

THE OLD FARMER'S ALMANAC

FEB. 11-17, 1974

The ice crackles like grandma's cackles.

Remember to feed birds now . . . Lincoln's Birthday Feb. 12, and Happy Valentine's Day (14th) . . . Third quarter of the moon Feb. 13 . . . POWs released Feb. 13, 1973 . . . Average length of days for week, 10 hours, 31 minutes . . . Bernadette sees Virgin Mary at Lourdes Feb. 11, 1858 . . . USS Maine exploded Feb. 15, 1898 . . . Hartford, Conn. saw daytime stars Feb. 12, 1831 . . . Better to spare at brim than at bottom.
Old Farmer's Riddle: What coat never has sleeves or button-holes? (Answer below)



Ask the Old Farmer: I have been hearing the phrase lately, "Hopkin's choice." What does it mean and where did it originate? N.V., Ironwood, Mich.

"Hopkin's choice" means no alternations. Dates from 16:1 and one Thomas Hobson of England who rented out horses. "Take the one nearest the door," he told each customer, giving them no choice.

Home Hint: Spilled coffee can be cleaned from a rug by blotting up the excess then rubbing the spot with a solution of vinegar detergent and water. Lidd's answer. A coat of paint.

OLD FARMER'S WEATHER FORECASTS

New England: Light snow to start, then clearing and mild followed by moderately heavy rain, rain mixed with snow and cold latter part

Greater New York-New Jersey: Partly cloudy and cool with showers at first, then turning much colder, some sunshine and warming latter part, then rain on weekend

Middle Atlantic Coastal: Week begins partly clear and raw, then rain, end of week clearing and cold.

Southeast Coastal-Piedmont: Partly clear to start, then heavy rains, rain ending latter part, then clearing and mild

Florida: Generally clear and warm at first, then rain by midweek, rain continuing through latter part then clearing.

Upstate & Western N.Y.-Toronto & Montreal: Cold to start, then warming with light rain, end of week colder with intermittent light snow.

Greater Ohio Valley: First part of week mostly sunny in west and light snow and rain in east; end of week clear and cool in west and flurries followed by clear and raw in east.

Deep South: Partly sunny to start, then rain by midweek, clear and mild latter part, then rain

Chicago and Southern Great Lakes: Sunny and warmer at first, then light freezing rain by midweek, flurries latter part, then clearing

Northern Great Plains-Great Lakes: Week begins milder, partly sunny with light snow, then colder, snow latter part, light in west and 3-5 in east.

Central Great Plains: Partly cloudy and mild to start, then rain through latter part and cold in west and warm in east

Texas-Oklahoma: Sunny at first, then showers and cool by midweek, partly sunny latter part, then rain

Rocky Mountain Region: Week begins cloudy and colder, then flurries in north and east and rain in central, light snow end of week except 4-6 snow in east

Southwest Desert: Partly cloudy to start, then clear in upper 70s to 80s, end of week mostly cloudy and much cooler

Pacific Northwest: Rain through midweek and chilly, sunny and very cool latter part, then showers

California: Cloudy at first, then drizzle in north and clearing and very warm in south, end of week partly cloudy and mild

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February 18-22
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Pa. Auction Summary

Weekly Summary
 19 Livestock Markets
 Week Ending February 1
CATTLE 5967. Compared with 5481 head last week, and 5580 head a year ago. Compared with last week's market, slaughter steers steady to 75 cents higher. Slaughter cows 50 cents to \$1.25 higher. Slaughter bullocks steady to \$1 lower. Slaughter bulls mostly \$1.50 higher.
STEERS: High Choice & Prime 48.60-51.50, Choice 46.10-51.75, Good 43.75-47.25, Standard 39.85-44.00, Utility 38.00-41.50.
HEIFERS: Choice 43.10-47.10, Good 39.75-43.60, Standard 38.75-43.00, Utility 36.00-40.00.
COWS: Utility & High Dressing Cutter 33.90-37.50, Cutters 32.00-35.25, Canners

29.50-33.10, Shells down to 25.00.
BULLOCKS: Choice 45.50-48.25, Good 42.00-46.00, Standard 40.00-44.10, Utility 38.00-40.25.
BULLS: Few Yield Grade 900-1200 pounds 39.00-42.40, 1200-2000 42.00-47.10.
FEEDER CATTLE: Good 300-800 pounds feeder steers 45.00-58.00, Medium 41.75-47.00; Good 300-600 feeder heifers 42.00-52.00, Medium 39.00-44.50.
CALVES 3160. Compared with 3589 head last week, and 3620 head a year ago. Vealers mostly \$2 to \$3 higher.
VEALERS: Prime 77-84.50, Choice 71.00-79.00, Good 62.00-73.00, Standard 52.00-65.00, Utility 90-120 pounds 40.00-53.00, 70-85

