

# From Where We Stand . . . Dual Grading To Favor Lean Beef

For 35 years the U S Department of Agriculture has had a meat grading service

Up until the beginning of World War I only about 8% of the beef consumed in the country was federally graded under the voluntary program, but since that time, the proportion of the graded product has gone up to about half the beef consumed.

There have been increasing questions as to the value of the system which put most emphasis on the amount of fat covering on meat

With the trend toward less exercise and lighter meals, the desire for leaner cuts of meat has grown stronger and more emphasis has been placed on leaner cuts and on leaner carcasses

Recognizing this trend, the Department of Agriculture will make available a program of dual grading of beef. Carcasses will be marked No 1 through No 6 with No 1 representing the highest cutting percentage of lean retail cuts.

Almost a decade ago, a spokesman for the Department of Agriculture said, the Department foresaw that the current beef grading system should reflect the growing consumer preference for high quality beef with most of the fat trimmed away

To eliminate the need for trimming and the consequent rise in the cost of marketing, research was begun to develop techniques which would more fully recognize the merits of the "meat type" steer

The proposal for change in the beef grading system came about as a result of requests from producers. The proposal has been endorsed by the American Cattleman's Association as well as many of the state organizations of cattle producers and other livestock groups within the livestock and meat trade who want a more accurate market identification.

We believe a number of meat packing firms will want to try the new grading system when it becomes available in July, but we are certain there will be objection to it

Already the American Meat Institute has come out in mild opposition saying, through its president Homer R. Davidson, "The meat industry sees no reason for government intervention . . ."

We wonder just what portion of the meat industry Davidson, actually represents when he speaks. We wonder if the objection comes, as he claims, from producers of livestock who stand to gain by getting a fairer share of return from meat type animals, or from the large packers who see a possibility that they may have to pay part of their profits to the producer of high quality livestock. The proposal is not for compulsory inspection any more than the

present grading program is compulsory

We agree that little in the way of breeding for leaner beef animals can be done in the short space of the one year trial period, but we believe it is another step in the right direction of producing what the consumer wants in a form which will return a greater proportion of the consumer's dollar to the producer

At least that's how it looks from where we stand

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## Eggs In Orbit

Why are eggs consistently in the diets of astronaut? asks a news release from the Poultry and Egg National Board, the egg industry's national organization for promotion and advertising

As a result of numerous inquiries on the subject, PENB's general manager, Lloyd H. Geil has come up with some answers which we feel bear repeating

Noting that Lieutenant Colonel John Glenn had scrambled eggs prior to his historic flight, Geil said, "Aside from the fact that Col Glenn, like everyone else, likes eggs for breakfast, there's a more important reason for his eating eggs"

No one knew just what hardships Col Glenn might encounter in orbit. It was important for him to start out with a feeling of having eaten well, but not feeling "heavy" because of too much food bulk.

"Eggs fit beautifully into this picture," Geil said

The protein in eggs is of top quality and is applicable to every one of the complex protein needs of the body. The vitamins in eggs contribute a significant portion of the vitamin needs of the body and the fat in egg yolk is so finely emulsified that it is promptly utilized. Because of this energy-giving quality, eggs "stick to the ribs" and create a lasting feeling of satisfaction.

Yet the calories in eggs are low and their bulk is so small that there is rarely ever a stuffed feeling such as is apt to follow a meal of bulkier food

There were several good reasons for Col Glenn to eat a breakfast of eggs before beginning his trip into the uncharted and unknown ocean of space.

The same good reasons apply to each of us every morning. Each new day for each of us, while it may not be as startling as was the journey of the astronaut, is a sort of a count-down on new activity and a good breakfast is the best way to start a good day

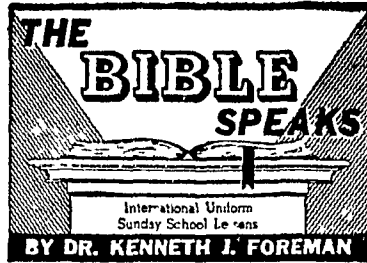
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Control measures such as supply quotas, grading, inspections and fixing of container sizes would not be permitted under the proposed order unless under my order requested under existing state law. A nine-man advisory board nominated by apple growers would administer the programs under the order.

**Packaging Methods**  
Some food items tend to settle after they are packaged reports Catherine Love, Penn State extension consumer economics specialist. Also bulky packages are necessary for some products to protect them from damage and the many variations in package sizes are required to meet the needs of different size families.

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## Christ Reigns

Lesson for April 22, 1962

WHAT does Easter mean? Most grown people know it means more than Easter parades and Easter music. Perhaps most grown people, whether they are Christians or not, are aware that Easter goes back to a story of long ago, when in a springtime garden One who had been killed rose again in glorious life. Most Christians believe this story is true; but even those who do not, wish it could have been. Perhaps there is nothing in the Bible which an unbeliever would like to believe, more than the story of Easter.

