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## NEWSLETTER

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### STATISTICS AND THE AGRICULTURAL CRISIS

Many people say that agriculture is now our number 1 economic problem. They are pressing for bigger and stronger government programs to help farmers. Statisticians can help in two ways. First, they can evaluate the extent and significance of the decline in farmers' prices and incomes. Second, they can estimate the costs and possible benefits of some of the alternative programs that are being suggested.

**CHAIRMAN:** Joseph S. Davis, Member of the Council of  
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**SPEAKERS:** O. V. Wells, Administrator, Agricultural Marketing  
Service

**Subject:** Statistical Indicators of the Farm  
Situation

O. C. Stine, Senior Specialist, Library of Congress

**Subject:** Possible Results of Pending Agricultural  
Legislation

**Date:** Monday, March 19, 1956  
**Time:** 8:00 p.m.  
**Place:** Room 1, Downstairs, Hall of Government  
George Washington University