

last weekend.

of Texas in an Iowa straw poll

spokesman, said the campaign

had accepted the donation from

the Log Cabin Republicans, a

nationwide organization with

more than 40 chapters, only

because of "a financial screw

Nelson Warfield, Dole's

had returned donations that violated campaign finance laws, but that the Log Cabin contribution was the first one returned for ide-

back.'

become president?"

ological reasons. For months, Dole has sought to demonstrate he is as conservative as Gramm and his other competitors for the nomination. But as Senate majority leader, Dole often has to cajole and compromise to get legislation passed, which makes it tough for him to take ideologically pure stands.

As Dole put it earlier this But Richard L. Tafel, the month in an interview, "I'm not president of Log Cabin, said he one of those 'in your face, it's got had dealings with several senior to be my way or no way' kind of Dole campaign officials who had conservatives." · solicited his organization. He

ical agenda that's fundamental-

ly at odds with Senator Dole's

record and his views," he said.

also said he prominently wore a

Log Cabin lapel button as he

discussed AIDS budget alloca-

tions with Dole at one of the

senator's fund-raising events.

all good wishes. Cordially, John."

tion was not authorized." He said

Scott Reed, the campaign manag-

er, to "exercise more caution" in

Log Cabin made the contribution

for publicity, saying, "They're

And Warfield suggested that

his fund-raising appeals.

struggling for credibility."

Last week, Gramm continued to make the most of his tie in the straw poll, which Dole, from neighboring Kansas, had been widely expected to win. He called Dole a "proud, effective moder-Tafel made available a letter ate." Patrick Buchanan, a comhe received from John A. Moran, mentator popular with conservathe Dole finance director. "Per our, tives, placed a respectable third in discussion," Moran wrote, "I am the poll.

attaching a list of upcoming Dole Dole has also seen his frontfor president fund-raising events. runner's standing erode in some Senator Dole and I would apprerecent polls, including one ciate any assistance you could released Saturday by Time give us in turning out your mem-Magazine and CNN showing that bers at each event. I am looking among the Republican field of forward to working with you." The candidates, Dole has declined to letter, dated May 24, closed, "With 35 percent, a slip from 42 percent in July. But most of the lost sup-Asked about the letter, and port is not going to his opponents other conversations between Log but to the undecided column. Cabin and the campaign, Warfield said, "That communica-

"Dole's getting messages from the straw poll that he's not right wing enough, then he gets word Moran had since been told by that he might be the first presidential candidate to accept money from a gay organization," Tafel said in a telephone interview from Cincinnati, where his group is holding its annual convention. "So they panicked and said, 'We don't know who they are and

maneuvering to scuttle the nomination of Dr. Henry W. Foster as He added, "The issue really is surgeon general.

integrity. What will a person do to "We need to be seen as a con-

sistent conservative - and we will As part of his drive to court the be that," Scott Reed, the camright wing. Dole is planning to paign' manager, said in an interdeliver a speech to the American view before the Log Cabin contri-Legion in Indianapolis on Sept. 4, bution was brought to light last in which aides said he will join week, in a column by Deb Price of the conservative attack on nation-The Detroit News.

al history standards, which call for a broadening of school curricula to include both achievement and mistakes made by this coun-

The next day, in a Chicago speech, he plans to endorse elements of a flat tax and to endorse a Constitutional amendment requiring a vote of two-thirds of Congress to raise taxes.

On the legislative front, Dole's aides hope to develop welfare legislation in September that will satisfy conservatives. The week before the straw poll, Dole met with Ralph Reed, director of the Christian Coalition, Gary Bauer, head of the Family Research Council, and other leaders of religious conservative groups to discuss a possible compromise on how the bill would affect illegitimate babies born to mothers on welfare.

Dole's positioning toward the right began long before the Iowa straw poll.

In May, Dole and his wife, Elizabeth, stopped attending a United Methodist Church in Washington because, according to friends, it no longer reflected their Christian beliefs. Late that month, Dole scored his biggest success so far with conservative voters with his well-received attack on Hollywood.

And he won further approval in June with his legislative

Work and play. Pennsylvania

hometown team; scene at the

English and math for half a

century at Russell High. She

still lives in the same tiny

white bungalow on First

Street: still does for herself.

The stack of books on a table

in her living room includes

Freedom at Midnight and Far

Pavilions from the public li-

brary. "I decided I wanted to

know more about India this

week," she says with a smile.

has dealt with a lot of curious

reporters since two of her for-

mer pupils declared their can-

didacies for the presidency,

and she's bored with the sub-

ject. "Both were good stu-

dents," she says. But she makes no secret of her affec-

tion for Specter, a star on the

debating team composed of

four of Russell's best and

brightest, including her neph-

ew, Steve Mills, a Hollywood

producer whose credits in-

clude the miniseries "Lone-

went on to become successful lawyers.

