Chamber nearly empty for vote

By The Associated Press WASHINGTON — A latenight vote on a bill to restore buildings at traditionally black colleges authorized \$3.6 million for a mostly-white school in the home state of Senate Republi-

can Leader Bob Dole. Sterling College in Sterling, Kan., would get the money to refurbish its 100-year-old Cooper Hall, which is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

Some black House members opposed inclusion of Sterling because only 4 percent of its 600 students are black.

Dole, R-Kan., reached a deal with black lawmakers to authorize the money over the next three years in return for \$2 million this year to restore buildings on historically black campuses. That amount had been reduced to \$1 million in the House version.

The bill passed by an unrecorded "unanimous consent" vote in a nearly empty Senate chamber late Wednesday.

It could still run into some problems in the House, where Rep. Bruce Vento, D-Minn., has not decided whether to accept Dole's provision. Vento chairs a subcommittee with jurisdiction over the issue.

Campaign America

WASHINGTON - In a Vir-

ginia suburb this summer, Terri

Hasselman got acquainted with

the mult box, the gadget that con-

nects the main microphone at the

podium with television and radio

The Iowa woman and 80 others

attending the "advance training

school" picked up lots of useful

techniques to help a politician,

from building crowds to fund rais-

But one thing was not taught in

the seminar paid for by Sen. Bob

Dole's Campaign America: how to

avoid renewed troubles with the

from Kansas is striving to aid Re-

publican candidates in this elec-

tion year with Campaign Ameri-

ca, his leadership political action

At the same time, it's clear that

runs again for the presidency in

1996. And that has prompted

podium: "Seven more in '94."

That emphasized the number of

seats Republicans need this fall to

win back control of the U.S. Sen-

are and probably again make Dole

majority leader.

At the seminar, Dole and others

talked solely about helping Re-

dublican candidates, especially those running for the Senate, Has-

selman said. Yet speakers in-cluded some who had helped set

Federal Election Commission.

Dole has to walk a fine line.

was fined in '93

BYJAKE THOMPSON

Washington Correspondent

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Sen. Bob Dole, R-Kan., has made certain Sterling College will receive funds to refurbish a 100-year-old building.

The original bill was intended to allow the interior secretary to make grants of up to \$65 million from a federal historic preservation fund to restore and preserve buildings at qualfying institutions over the next four years.

Language included by Dole would allow the money for Sterling College only if the school provides matching funds.

Dole has defended inclusion of Sterling in the funding bill by noting it opened its doors to students of all races decades ago, when some colleges wouldn't Hutchinson News Friday, August 12, 1994

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Black college bill passes Senate quietly

WASHINGTON - With an unrecorded vote late Wednesday night, the Senate quietly passed a measure that provides up to \$3.6 million for a school in Sen. Bob Dole's home

After a day in which the Senate minority leader Dole warned of the unknown costs of a Democratic health care bill, Dole managed to slip through the grant provision as part of a measure to aid historically black colleges and universities

is mostly white. The bill passed by "unanimous consent" in a nearly empty Senate

even though the school in his state

The school of concern to Dole, Sterling College, has only 4 percent black enrollment. Sen. Carol Moseley-Braun, D-Ill., the Senate's only black member, agreed to the provision last month as a way to get the stalled legislation moving.

The original bill was intended to

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allow the interior secretary to make grants of up to \$65 million from a federal historic preservation fund to restore and preserve buildings at qualifying institutions over the next four years. The House has already passed a version of the bill.

Language included by Dole would 'preserve and restore Cooper Hall at Sterling College." The interior secretary could provide up to \$3.6 million over three years only if Sterling contributes

Another provision included in the bill by Dole earmarks \$1.5 million for grants to restore Science Hall Simpson College in Indianola,

When Dole initially sought money for Sterling College, a 600student liberal arts institution, some black House members objected that it violated the spirit of legislation intended to benefit colleges with mostly black enroll-

Sterling would get enough money to refurbish its century-old Cooper Hall, which is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The building has been closed since 1988 because of structural problems.

