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#### OUR READERS WRITE, AND OTHER OPINIONS

#### (Continued from Page A10)

as an independent producer looking for a foreign buyer, is now also going to tell me what I should be getting for my product, who may or may not, for political reasons, buy my product, whether I agree or not!

I do not want the Secretary of Agriculture or anyone, or any group, to fix the price on my product! Perhaps this is how "every other major grain exporting country" sells its wares, but I do not live in those countries nor do I have any desire too!!

I believe the best government is one which lets you walk and stumble and pick your own self up, not one which helps you along so far that you became weak and dependent on it!

What we need protection from in our marketplace is not the Soviets, its Washington. As farmers we can try to adjust our production to supply and demand factors alone, but how do we make a decision on how to adjust for a possible political action, ie., embargo or limited purchase agreements, or how big will the government grain reserve be.

As farmers we have no control over two major risks which affect our business, one is God-given weather, which we can accept; the other is political, given us by other human beings no better than ourselves, and we have a hard time swallowing that one.

Perhaps the 1982 Farm Bill should contain an amendment which would reimburse American farmers for political reprocussion on their markets, as I understand some other 'major grain emporting countries' do, notably Canada.

As for that free market approalch we thought we were all going to get after the last electron, well, we're still waiting and hoping.

Tom Zeng Stockton, N.J.

# Puzzled about press placing

I was somewhat disappointed while reading the show results of KILE (Oct. 10 issue).

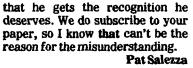
Our Angus bull, Pat Ric's Henry, which was bred and born here in Pennsylvania, won grand champion honors at both KILE and Eastern National. I really think he deserved more than the second last paragraph in the article. I can understand your confusion

as we did sell part of him to Kyburg's Farm in Lyons, New York. I still don't understand how Reserve Junior Champion has preference over Grand Champion Bull.

I haven't seen anything on the Eastern National yet, but do hope Farm Calendar

Sunday, November 1

- Standardbred horse sale, Farm Show Complex, Harrisburg, continues through Thursday Monday, November 2 Lancaster 4-H Dairy Awards
- Lancaster 4-H Dairy Awards Banquet, 7 p.m., Good 'N Plenty Restaurant Lancaster Co. Honey Producers
- Assn. banquet, 6:45, Dutch Gold Rohrerstown Bradford 4-H Leader Dog mtg.,
- 6:30 p.m., Extension office Bradford Dairy Feeding School, 8
- p.m., Wyalusing High Ag Room Tuesday, November 3 Extension Income Tax Workshop,
- Carlisle, continues to Thursday Bradford Dairy Feeding Barn mtg., 1 p.m., Gary and Dave Green's, Neath, 8 p.m., Richard Packards
- Franklin Co. Conservation District mtg, 7:30 p.m., Co. Adm. Bldg, Chambersburg
- Wednesday, November 4 Lancaster Co. Conservation District monthly board mtg., 7:30 p.m., Farm and Home Center
- N.E. lamb pool, 9 to 11 a.m., Wyalusing Sales Barn
- Bradford Co. Holstein club annual



Pat Salezza R2 New Ringgold Editor's note: Coverage of

Eastern National Angus competition was published in L.F.'s Oct. 17 issue, page A38. The bull was noted as being co-owned. mtg., East Troy Baptist Church, 7:45 p.m.

- Thursday, November 5 Lancaster Co. Holstein Banquet, Centerville Quality Inn, 6:45
- p.m. Bradford Co. Annual DHIA
- banquet, 7:45 p.m., North Orwell Comm. Hall
- Bradford Dairy Feeding School, 8 p.m., Troy Ag Room
- Adams Co. Woodlot mgt. meeting, tour at Donaldson Orchard, 1 p.m., mgt. session at Get-
- tysburg H.S. vo-ag, 7:30 p.m. Cumberland Co. DHIA banquet, South Middletown Fire Hall,
- Boiling Springs Friday, November 6 PA Egg Marketing Assn. mtg., 7
- p.m., Lancaster, Sheraton Conestoga
- Annual Ayrshire mtg., Friday, 7 p.m., Brownstown Restaurant, off Rt. 222 north on 772. Reservation required. Phone 626-5788.
- Saturday, November 7 North American Nat'l. Livestock
- Expo., until 21, Louisville, KY Eastern Limousin Breeders Fall Sale, 7 p.m., Frederick, Md.
- fairgrounds Springfield, Bradford Co. 4-H
- good grooming club mtg., 1:30 p.m., Extension office Lancaster 4-H sheep roundup, Tim
- Fleener's ome, 2418 Hbg. Pike, 12:30 p.m.





Now as to picking, it's a good practice to store the fruit in shade as it's picked, then allow it to stand in the orchard overnight to cool. Then, place the apples in storage early in the morning before the temperature rises too much.

If you leave apples in a packing shed or in piles under the tree for one week, you'll shorten their storage life by about five weeks. So, keep apples cool, maintain good air circulation during storage, and your apples should keep a long time.

#### Farm Show Entries

January, and Pennsylvania Farm Show time, seem like a long time away. But, now is the time to be making your livestock, dairy and poultry entries for the Pennsylvania Farm Show. Glenn Shirk, County Extension Agent, reminds us that the deadlines for these. entries is November 5 - and that is close at hand! So, if you are interested in exhibiting at Farm Show, you can obtain entry blanks and a premium book from the Penn State Extension Service, located in the Farm and Home Center in Lancaster.

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