



MARCH 10-16, 1975

Tether your kite in this weather.

Repair your screen, mend your rakes, and sharpen your saws now . . . J. P. Morgan died March 13, 1943 . . . New moon March 12 . . . Skunks mate now . . . Average length of days for week, 11 hours, 18 minutes . . . Romeo married Juliet this week in 1302 . . . Some Robins and crows are back north now . . . Telephone first used March 10, 1876 . . . Borrowed clothes just never fit.



Ask the Old Farmer: When I was a kid, I often heard the expression "the whole kit and kaboodle." I always took it to mean "the whole thing," but I wondered if you could comment on the origin of the meaning. T. N., Baltimore.

"The whole thing" is right. Kit in this case is a container, such as a tool kit.

The kaboodle is an alliterated form of "boodle"—the contents. Home Hint: Toys and small objects won't drop through furnace registers in the floor if you affix a piece of window screen to the underside of the grating.

OLD FARMER'S WEATHER FORECASTS

**New England:** Fog and drizzle to start, then rain; end of week mostly clear and cold.  
**Greater New York-New Jersey:** Rain at first, then clearing and becoming cold; clear and cold latter part.  
**Middle Atlantic Coastal:** Week begins rainy, then snow in west and cold; weekends clear with warm days and cold nights.  
**Southeast Coastal-Piedmont:** Light showers to start, then fair and cold; clear and sunny latter part.  
**Florida:** Partly sunny at first, then scattered showers; end of week cold and rainy with possible snow in north.  
**Upstate & Western N.Y.-Toronto & Montreal:** Rain changing to snow to start, then very cold; some clearing and seasonably cold latter part.  
**Greater Ohio Valley:** Week begins cold with flurries, then heavy snow in mountains, end of week clear and mild in west but colder in east.  
**Deep South:** Early week rainy in northwest and central, and light snow in north and east, then clear and frosty; end of week clear and cold.  
**Chicago & Southern Great Lakes:** Snow to start, then clearing and very cold; sunshine and warmer latter part.  
**Northern Great Plains-Great Lakes:** Early week clear and unseasonably cold, end of week still clear but mild.  
**Central Great Plains:** General light snow at first, then clearing and cold; end of week clear and mild.  
**Texas-Oklahoma:** Cold snap to start with light snow in north, then some hard showers in east and along Gulf; rain ending latter part, clearing and mild.  
**Rocky Mountain Region:** Clear and seasonable at first, then showers in south; end of week rainy in central and north.  
**Southwest Desert:** Light showers in south and east about mid-week but clear and warm in northwest; end of week generally clear and quite warm.  
**Pacific Northwest:** Most of week clear and mild; heavy rain and colder latter part.  
**California:** Early week cloudy and cool; end of week overcast in south and light rain in north.

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New Holland Horse

**Monday, March 3**  
 Reported receipts of 399 head of horses, mules and ponies. Market stronger than last week.  
 Load of Kansas riding horses 150-335 and load of Tennessee riding horses 240-290.  
 Local work horses 315-710; mules 215-445 and pairs 695-1475; better horses 245-450; driving horses 170-460;

riding horses 160-225; lightweight killers 18-20; heavyweight killers 21-24; mare ponies 15-40; colts 5-20; geldings 15-35 and larger ponies 50-115.

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Pa. Auction Summary

Weekly Summary  
 19 Livestock Auctions  
 Week Ending February 28

**CATTLE** 6082. Compared with 4394 head last week, and 5114 head a year ago. Compared with last Friday's summary, slaughter steers unevenly steady. Slaughter heifers strong to 75c higher. Slaughter cows mostly 50c to \$1 higher. Slaughter bullocks weak to \$2 lower. Slaughter bulls unevenly steady.

**STEERS:** Few High Choice and Prime 37.00-38.25, Choice 34.75-37.50, Good 30.00-34.75, Standard 26.00-30.00, Utility 22.00-27.00. **HEIFERS:** Choice 30.00-34.00, Good 27.00-31.00, Standard 24.75-27.25, Utility 20.00-23.50. **COWS:** Utility and High Dressing Cutter slaughter cows 19.00-21.50, few to 22.85, Cutters 18.00-20.50, Canners 16.50-18.50, Shells down to 12.00. **BULLOCKS:** Choice 27.00-28.75, Good 24.00-28.00, Standard 23.00-27.00, Utility 21.50-24.50. **BULLS:** Yield Grade No. 1, 1000-2000 lbs. 24.75-28.00, Yield Grade No. 2, 900-1600 lbs. 22.50-25.50.

**FEEDER CATTLE:** Good 275-700 lbs. steers 22.00-29.00, Medium 200-800 lbs. 17.00-23.00. Good 300-700 lbs. heifers 23.00-26.00, Medium 250-700 lbs. 15.00-23.00. Good 300-700 lbs. bulls 23.00-28.00, Medium 300-700 lbs. 20.00-24.00. **CALVES** 3878. Compared with 2817 head last week, and 3702 head a year ago. Vealers grading Choice \$2 to \$5 higher, Utility to Good steady to \$2 lower.

