



JULY 22-28, 1974

Sweet indolent days about us now.

Save your grass cuttings for the compost heap... Mussolini ousted July 25, 1943... First quarter of the moon July 25... Dog days begin this week... Average length of days for week, 14 hours, 45 minutes... B-25 crashed into Empire State Building July 23, 1945... 121 degrees in Alton, Kansas July 24, 1936... Cape Cod Canal opened July 24, 1914... The pedigree of honey does not concern the bee. Old Farmer's Riddle: What is everyone doing at the same time? (Answer below.)



Ask the Old Farmer: Do you know anything about training oxen? I need some pointers. F.N., St. John, New Brunswick.

You can raise a pair of calves to be pets. They will follow you around like a dog

and be as gentle as a couple of kittens. But when you put them to work you will find that they will have their own way most of the time. Either they will choose their own gait, lay down if the going gets too tough, or they will run away and smash things up.

Home Hint: A delicious whipped cream substitute can be made by adding a sliced ripe banana to the white of an egg. Beat with an eggbeater until stiff. Riddle answer: Growing older.

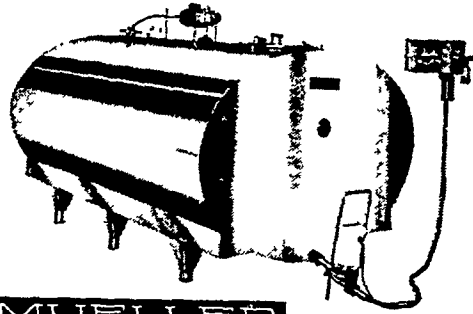
OLD FARMER'S WEATHER FORECASTS

New England: Most of week clear and hot; light rain and slightly cooler on weekend.
Greater New York-New Jersey: Clear and hot through midweek, then rain and cooler; clear and hot again by weekend.
Middle Atlantic Coastal: Generally clear and hot all week except thundershower latter part.
Southeast Coastal-Piedmont: Partly clear and very warm to start, then rain continuing to end of week.
Florida: Clear at first in north, then rain for rest of week; rain elsewhere all week.
Upstate & Western N.Y.-Toronto & Montreal: Week begins clear and very hot, then clouding up; showers and cooler latter part.
Greater Ohio Valley: Clear and hot to start, then light rain in east and moderately heavy rain in west continuing to end of week.
Deep South: Rain, heavy at times, all week; temperatures becoming warmer by end of week.
Chicago and Southern Great Lakes: Clear and hot at first, then rain and cooler; heavy rain in west on weekend.
Northern Great Plains-Great Lakes: Mostly clear and very warm all week in west; rainy and warm all week in east.
Central Great Plains: Cloudy and hot with some rain all week.
Texas-Oklahoma: First part of week mostly cloudy and very warm; end of week rain in central and showers elsewhere.
Rocky Mountain Region: Most of week warm with occasional rain; clearing latter part.
Southwest Desert: Cloudy to start, then rain; end of week clear with highs near 110.
Pacific Northwest: Light rain at first, then sunny and warm; partly cloudy and cooler latter part.
California: Mostly sunny and warm all week in north; cloudier and cooler in south.

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Pa. Auction Summary

Weekly Summary
 19 Livestock Markets
 July 12, 1974

CATTLE 8090. Compared with 5084 head last week, and 6884 head a year ago. Compared with last Friday's market, slaughter steers uneven, mostly steady to \$1.50 lower. Slaughter heifers weak to 50 cents lower. Slaughter cows mostly \$1 to \$1.50 lower, biggest (decline end of week). Slaughter bulls mostly steady.

STEERS: High Choice and Prime 1000-1350 pounds 43.75-44.85, Choice 41.00-43.75, Good 38.00-40.50, Standard 35.00-38.00, Utility 32.00-34.50. **HEIFERS:** Choice 38.25-41.00, Good 36.50-38.75, Standard 34.00-36.00, Utility 29.00-33.50. **COWS:** Utility and High Dressing Cutter 29.75-32.00, Cutters 28.75-30.50, Canners

26.50-28.75, Shells down to 24.00. **BULLOCKS:** Choice 37.50-40.00, Good 35.00-37.75, Standard 34.00-36.00, Utility 32.50-34.00. **BULLS:** 1-2 1000-2300 pounds 34.00-40.00. **FEEDER CATTLE:** Good and Choice 300-550 steers 38.00-45.00, 400-800 34.00-41.00, Medium and Good 300-600 34.00-40.00. Good 300-450 heifers 33.00-39.00. Medium and Good 300-600 bulls 32.00-37.00.

