In 1975, Bob Dole becomes the top-ranking Republican on the Senate Agriculture Committee. He will be in one of the best positions in the Congress to work for Kansas farmers and stockmen.

Bob Dole's seniority is well earned. Thirteen years ago, when he first came to the U.S. House of Representatives, he asked for assignment to the Agriculture Committee. Since then, he has made a contribution to every piece of farm legislation the Congress has passed. He has worked on rural development and environmental assistance programs, electrification, crop insurance, home loans, farm fuel and farm credit. He has been a driving force behind the expansion of U.S. farm exports and the Food-for-Peace Program.

A rural telephone bank is now making loans to local companies and cooperatives in Kansas. This was made possible by the Dole-Poage bill.

When urban representatives pressed for rollbacks and freezes on farm prices last year, Bob Dole spoke up for farmers and pointed out that freezes mean higher prices for consumers in the long run. When misinformed advocates of export controls threatened to interrupt wheat sales this year, Bob Dole stood up for farmers. He has led the fight against price-depressing food reserves.

In a Congress increasingly dominated by urban liberals, Bob Dole stands for more freedom and fewer constraints on farmers. "The farmers I know don't want favors", says Dole. "They want a fair return for the work they do. And they want more freedom, not less."

Bob Dole, U.S. Senator
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REPRESENTING KANSAS

U.S. Senator from Kansas since 1969, Bob Dole began a career of public service in 1951, when elected to the Kansas legislature. Born in Russell, July 22, 1923, Dole attended local public schools and later the University of Kansas at Lawrence. At age 19, his education was interrupted by World War II. He served in Italy with the 10th Mountain Division. He was twice wounded, twice decorated, and discharged a Captain after 39 months hospitalization.

Dole went on to attend Arizona University and Washburn University where he received his law degree, magna cum laude, in 1952.

After one term in the Kansas legislature, Dole served 8 years as Russell County Attorney. In 1950 he was elected to the U.S. House of Representatives where he served for 8 years. Throughout almost 14 years in both the House and Senate, Dole has established his reputation as a hard working legislator and maintained a near 95% attendance record.

“I think if the campaign had been entrusted to the Democratic and Republican National Committees, there would have been no Watergate.”

“Because the Republican National Committee and its Chairman, Senator Robert Dole of Kansas, were in the traditional Republican mold of decency and honesty is exactly why of a Committee to Re-elect the President. At an executive session of the Select Committee held on Wednesday, June 19, 1974, I inquired of the staff whether after one year of investigation there was evidence of wrongdoing by either the RNC or Senator Dole. The answer was a clear-cut “no” in both instances.”

Senator Lowell Weicker (R-Conn.)
Member of the Select Committee in his personal report.
"Controls on the economy aren't the answer. We need some self-control by Congress," says Bob Dole.

Bob Dole believes a Constitutional amendment to require a balanced budget would help. He's working to get one passed.

With taxes what they are, the average Kansan works almost four months of every year to support local, State and Federal Governments. The other eight months, he works to support himself and his family. With inflation what it is, that isn't getting any easier.

"Some of my liberal colleagues talk a good inflation fight, but still vote to spend huge amounts of what they call 'Federal Funds'," says Dole. "It's the people's money. They ought to call it that. And they ought to spend less of it."

Bob Dole wants to cut Federal spending now. He is willing to say no to inflationary spending levels. It isn't easy to vote against popular programs, to support a veto of big money bills that promise something for everyone. But he'll do it—if he thinks it will help slow inflation.

And he'll say no to the expedient of wage and price controls.

Bob Dole votes to end the draft and cosponsored the 18-year-old vote amendment. Strong supporter of student grant and loan programs.

Energy—When the shortage of gasoline, diesel fuel and propane threatened to curtail necessary activities, Bob Dole secured additional supplies for Kansas.

Education—A persistent opponent of bussing, Bob Dole supports Federal Aid Programs for education which place the least restrictions on schools, teachers, and parents. A consistent supporter of adequately funded school nutrition, education for the disadvantaged, and student aid programs, Dole authored legislation restoring $8 million to Kansas schools threatened by Federal Aid cutoff.

Dear Bob:
You are requesting our vote, we are requesting you vote in Congress for unlimited amount for the people to be able to earn on Social Security. The rich have any amount their investments earn & still draw S.S, J.Barton Webster

Young Americans—Bob Dole voted to end the draft and cosponsored the 18-year-old vote amendment. Strong supporter of student grant and loan programs.

Revenue Sharing—A quarter billion dollars for Kansas State and local Governments—for Kansans—to spend as needed, no strings.

Bob Dole likes that idea. He was an original cosponsor of the landmark legislation that made it a reality.

Environment—Cosponsor of more than 20 bills to maintain our clean air and water. Sponsored bill re-establishing soil and water conservation practices vital to preservation of the Kansas farming industry.

Health Care—Top Republican on Senate Health Subcommittee. Authored or sponsored more than fifty health bills and amendments. Known in Congress for his special concern for handicapped. A proponent of responsible national health legislation.

Older Americans—Alert to problems of those on fixed incomes. He has supported Social Security increases and believes earnings limitations should be raised. Cosponsored amendments to improve housing and nutrition for the elderly poor.


We think no group of people should be discriminated against especially the older ones who made this great country.

When you come from Kansas, a lot of Kansas comes with you. Strong faith, strong values, strong principles. Tough-minded, clear thinking common sense. Pride.

For Bob Dole, representing Kansas in the United States Senate isn't just a challenging job. It's a high privilege.

He is a voice in the Senate for the things you believe. And he's a vote in the Senate for the things you want.

A farmer's struggle, a family's budget, a worker's livelihood, an old person's dignity, a child's education, a citizen's rights. These are his concerns.

Bob Dole went from Russell to Congress. From Congress to national recognition. He speaks, like few others do these days, for the values Kansans know and live by.

And when he speaks—he tells it straight—so people listen. That's his strength—and he gets it from you.
September 17, 1974

J. Barton Webster  
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Dear Barton:

Thank you for your note -- accompanying my campaign brochure -- requesting my support for efforts in Congress to raise the earnings limitations for Social Security recipients.

I wholeheartedly endorse the initiative which you advocate, and am, in fact, a cosponsor of legislation (S. 817) to remove the restriction upon the amount of outside income which an individual may earn while receiving Social Security benefits. In a related area, I was instrumental in winning the approval in the Senate of expansion of the Retirement Income Tax Credit.

Because the repeal of the earnings limitation would be consistent with the entitlement which now exists for Medicare benefits, I believe very strongly that as a matter of fairness and equity such a proposal should be enacted. You may be sure, therefore, that the concept will continue to have my full support.

I appreciate your letting me know your thoughts on this important matter, and hope that my response will provide you with the reassurance which you desire before casting your "vote." Please let me hear from you again whenever I can be of assistance.

Sincerely yours,

BOB DOLE  
United States Senate