

# Dole says GOP future depends on Perot voters

By JOHN KING The Associated Press

HICAGO - Senate Republican leader Bob Dole labeled Ross Perot a "walking soundbite" Friday, yet beseeched the Texan's supporters to join the GOP fold and vent their fury at Congress by expelling Democrats in 1994.

While taking time in a speech and later news conference to poke at Perot, Dole told the Republican National Committee the GOP's future depended heavily on winning back the Republicans who deserted the party to support the Dallas billionaire.

Dole also renewed his sharp, familiar criticism of President Clinton's economic plan as tax-heavy and told the GOP leaders the party could block Clinton's agenda if it picks up seven Senate seats next year to regain the majority.

"We'll turn off the lights. We'll set the agenda," Dole said. "We'll cut the Clinton term in half if we have 51 votes."

Dole's tweaks at Perot included a prediction that 1992's surprising independent candidate would fare poorly if he ran in 1996 as a Repub-

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Bob Dole lican - a race likely to include Dole

himself. "I don't think in the Republican

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Party he would win primaries," Dole said Citing a new poll by a Democratic group showing that the majority of

can ranks and that anger at Congress was the single-biggest factor in their alienation, Dole offered this

"Keep in mind one thing: the Democrats have controlled the Congress almost completely for the past four decades." Later, Dole added, "Give us the opportunity to govern and if we don't change things in four to eight years, then kick us out."

But in citing areas where Republicans and Perot supporters have at Perot himself.

"He is a walking soundbite."

entreaty to Perot's army: Dole said Republicans shared much of the Perot agenda: support for deficit reduction, a line-item veto and balanced budget amendment.

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common ground, Dole still said it would "be very difficult" for the GOP to win the defectors back. And he couldn't resist aiming a few barbs

"I know he likes what he is doing and he's pretty good at it," Dole said of Perot, who has since winning 19 percent in the presidential race has pledged to turn his organization into a powerful national political force. Perot's support came from Republi-

The editor's opinion **Bob Dole: Hopeful** Others are too busy

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to run for president

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here are many ways to rankle Kansans these days and most of them have something to do with the weather or Bob Dole. The weather we know about. Floods

with intermittent steam. This state now has more water between its borders than Hawaii, and more lowland humidity than a Malaysian rain forest at noon.

But the wash of speculation about Bob Dole moves on a jetstream from the eastern front and may take another year or two to crest. Writers and broadcasters, who are closer to the senator

than we, are sending reports almost daily of his status as the nation's top Republican. These are garnished with authority

Dole

and insight, as though his prime standing was somehow not enough in itself and that we cannot go on about our lives just knowing this.

We must be told by experts that Bob Dole is the best-known, most qualified and experienced among the Republicans now mentioned as presidential candidates in three years. Others on the Republican list include Dick Cheney, Jack Kemp, Lamar Alexander and Dan Quayle.

We can only guess why Nancy Kassebaum is not on the list. But a clue does emerge, and it lies in use of the term "hopeful."

This list is of people who are said to be hopeful that they are nominated for president. Sen. Kassebaum is apparently not hopeful, not interested in the wool-gathering for a race that is 36 months away.

That should tell us something about Nancy Kassebaum, She is too busy and thus too popular for such foolishness. She has never been known to fight a roller shade that has lost its spring.

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**Dole campaign committee** agrees to pay FEC penalty

bursements of 18 delegate By Charles R. Babcock The Washington Post committees. WASHINGTON - Senate In a statement, Dole did not Minority Leader Robert J. dispute the commission's find-

Dole's 1988 presidential campaign committee

agreed to pay a \$100,000 civil penalty to the Federal Election Commission

- the largest in FEC history - to settle an investigation of illegal campaign donations.

Friday, also called on the campaign to repay \$104,564 in excessive or prohibited donations from individuals and corporations.

campaign "knowingly accepted" \$64,043 in prohibited Hutchinson News Thursday, July 22, 1993 Page 8 **Dole's press secretary** to work for McDonald's

KANSAS CITY, Mo. - Walt corporate communications. He will

couldn't refuse. Riker, longtime press secretary to U.S. Sen. Bob Dole, R-Kan., will be leaving Capitol Hill in early August to work for McDonald's Corp. in Oak Dole Brook, Ill.

Riker said he received a McOffer he report to Chuck Eberling, the company's director of corporate communications. "It's a great opportunity for me and for my family," Riker, who is married and has three children.

said Tuesday. Riker earned English and journalism degrees from the University of Kansas and spent four years as a reporter for a Topeka television station before he joined Dole's staff in 1981.