CALVES 4152. Compared with 2488 head last week, and 4306 head a year ago. Vealers steady to \$3 lower, spots \$5 lower.

VEALERS: Prime 64.00-73.00, Choice 57.00-64.00, Good 51.00-57.00, Standard 45.00-54.00, Utility 90-120 pounds 36.00-44.00, 70-85 lbs. 30.00-37.00.

FARM CALVES: Holstein bulls 90-120 pounds 40.00-

55.00, few to 60.00, Holstein heifers 80-130 41.00-51.00; Beef cross bulls and heifers 70-125 47.00-60.00.

HOGS 7134. Compared with 6890 head last week, and 6254 head a year ago. Barrows and gilts mostly 50 cents to \$1 higher than last week, although mid-week on saw prices dropping \$1 to \$2 lower.

BARROWS & GILTS: 1-2 200-240 pounds 40.75-41.50, No. 1-3 200-235 39.50-40.75, No. 2-3 180-250 37.00-39.50, No. 2-4 250-295 34.25-37.00,

No. 2-4 170-175 30.50-34.25. **SOWS:** 1-3 300-550 pounds 25.50-28.75. No. 2-3 300-600 24.25-26.25. **BOARS:** 20.00-26.00.

FEEDER PIGS 1551. Compared with 1315 head last week, and 1388 head a year ago. 1-3 20-35 pounds 11.00-18.00 per head, 1-3 35-50 15.00-24.00, 1-3 50-90 22.00-26.50 per head.

SHEEP 1069. Compared with 782 had last week, and 1128 head a year ago. Spring slaughter lambs unevenly steady to \$1.50 lower. **LAMBS:** Choice 70-100 pounds 41.00-45.00, Good 60-100 33.50-39.00, Utility 40-55 30.00-33.50. Slaughter ewes 5.00-16.00.

New Holland Dairy Auction

Wednesday, July 17
 Reported receipts of 119 cows and 6 heifers. Market lower than last week's market.

Load of North Carolina cows, springers 410-560.

Load of Pennsylvania cows, fresh 435-720.

Load of Pennsylvania cows, fresh 630-735.

Load of New York state

cows, springers 540-620.

Load of New York State cows, springers 555-660.

Load of Wisconsin cows, fresh 565-820.

Load of Pennsylvania fresh cows 480-680.

Load of Wisconsin cows 590-600.

Locally consigned cows 465-810, springing heifers 570-630.

Leesport Livestock Auction

Leesport, Pa.
 July 17, 1974

CATTLE 361. Compared with last Wednesday's market, slaughter steers grading Choice steady, Standard & Good \$1.25 to \$6.50 lower. Slaughter cows \$4 to \$6 lower. Slaughter bullocks \$3 to \$4 lower. Individual High Choice slaughter steer at 45.25, Choice 41.75-44.25, Good & Choice 39.50-40.75, Good 34.85-39.25, Standard 28.00-34.35, few Utility 25.50-28.00. Few Choice slaughter heifers 36.00-40.10, few Good 32.35-35.10, few Standard 26.00-28.00. Utility & High Dressing Cutter slaughter cows 23.00-27.35, Cutters 22.35-24.60, Canners 21.00-23.00, Shells down to 17.00. Few Choice slaughter bullocks 37.10-39.50, Good 33.35-36.00, Standard 30.35-33.35, few Utility 24.75-28.85. Few Yield Grade 1-2 800-1195 lbs. 29.00-30.00, 1395-1695 lbs. 31.00-36.25, Good & Choice 350-700 lbs. feeder steers 34.75-42.50, Medium 300-700 lbs. 30.00-34.50; Good 300-550 lbs. feeder bulls 30-25-34.50, few Medium 350-600 lbs. 25.50-31.00.

