

BOB DOLE
1ST DISTRICT, KANSAS

243 CANNON HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING

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HUTCHINSON, KANSAS 67501

LARNED, KANSAS
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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

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Congressman Bob Dole told those attending a First District Republican Women's meeting in Larned, that after months of dilly-dallying, President Johnson has finally recognized the seriousness of inflation. "As usual," Dole added, "the President acted in the 'Johnsonian' way by dealing with the politics of the problem, not the problem itself."

Dole stated, "President Johnson is still refusing to face up to the primary problem, the fact we are engaged in a very costly war, about \$2 billion per month. This Administration," Dole said, "is pretending that the taxpayers can pay for this expensive war and still finance every Great Society program that comes along, without much change, without inflation, without unemployment or without restraints on wages and prices. Everyone knows, or should know, that this is expecting too much.

"Since it is always politics first with Johnson, it is interesting to recall that he first denied there was inflation, then belatedly tried to minimize it, and finally recommended something be done. Therefore, the problem remains though his belated recommendations may help him politically.

"Putting politics ahead of policy has become the dominating pattern of this Administration," Dole charged. "The objectives of peace, order and decency, to oppose aggressors, to end racial discrimination, to stamp out poverty, ignorance and disease are laudable and noble. To believe, however, that all this can be achieved without pain, or sacrifice, or inflation, or loss of votes is simply not being realistic or honest with the American people. The whole concept of victory without sacrifice, prosperity in the midst of war without inflation, concensus of the rich and poor is illusory. It may be good politics to perpetuate an illusion, but the America this Administration talks about cannot live on unreality. Sooner or later, this Administration, and the leaders, must deal with the problems---not just the politics.

"The best way to insure that President Johnson faces up to reality is to change about 75 or 80 seats in the Congress. If the American people, regardless of party, are tired of high prices, high interest, lawlessness and riots, burdensome strikes, politics above policy, more controls for farmers and businessmen, empty promises to the working man, and a rubberstamp, top-heavy Democrat Congress, they should vote for Republicans in November."