If the posters in store windows and the

big sign on the grain elevator are any

indication, most of Russell appears to be

rooting for Dole, whose ties to Russell

are lifelong. Specter came in the eighth

grade and left after graduating from Rus-

sell High. But none of that carries much

Good students. Mrs. Alice

Senator Specter (front row,

third from right) on a

local grain elevator

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Phelps ready to go after Dole

Associated Press

TOPEKA - Topeka anti-homosexual minister Fred Phelps Sr. says he and members of his Westboro Baptist Church will go to Des Moines on Saturday to picket at the Iowa Statehouse

The target will be Sen. Bob Dole of Kansas, a Republican presidential candidate, Phelps said in a news release

Phelps is a former attorney who was disbarred by the Kansas Supreme Court and who voluntarily quit practicing in federal courts as part of a plea agreement. He ran unsuccessfully for the Democratic nomination for governor in 1990. After that defeat, he began picket-

ing churches, businesses and government buildings in Topeka, attacking what he called a sympathetic attitude toward homosexuals. He also has picketed funerals in several cities, including San Francisco, of people he suspected died of AIDS. In Monday's release, Phelps said

he and a group from his church made up mostly of members of his large family - would be at the Iowa Statehouse at noon Saturday.

Phelps criticized Dole for not intervening last week to help Phelps get a federal investigation into a small explosion at his family's residential complex in west-central Topeka. The explosion, which arson investigators suspect was caused by a large firecracker, caused no injuries.

latest sign that Dole is intensiaccepted the June donation by up." mistake, and would never have fying his yearlong drive to court "It's our policy that we won't taken money from an organizaconservative Republican groups accept contributions from tion that supports positions in the aftermath of his humgroups that have a specific polit-

Hutchinson News

By Richard L. Berke

N.Y. Times News Service

ing to enhance relations with

conservatives, Sen. Bob Dole's

presidential campaign said

Saturday it was returning

\$1,000 from a gay Republican

The campaign said it had

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homosexuals in the military.

duced Saturday by the presi-

dent of the group, the Log'Cabin

Republicans, showed that Dole's

national finance chairman had

sought the group's help in rais-

ing money as recently as May.

The returned donation is the

But correspondence pro-

Senator Dole Is Old Dinosaur

been a Washington insider for way too long. Dole isn't too old to be president Bailout.

because I don't think age is that much of a factor if a person is healthy I feel very, very strongly that

Dole is the wrong man to be president. Here's why: Dole has been in Washington for

part of the problem and no-way does he have the solutions to solutions, why hasn't he already big push towards this New World done what the voters wanted and Order and The One World Governfixed America?

Dole has became one of the slickest politicians in this country. If Bill Clinton is called "Slick Willie," old dinosaur. — Darrel King, Sec-then Dole should be called "Old ond District Coordinator, United King Dole," because he's the king We Stand America of Kansas, 609

of the money raisers. Dole even SE 33rd St., Topeka, Kan. 66605, has his own PAC called Campaign America and he raises millions of dollars. That money doesn't come from working Americans. It comes from special interests with lots of strings attached to Bob Dole. Dole has no interest in helping the middle class working Americans either, but he will try very hard to trick us into voting for him.

When Dole and Clinton were trying to get the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) passed and 70 to 80 percent of the people were saying listened to the big multi-national corporations and

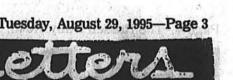
the Mexican people. Dole got his millions in campaign contributions, Senator Robert Dole of Kansas is so he got what was most important an old dinosaur in the sense that he is an old-time Republican that has to him. Dole sold out the American peo-

ple on GATT, The World Trade Oranization, and the Mexican Peso

Each time Dole went against the wishes of the American people and went for the big money contributions from his multi-national buddies and the Wall Street investor friends.

The boys that have been giving more than 30 years and he's a big Dole millions all these years will call in their notes and all we will have is more NAFTA, GATT, America's problems. If he had the WTO, Mexican Peso Bailouts and a ment.

America the Beautiful and all



Dole opposes, like allowing bling tie with Sen. Phil Gramm

Wall Street investors that had given him hundreds of thousands of dollars to sure NAFTA passed. NAFTA has been a disaster for the working middle class as well as

Of fame and the heartland



U.S. NEWS

ONLY IN AMERICA Republican presidential hopefuls Bob Dole and Arlen Specter call the same town home. But this summer, the real local excitement isn't about politics – it's about jobs and a new industry

USSELL, KAN. - This little Kan-D sas town is like a lot of other small towns in the American heartland, says local businessman Dean Banker: "We're somewhere in the middle of doing great and sinking slowly in the West, just trying to maintain the status quo." The town had 15 minutes of fame and

headlines this spring when two Republican presidential contenders, Sens. Bob Dole of Kansas and Arlen Specter of Pennsylvania, both came home to Russell, population 4,783, to

launch their campaigns

and lay claim to their

shared roots. The Russell



Daily News published a special commemorative edition for each of the town's favorite sons, but publisher Allan Evans has already remaindered them, dropping the price from \$5 to \$3. The real excitement in Russell this

summer is about jobs, not politics. Early this fall, if all goes according to plan, someone will throw a switch in the new Heartland plant on the edge of town, and wheat, golden Kansas wheat, will ride the conveyors into a computerized, state-ofthe-art milling facility that will begin converting it into starch and gluten for the baking and food industries and bran for animal feed. Rich Nutter, the plant manager, says he has already hired 15 people, and by start-up time he will have hired 25 more. That's real news in a boom-andbust oil and farming town that has known mostly bust for 15 years.