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Dole: Old-style Democratic politics were reason for crime-bill failure

By Curt Anderson

WASHINGTON - The failure of Republican told reporters. Congress to pass a comprehensive crime bill and reach compromise on health reform is tied to old-style Democratic politics, Senate Republican Leader Bob Dole said Friday. "Promising everybody everything, to me, that's not the politics of today," Dole said. "That's the

politics of the '60s." While President Clinton and Democratic leaders of Congress vowed to resurrect the \$33 billion crime bill - shelved by the House on a procedural vote Thursday -Dole said its focus on programs instead of punishment and law enforcement would ensure continued

GOP opposition.

was a big social welfare bill. That's why it was defeated," the Kansas

The GOP has similar objections to Democratic health reform bills, which they oppose as unnecessary government intervention. Dole said Clinton is to blame for portraying himself as a more moderate Democrat during the 1992 campaign.

"He said he was going to be this new Democrat. All these things he said are crumbling," Dole said. "Everything he has is more government, more taxes, more spend-

The crime bill could pass, Dole said, if programs he labeled "nonsensical spending" are deleted, such as a \$900 million youth program, a \$20 billion local partnership "It really wasn't a crime bill, it act and \$1.4 billion for drug courts."

"Nobody has any idea if any of this is going to work," Dole said.

The Republican leader said reducing the spending is the key to passage of the crime bill, not tackling a provision that bans certain

kinds of assault weapons. Democratic health reform efforts in both houses are stalled, Dole said, because "most Americans want us to go gradually, see how much it costs, see who loses their

The House has delayed consideration of its health reform legislation indefinitely. Democratic leaders say the postponement is to get official cost estimates from the Congressional Budget Office.

Dole said that's not the only rea-

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Dole: Congress needs to ask voters about health reform

By Ray Hemman

Congress needs to take its Au-

gust recess and then come back to write health care reform legislation after talking with constituents, the Senate minority leader said Friday.

"My view is everybody is trying to cob-

ble something Dole together at the last minute," said Sen. Bob Dole, R-Kan., during his weekly telephone press conference with Kansas journalists. "We ought to be out talking with the people who will have to live with it. Somebody said this may be mainstream inside the Beltway, but it's not mainstream America.

"And I'm not sure how we think Dole said he would prefer to allow with something without any hearings, without any informa-

The rush to put some sort of health care reform together is forcing Congress to write legislation "in the dark" without the benefit of cost projections or other numbers.

Dole said that when he talks with constituents, he is asked why, if only 15 percent of the health care system is broken, Congress is attempting to over-

Currently, the Senate is reviewing some 7,000 pages of health care reform in any of a number of different bills. Dole said he doubted that any Capitol Hill staffer, much less a senator, had read all the pages of all the

On another front-burner issue, help on local crimes, Dole said.

we can at the last minute come up mayors and governors to decide how best to use money in the crime bill rather than mandate the use of the funds.

The senator also said there were numerous elements within the bill that concerned him. The conference report of the crime bill, for example, took out the sexual predator provision, which

would have alerted communities when such individuals locate haul the entire system.

Dole also objects to provisions that might lead to the early release of up to 16,000 drug dealers. He would like to see the bill include mandatory sentences for anyone convicted of a federal crime involving a gun.

Even if a crime bill passes, don't expect it to provide much

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Mitchell, Dole snipe over health care plans

The Associated Press
WASHINGTON — The Senate's leading Democrat and Republican tore into each others' health care plans Sunday, casting new doubt on their ability to

forge an agreement this year to reform the medical system. "Is there an

opportunity for compromise? Maybe," Minority Leader Robert Dole of Kansas said on

NBC's "Meet the Press." Sitting elbow-to-elbow

Majority Leader George Mitchell of Maine, Dole said Mitchell's sweeping proposal amounted to government-run health care. It would raise taxes and fail to contain costs, he predicted.

Mitchell said offerings by Dole and other Republicans would do too little to provide health care coverage to all Americans. He

chided GOP lawmakers for accepting a governmentbased insurance plan for their own health care, yet refusing the same for other

citizens. With his plan dead, President Clinton has embraced Mitchell's proposal as the least he could accept. It aims to cover 95 percent of Americans by 2000, requiring employers to pay part of their workers' premiums if the goal is not reached.

