

THE OLD FARMER'S ALMANAC

NOV. 12-18, 1973

Harvest's in and the barns are tight.

Prune your grapevines now . . . Sadie Hawkins Day Nov. 17 . . . Last quarter of the Moon Nov. 17 . . . Skunks now hibernating . . . Average length of days for the week, 9 hours, 48 minutes . . . Famous star shower this week in 1868 . . . Mason-Dixon Line began Nov. 15, 1765 . . . Six inches of snow in Tucson, Ariz. Nov. 16, 1958 . . . Shooting stars should be plentiful this week . . . USA recognized USSR Nov. 16, 1933 . . . Fatness means excellence, only in hogs.

Ask the Old Farmer: Many years ago when I was a boy, my father would refer to a milk drink he remembered when he was small. It was called "bonny clabber" and was great when served cold. Can you tell me about this and is it available today under some other name? W. H., York, Pa.



Bonny Clabber is simply milk that has soured until the solids separate from the water. The drink was made by beating up this mixture with sugar and sometimes a dash of nutmeg. We don't know of its ever having been made to sell, but folks made it at home.

Home Hints: Refrigerate onions before chopping them and you'll get fewer tears . . . Use an old plastic shower cap to protect your hair when you paint.

OLD FARMER'S WEATHER FORECASTS

New England: First part of week overcast and cool along coast, light snow inland and in mountains; freezing rain latter part, snow in mountains.
Greater New York-New Jersey: Partly cloudy and cool to start, then showers; end of week raw with light rain.
Middle Atlantic Coastal: Week begins partly cloudy and mild, then increasing cloudiness and cooler; moderately heavy rain and cool latter part.
Southeast Coastal-Piedmont: Mostly clear and mild at first, then cloudy and cool with lows near 30; end of week clear and cool, then rain.
Florida: Week begins sunny and warm except showers in central and north; end of week cloudy with showers in central and north.
Upstate & Western N.Y.-Toronto & Montreal: Light rain and cold to start, then rain or snow to end of week.
Greater Ohio Valley: Sunny and mild at first, then cloudy and cold with flurries; light rain latter part.
Deep South: Week begins clear and warm, then cloudy with scattered showers; end of week mostly sunny and warm.
Chicago & Southern Great Lakes: Clear and mild to start, then showers in west, flurries in east; showers latter part, then clear and cool in west, cloudy and raw in east.
Northern Great Plains-Great Lakes: Week begins cloudy and cold, then flurries; clearing and mild latter part.
Central Great Plains: Sunny and cool at first, then light rain east and south; clearing end of week.
Texas-Oklahoma: Rain to start in central and along Gulf, then clearing and warm.
Rocky Mountain Region: Week begins clear and mild, then cloudy and cooler with flurries in north and east; end of week mostly clear and cool with snow in east.
Southwest Desert: Clear and warm at first, then cloudy and rain; end of week clearing with highs in upper 70s.
Pacific Northwest: First part of week cloudy and cool in south, rain then clearing in north; rain throughout remainder of week.
California: Cloudy to start with occasional showers in south, then mostly sunny, warm in south and cool in north, to end of week.

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Pa. Auction Summary

Weekly Summary
 18 Livestock Markets
 Week Ending November 2
CATTLE 6730, compared with 6913 head last week, and 6340 head a year ago. Compared with last week's market, slaughter steers weak to \$1.50 lower. Slaughter cows 50 cents to \$3 lower. Slaughter bullocks weak to \$2 lower. Slaughter bulls \$1 to \$2 lower.

STEERS: Few High Choice and Prime 41.25-42.75, Choice 40.00-44.00, Good 39.50-42.50, Standard 37.00-41.10.

HEIFERS: Choice 40.25-42.85, Good 38.25-40.60, Standard 36.50-39.50.

COWS: Utility and High Dressing Cutter 32.50-36.50, Cutters 30.00-34.60, Canners 27.00-32.50, Shells down to 22.00.

BULLOCKS: Choice 42.50-45.75, Good 40.00-43.50, Standard 38.75-42.10.

BULLS: Yield Grade 1-2 750-1200 pounds 35.75-42.75, 1200-2000 39.00-44.00.

