



DEC. 31, 1973 - JAN. 6, 1974
Welcome in the glad new year.

Best time to buy next year's Christmas cards . . . Calvin Coolidge died Jan. 5, 1933 . . . First quarter of the Moon Jan. 1 . . . Raccoons are sparking now . . . Average length of days for the week, 9 hours, 8 minutes (days begin lengthening now) . . . Amelia Bloomer first started wearing them this week in 1849 . . . First day of week last day to make New Year's resolutions . . . No U.S. debt Jan. 1842 . . . Water gone over the dam won't run the mill wheel.
Old Farmer's Riddle: What has two thumbs and no fingers? (Answer below.)



one who wants it. Just send 75¢ (includes postage) to Old Farmer's Almanac, P.O. Box OFA, Dublin, New Hampshire 03444.

Home Hint: A lemon rind dipped in salt will remove most corrosion or tarnish from brass . . . Use old plastic bags from the dry-cleaners to store dust-free screens . . . Riddle answer: a pair of mittens.

OLD FARMER'S WEATHER FORECASTS

New England: Cloudy and cold to start, then flurries by mid-week; partial clearing and very cold latter part.
Greater New York-New Jersey: Begins cloudy, then cold with flurries by midweek; end of week clear and very cold.
Middle Atlantic Coastal: Clear and mild at first, then becoming very cold; week ends mostly clear and cold.
Southeast Coastal-Piedmont: First part of week cloudy and cool; clear and cold latter part, then rain on weekend.
Florida: Pleasant at first, then rain central and north; light rain throughout region latter part, then clear and cool over weekend.
Upstate & Western N.Y.-Toronto & Montreal: Light snow to start, then becoming very cold through end of week.
Greater Ohio Valley: Begins cloudy, then cold with flurries; end of week partially clear and warmer with intermittent snow flurries.
Deep South: Cloudy and cold at first, then rain along Gulf and in east; generally clear latter part, then rain on weekend.
Chicago and Southern Great Lakes: First part of week cold with light snow; end of week clear but flurries in east.
Northern Great Plains-Great Lakes: Week begins cold, then light snow in east and cloudy in west; partly cloudy and slightly warmer latter part.
Central Great Plains: Cold to start, then intermittent snow-fall; end of week sunnier and warmer but flurries on weekend.
Texas-Oklahoma: Cloudy and cold at first, then light rain along Gulf and flurries in north; generally fair latter part, but rain central and Gulf.
Rocky Mountain Region: Week begins clear and very cold, then warming; end of week partly cloudy in central and north but clear in east.
Southwest Desert: Generally clear and cool all week; high temperatures near 60s and lows near 30.
Pacific Northwest: Light rain or freezing rain to start with (snow in mountains), then moderately heavy rain continuing to end of week.
California: Week begins rainy in north, cloudy in south and snow in mountains, then rain in south; rain throughout region latter part.

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Pa. Auction Summary

Weekly Summary
15 Livestock Markets
Week Ending December 21
CATTLE 4086. Compared with 4961 head last week, and 4477 head a year ago. Compared with last week's market, slaughter steers strong to \$2 higher. Slaughter cows mostly \$1 to \$3 higher. Slaughter bullocks 75 cents to \$1.75 higher. Slaughter bulls active and strong.
STEERS: High Choice and Prime 42.10-43.35, Choice 41.50-43.75, few to 45.00, Good 38.75-43.25, Standard 38.00-41.00.
HEIFERS: Few Choice 38.25-43.50, Good 36.50-40.00, few Standard 35.85-37.75, few Utility 34.00-37.20.
COWS: Utility & High Dressing Cutter 33.50-38.50, Cutters 31.60-35.50, Cannors 28.50-32.50, Shells down to 25.00.
BULLOCKS: Choice 44.50-46.75, Good 42.00-45.25, Standard 38.50-42.85, Utility 36.90-38.85.
BULLS: Yield Grade 1-2 1100-2000 pounds 40.00-46.00.
CALVES 3027. Compared with 3903 head last week, and 4540 head a year ago. Vealers uneven, mostly steady to \$2.50 lower.
VEALERS: Prime 76.00-81.00, Choice 65.00-75.00, Good 60.00-71.50, Standard 48.00-60.00, Utility 90-120 pounds 38.00-50.00, 70-85 32.00-41.00. Farm calves slow,

