Morton Sworn In

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Ford Asks 'New Agenda' For Post-Vietnam Era

President Ford said yesterday that America must turn from the tragedy of the Vietnam era and "move forward with a new agenda for the future—an agenda designed to solve this nation's problems as we move into its third century."

The President made his comment at the swearing-in of Rogers C. B. Morton, formerly Secretary of the Interior, as Secretary of Commerce. The ceremony was held in the Commerce Department auditorium.

The "top item" on the new agenda must be "the restoration of a dynamic and effective economy and a revi-

talized free enterprise system," Mr. Ford said.

He said that confidence in the system is "considerably lower than it should be" even though it has produced the highest standard of living in the world.

"We must make sure we do not lose this legacy of freedom and progress and prosperity through apathy or indifference—or even ignorance," the President said.

Supreme Court Justice Lewis F. Powell administered the oath to Morton, who succeeds Frederick B. Dent, now the President's special trade representative.