Support Price Is Lower Than Market Value On Some Commodities

ported that current market were slightly above supports. prices for half of the farm The stronger-than-support products for which price sup- market for the several crops BE SURE OF SEED ports are provided are above and products has been reflectthe support levels. This has ed in substantially reduced resulted in a substantial les- support activity during the sening in the use of price sup current season. Quantities of ports thus for during the 1959 crops placed under sup- Bryner, Penn Stte extension current season.

and higher consumer incomes, as well as other factors, markets rather than government levels above the supports," acting secretary Morse said.

Mr Morse also pointed out that, "This is the period of seasonally large marketings of many farm products, following harvest, and consequently the season when prices usually are at the lowest levels of the year"

Of the more than 250 agricultural products, only 21 receive price supports Existing farm legislation requires the Department to give price sup port to 16 of these commodities, and support for the five other products is authorized by law.

The Department's recent report on Agricultural Prices, which reflected prices received by farmers as of mid-Nov. showed that farmers' pri-ces for around one half of the supported crops were moderately to substantially higher than their support

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Acting Secretary of Agri- levels. The markets for some culture True D. Morse re- of the other supported crops new corn program."

port thus far this year are agronomist. He says that generally running below the with certified seed the origomy, growing employment quantity of 1958 crops placed inal breeder is known, and under support loans in the certified seed crops are insame period last year.

price supports are setting major exceptions to the genty. the prices which farmers are eral decrease in price-support receiving on several crops, at volume Cotton is supported under a new program enacted by Congress in 1938 which involves purchase by the Commodity Credit Corporation of a major portion of the crop for resale at reduced prices. Due to abnormally favorable weather and other factors, corn production for 1959 is at an all-time record

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price strengthening factor in some instances, particularly wheat, feed grains other than corn, and flaxseed.

"Farmers, this year, shiftcorn," Morse said. "More normal acreages are expected to be planted by farmers next year-the second year of the

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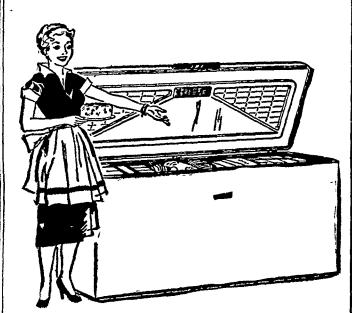
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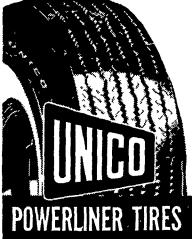


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