**VEALERS:** Few Prime 60.00-69.00, Choice 52.00-61.00, Good 43.00-52.00, Standard 30.00-43.00, Utility 90-120 lbs. 19.00-30.00, 70-85 lbs. 16.00-22.00. **FARM CALVES:** Holstein bulls 90-120 lbs. 23.00-34.00, Holstein heifers 70-110 lbs. 23.00-38.00; Beef cross bulls and heifers 55-110 lbs. 21.00-35.00.

**HOGS** 7641. Compared with 6002 head last week, and 7633 head a year ago. Barrows and gilts uneven, \$1 higher to 25c lower. **BARROWS & GILTS:** Few US No. 1-2 200-235 lbs. 41.50-42.50, No. 1-3 200-245 lbs. 40.50-41.50, No. 2-3 190-260 lbs. 39.75-40.50, No. 2-4 250-325 lbs. 36.00-39.50, No. 2-4 140-185 lbs. 32.00-39.00. **SOWS:** US No. 1-3 275-550 lbs. 33.00-37.50, No. 2-3 300-600 lbs. 30.00-34.00. **BOARS:** 22.00-28.00.

**FEEDER PIGS** 892. Compared with 685 head last

week, and 716 head a year ago. US No. 1-3 20-35 lbs. 15.00-25.00 per head, No. 1-3 35-50 lbs. 22.00-32.00, No. 1-3 60-150 lbs. 28.00-38.00, Utility 15-75 lbs. 11.50-35.00 per head.

**SHEEP** 366. Compared with 178 head last week, and 505 head a year ago. Woolled slaughter lambs mostly steady. **LAMBS:** Choice 70-120 lbs. 40.00-45.00, Good 70-100 lbs. 32.00-40.00. Slaughter ewes 7.00-17.50.

Omaha Cattle

March 6

**CATTLE:** Compared with the previous week close closing prices Slaughter Steers and Heifers steady, instances 25 cents higher. Cows 50-1.00 lower, most decline on Canner and Cutter Bulls fully steady.

Slaughter Steers approximately 43 percent weeks total, Heifers 27 percent, a Good share Good to Average-Choice. Cows 14 percent, Feeders 13 percent. Four day total 17800 as compared 22,100 previous week and 14,600 a year ago.

**STEERS:** At midweek high time, High-Choice and Prime 1021-1253 lbs. yield grade 3-4 35.00-35.50, five loads 35.25-35.50. Choice 975-1325 lbs. yield grade 2-4 34.00-35.00, some at 33.50-33.75 quite muddy or predominately yield grade 4. Two loads 1459-1500 lbs. yield late., Good 29.50-33.50. Standard and Low-Good 28.00-29.50.

Average cost Slaughter Steers first three days 33.42 average weight 1117 lbs. as compared 34.02 and 1118 lbs. previous week adn 41.14 and 1128 lbs. a year ago.

**HEIFERS:** Part load High-Choice and Prime 1040 lbs. yield grade 3-4 34.50, several loads same grade 923-1152 lbs. 34.00-34.25. Choice 850-1050 lbs. yield grade 2-4 33.00-34.00, load 1166 lbs with end Prime yield grade 3-5 32.50. Mixed Good and Choice 800-975 lb. 32.00-33.00, some 750-800 lb. 31.50-31.75. Good 28.50-31.50. Standard and low Good 27.00-28.00.

**COWS:** Utility and Commerical 16.50-18.50, few 19.00. Canner and Cutter 11.50-16.50, Mixed Cutter and low-Utility 16.75-17.25 Shelly Canner 10.00-11.00.

**BULLS:** Yield Grade 1 & 2 1400-2000 lbs. 20.00-23.00, few yield grade 1 24.00-25.00.

Oklahoma City

March 6

Thursday Feeder Cattle Auction

Estimated Receipts 12,800  
 Same Day Last Week 10,245

Trading now more active. Feeder Steers generally steady; Feeder Heifers mostly 50 cents to 1.00 lower; Majority receipts Mixed Good and Choice and Choice 400-800 lb. Steers and 400-650 lb. Heifers with the bulk of these consisting of Cattle arriving from wheat pastures; moderate attendance buyers.

**FEEDER STEERS:** Choice 370-500 lb. 26.00-27.75; 500-600 lb. 25.00-28.50; 600-700 lb. 26.00-28.50; 700-915 lb. 27.00-28.80; Mixed Good and Choice 350-500 lb. 23.00-25.75; 500-850 lb. 23.75-26.50; Good 400-700 lb. 21.00-23.25. Small lot Good 712 lb. Holstein Steers at 17.10.

**FEEDER HEIFERS:**

Choice 380-500 lb. 19.50-21.50; 500-605 lb. 19.75-22.00, two part loads Choice and Prime 546-577 lb. at 22.80 and 23.40; Mixed Good and Choice 350-500 lb. 17.00-19.25; 500-700 lb. 17.25-19.25; few Good 500-636 lb. 16.00-17.00.

For the Week: Compared to late last week, Feeder Steers and Steer Calves 50 cents to 1.00 lower; Feeder Heifers mostly 1.00-1.50 lower; Beef Cows lost part of the early advance to close strong to 50 cents higher. Canner and Cutter in broad demand and 1.00-2.00 higher; Slaughter Bulls under extreme pressure and 2.00-3.00 lower. Salable receipts near 27,900 head compared to 21,723 last week and 27,372 the comparable period a year ago. Expanded receipts due mainly to movement of Cattle off of wheat pasture.

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