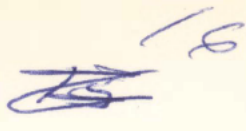


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WASHINGTON, D.C., FEB. 2, 1971 -- "A large and all-powerful Federal bureaucracy is no longer the answer to meeting either local needs or National needs. That is why the President's proposals for revenue sharing and government reorganization go hand-in-hand," said U.S. Senator Bob Dole today.

Dole, speaking to the D.C. Republican Committee, League of Women and YR's, said, "What President Nixon proposed is simple -- that the Federal government provide the needed extra revenues and leave the decision-making to those who know the problems best -- you at the local level."

Dole, Chairman of the Republican National Committee, charged, "It is the Democrats today, those great leaders for the peoples' welfare -- who all of a sudden mistrust the people, who now have revealed their true philosophy -- that they believe that only they and a select elite in Washington are fit to spend the peoples' money or determine the peoples' interests."

Dole said the Federal government has grown "like topsy" without particular plan or direction. "It has centered almost entirely around the narrow interests of special groups who lobby to keep it that way."

Concerning the reorganization of the Federal government, Dole said that with proper organization and decision-making and spending authority returned to states and local governments, "the Federal government will actually be smaller and more manageable."

"But" Dole said, "the President's hopes and plans are not limited to just the structure and functioning of government. Also included in his six great goals are reform of the Nation's stagnated and stifling welfare system and the inauguration of a new approach to health care."

"The President has now submitted welfare reform to the new Congress and has assigned top priority to its passage. He has spoken eloquently of the need to place a floor under every family's income, to provide means and incentives for welfare recipients to help themselves and to end the degradation and humiliation inflicted by the present system."

Dole stressed that he, as a member of Congress, would not support cosmetic reshuffling of the present system or a mere increase of funding for the disproven and disastorous programs of the past.

"The President has shown that he wants 'fundamental reform' and it is now up to the Congress to cooperate in providing it," said Dole.

Dole listed the Presidents objectives:

- Assuring basic medical care to every American family, regardless of its financial limits;
- Increasing the numbers of doctors and other health personnel;
- Improving delivery of health services;
- Emphasizing promoting the best and least costly type of health care;
- Preventive medicine and curing cancer.

Dole concluded, "The six goals, as well as other programs of the Nixon Administration are not just solutions for these problems alone -- but they are also the foundations for building a Republican era in American politics -- started in 1968 -- continuing in 1972 -- and stretching on into the Nation's third century."