Dividing the pie. Five western Kansas farmers' cooperatives threw in with majority stockholder Farmland Industries, a Kansas City-based farm co-op, to build the \$30 million plant. "This thing was born four years ago when a local dentist came to one of our board meetings and brought along a pie," says Loren Dinkel, manager of Russell's AGCO co-op. "He cut that pie up to demonstrate just how little the farmer gets of what is made from what he grows. We knew we had to do something about that."

Russell's government, using state and federal matching grants, provided the site, roads, a rail spur, water, sewer and



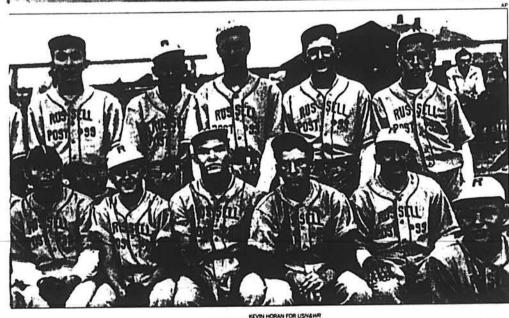
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power. The federal government provided loan guarantees. "This is an example of everyone working together, and working hard, for three long years to get this off the ground," says City Manager Judy Sargent. Banker, the third generation of his family to run Banker's Mercantile, which has occupied the same street corner since 1881, says everyone hopes the Heartland plant will help stabilize the farm economy. "It will consume a lot of wheat, and

that will encourage our people to remain in a business that has | ney. "When someone tells you the good not always been so goddamned kindfarming," he says. The plant, says Dinkel, will use 4.25 million bushels of wheat a year-and on average, Russell County raises 3.6 million bushels.

Local pride in the new plant is tempered by the fact that it is coming on line

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educational excellence at Russell High | some Dove," and two other boys who School. During the Depression and World War II, when other communities struggled to find and keep good teachers, the oil fields around Russell were pumping out 9 million barrels of oil a year and the town could afford to pay teachers better than most other communities. "Mrs. Alice" Mills, 95, taught senior

weight with Mrs. Alice. "I won't be voting for either one. I'm a lifelong Democrat, and I'll vote for Clinton.

Did she have any inkling that she was teaching two future U.S. senators, two future presidential contenders? "Of course not," she says. "You cannot predict success. I imagine most would say I was rather strict in the classroom. I believed in discipline, for the sake of learning." Mrs. Alice, who came to Russell in 1920 straight out of Emporia College, adds, "I don't suppose Russell is so very much different than other small towns, except for those two presidential candidates, and that is just happenstance.". Lawyer and oilman Richard Dris-

coll echoes her sentiments. "Russell is proud to have two hometown boys running for president, but they're on the wrong ticket. I'm a Democrat. Far as I'm concerned, they learned their math at the school for the deaf."

Most, including Mrs. Alice, have their doubts that Russell High is currently nurturing any budding presidential candidates. Says Banker: "Our educational system is fractured but not broken. It needs tuning." Says Sargent: "Our schools have been hurt some. I don't think it's a matter of money so much as the times we live in. Teaching today is a very difficult profession, and we have so many single-parent families."

Still, most everyone thinks Russell is a good place to live. "We like our way of life," says Banker. "We still like to say 'hi' to everyone we meet, and a number of us, foolishly perhaps, still leave our keys in our cars and our doors unlocked at home." The crime rate is so low that Sheriff Tim Holmes, a 1983 graduate of Russell High, rents out the majority of cells in his jail to other communities for \$40 a day, earning back \$240,000 of his department's \$300,000 annual budget.

Russell is the kind of place where the rhythms of daily life are constant and comfortable. The older men gather most mornings for coffee at Meridy's to lie about their golf games or the fish they caught out at Lake Wilson, before playing Liar's Poker, a dollar bill serial numbers game, to determine who pays the tip and who pays the bill. Driscoll has gotten Thompson's goat for 30 years by telling people that Thompson defended the last man hanged in the state of Kansas" but neglecting to explain that he (Driscoll) defended that unfortunate record holder's partner in crime-and that his own client avoided being the last man hanged in Kansas by about half an hour.

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senator, in a photo taken when he was a student at Russell High School losses from a bad year. The 1995 wheat harvest, explains Dinkel, is about half of last year's, and the quality is poor, thanks to

a late freeze and an abysmally wet spring. Area farmers have had only two "normal" harvests in the past seven years.

Now and then. Downtown

Russell (above); Dole,

now the state's senior

"Life is like that in Russell," says Marvin Thompson, a local attor-

news that there's a light at the end of the tunnel, you want to be listening for the train whistle. If you are looking for some shared quality that lets this town produce two men like Bob Dole and Arlen Specter, then I would guess that it is adversity." Others agree with Thompson's aswhile area farmers are still tallying their | sessment but also point to a tradition of