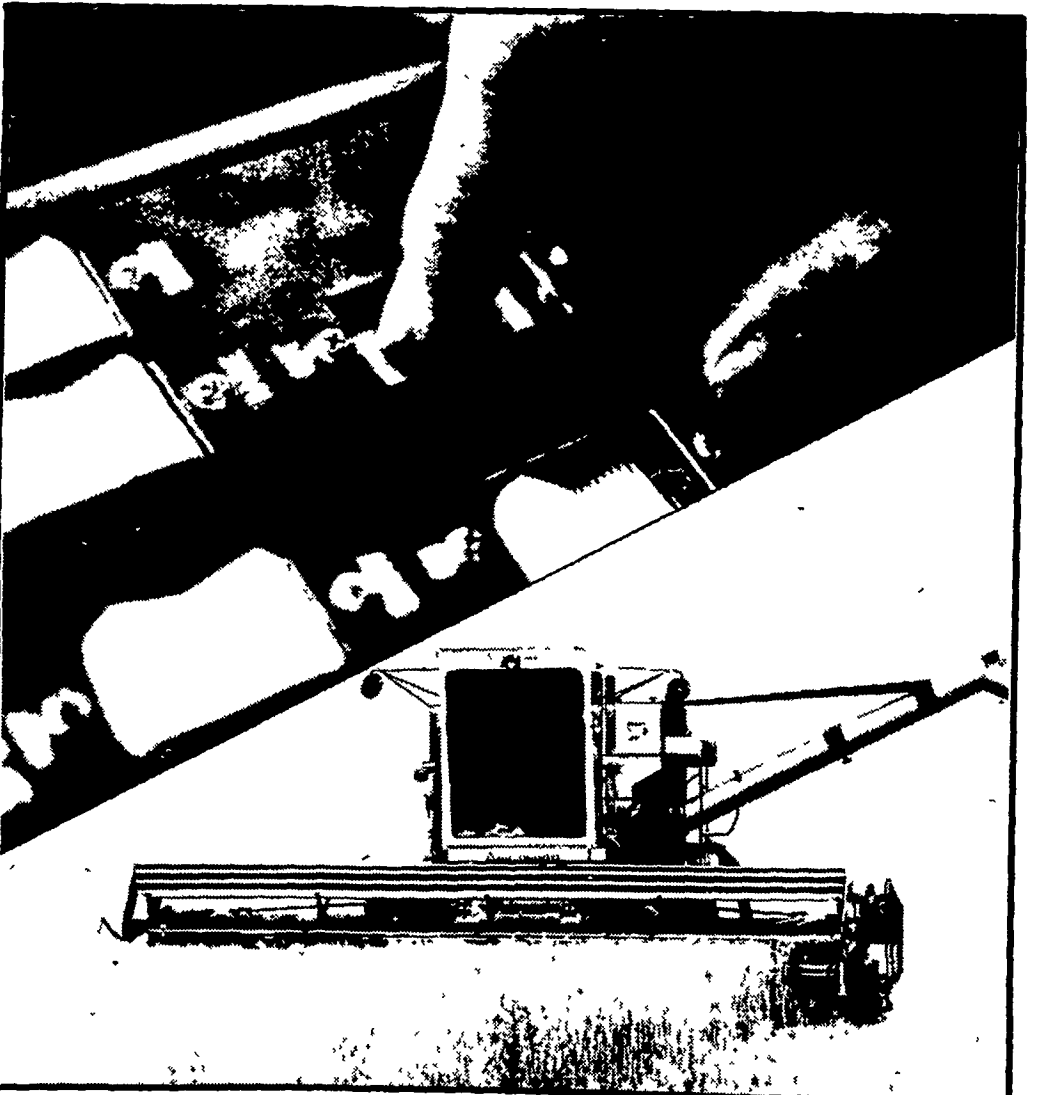
CALVES 155. Vealers slow, Standard \$5 to \$9 lower, Utility \$10 to \$12 lower. Few Choice vealers 45.00-52.00, Good 40.00-46.00, Standard 35.00-41.00, Utility 90-120 lbs. 25.00-32.00, 70-85 lbs. 15.00-26.00. Farm calves, holstein bulls 90-120 lbs. 28.00-41.00.

HOGS 285. Barrows & Gilts \$2 to \$3 lower. US No. 1-3 190-240 lbs. barrows & gilts 37.80-38.75, No. 2-3 190-210 lbs. 36.70-37.85, few No. 2-4 240-255 lbs. 34.60-36.00. US No. 1-3 300-500 lbs. sows 28.25-32.00, No. 2-3 400-630 lbs. 22.00-28.00. Boars 19.75-26.50.

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