Riker, 46, and nearly as quick "Working for Senator Dole would with a quip as his boss, will become have been beyond my wildest director of public affairs commu- dreams when I was going to K.U., nications for the fast-food chain, Riker said. "It's very difficult to The Kansas City Star reported. leave because I respect him so In that position, Riker will be much and I learned so much from involved in all aspects of the chain's him."

The Topeka Capital-Journal, Wednesday, August 4, 1993 5-A World may pay for ignoring Bosnia

By SEN. BOB DOLE Special to The Washington Post

ASHINGTON - For the past 15 months in Bosnia-Herzegovina, every day has brought new levels of de-

struction and new victims. What is not new is the international community's lack of will, the absence of U.S. leadership and the endless excuses offered by world leaders for their unwillingness to confront ag-

Bob Dole gression or even to take the measures necessary to provide sufficient humanitarian assis-

tance to suffering Bosnians. With each day of international passivity, there is a growing chance that ethnic cleansing will be unleashed on the 2 million Albanians in Kosovo, which would in turn provoke munity has engaged in multilateral

constructing and implementing firm and principled policies. Surely if NATO is to survive, we and our allies must do more than just stick together in carrying out policies reflecting the lowest common denominator. The most dangerous message is

the proclaimed U.S. helplessness in the face of Serbian aggression, allied uncooperativeness and Russian intransigence. The war against Bosnia-Herzegovina is the first post-Cold War crisis. The Milosevic regime is on the verge of victory. Croatia is poised to share in the Bosnian spoils and mediators David Owen and Thorvald Stoltenberg are paving the way for international ratification of Bosnia's dismemberment.

While a threat to the international order. Serbia is not a mighty superpower as the Soviet Union was; it does not possess nuclear weapons or a conventional capability that is sophisticated and state-of-the-art. Yet for 15 months the international coma regional war. Moreover, we are hand-wringing, and the United

shirking and shrinking American

presence on the global stage is ex-

actly the type of invitation dictators

Is it too late to do something

about Bosnia? In my view, saying

it's too late is just another excuse.

There is still time to act to avert the

demise of the Bosnian state. The ad-

ministration has already begun con-

sultations with some of our allies on

and aggressors dream of.



The agreement, made public

The settlement said the Dole

Dole congressional campaigns."

years and untold taxpayer dollars to audit one presidential primary campaign, just imag-





#### A friendly visit

Senate Republican leader Bob Dole waves to a crowd Sunday after speaking to about 2,000 people at the 1993 Northeast Ohio Republican Picnic and Country Jam-

boree in Newbury, Ohio. Standing behind Sen. Dole is Ohio Gov. George V. Voinovich.

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## Dole's '88 campaign levied record penalty

By The Associated Press WASHINGTON - Robert Dole's 1988 presidential campaign was fined a record \$100,000 in civil penalties Friday by the Federal Elections

The FEC cited a wide range of violations, in-cluding exceeding state spending limits and accepting too much money from Dole's political

Commission

Dole action committee and from individuals.

Fines against Campaign America, Dole's PAC, and other contractors and individuals accounted for another \$22,975 in penalties. The \$100,000 civil fine is the largest

ever leveled against a presidential campaign committee, FEC spokes-

which they based this penalty against

the campaign committee," said Dole, the Senate's Republican leader

"We've learned a lot about dealing with federal agencies, and this bureaucratic process is the best exam-

ple yet of why we don't need public funding of congressional campaigns," the Kansas senator said. According to FEC documents, Dole's ill-fated 1988 campaign for the Republican presidential nomination ran afoul of numerous elections laws, including:

■ Improperly accepting \$64,043 from corporations, which are barred entirely from giving money to federal candidates

Improperly accepting a total of \$239,131 from 418 different individuals, each of whom had already contributed \$1,000, the maximum primary contribution a person is allowed to make.

man Scott Moxley said. "It's ironic that the FEC has al-ready changed many of the rules on crat Walter Mondale's 1984 campaign, Moxley said.

donations from corporations, the Pentagon," Dole said. He said that much of the penalty including two uses of corporate aircraft where reimbursement stemmed from exceeding spending limits in Iowa and was less than allowed by law. The campaign also failed to New Hampshire, limits since report the receipts and disdropped.