In another sign of the health care divide, Sen. Bob Kerrey, D-Neb., said Mitchell's bill does not restrain costs and gives too much power to Washington. Pledging to heavily amend the bill, Kerrey suggested that the Senate may need to override a Clinton veto.

"It should be clear the president does not have a vote in Congress. We need to do our work. He didn't do a very good job on the crime bill, and now we're trying to do our work on health care," Kerrey said on ABC's "This Week with David

Brinkley."
Another Democrat, Sen. David Boren of Oklahoma, said of Mitchell's bill, "I think it's dead and we can't even amend it." Appearing on the same CBS show, White

House Chief of Staff Leon Panetta rejected Boren's scaled-down proposal aimed at wooing GOP Despite all the mixed signals, Mitchell and Dole insisted health

care reform could be passed by Congress this year.

Dole camp tries to avoid PAC trouble

1988 presidential campaign Moines on Jan. 24, 1988, in a heavy snowstorm. She was In May, the Kansas senator killed when her vehicle and a dozen otners piled up after a

control. Since then, Dole has telephoned her family several times a year and sends a Christmas card each year. Richard Wirthlin, Dole's pollster from paign. She drove Dole around the 1988 race, also gave \$6,000

calls at nights and on week- to a student from Minnesota

It will be awarded next year

attending Iowa State who has After doing volunteer work demonstrated leadership and for Dole in Minnesota and vis- caring for others, said Lois

the crop with a lot of different The Senate minority leader backgrounds," Hasselman said of the participants and speakers. "Everyone was knocking themselves out to meet each other."

"They were quality people," agreed Susan Pellett of Atlantic, Iowa. "There's a lot of talk about expanding Campaign America's everything else, but Dole's reason network now will be useful if Dole for doing this was to get Republicans elected." Campaign America also has:

■ Hired seven regional field complaints from one watchdog staffers to monitor state races na-Just a year ago, the Federal tionwide. They include Brian Berry, James Murphy, Michael Glassner and Scott Matter, who Election Commission fined Campaign America — which lawfully can help only congressional and worked on Dole's 1988 presidenstate candidates — \$12,000 for illegal campaign activities that aided Dole's 1988 presidential worked on form Put Steve Gibbs, who

worked on former Rep. Tom Tauke's 1990 Senate quest, on At the advance school in June, Campaign America's payroll as a field staffer. He oversees Iowa, Dole's organization tried to show that the lesson had been learned. which holds the first presidential A large banner hung behind the

Paid about \$5,000 a month to a Mission telemarketing firm run by Tom Synhorst, the strategist behind Dole's 1988 caucus win in Iowa, according to election commission records.

Synhorst told The New York Times in June that he had concentrated on Iowa and had, with Dole's blessing, contacted political professionals asking them not to sign on with other possible up political visits around the presidential candidates.

Jo-Anne Coe, executive director country for former Presidents George Bush and Ronald Reagan. of Campaign America, asserted "Many there were the cream of last week that Campaign America

Dole campaign legacy passed on A tiny piece of Bob Dole's Mack headed back to Des

closed out a special 1988 fund donating the remaining semitrailer truck spun out of \$14,000 to a Lisa Mack scholarship fund at Iowa State Uni-

versity. Mack was a 24-year-old Iowa State graduate who volunteered for Dole's presidential cam-Des Moines when he was campaigning and made telephone

iting her family in Waterville, Mack, Lisa's mother.

to endow the scholarship.

is not engaged in improper work these days.

The focus is on '94 right now, she said. She conceded, however, that "there are some things that are in place that can either be transferred, in terms of bodies of people that might be interested in working on a presidential campaign, or physical assets Campaign America may own, lists,

that could be purchased." Campaign America has \$3.3 million on hand, much of which will be sprinkled as campaign donations to Republicans in House, Senate, gubernatorial and state legislative races before the November elections. Republican Ron Freeman, seeking Missouri's 5th District Congressional seat, will soon receive a \$5,000 donation from Campaign America,

Coe said. Campaign America fund-raisers expected to be held for U.S. Senate candidate John Ashcroft and Kansas gubernatorial candidate Bill Graves will raise far larger

sums for them. Those funds also will fly Dole around the country to campaign and raise new money for allies and keep his profile high.

