

STATEMENT BY SEN. STROM THURMOND (D-SC) ON THE PRESIDENT'S
FARM MESSAGE, January 9, 1956.

The President's farm message contains some helpful recommendations for improving the welfare of our farmers. Democratic-sponsored measures also containing good points for coping with our farm problems are likewise being proposed.

I hope the Agriculture Committee will be able to get the best points from all helpful farm proposals and fuse them together in a bi-partisan effort to achieve enactment of a sound and effective program for remedying our farm problems as soon as possible.

As a strong advocate of 90% of parity price supports for our basic crops, I again disagree with the President's advocacy of flexible supports for these crops. I have already advocated enactment of some type soil bank plan.