

Support Price Is Lower Than Market Value On Some Commodities

Acting Secretary of Agriculture True D. Morse reported that current market prices for half of the farm products for which price supports are provided are above the support levels. This has resulted in a substantial lessening in the use of price supports thus far during the current season.

"With an expanding economy, growing employment and higher consumer incomes, as well as other factors, markets rather than government price supports are setting the prices which farmers are receiving on several crops, at 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 support 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' prices for around one half of the supported crops were moderately to substantially higher than their support

levels. The markets for some of the other supported crops were slightly above supports.

The stronger-than-support market for the several crops and products has been reflected in substantially reduced support activity during the current season. Quantities of 1959 crops placed under support thus far this year are generally running below the quantity of 1958 crops placed under support loans in the same period last year.

Corn and cotton are two major exceptions to the general decrease in price-support volume. Cotton is supported under a new program enacted by Congress in 1958 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.

Reduced 1959 crop production from the 1958 level is a

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

"Farmers, this year, shifted some acreage out of crops like soybeans and oats into corn," Morse said. "More normal acreages are expected to be planted by farmers next year—the second year of the new corn program."

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the meeting.

He will be introduced at a dinner at which Agriculture Secretary Ezra Taft Benson will be the principal speaker.

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