



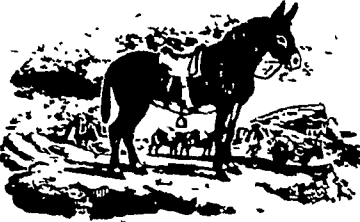
JAN. 14-20, 1974

A bit milder, but windy and wilder.

How many New Year's resolutions have you broken already? ... Democrats' donkey horn Jan. 15, 1870 ... Third quarter of the Moon Jan. 15 ... Sperm whales migrating off Nantucket and California now ... Pentagon Building completed Jan. 15, 1943 ... Average length of days for week, 9 hours, 27 minutes ... Boston's Brinks holdup Jan. 17, 1950 ... 60 below in Idaho this week in 1943 ... First U.S. basketball game Jan. 20, 1892 ... Not he who has little, but he who wishes for more is poor.

Old Farmer's Riddle: What does a person have that he can't hold for 10 minutes? (Answer below.)

Ask the Old Farmer: Have you ever heard of the liquor, Perry, mentioned in this poetic quote. Nor let the Perry be forgot/ Delicious liquor never sour/ Butlers may strive but match it not/ With all the wines in Parah's tower? H.C., Atlanta.



It's pear cider. The name comes from old French, who spelled it as best they could, not knowing

much English, and called it "peri."

Home Hint: A piece of charcoal in your toolbox will help prevent tools from becoming rusty. Plywood won't splinter if you put masking tape along where you plan to cut. *Did's answer:* His breath.

OLD FARMER'S WEATHER FORECASTS

New England: Week begins with a Northeaster dropping 8-12" of mixed snow and rain along the coast and 3-5" snow in the mountains, week ends with freezing rain and more snowfall.

Greater New York-New Jersey: Snow, 3-5, to start, then freezing rain to end of week.

Middle Atlantic Coastal: Snow at first, then rain, rain ends latter part becoming clear.

Southeast Coastal-Piedmont: Rain to start, then partial clearing; generally clear and cool latter part.

Florida: Week begins clear and warm, then rain; rain ends latter part, then clear and cool on weekend.

Upstate and Western N.Y.-Toronto and Montreal: Light snow changing to rain at first, then 12" snow in southeast; light snow throughout region by week's end.

Greater Ohio Valley: First part of week rainy and cool; flurries latter part, then partial clearing on weekend.

Deep South: Very heavy rain to start, then very cold with snow in east; end of week clear and cool.

Chicago and Southern Great Lakes: Light snow changing to light rain at first, then 2-4" snow in east and flurries in west, week ends partly clear.

Northern Great Plains-Great Lakes: Week begins cloudy and cold with occasional flurries, then turning warmer; mostly clear latter part, then light rain changing to snow and cold.

Central Great Plains: Light snow changing to light freezing rain to start, then temperatures becoming warmer, end of week cloudy and unseasonably warm.

Texas-Oklahoma: Mostly sunny and mild all week except for early week flurries in north.

Rocky Mountain Region: Light rain or mixed rain and snow to start, then generally clear and unseasonably warm; end of week clear and very warm, then rain and cold on weekend.

Southwest Desert: Most of week clear and warm with highs in the upper 70s; cooler temperatures end of week.

Pacific Northwest: Rain, heavy to start, continues all week, heavy snow in mountains by midweek.

California: Rain at first, then partly sunny and very warm rain in north and cloudy in south latter part, then rain in south.

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Pa. Auction Summary

Weekly Summary
9 Livestock Markets
Week Ending January 4

CATTLE 2507. Compared with 2547 head last week, and 5731 head a year ago. Compared with last week's market, slaughter steers steady to 1.00 higher. Slaughter cows 1.00-2.00 lower. Bullocks uneven, mostly weak to 1.00 lower. Bulls 25 cents - 1.00 lower.

STEERS: Choice 42.50-46.10, Good 40.75-43.50, Standard 38.75-41.50.

HEIFERS: Few Choice 40.00-42.85, few Good 37.50-40.10; few Standard 35.00-37.25.

COWS: Utility and High Dressing Cutter 33.00-37.25, Cutters 31.90-35.25, Canners 29.00-32.75. Shells down to 25.00.

BULLOCKS: Few Choice 43.50-48.00, Good 42.00-45.00, Standard 39.50-42.85.

BULLS: Yield Grade 1-2 100-1800 pounds 40.75-45.10.

VEALERS: Prime 70.00-78.00, Choice 65.00-77.00, Good 59.00-72.00, Standard 50.00-62.00, Utility 90-120 pounds 37.00-50.00, 70-85 32.00-40.00. Farm calves: Holstein bulls 90-120 pounds 41.00-60.00; Holstein heifers 90-120 49.00-79.00.

HOGS 3740. Compared with 3845 head last week, and 6192 head a year ago. Barrows and Gilts .75-1.50 lower.

BARROWS AND GILTS: US 1-2 200-235 pounds 44.00-44.85. 1-3 200-250 41.60-43.75, 2-3 185-260 40.00-42.00. Few 2-4 140-160 34.00-36.50.

SOWS: US 1-3 300-550 pounds 35.50-40.00. Boars 28.50-31.35.

FEEDER PIGS 577. Compared with 255 head last week, and 1230 head a year ago. US 1-3 20-35 pound feeder pigs 14.50-24.00 per head, 35-50 22.00-31.50 per head, 50-90 34.00-56.00 per head.

SHEEP 352. Compared with 175 head last week, and 769 head a year ago. Woolled slaughter lambs steady to 3.00 higher. Choice 70-100 pounds 39.00-44.00, Good 65-100 29.00-39.50. Slaughter ewes 9.00-23.50.

ECI Extends Invitation To Meeting

Industry leaders attending the Southeastern Convention in Atlanta are invited to participate in an open meeting of the Board of Directors of Egg Clearing House, Inc., according to Bernie Johann, Chairman of the Board of ECI. The Board meeting will be held Sunday afternoon, Jan. 27th in the Whitehall room of the Marriott Hotel and will be open to members and the industry.

The formal Board meeting which is scheduled to begin at 3:00 p.m. will be preceded by an informal discussion period starting at 1:00 p.m. It will be open to the industry and will give individuals an opportunity to get answers to their questions regarding ECI as well as make suggestions for improving ECI's services to the industry. The general operation of ECI as well as trading rules, specifications and the Egg Market Evaluation Committees' Gradeable Nest Run Quotation, and the Chicago Mercantile Exchange GNR Futures Contract will be discussed.

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