Holstein bulls 90-120 44.00-65.00; Holstein heifers 90-140 45.00-70.00.
HOGS 5291. Compared with 5757 head last week, and 0 head a year ago (Hog Cholera quarantine). Barrows & Gilts uneven, mostly steady to \$3 higher.
BARROWS & GILTS: US 1-3 200-240 pounds 41.70-46.00, 2-3 195-250 39.50-44.20, 2-4 200-300 39.25-40.00, 2-4 150-170 34.50-38.85.
SOWS: US 1-3 300-500 pounds 32.00-39.50. Boars 25.00-31.00.
FEEDER PIGS 657. Compared

with 795 head a week ago, and 0 head a year ago. (Hog Cholera quarantine). US 1-3 20-35 pounds feeder pigs 10.00-23.00 per head, 1-3 35-50 19.00-28.00 per head.
SHEEP 537. Compared with 700 head last week, and 961 head a year ago. Woolled slaughter lambs steady to \$1 higher. Choice 70-100 pounds woolled slaughter lambs 33.90-39.00, Good 60-100 31.00-35.00, Utility 60-80 20.00-29.50. Slaughter ewes 13.00-19.75.

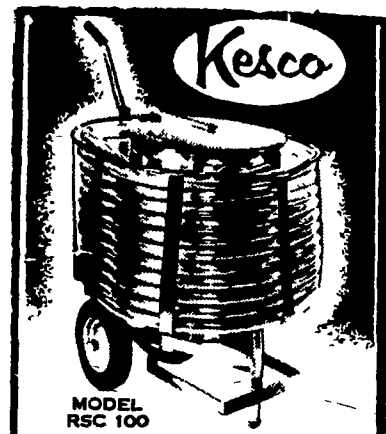


There is a growing market for quality food which is produced organically. Demand is strong for grain, meat, eggs, and produce. We are attempting to generate interest in production and provide source information for consumer.
POF-CO will be at the Penna. Farm Show-Room D Thursday Jan. 10 - 8 AM to 9 PM. or write Box 86, RD1, Morgantown, Pa. Phone 215-286-5268. We will have experienced men to discuss methods and requirements.

Ayrshire Cited in Martin Herd

In the herd of Cocalico Farm, James W. Martin Stevens, Pa., a senior-four-year old registered Ayrshire cow named Masonic Homes Hi Judy has completed an official milk production record of 14510 pounds, with 603 pounds of butterfat, on twice daily milking for 305-day DHIR testing period. This record is one of many being made by an increasing number of registered Ayrshires on the Ayrshire Breeders' Association official DHIR testing program.
Judy's record is one and three-eighth times the national average for all dairy cows. The Ayrshire breed is noted for persistent, profitable production of nutritious, quality milk.
Also in the herd is following cow and her record: Cocalico Klondike's Alice, J-2, 12640 pounds milk, 520 pounds fat.

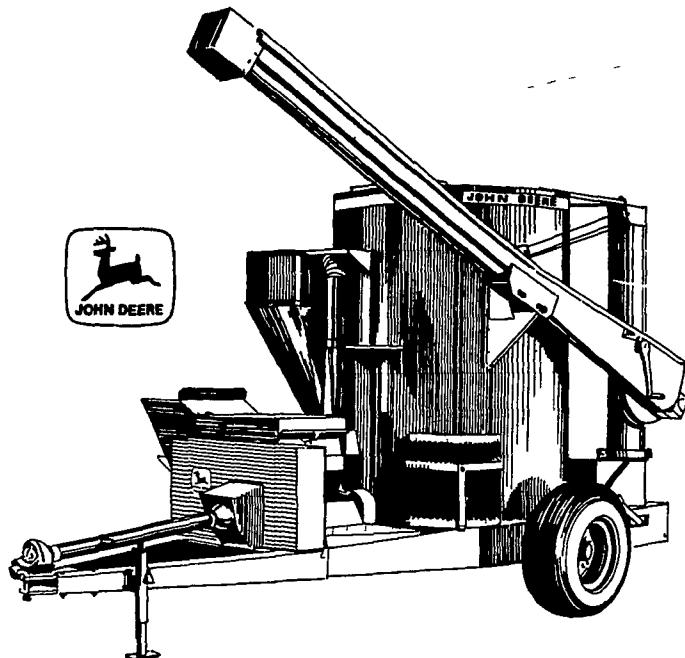
Fitting a Man's Suit Jacket
Suit jacket fit starts with the shoulders, padded or natural. Mrs. Ruth Ann Wislon, Extension clothing specialist at The Pennsylvania State University, says the fit at the shoulders should allow for easy movement, with full cut armholes. The jacket should hang smoothly when buttoned. Button only the middle button of a three-button suit. The suit collar should hug the neck, allowing about one-half inch of the shirt collar to show in the back. The lapel should always lie flat against the jacket. The jacket should cover the seat of the pants, and be long enough to touch the thumb tip.



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