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keen on the package, Clinton prom-

ised to seek more spending cuts this

fall, including through legislation

that would give lawmakers the op-

portunity to propose cuts of their

Sen. Bob Kerrey, D-Neb., said he

would push for curbs on cost-of-liv-

ing increases for Social Security re-

The senator, who held off support

for Clinton's deficit-reduction pack-

age until the final hour last week

because of misgivings about a lack

of spending cuts, suggested that tin-

kering with Social Security might be

acceptable if Congress sets an exam-

ple by cutting its own pay and bud-

Responding to Dole's warning, Vice President Al Gore, on ABC's

"This Week with David Brinkley," said he was "disappointed" that "if he has his way, Republicans will not support spending cuts this fall." The debate over who is to blame for the death of safety in the

for the depth of partisan divisions and governmental gridlock prompt-

ed Gore to accuse Republicans of

trying to revise history. Republicans say Clinton did not reach out to

them to seek their advice or support

on his economic package.

"If it takes five and a half

## **Clinton can't count** on GOP to back cuts

liking.

#### Los Angeles Times/ Washington Post Service

WASHINGTON - Senate Minority Leader Bob Dole warned Sunday that President Clinton cannot count on Republican cooperation on the spending cuts that Clinton promised last week as a concession to get wavering Democrats to vote for his budget package.

The Dole warning, made on NBC's "Meet the Press," indicates that although Republicans are expected to be helpful to the Democratic president in his fight to pass the North

American Free Trade Agreeknives ment, already are being sharpened for partisan fights on other fronts. Asked if the bruising budget battle just concluded would Dole mark an end to Says votes partisanship, Dole answered, may split on party lines they (Democrats) ain. expect Republicans to line up now and vote for all the spending cuts after they've imposed these big,

big heavy taxes, there may be some more partisanship, yes." Clinton's budget package, a mix of tax increases and spending cuts de-signed to hold down the growth of projected federal budget deficits, barely squeaked through in both House and Senate, in large part be-cause of opposition to the tax in-

to see Islamic fu talists using the issue of Western licly hesitated and waffled. This inaction against moderate, pro-Western Arab and Muslim governments, and we can expect the precedent of allowing internationally recognized borders to be changed by force will contribute to global instability.

While the Bush administration cannot escape blame for its shortsighted and disengaged attitude toward the crisis in the former Yugoslavia, the Clinton administration is also at fault. Months ago, the president came up with a realistic policy to address the conflict, then abandoned it when consensus didn't magically appear on his doorstep.

The ramifications of the U.S. failure to take an active leadership role in this crisis cannot be ignored. But of equal concern is the fallout from its shoulders, saying, we can't do more, we're helpless.

Three main reasons have been offered by President Clinton and Secretary of State Warren Christopher for writing off Bosnia: lack of allied support for the option of lifting the arms embargo against Bosnia and striking Serb positions by air; Russian opposition to anything but economic and diplomatic measures against Serbia; and, most recently, U.S. inability to do more - implicit in Christopher's remarks last week that "the United States is doing all it can." These excuses, especially from the world's only superpower, send dangerous signals, not only to the Milosevic and Tudjman regimes but also to would-be aggressors around

the globe. The often-cited lack of allied support for the tougher U.S. option and the Clinton administration's willingness to go along with policies proven to be ineffective in the name of "allied unity" convey the impression that the NATO alliance may have outlived its usefulness. In the past, when confronted with threats to our security or European stability, the United States led our NATO allies in

the issue of protecting U.N. peacekeeping forces. While a step in the right direction, that is not enough. President Clinton should immediately convene a meeting of the NATO heads of state. At this meeting, he should plainly tell our allies that their policies have failed and that a comprehensive strategy tothe United States simply shrugging ward Bosnia is needed. He should call for an immediate "time out" in the Owen-Stoltenberg talks. The president should then announce the U.S. intention to pursue a variation of his original preferred option, this time a "strike and lift" option with a concrete time line. Under this option an ultimatum would be issued calling for: adherence to the most recent cease-fire, the free passage of all humanitarian convoys, a date certain for the placing of all heavy weapons under U.N. control and, finally, the disbanding of all paramilik tary forces. If these demands are not met, air strikes will be conducted against heavy weaponry and

forces in violation. The allies would also be informed of our intention to move forward with the limited lifting of the arms embargo against the Bosnian government so that its forces can assist in protecting humanitarian convoys and in securing Sarajevo and U.N.declared "safe havens." In the interests of maintaining a strong and credible NATO and a U.S. presence in Europe, I predict that our allies will go along.

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

Said Gore, "They're trying to re-vise history. I personally participat-ed in that effort to reach out and asked a whole series of Republican leaders about the possibility of creating a bipartisan approach. ... They indicated that they had been burned politically in the past, and they said privately and publicly, 'You're going to have to pass your economic plan with Democrats alone. We're not going to give you a single vote.""

To woo Democrats who were not