror on road to a Greater Serbia

By BOB DOLE

Dear Mr. Milosevic:

Since leading a congressional delegation to Kosovo in August 1990, where I saw with my own eyes your brutal suppression of 2 million Albanians, you have savagely pursued your dream of creating a "Greater Serbia." Your territorial ambitions have brought war and suffering to the people of Slovenia and Croatia, and genocide to Bosnia-Herzegovina.



Bob Dole

With "ethnic cleansing" as their main tool, your legions have forced more than a million people from their homes, committed unspeakable atrocities and sent thousands of civilians to their graves. All the while, cease-fires and other agreements have been negotiated and broken by your representatives and forces.

At this point you may believe that you are nearing completion of a Greater Serbia having paid only a

small price. It may not bother you that Serbia is an international outlaw state — that your regime is seen by many as a reincarnation of the fascist evils of World War II.

But, while until now you have paid only a small price, I expect that this soon will change. Too many of your promises have been broken and too many thousands of lives have been shattered as a result.

The time for meetings and negotiations is over. The time has come for strong action, definitive action. Action to blunt your war machine. Action to prevent the onset of genocide in Kosovo. Action to prevent your dreams of a Greater Serbia from becoming a reality.

What type of action? The United States and the United Nations should give you a deadline. I will recommend to both the outgoing and incoming U.S. administrations that NATO air forces conduct selective air strikes if you do not cease the bloodshed and genocide in Bosnia-Herzegovina. Their targets will not be citizens, but the very core of your power: Serbia's military assets.

Mr. Milosevic, your time is running out. The United States and the world won't let you get away with

genocide.

It is not only the world that won't let you get away with genocide. It seems that the Serbian people are beginning to realize that the "truth" they see on their TV news is really propaganda; that the war in Bosnia-Herzegovina is not one to "defend Serbs," but to rape, pillage and ultimately conquer Bosnian territory.

The people of Serbia may have an opportunity Sunday to choose democracy over dictatorship, peace over war, by voting for Milan Panic. But, despite my hopes, I am not at all confident that you will allow free and fair elections, particularly in light of the fact that Serbia's last elections were neither free nor fair.

This letter may not convince you, but perhaps history will.

For many years, Adolf Hitler pursued a campaign of war and genocide that in his fanatical view seemed to advance the future of his country. Both Hitler and Germany paid a terrible price. Like Hitler, you have embarked on a war against civilization. The fate of Hitler's Germany awaits you and Serbia.

Dole, R-Kan., is Senate minority leader.

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## Dole: U.S. shouldn't bear rescue bill

By BARBARA JOSEPH  
The Capital-Journal

U.S. taxpayers shouldn't have to kick in additional money to finance the U.S.-led humanitarian mission to Somalia, Kansas Sen. Bob Dole said Tuesday.

"They're going to have to reprogram some of the defense money, take it out of something else," he said. "So, it's not going to be an additional \$400 million for taxpayers."

Dole made his remarks at a press conference at the Ramada Inn Downtown. He had just attended a business breakfast and was en route to Kansas City, Kan., to testify before the Glass Ceiling Commission on the difficulties women and minorities face in moving

up the corporate ladder.

Dole also called on other countries to increase their participation and financial support for the Somalia mission. He cited Great Britain, France, African countries and Japan.

"Somebody has to share the burden with us, or you're going to find the American people — as much compassion as we have in this country — say, 'Wait a minute,'" he said.

He forecast U.S. troops would be in Somalia three months.

Dole said the United States was right in getting involved in the East African country but was concerned about the precedent being set. Many

other areas of the world, such as Bosnia, are in dire trouble but aren't receiving the same help.

In this case, the criteria seemed to be the job appeared do-able and fairly low risk, and no one else was able to do it, he said.

The area is of no economic or strategic interest to the United States, he said.

"I don't think we want to set a precedent — if anybody's in trouble, just call 911-USA and we'll show up," he said, adding the mission called into question whether the military's new role was as world policeman of dire situations.

