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Pratt, Kansas.....Speaking to the Pratt County Farm Bureau tonight, Congressman Bob Dole, Republican candidate for the U. S. Senate, stated that agriculture must be given top priority by the next Administration if it is to be saved from disaster fostered by Humphrey-Freeman policies.

Dole, a member of the House Committee on Agriculture, stated he was for: (1) an end to the Freeman policy of dumping surplus grain on the market to drive down farm prices; (2) telling the world that the United States would be competitive at all times in price, quality, and all other terms; (3) ending the delay in Food for Peace shipments and the appointment of a White House level Food for Peace administrator; (4) use of quotas to protect the American livestock industry and others engaged in agriculture from unwarranted foreign complications and, in addition, more emphasis on stimulating exports of American commodities; (5) farmers receiving a larger share of their income from the market and giving farmers the right to have a greater say over the marketing terms, conditions and prices of their products; (6) bringing new industry and new jobs to rural America and making credit more readily available to young farmers and owners of small farms.

Concluding, Dole stated that "the farm people of America must share equitably in the bounty they help to create. The American consumer understands that the prices he pays will increase as the numbers of farmers decrease."