

TO: DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
ATTN: SECRETARY JOHANN'S

Concerning the matter of government involvement in the everyday practices of our American rights, we are aware there are "watch dogs" and guidelines in the area of housing, employment, and many other sectors.

Thus, we wonder about our government and it's "watch dog" with foreigners who are owners of massive land holdings.

Being a resident of Gage County, Nebraska, we are aware that such a situation exists.

A large portion of dollars that would wisely benefit the area are not available for local use.

An Ag problem exists in Gage Co. NE which, apparently, cannot be resolved at the local level. Perhaps USDA could help. Area attorneys also shy away from any help when the name of "Scully Estates" is mentioned.

Scully Estates, a British family, own a vast amount of land in this county and they parcel it out to tenant farmers. Their leases are modeled after the Old World Feudal Lord System. Tenants have no input on terms of the lease. All improvements or personal property placed on this land becomes property of Scully Estates. They place liens on it to assure their hold.

My wife and I recently retired and terminated our lease with Scully and took a terrible loss on our personal property they held.

My suggestion would be that Landlord/Tenants leases be reviewed by local County FSA Committee members to consider the fairness of them.

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