

THE OLD FARMER'S ALMANAC

JUNE 17 - 23, 1974

We always liked June's tunes.

Fish for hornpouts after dark now . . . Bernard Baruch died June 20, 1965 . . . New moon June 19 . . . Total eclipse of the sun June 20. This eclipse will occur in its entirety over the Indian Ocean and can't be seen from U.S. . . . Average length of days for week, 15 hours, 19 minutes (year's longest days now) . . . Summer begins June 21 at 1:38 PM (and this month always seems to be the weather vane for the summer; summer copies June) . . . Fireflies around now . . . Battle of Bunker Hill, June 17, 1775 . . . Lost time is never found again.

Old Farmer's Riddle: What has forks, but never uses them to eat? (Answer below.)



Home Hint: Keep a whisk broom hanging on a hook underneath your ironing board. It comes in handy for whisking lint away . . . **Riddle answer:** A river.

OLD FARMER'S WEATHER FORECASTS

New England: Mostly clear and warm all week; partly cloudy along coast.

Greater New York-New Jersey: Week begins partly clear and warm, then rain and cooler; clearing at week's end.

Middle Atlantic Coastal: Partly cloudy and cool to start, then rain; clear and warm latter part.

Southeast Coastal-Piedmont: Intermittent rain and cool all week; rain heavy along coast at midweek.

Florida: Rain off and on all week; heavy rain during latter part.

Upstate & Western N.Y.-Toronto & Montreal: Mostly clear and very warm all week except for light rain in south at midweek.

Greater Ohio Valley: Most of week generally warm and partly cloudy; showery latter part.

Deep South: Week begins clear and very hot, then becoming cloudy; light rain at end of week.

Chicago and Southern Great Lakes: Heavy rain to start in west; remainder of region cloudy with intermittent light rain and warm all week.

Northern Great Plains-Great Lakes: Sunny and warm at first, then rain; rain, heavy in west, continuing to end of week.

Central Great Plains: Hot and showery all week in west; rain and cooler in east.

Texas-Oklahoma: Mostly clear and very hot all week except for midweek rain along Gulf.

Rocky Mountain Region: Partly cloudy and hot to start, then cooling; showers latter part.

Southwest Desert: Showers at first, then clear and hot for remainder of week.

Pacific Northwest: Most of week sunny and warm except rainy and cool at midweek.

California: Mostly sunny in south all week; generally cloudy in north with possible late week showers.

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YOUR GARDEN



DO'S AND DON'TS FOR FINER FLOWERS

DO plant taller flowers behind shorter ones. It will help to heighten your garden's appearance. Too many places hide their beauty.

DON'T overcrowd. Learn how tall and how wide each plant will grow and seed accordingly. If you do have to thin them later, they'll have a fatter chance of surviving if you cut



back just after the seedlings have sprouted.

DO use the right fertilizer. The food that makes your grass grow greenest may produce anemic-looking flowers. Green thumbs agree, fertilizers with a high percentage of phosphorus are best for your blooms.

DON'T plant too deeply. This slows germination and could nip growth in the bud. The seeds should be covered, but not buried.

DO protect your plants from pests. The average garden is crawling with creatures that feast on your flowers. You can control more than 120 different kinds by spraying Spectracide containing Diazinon, an all-purpose, non-persistent insecticide from Ciba-Geigy.

DON'T pick your posies in full bloom. Select a cutting just before it reaches its prime, and it will look lovelier longer.

DO mass colors rather than mixing them. A pretty garden should leave you an impression of soft-petaled harmony.

DON'T ignore these suggestions, and your garden can become a garland, wreathed in beauty!

Pa. Auction Summary

Weekly Summary
19 Livestock Markets
Weed Ending 6-7-74

CATTLE 6413. Compared with 6093 head last week, and 6564 head a year ago. Compared with last week's market, slaughter steers 50 cents to \$1 lower. Slaughter cows weak to \$1 lower. Slaughter bullocks 50 cents to \$1.50 lower. Slaughter bulls weak to \$2 lower.

STEERS: High Choice &

Prime 39.35-40.60, Choice 37.75-39.50, Good 35.25-37.85, Standard 34.50-35.50, few Utility 32.00-34.25.

HEIFERS: Choice 34.50-36.75, Good 33.25-35.00, Standard 32.75-33.50, Utility 29.50-32.00.

COWS: Utility & High Dressing Cutter 29.50-31.60, Cutters 28.25-30.50, Canners 26.75-28.60, Shells down to 22.50.

BULLOCKS: Choice 36.50-38.75, Good 34.50-36.75, Standard 33.50-35.50, Utility 32.25-34.00.

