

News from Senator

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DOLE NAMED AGRICULTURE SUBCOMMITTEE CHAIRMAN FOR NATIONAL CONVENTION

WASHINGTON, D.C.....Sen. John Tower (R-Texas), Chairman of the 1980 Republican Platform Committee, announced today in Washington the appointment of Sen. Bob Dole (R-Kan) as Chairman of the Agriculture Subcommittee of the 1980 Republican Platform Committee.

Sen. Tower said, "I am pleased to announce the appointment of Sen. Bob Dole. Sen. Dole serves as a senior member of the U.S. Senate Agriculture Committee and has served on either the House or Senate Agriculture Committee for the past 20 years. He is a leading Republican spokesman for our nation's farmers."

Sen. Dole said, "The Agriculture Subcommittee will be one of the most important at the Convention. I believe the Republican Party has a great challenge to write an agriculture platform that will unify and rally our farmers to support Republican candidates all across the country."

Dole stated, "There is a depression on the farm that has been caused by the Carter Administration. Farmers are angry, confused, and frustrated with the Carter-Bergland farm policies. They feel they have been betrayed and sold-out."

"I believe there is a real opportunity for Gov. Ronald Reagan to pick up tremendous support in the farm community. Farmers are tired of losing money year after year. They are looking for a new leader. Gov. Reagan can provide that leadership."

"The farm belt could be the real battleground for the 1980 campaign. Farmer could make the difference this year and I believe they will vote for Gov. Reagan. There certainly could be a sweep of most major farm states this year by Gov. Reagan. I look forward to the opportunity of serving as Chairman of the Agriculture Subcommittee and working for America's farmers."