



KILLING SEEDS

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SYNOPSIS

On a farm in Canada's wheat belt, farmer Percy Schmeiser is sued by agrochemical and seed giant Monsanto for damages worth a quarter of a million dollars. Schmeiser is accused of patent violation - because wind and birds have carried Monsanto's genetically modified canola onto his fields. But Schmeiser isn't cowed. He responds with a countersuit, citing libel and contamination of his property. His case catches the public's attention and Schmeiser finds himself in demand around the world as a figurehead for the farming, environmental and civil rights movements opposing Monsanto. His message? Stand up and defend your own seed supply! In Europe, Klaus Buschmeier, a farmer in the German Extertal valley, is mobilizing his fellow farmers in a revolt against the German Farmers' Association. They condemn an agreement between the Association and plant breeders on charging fees for seed saving. The agreement, they say, is nothing less than a betrayal. The District Court of Munich...

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