

Federal aid benefits many

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Gov. Heineman has applauded the low unemployment rate in Nebraska compared to the rest of the country and has given credit to the ethanol production industry, which has been government subsidized to help it get going.

Many of us have benefitted from this program in some way and have been somewhat sheltered from the recession because of it, as opposed to the recession of the '80s which did depress the agricultural economy.

Neil Davis has stated that he does not believe in entitlements (Social Security, Medicare, Medicaid, student aid, farm programs, etc.) and he apparently believes that anyone who does is against the Constitution. I am not against the Constitution. The Constitution was designed to serve the nation, not the nation to serve the Constitution, according to Time magazine.

If three out of four of my neighbors are Tea Party propagandists, as Neil and his Rasmussen (whoever he is) survey says, I would be very disappointed because I'm quite sure that at least three out of four of my neighbors have benefitted from entitlements in some form, indirectly if not directly.

I believe and have previously stated that we need to get our country's problems solved by working together, not by slinging mud such as the Dr. Death vs Dr. Resistance kind of nonsense. Hopefully, the Super Committee will be a starting point for compromise.

I just hope that compromise does not mean privatize, as this has not been working well for the Health and Human Services Department in Nebraska.

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