The reason for this meets the eye at once. If the Easter story is true, if it actually happened, as the Bible witnesses plainly say it did, then "life and immortality have been brought to life" as one New Testament writer says. What assurance have we that death is not the last word for man? The Resurrection of Christ is the best assurance there is.

### Christ the conqueror

There is another side of the meaning of Easter, often overlooked, yet very important in the New Testament picture of things over those who are called by his name. It is expressed in the ancient Latin title—Christus Victor. But is this really expression, "Christus Victor," so? Isn't it true, too often, that Christ the Conqueror This is the only difference between Christian and non-Christian in words of the Bible, Hebrews 1. Here the only? The non-Christian says: emphasis is on power. The Resurrection (odd as this may seem) The Christian says, Christ is Lord is not mentioned, the thought of the writer goes from the Cross Christians-in-word leave it. We ("purification for sins") to the Throne of the universe. Christ's appearances to the disciples are all by-passed in silence here. Christ is seen as sharing the Throne of God himself. It makes question Paul did: Lord, what no difference whether we take the wilt Thou have me to do?

expressions literally or not; the meaning is clear enough. This is what we are challenged to believe that Christ now shares the

power of the "Majesty on high," the God of all the universes. The letter to the Hebrews was first read by people who lived in the Roman Empire, perhaps in Rome itself. They would be familiar with the custom of an emperor sharing his authority with a general who had been victorious in war.

### —Over sin and death

What has Jesus conquered? The short but thrilling answer is: Sin and Death. These are the two great enemies of mankind. They have not been conquered even yet in the sense that they have been abolished. But it can be noticed that when an individual identifies himself with Christ, he no longer cringes at the threat of sin and death. He is enabled—as Paul said, by the same power that brought Jesus Christ from the dead—to rise above sin, to be "not free from sin." And although he faces death as much as any other man, the Christian does not fear it. This is not saying that no one can be a Christian who fears death. But we recall the familiar story of John Wesley and the storm at sea. Wesley was at that time a Christian, but that storm frightened him terribly. Then he discovered a group of Moravians happily singing hymns, not worried by the storm at all. They expected the ship to go down, just as Wesley did; but he was looking at death while they were looking through it. Wesley's whole life was changed by that incident.

### —Over ourselves

So Christ has set men free . . . yet not free to do as we please. Whatever "at the right hand of the Majesty on high" can mean, it must mean at least this: that the authority of Christ is on a level with the authority of God.

Christ does not set us free for a kind of anarchy, a Christian is not a masterless man. He who is Lord over sin and death, over all the "powers of darkness," is Lord over those who are called by his name. But is this really expression, "Christus Victor," so? Isn't it true, too often, that Christ the Conqueror This is the only difference between Christian and non-Christian in words of the Bible, Hebrews 1. Here the only? The non-Christian says: emphasis is on power. The Resurrection (odd as this may seem) The Christian says, Christ is Lord is not mentioned, the thought of the writer goes from the Cross Christians-in-word leave it. We ("purification for sins") to the Throne of the universe. Christ's appearances to the disciples are all by-passed in silence here. Christ is seen as sharing the Throne of God himself. It makes question Paul did: Lord, what no difference whether we take the wilt Thou have me to do?

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## Now Is The Time . . .

BY MAX SMITH

### To Store Fertilizer Carefully

Deliveries of fertilizer should be stored in a dry place and not on concrete or a dirt floor. It will pick up moisture and "set up" and be reduced in value. Also, it is advisable to leave an air space of at least six inches between each stack of bags, this gives the fertilizer space to breathe and will store better. Be careful and keep the fertilizer out of reach of all animals.

### To Control Spittlebugs

Clover and trefoil fields that were not sprayed last fall with either dieldrin or heptachlor will need a spring application of 1 pint of 20% Lindane per acre, spray when the spittle masses appear or when the growth is 4 to 6 inches high. Growers are cautioned not to use benzene hexachloride on hay crops and not to use either dieldrin or heptachlor this spring or summer on forage crops.

### To Read The Label

Modern agricultural practices include the use of many types of chemicals. Farmers are urged to be very careful with all chemicals, read the labels, follow the directions, and store away from children and livestock. You can't afford to be careless or to guess in the use of today's chemicals.

### To Plow Down Cover Crops

The value of most cover crops is in the massive root system rather than abundant top growth. When the top growth get tall and heavy the problem of proper mixing with the soil and rapid decomposition becomes greater. Past experience discourages the late plowing of excess growth of a cover crop close to planting time. Several discings of the crop before plowing will help get it mixed with the soil and give better crop yields.

## Letters To The Editor

Editor, Lancaster Farming,  
Dun Suis

I am very much interested in your newspaper and after hearing the comments brought home by my son who reads in Vo-Ac. school I am enclosing five dollars for a three year subscription. I will be looking forward to receiving your newspaper. Thank you very much.

Sincerely yours,  
Aaron H. Martin  
Denver, Pa.

## Apple Hearing

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is under consideration is means for the apple industry to collect funds for advertising, promotion, research and information programs.