

*Press Release*

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Rep. Bob Dole (R. of Kansas) said today investigation in the Billie Sol Estes case has turned up records which show that 5 million bushels of wheat have been taken out of warehouses in Kansas and shipped for storage to the empire of Estes in Texas.

Dole said Texas State Attorney General Will Wilson reported to him late today that his investigators have uncovered records which show that the grain was received. "This refutes the story of the Department of Agriculture and Hillary Mosley, Dallas Commodity office director who claimed recently he had sole charge of Estes' grain storage," Dole said. The Kansas lawmaker pointed out that the Kansas grain was shipped across Commodity Office District lines "and could only have been shipped on directions from someone in Washington."

"This is another payoff to Estes, with the responsibility resting squarely on the Department of Agriculture, with high-up officials charged with considerable responsibility involved." Dole declared.

Dole said Wilson told him he was continuing the investigation, that the primary election for the gubernatorial nomination which Wilson lost, would not slow down his probe of the far-reaching Estes scandal.

"Other Congressmen," Dole said, "have told me their areas have been looted of grain storage--the entire midwest is being drained--and today's records show that Estes was able to obtain 5 million bushels of Kansas wheat through his apparent influence with the Department of Agriculture."