## Dole Campaign Chest Remains Fully Packed

By TOM WEBB  
The Russell Daily News

WASHINGTON — Sen. Bob Dole began the year with \$2 million in his campaign war chest.

Then he ran for re-election. Now he has \$1.8 million.

Campaign reports filed with the Federal Election Commission showed that Dole's campaign remained flush before, during and after the election, thanks largely to a steady river of money flowing in from special interests and corporate executives.

So with \$1.8 million in the bank, and with Dole not facing another Senate race until 1998, what's with all the money? Is he bank-rolling cash for a 1996 presidential run?

"No," replied Walt Riker, Dole's spokesman. Throughout his career he's always saved for rainy days, and it's always paid off.

Well then, what are Dole's plans for the cash?

"It will just stay there, and we'll see what happens," Riker replied.

But while Dole, the Republican incumbent, finished the campaign financially flush, his Democratic Senate challenger, Gloria O'Dell, ended deeply in debt. Her losing campaign was \$141,000 in the hole as of Nov. 23.

O'Dell's report shows she owed \$128,000 to a Topeka advertising agency, Hinkle Agency, which did her media consulting and bought TV ads.

In all, Dole spent \$1.3 million this year on his Senate re-election campaign. O'Dell spent \$318,000. Dole's fund-raising also far

outdistanced O'Dell's. Dole collected \$1.2 million this year, half of that from political action committees. O'Dell collected \$190,000, mostly from individuals and Democratic Party committees.

The just-released report shows Dole's biggest late donors were dominated by PACs with interests in health care, finance and agribusiness. He also got money from cable television executives, after his vote against regulating cable TV rates.

Dole's health-care donors included the American Medical Association (\$5,000), the American Health Care Association (\$5,000), the National Association of Life Underwriters (\$5,000), the Health Insurance Committee (\$1,000), clinical urologists (\$1,000), drug maker Marion Merrell Dow (\$1,000), and Blue Cross-Blue Shield (\$500). Overhauling the health-care system is one of the top items Congress will consider next year.

Dole's agribusiness contributors include tobacco and food conglomerate RJR-Nabisco (\$2,000), Philip Morris (\$1,000), railroad shipper Santa Fe-Pacific (\$1,000), pork producers (\$1,000), and Hershey Foods (\$500). Dole is a leading member of the Senate Agriculture Committee.

As in the past, several companies also put their corporate jets at Dole's disposal. In October and November, Dole reported four campaign-related trips on the corporate jets of Archer-Daniels-Midland, an agribusiness conglomerate with a history of massive political spending; and six trips on the jets of Torchmark Corp., an insurance and investment company.

Dole's campaign, or his political committee Campaign America, followed the law by reimbursing the companies for the cost of those flights, usually at the price of a first-class ticket. Riker said Dole "continued his practice whenever he can to take commercial flights to Kansas City and Wichita."

Riker noted that none of Dole's travel is charged to the taxpayers, even for official business. However, critics including Common Cause, a public interest group, have called the practice back-door access to elected officials that's available only to powerful corporations with private jets.

O'Dell's campaign received far less money from far fewer sources. Its campaign report did identify a few major donations, however, including a \$5,000 check from the Washington-based Association of Flight Attendants and several smaller checks by various union PACs.

Some of O'Dell's other donors were the pipe fitters (\$500) and the AFL-CIO's committee (\$250).

More prominent, though, were O'Dell's debts. Aside from the media debts, she also owed money for fund-raising, printing, telephones, computers and other expenses.

Scott Moxley, a spokesman for the Federal Election Commission, said campaign laws give Dole "extremely broad discretion on how to spend his (leftover \$1.8 million in) campaign money, as long as it's reported correctly."

Among Dole's options: donate it to charity, transfer it to a political party, use it for office expenses, or use it for "other lawful purposes," Moxley said.

He cannot, however, take the \$1.8 million and retire, as politicians once did. Congress outlawed that practice in 1989.

But, yes, he could use it to run for president in 1996.

"It's always good to have a reserve," Riker said.



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