



THE OLD FARMER'S ALMANAC

JULY 30-AUG. 5, 1973

Warm and fine vacation time.

Let cucumbers nearest the root remain for source of next year's seeds . . . Wild Bill Hickok assassinated Aug. 2, 1876 . . . First quarter of the Moon Aug. 5 . . . U.S. Coast Guard founded Aug. 4, 1790 . . . Average length of days for week, 14 hours, 26 minutes . . . U.S. census taking began Aug. 1, 1790 . . . Painting the pump doesn't clean the well.

Old Farmer's Riddle: What is nearer to you than to me, but I can see and you can't? (Answer below.)



Ask the Old Farmer: Can you tell me why chimneys on houses along the East Coast are curved above the roofs? I first noticed this phenomenon in Massachusetts. It is also present in Delaware. F.C., Denver.

Frost in mortar not quite hard will do this. Also, if the mortar falls out, the action of wind and rain.

Home Hints: To remove mildew, apply a half-and-half mixture of chalk and soap to dampened article, then dry in sun until gone . . . To remove paint from glass, use hot, undiluted vinegar . . . **Riddle answer:** The back of your head.

OLD FARMER'S WEATHER FORECASTS

- New England:** Light rain to start, then clear and hot; scattered showers latter part.
- Greater New York-New Jersey:** First part of week clear and cooler; remainder of week cloudy and hot.
- Middle Atlantic Coastal:** Partially clear and hot to midweek, then light rain and hotter to week's end.
- Southeast Coastal-Piedmont:** Mostly clear and very hot to start, then light rain and cooler; clear and hot latter part, then rain on weekend.
- Florida:** Clear and hot most of week; rain at week's end.
- Upstate & Western N.Y.-Toronto & Montreal:** Clear and warm at first, then light rain; end of week clear and cooler.
- Greater Ohio Valley:** Light rain to start, then clear and hot; rain latter part.
- Deep South:** Week begins very hot and showery, then clear; rain by week's end.
- Chicago and Southern Great Lakes:** Heavy rain to start, then partly cloudy and hot; remainder of week rainy.
- Northern Great Plains-Great Lakes:** First half of week showery and hot; end of week cloudy and cooler.
- Central Great Plains:** Most of week clear and very hot; showers and cooler on weekend.
- Texas-Oklahoma:** Week begins clear and very hot, then showers by midweek; clear with temperatures near 100 latter part, then rain.
- Rocky Mountain Region:** Cloudy to start, then rain by midweek; clear and hot on weekend.
- Southwest Desert:** Light rain and hot at first, then cloudy and cooler; rain at week's end.
- Pacific Northwest:** Clear skies and very warm temperatures all week.
- California:** Most of week overcast and warm; light rain and cooler on weekend.

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Pa. Auction Summary

Weekly Summary
19 Livestock Markets
Week Ending July 20
CATTLE 5515, compared with 6884 head last week, and 7119 head a year ago. Compared with last week's market, slaughter steers 50 cents to \$1 higher. Slaughter cows mostly 75 cents to \$1 higher. Slaughter bulls 50 cents to \$1.50 higher.
STEERS: High Choice and Prime 49.50-51.00, Choice 46.60-49.50, Good 43.75-46.50, Standard 41.50-44.25.

HEIFERS: Choice 43.75-48.25, Good 42.75-44.50, Standard 39.50-43.00.
COWS: Utility and High Dressing Cutter 36.00-39.00, Cutters 34.25-37.00, Cannors 31.35-35.00, Shells down to 26.75.
BULLS: Choice 45.00-47.00, few to 50.00, Good 42.50-46.00 Utility and Commercial 41.25-46.00, Cutters 38.00-41.50.
CALVES 4234, compared with 5063 head last week, and 4540 head a year ago. Vealers uneven, \$1 higher to \$2 lower.

VEALERS: Prime 70.00-74.00, Choice 67.00-71.50, Good 61.00-70.00, Standard 57.00-64.00, Utility 90-120 pounds 48.00-58.00, 70-85 43.00-53.00. **Farm Calves:** Holstein Bulls 90-120 pounds 55.00-80.00; Holstein Heifers 80-140 63.00-110.00.

HOGS 5520, compared with 6254 head last week, and 7138 head a year ago. Barrows and Gilts mostly \$2 to \$2.50 higher.

BARROWS AND GILTS: US 1-2 200-235 pounds 44.50-47.80, few to 49.50, 1-3 195-240 43.50-45.20, 2-3 185-260 42.00-44.00, 2-4 120-180 33.50-40.25.

SOWS: US 1-3 300-550 pounds 35.25-40.50, 2-3 300-600 31.60-36.00. Boars 28.00-32.25.

FEEDER PIGS 940, compared with 1388 head last week, and 926 head a year ago. US 1-3 20-35 pound feeder pigs 14.50-25.00 per head, 1-3 35-50 23.00-30.25, 1-3 50-70 31.50-36.50 per head.

SHEEP 1201, compared with 1128 head last week, and 1160 head a year ago. Spring slaughter lambs 50 cents to \$3 lower. Choice 70-110 pound spring slaughter lambs 33.00-39.00, Good 65-95 28.00-36.00, Utility 40-80 24.00-30.00. Slaughter ewes 10.00-19.00.

Two Umble Holsteins Exceed Half-ton Mark

Official production records exceeding a half ton of butterfat have been completed by two Registered Holstein cows owned by Vernon R. Umble, Christiana, to rank among 3,952 similarly completed by Registered Holstein cows on official test.

Starting her third 1,000 pounds butterfat lactation at the age of 10 years 3 months, Maril-Dale Reflection Kathy 5511312 (EX-2E), produced 23,243 pounds of milk and 1,122 pounds of butterfat in 365 days. Penstate Marksman Reflection 1270143 (VG), a bull that has earned Gold Medal Sire recognition, sired "Kathy".

Adding to her first yearly production record exceeding a half ton of butterfat is Maril-Dale Apollo Kim 7237184 (GP). With her 305-day lactation over the 1,000 pounds of butterfat mark, she continued to milk for a 365-day record of 22,877 pounds of milk and 1,163 pounds of butterfat. She was sired by Hilltop Apollo Ivanhoe 1399824 (VG), a bull that has earned Gold Medal Sire recognition.

Both 1,000 pound producers

were bred in the Umble herd and milked twice daily.

Pennsylvania State University supervised the weighing and sample testing of their production in cooperation with the Dairy Herd Improvement Registry program of the Holstein-Friesian Association of America.

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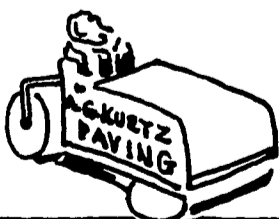
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