FEEDER CATTLE: Choice 250-500 pounds feeder steers 52.00-59.00, Good 300-700 45.00-57.00, Medium 300-800 37.00-45.25; Good and Choice 300-700 feeder heifers 38.00-46.00, Medium and Good 300-700 38.25-44.00.

CALVES 4201, compared with 4125 head last week, and 5009 head a year ago. Vealers mostly weak to \$3.50 lower, except instances on Good to Prime \$2 to \$3.50 higher.

VEALERS: Prime 69.50-82.00, Choice 65.00-78.00, Good 60.00-72.00, Standard 54.00-63.00, Utility 90-120 pounds 45.00-56.00, 70-85 37.50-50.00. Farm calves, Holstein bulls 85-120 pounds 49.00-70.00; Holstein heifers 85-140 55.00-85.00; beef cross bulls and heifers 85-120 48.00-66.00.

HOGS 6489, compared with 5595 head last week, and 6120 head a year ago. Barrows and Gilts \$1 to \$3 lower.

BARROWS AND GILTS: Few US 1-2 200-240 pounds 42.90-44.35, 1-3 200-245 41.25-44.00, 2-3 190-260

40.35-42.60, 2-4 120-180 33.50-39.25. **SOVS:** US 1-3 300-500 pounds 37.50-41.75, 2-3 300-600 36.00-40.25. Boars 31.00-38.90.

FEEDER PIGS 1479, compared with 1075 head last week, and 764 head a year ago. US 1-3 20-35 pounds feeder pigs 12.50-23.00 per head, 1-3 35-50 23.00-33.00 per head.



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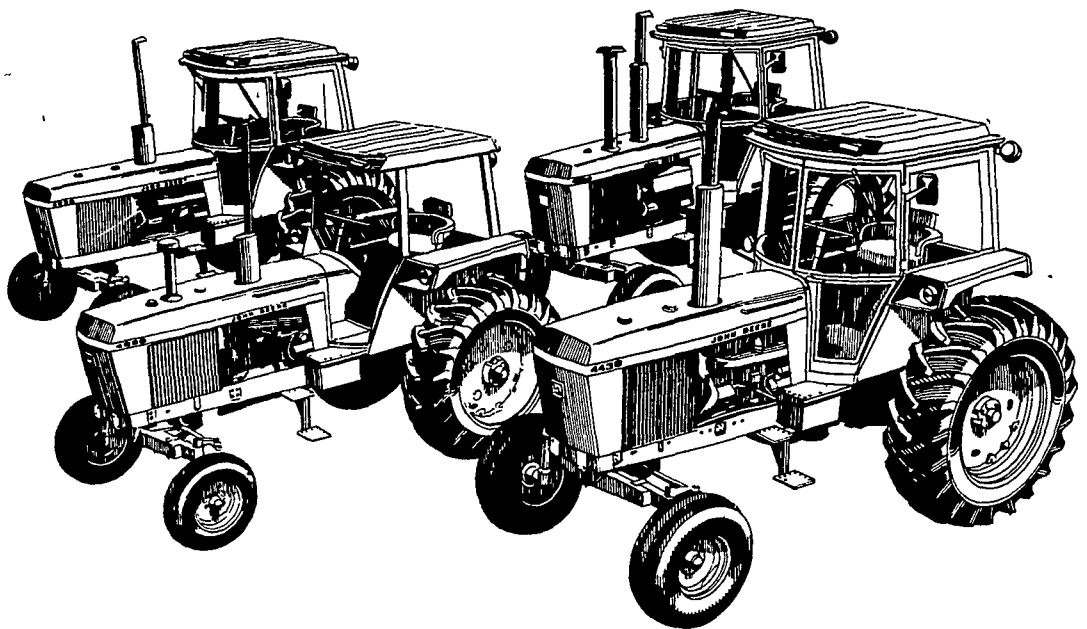


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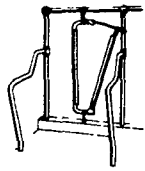
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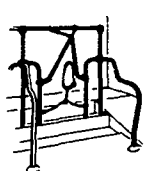
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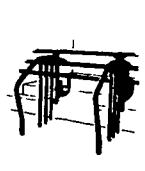
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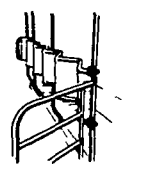
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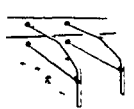
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