



APRIL 15-21, 1974

Changeable April, sprinkly still and chill.

Spring cleaning time about over . . . Ernie Pyle died April 18, 1945 . . . Average length of days for week, 14 hours, 30 minutes . . . If you haven't paid your taxes yet, you're late . . . Duryea gasoline buggy first in U.S. April 19, 1892 . . . Paul Revere's night ride April 18, 1775 (Battle of Lexington next morning) . . . Safety matches first advertised April 20, 1865 . . . "Almost" and "very nigh" save many a lie.



Ask the Old Farmer: I was disappointed that you recommend cracking butternuts in a vise. That is a kid's way. You should have told your readers to soak the nuts for a couple of days in water before they attempt to crack them. This way the shells crack more easily and the nuts come out whole. E. P., Troy, N.Y.

Home Hints: If your homemade cream of tomato soup curdles, beat in a pinch of baking soda. Try coating fish with finely crushed onion or garlic pot to chips before frying.

OLD FARMER'S WEATHER FORECASTS

New England: First part of week rainy with light snow in mountains, heavy rain and rain mixed with snow latter part.

Greater New York-New Jersey: Alternating rain and sun to start, then moderately heavy rain by midweek; rain continuing to end of week and cool.

Middle Atlantic Coastal: Week begins partly cloudy and warm, rain at midweek, then clear and warm; heavy rain latter part and turning cooler.

Southeast Coastal-Piedmont: Early week fair and warm inland and showery along coast; rain latter part, then clearing and cool.

Florida: Partly sunny to start, except rainy in south, then light rain throughout region by midweek; end of week rainy but clearing on weekend.

Upstate & Western N.Y.-Toronto & Montreal: Sunny and warm at first, then rain, end of week cloudy and cool in Montreal and mixed rain and snow elsewhere.

Greater Ohio Valley: Warm spell to start, then colder with rain by midweek; cool latter part with light rain in west and snow in east.

Deep South: Week begins clear and very warm, then rain and turning cooler; rain latter part, then cloudy and quite cool.

Chicago and Southern Great Lakes: Fair and warm to start, then light rain, end of week partly cloudy, then flurries in east and showers in west.

Northern Great Plains-Great Lakes: Week begins colder with light rain changing to snow; partly clear and cool latter part, then rain in east and intermittent snow in west.

Central Great Plains: Rain to start, then clearing by midweek; end of week fair and warm in west and light rain in east.

Texas-Oklahoma: Clear and hot at first, then showers and possible snow in north; end of week sunny and cool with occasional showers.

Rocky Mountain Region: Week begins cold, then 5-7" snow in east and central and light snow in north; cloudy and warmer latter part.

Southwest Desert: First part of the week clear and pleasant; end of week partly cloudy and hotter.

Pacific Northwest: Early week rain except clearing in north and warm in south.

California: Partly cloudy to start, then rain; end of week partly cloudy and mild in south and cloudy with showers in north.

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Pa. Auction Summary

**Weekly Summary
19 Livestock Markets
Week Ending April 5**

CATTLE 5498. Compared with 5828 head last week, and 5163. head a year ago. Compared with last week's market, slaughter steers about steady, spots steady to 25 cents lower. Slaughter cows steady to 75 cents lower. Slaughter bullocks 25 cents to \$1.75 lower. Slaughter bulls uneven.

STEERS: High Choice & Prime 40.25-42.00, Choice 39.75-44.25, Good 38.75-42.75, Standard 38.00-41.10, Utility 36.10-38.50.

HEIFERS: Choice 40.00-43.50, Good 38.00-41.50, Standard 37.50-38.75, Utility 34.25-37.00.

COWS: Utility & High Dressing Cutter 32.50-35.10,

Cutters 31.00-33.50, Canners 28.50-32.00, Shells down to 24.00.

BULLOCKS: Few Choice 41.75-44.85, Good 39.75-42.75, Standard 37.75-42.00.

BULLS: Yield Grade 1-2 900-1200 pounds 36.60-39.25; 1-2 1100-2000 39.80-44.60.

FEEDER CATTLE: Medium & Good 300-600 lbs. feeder steers 38.50-47.00; Good 300-600 pounds feeder heifers 41.25-45.00.

CALVES 32.74. Compared with 3315 head last week, and 3103 head a year ago. Vealers uneven averaging about steady.

VEALERS: Prime 70.00-76.50, few to 84.00, Choice 68.00-75.00, Good 64.00-70.00, Standard 51.00-62.00, Utility 90-120 lbs. 40.00-51.00, 70-85 lbs. 34.00-41.00.

Farm calves, Holstein

SOWS: US 1-3 300-550 pounds 26.00-31.00, 2-3 300-600 25.00-27.50. Boars 23.00-28.00.

FEEDER PIGS 685. Compared with 684 head last week, and 466 head a year ago. 1-3 20-35 pounds feeder pig 19.50-28.00 per head, 1-3 35-50 24.00-31.50, 1-3 50-80 28.00-36.00 per head.

SHEEP 3431. Compared with 964 head last week, and 787 head a year ago. Bulk spring slaughter lambs for the Easter trade. Choice 25 pounds & under spring slaughter lambs 86.00-125.00, 25-40 50.00-96.00, 40-70 42.00-73.00, 70-100 39.50-65.00. Slaughter ewes 10.00-21.00.

Liberace to Perform at Hersheypark May 2, 3

Liberace, that world-famed legend of the keyboard, is scheduled to bring his stage-show, to the Hersheypark Arena for two nightly concerts on Thursday, May 2 and Friday, May 3, at 8 p.m.

Liberace first skyrocketed to fame and fortune through his Emmy-Award winning TV show in the 50's. Today he spends some 30 weeks each year making personal appearances across the country and overseas.

One of the five highest paid entertainers in the world, Liberace has broken his own long-standing box-office records whenever he's appeared. Recently, he completed a four-week engagement at the Las Vegas Hilton's Showroom Internationale where he played to capacity audiences nightly.

It's easy to understand why Liberace's audiences

appreciate his brand of humor. With some of the world's most fabulous custom-created jewels in his collection, a Liberace appearance is an event even before he begins to play. Liberace loves his audience and often says to them, "I'm glad you want to see my jewels . . . because let's face it . . . you bought 'em!"

Liberace and his all-new show for '74 will be staged in-the-round at the arena.

Thin Ice

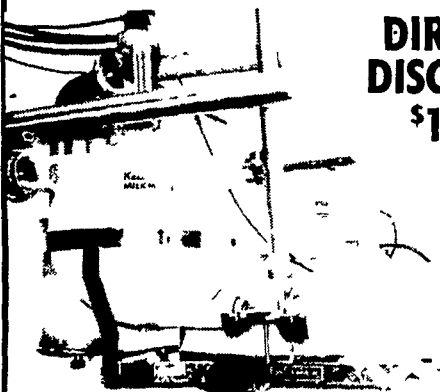
Thin ice is always a hazard for iceboats. Experienced sailors keep a pair of sharp, six-inch nails in their pockets. Clenched in each fist, the nails can be driven into the ice to give a dunked iceboat racer a handhold enabling him to pull himself out of the water.

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