Other potential candidates, such as Sen. Phil Gramm of Texas, former Housing Secretary Jack Kemp and former Education Secretary Lamar Alexander, have their own organizations. Coe expressed concern that Dole might end up being outdistanced be-

"I'm making so many extra efforts to make sure our skirts are clean on this," Coe added, "while at the same time others are out there, potential candidates, making no bones about what they're doing preliminarily.' Asked by The National Journal

cause he is "so cautious and con-

servative" with Campaign Ameri-

in June about his thoughts on running again, Dole said: "I know Phil Gramm is running. I know Lamar Alexander is running. But we're doing things that would indicate we might be moving ahead. You've got to move ahead. We've got field people now working for Campaign America. We're going to have a school (the advance training group)."

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Dole accuses Clinton attorney of trying to intimidate Starr

By The Associated Press WASHINGTON - Senate Mi-

nority Leader Bob Dole accused President Clinton's attorney Sunday of trying to intimidate Whitewater prosecutor Kenneth Starr, hoping the Republican lawyer will step down. Bob Bennett, representing Clinton in two separate legal cases. has led a Democratic assault against Starr, who was appointed

"My view is that Bob Bennett, the president's lawyer - they're trying to intimidate Starr, trying to make it impossible for him to do the right thing. I hope he stays," Dole said on NBC's "Meet

by a federal court panel of three

judges. He said Starr should step

"That is partisan nonsense," Bennett responded in an interview. "All I want is fairness for my clients, whether they're Republicans or Democrats." It was unclear whether Dole, R-Kan., directed the remark only at

Bennett or at Democrats and ad-

ministration officials who have

criticized the appointment. In a related matter, Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell said Deputy Treasury Secretary Roger Altman damaged his credibility with his congressional testimony on Whitewater. Asked whether Altman should resign, Mitchell told NBC, "That's a decision for him and the president and the secretary of Treasury should

make."

An administration official said Altman is expected to resign sometime after he returns from a family vacation today. The official, who stressed that Altman has not made a final decision, said Senate Banking Chairman Donald Riegle, D-Mich., and his likely successor, Sen. Paul Sarbanes, D-Md., have told the White House

Altman should leave. Starr is replacing another Republican, Robert Fiske, who had cleared the White House of any criminal wrongdoing in its contacts with the Treasury Department over the confidential Whitewater inquiry involving President and Hillary Clinton. The court said Fiske's appointment by Attorney General Janet Reno raised the appearance of a conflict because she was appointed by Clin-

Starr is an active Republican and was U.S. solicitor general in the Bush administration. He publicly criticized Clinton's claim of immunity in a sexual harassment lawsuit being handled by Bennett. and had agreed to donate his time to a conservative woman's group to prepare a legal brief on the is-

"I want to know why Fiske was removed," Bennett said. "The only thing Fiske has done is he's made some preliminary findings that were helpful to my client, the president. Then, at great further expense and at great delay, he's

He said it did not make sense to remove Fiske for being appointed by Reno or for being a friend of former White House Counsel Bernard Nussbaum, given Starr's close GOP ties and the fact that Reno had considered Starr for the

"Something doesn't pass my smell test," Bennett said, without

elaborating. Democrats have expressed concerns that one of the judges who appointed Starr, Judge David B. Sentelle, met before the appointment with Sen. Lauch Faircloth, R-N.C., a conservative who led ef-

forts to remove Fiske. Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell on Sunday called it "a

very unwise action. The White House has kept its distance from Bennett publicly, saying Clinton has not called for Starr's ouster. Privately, aides were upset by the appointment and acknowledged that Bennett probably could not speak without Clinton's consent.

A steady stream of Democrats has voiced concerns about Starr, although all said has a reputation for fairness and integrity.

"If the standard is the appearance of independence - and that's what the court said the standard is - then it seems to me there is a greater appearance of the absence of independence in his case than there was in Mr. Fiske's case,' Mitchell said on NBC.