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to exist in our laws where we can simply exploit the agriculture of the state and of the nation and allow all companies, foreign oil interests and those that have the most dollars to float around to buy our soil and give up our country itself without firing a shot. There is no rationale to fight a war over the ownership of land if you can simply outsmart the country or the people in that country and get the dollars and buy the land itself. The land is the country and that is what we are talking about in stopping both corporate and alien ownership of our nation. This is not a new idea, this bill. Minnesota has had it passed for years and our surrounding states have done very well in moving forward to block the path of selling their states to outside interests. Now you might look at the corporate holdings in the U.S. The last report showed only six-tenths of one percent, but I warn you to look at that report with some skepticism. That is the most prime land in the U.S., much of it held in citrus groves in California and land that has fifty times the productivity of Sandhills land that is raising cattle in Nebraska, and much of the agriculture. So you have well in excess of two percent of the agriculture resources and productivity withheld or held already by nonresident aliens. Two percent is the equivalent of one state. Now, what would we think if someone came in and took Florida? I think we would set out right fast to see the takeover of Florida or lose one state in our nation by conquest, but we sell the equivalent of one state and then say it is of no concern. I think it is of real concern that we keep our nation intact and the land is our nation. This bill does not hamper family farm corporations. It allows fifty years for a family farm corporation to continue in corporate ownership if qualified under the act, and that is ample time for a grandson or a son to reestablish in the farming if they intend to do so. Otherwise, they can turn to the private ownership system or redivide the farm as they would see fit. The bill is a reasonable bill. It is tried in Minnesota, substantially amended to take care of any special problems in this state and worked on for approximately seven years. In this issue I think you are going to have to make the choice on your vote of whether you think it is okay for the multinationals that do have the money and the power in this country to come in and own the land, take the profits out of the state and let the main streets dry up. This has been the history in the studies in California. We have had studies done of valleys where they were family owned and the villagers and the towns in those valleys prospered while those that were corporately owned by large outside interests dried up and withered away because