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# CONGRESSMAN BOB DOLE REPORTS FROM WASHINGTON

### Focus: Dangerous Drugs

Even a glance at headlines in the news media reflects drug use in this country is becoming increasingly serious, particularly among young people.

To help prevent misuse of drugs, I have introduced a proposal providing penalties for unauthorized possession of LSD and other hallucinogenic drugs, barbituates and amphetamines.

The proposal would amend the Drug Abuse Control Act, which currently permits possession of the drugs for personal or household use.

Penalizing unauthorized drug users, if the proposal is enacted, will deter consumption of dangerous drugs.

# Senior Citizens Conference

The first in a series of nonpartisan Senior Citizens Conferences for the First District will be held Saturday, Dec. 9 in Salina.

The afternoon program begins at 1:30 p.m. in the Salina high school auditorium. Residents of Saline, Ottawa, Cloud, Republic, Jewell, Mitchell, Lincoln and Ellsworth counties are especially invited to attend.

Joining me to discuss and answer questions about existing state and federal programs affecting persons over 60 will be officials of the Social Security Administration, Veterans Administration, Small Business Administration, Kansas Department of Social Welfare and the Kansas Veterans Commission.

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### Population Milestone

Last Monday (Nov. 20), the Census Bureau recorded

200 million people living in the United States. The

population milestone ranks this country fourth in population
in the world.

The Bureau estimates a birth occurs in the U. S. every 8 1/2 seconds and a death, every 17 seconds. Immigration takes place at the rate of one person a minute while emigration out of the country occurs every 23 minutes.

#### Oil Import Controls Threatened

In a letter to Secretary of Interior Stewart Udall, I have urged maintenance of import controls of home heating oil. The letter opposed an effort by a group of Senators and Congressman asking the Secretary to de-control home heating oil imports.

Home heating oil represents 20 per cent of total U. S. oil production. Permitting unrestricted imports would undermine the resiliency of the domestic oil industry. In addition, statistics show U.S. suppliers have met not only increased demand for home heating oil domestically, but they have also met increased petroleum needs in Viet Nam.

In Kansas alone, we have a big stake in oil. In our state, oil and gas production and related industries account for 30,000 jobs. About 1/4 of the total land area in Kansas is productive or leased for mineral rights.

The industry must remain strong, aggressive and progressive.

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# Unfair Labor Standards

Countless numbers of college students, senior citizens and others seek part-time employment in the retail industry.

Currently retail employment of seasonal workers is limited because of the giant payroll required. The strain is felt primarily in October, November and December, the rush season for retailers.

To encourage more part-time job opportunities,

I have introduced a proposal permitting retail businesses
to employ part-time workers during the peak season at
a rate not less than 90 per cent of the current
minimum wage.

This proposal, which amends the Fair Labor
Standards Act, would not only create more part-time
jobs, but would also increase opportunities for
learning a skill which could lead to full-time,
year-round employment.