BULLS: Yield Grade 1-2 1000-2000 pounds 33.90-37.50, Good & Choice 400-700 pounds feeder steers 37.00-45.00, Medium & Good 350-750 35.00-40.00; Medium & Good 400-700 feeder heifers 35.00-44.00; Medium & Good 400-800 feeder bulls 32.00-37.00.

CALVES 2927. Compared with 2754 head last week, and 3454 head a year ago. Vealers mostly \$1 to \$3 lower.

VEALERS: Prime 66.00-69.00, Choice 61.00-65.00, Good 54.00-61.00, Standard 48.00-55.00, Utility 90-120 lbs.

42.00-48.00, 70-85 lbs. 35.40.00.

Farm calves moderate active, Holstein bulls 80-125 lbs. 45.00-57.00; Holstein heifers 80-140 lbs. 49.00-82.00 beef cross bulls & heifers 125 50.00-66.50.

HOGS 7353. Compared with 6363 head last week, and 6561 head a year ago. Barrows & Gilts mostly cents to 75 cents high spots 50 cents lower.

BARROWS & GILTS: 1-2 200-235 pounds 28.50-29.00, 1-3 200-245 27.50-28.50, 2-3 240-260 28.50-27.50, 2-4 240-23.50-25.25, 2-4 125-185 22.50-24.50.

SOWS: US 1-3 250-5 pounds 18.90-22.00, 2-3 300-17.00-20.00. Boars 18.00-20.00.

FEEDER PIGS 109 Compared with 1013 head last week, and 745 head year ago. US 1-3 20-35 pound feeder pigs 12.00-20.00 per head, 1-3 35-50 18.00-26.00, few 1-3 75 29.00 per head.

SHEEP 1131. Compared with 796 head last week, and 1137 head a year ago. Spring slaughter lambs unevenly mostly 50 higher to \$1 lower. Choice 70-110 pounds spring slaughter lambs 42.50-48.00, few 50.00, Good 50-90 35.00-41.00. Slaughter ewes 8.00-19.00.

Warning About Home Canning

With the price of food soaring, many people are starting to can food at home again. According to the Food and Drug Administration, home canning must be done cautiously with particular attention to heat processing - that is, time and temperature, which varies according to type of food. Organisms, such as bacteria, molds, and yeasts, are present on the food and the containers. If they are not destroyed in the canning process, they may cause spoilage or result in food poisoning . . . including deadly botulism.

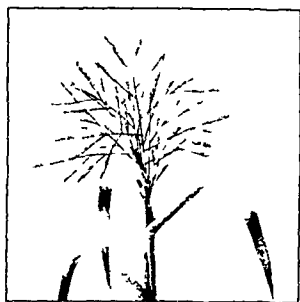
Home canners should be particularly careful of low-acid foods - such as most vegetables, meats, poultry and fish - where the potential of botulinum toxin developing is the greatest. This includes all such food which are to be sealed in glass or metal containers.

As a general rule, always use the pressure-canning method for low-acid foods, follow manufacturer's directions carefully and make sure the canner is in perfect order.

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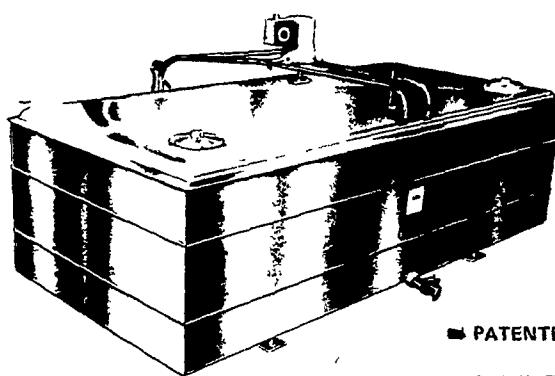
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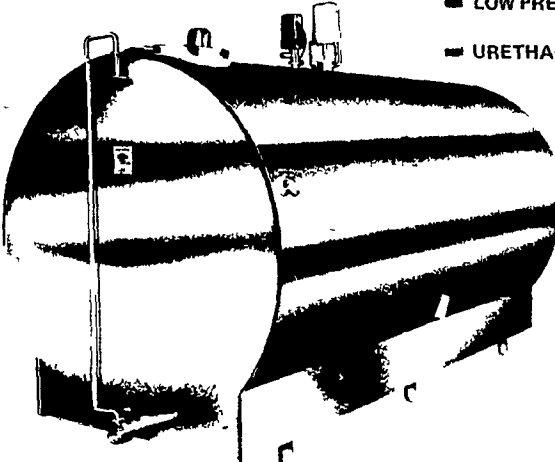
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