35.00-42.50. Farm calves active, Holstein bulls 85-120 45.00-70.00; Holstein heifers 85-140 45.00-107.00; beef cross bulls & heifers 70-110 44.00-72.50.
HOGS 7301. Compared with 6522 head last week, and 5458 head a year ago. Barrows & Gilts uneven, 50 cents to 75 cents lower.
BARROWS & GILTS: US 1-2 200-240 pounds 44.10-45.00, 1-3 200-245 42.00-44.25, 2-3 190-250 40.75-42.50, 2-4 250-300 38.00-41.00, 2-4 120-185 36.00-

40.75.
SOWS: US 1-3 300-550 33.00-39.00, 2-3 300-650 31.50-34.00. Boars 25.00-32.50.
FEEDER PIGS 867. Compared with 873 head last week, and 600 head a year ago. US 1-3 20-35 pounds feeder pigs 12.50-22.50 per head, 1-3 35-50 20.00-32.00, 1-3 50-75 28.50-36.00 per head.
SHEEP 555. Compared with 735 head last week, and 600 head a year ago. Woolled slaughter lambs about steady. Choice 70-110 pounds woolled slaughter lambs 39.00-44.60, Good 65-90 35.00-40.00. Slaughter ewes 6.00-

Livestock Exchange Reelects W. McCoy

William G. McCoy, vice president of McCoy Cattle Co., was re-elected to his fifth term as president of the Lancaster Livestock Exchange Tuesday night. He is also president of the board of directors of Lancaster Stock Yards Inc.

The exchange, an association of livestock-commission firms trading on the yards, elected Robert S. Heilbron of S. L. Heilbron and Sons, vice president succeeding Richard Hooper of J. M. Hooper Inc.

Donald Ober of Walter M. Dunlap and Sons, was re-named secretary-treasurer.

McCoy reported a 4 per cent increase in cattle receipts last year over 1972. The total cattle handled in 1973 was 120,129 head compared with 115,816 during the previous 12 months.

McCoy said 77 per cent of the cattle receipts were sold at auction, an increase of 10 per cent from 1972. The remaining number were sold

by private treaty. Exchange members voted to hold a federally-graded feeder cattle sale May 17. They also discussed sponsorship of a carlot slaughter steer show and sale this year.

Winter Squash
 You can serve cooked winter squash in the shell, mashed, sliced or broiled. Butter, bacon drippings, brown sugar, honey or maple syrup enhance the flavor

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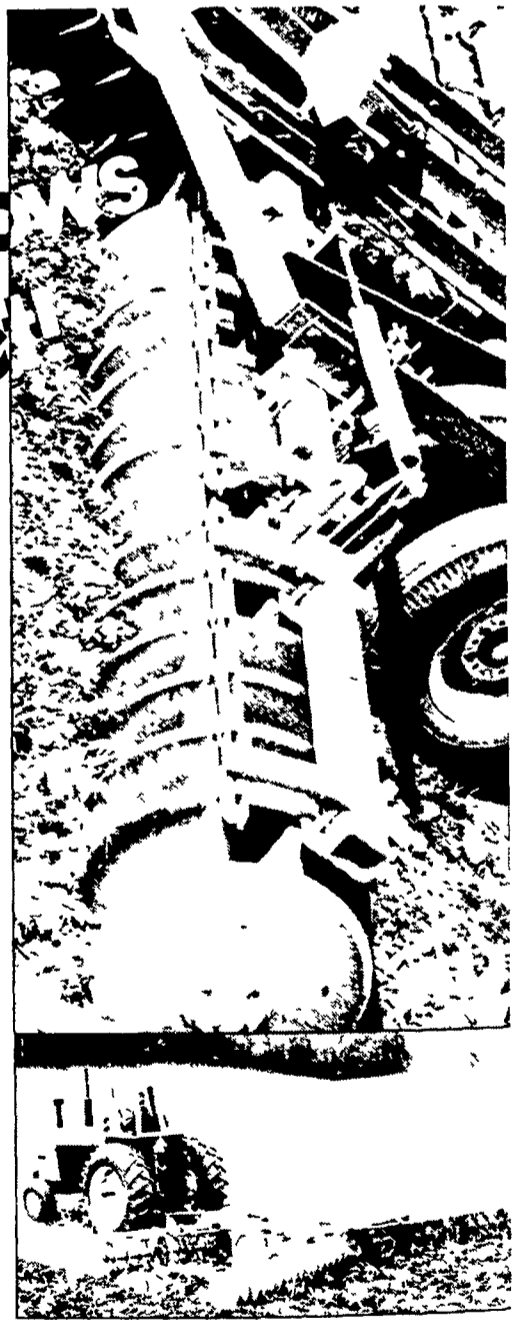
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