



MARCH 17-23, 1975

Spring is finally here!

Mend your stonewalls now . . . St. Patrick's Day March 17 . . . First quarter of the moon March 20 . . . Spring begins March 21, 1:57 AM EDT . . . Average length of days for week, 12 hours, 5 minutes . . . Night equals day on Tuesday (each is 12 hours long) . . . If the 19th is clear, it'll be a fertile year . . . California Zephyr trains stopped March 22, 1970 . . . Beware equally of a sudden friend and a slow enemy.



Ask the Old Farmer: I have heard the expression several times, "He or she is on cloud nine." I know it means to be very happy about something, but I have not been able to discover where it originated. Can you help? C. H., Miami.

We can only guess, a couple of flights above Seventh Heaven.

Home Hints: The iron-on mending tapes are wonderful for labeling children's clothing.

OLD FARMER'S WEATHER FORECASTS

New England: Early week generally clear and warmer; heavy rain, and sleet and snow in central and north latter part.

Greater New York-New Jersey: Generally clear and mild to start, then turning cooler; rain occasionally mixed with snow at end of week.

Middle Atlantic Coastal: Week begins cloudy and chilly, then heavy rain in south and snow or rain in north; rainy and cool latter part.

Southeast Coastal-Piedmont: Clear and dry at first, then becoming unseasonably warm; end of week rainy and much colder.

Florida: Rain in central and south to start, then clearing and much warmer; scattered light showers and warm latter part.

Upstate & Western N.Y.-Toronto & Montreal: First part of week mostly sunny with some flurries; storm latter part with rain or freezing rain.

Greater Ohio Valley: Clear and nice to start, then rain in west and flurries in east; week ends with occasional shower and colder.

Deep South: Week begins clear and warming up, then becoming very warm; end of week rainy in central and north, then clearing and much colder.

Chicago & Southern Great Lakes: Rain or sleet in west by mid-week, then flurries in east; end of week overcast and cold with flurries.

Northern Great Plains-Great Lakes: Clouding up to start, then snow; end of week clearing and cold in west and snow in central and east.

Central Great Plains: Sunny and mild to midweek, then snow in northeast and showers in east and south; clear and cold latter part.

Texas-Oklahoma: Clear at first, then becoming hot; cold snap at week's end with lows in 20s in central and north.

Rocky Mountain Region: Early week snow in central and north, and clear and mild in south; end of week generally clear and milder.

Southwest Desert: Clear and very warm to start, then much cooler; pleasant and warmer by weekend.

Pacific Northwest: Cold to start, then light snow in north and rainy in south; occasional light rain latter part.

California: Light rain in north and drizzle in south at first, then clearing in north but cloudy in south; end of week clear and mild in south and cool in north.

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Pa. Auction Summary

19 Livestock Markets Week Ending March 7, 1975

CATTLE 6005. Compared with 6082 head last week, and 5820 head a year ago. Compared with last week's market, slaughter steers mostly 25 cents to \$1 lower. Slaughter heifers 75 cents to \$2 lower. Slaughter cows uneven, spots 50 cents higher. Slaughter bullocks 25 cents to \$1 higher. Slaughter bulls about steady.

STEERS: Choice 34.00-37.00, Good 29.00-34.50, Standard 24.75-30.25, Utility 21.00-26.75.

HEIFERS: Choice 28.50-32.00, Good 25.00-29.00, Standard 22.75-26.50, Utility 20.00-22.85. **COWS:** Utility & High Dressing Cutter 19.50-22.50, Cutters 18.00-20.75, Canners 16.00-19.00, Shells down to 12.00. **BULLOCKS:** Choice 28.00-30.75, Good 25.00-30.00, Standard 22.75-27.00, Utility 19.75-24.75. **BULLS:** Yield Grade 1 1200-2000 lbs. 24.50-28.00; yield grade 2 1000-1600 lbs. 21.00-24.85. **FEEDER CATTLE:** Few Choice 600-800 lbs. feeder steers 28.00-30.50, Good 300-700 lbs. 22.00-28.00, Medium 19.50-24.00, Good 300-700 lbs. feeder heifers 23.50-28.00.

CALVES 4107. Compared with 3878 head last week, and 3920 head a year ago. Vealers steady to \$2 lower. **VEALERS:** Few Prime

60.00-71.50, Choice 48.00-61.00, Good 42.00-52.00, Standard 28.00-42.50. Utility 90-120 lbs. 17.00-30.00, 70-85 lbs. 14.00-19.50. Farm calves, holstein bulls 90-115 lbs. 19.00-32.00; beef cross bulls & heifers 70-110 lbs. 22.00-39.00.

HOGS 7623. Compared with 7641 head last week, and 7707 head a year ago. Barrows & Gilts 50 cents to \$1 lower.

BARROWS & GILTS: US No. 1-2 200-230 lbs. 40.75-41.60, No. 1-3 190-245 lbs. 39.50-41.00, No. 2-3 185-260 lbs. 38.70-39.75, No. 2-4 250-300 lbs. 36.00-39.00, No. 2-4 120-185 lbs. 33.00-38.70. **SOWS:** US No. 1-3 300-550 lbs. 33.00-39.00, No. 2-3 300-650 lbs. 31.00-34.50. Boars 20.25-28.50.

FEEDER PIGS 1123. Compared with 892 head last week, and 730 head a year ago. US No. 1-3 20-35 lbs. feeder pigs 14.00-34.00 per head, No. 1-3 35-50 lbs. 21.00-36.00, No. 1-3 50-90 lbs. 27.00-45.00 per head.

SHEEP 509. Compared with 366 head last week, and 645 head a year ago. Woolled slaughter lambs about steady. Choice 70-110 lbs. woolled slaughter lambs 40.00-44.00, Good 60-90 lbs. 30.00-42.00, Utility 50-80 lbs. 22.50-35.00. Choice 40-50 lbs. spring slaughter lambs 60.00-68.00, 60-80 lbs. 45.00-57.50. Slaughter ewes 5.00-13.00.

St. Louis Weekly

March 13

Weekly cattle review: Receipts 6400, last week 8800, year ago 5100.

Compared with last Tuesday, slaughter steers and heifers 1.00-1.50 higher; cows steady to 50 higher; bulls steady. Supply near 40 percent steers mostly choice 1000-1250 lbs. yield grade 2-4, near 20 percent heifers, 18 percent cows and 20 percent feeders.

SLAUGHTER STEERS: Load and part load choice including prime 1100-1175 lbs. yield grade 2-4 36.50. Choice 950-1250 lbs. yield grade 2-4 34.50-36.00, mostly 35.00-36.00. Mixed good and choice 900-1200 lbs. 33.00-34.75. Good 30.00-33.50, load mostly good 850 lbs. muddy 28.50. Standard and good Holsteins 1100-1300 lbs. 28.00-31.00. Standard 900-1100 lbs. 24.00-28.50.

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: Two loads and part load choice including prime 925-975 lbs. yield grade 3-4 34.50. Choice 850-1050 lbs. yield grade 2-4 33.00-34.25, mostly 33.50-34.00. Mixed good and

choice 800-1000 lbs 31.50-33.50. Good 29.00-31.50. Few standard and good 650-850 lbs. 26.00-30.00.

COWS: Utility and commercial on Wednesday 18.00-20.50, few 21.00. Cutter 16.00-18.00. Canner 13.00-16.00.

BULLS: Yield grade 1-2 1100-1600 lbs. 23.00-25.00, few 1000-1200 lbs. 20.00-23.00.

VEALERS: Choice 32.00-38.00.

FEEDERS: Supply includes near 1000 at Thursday's auction. Feeder steers steady to weak, feeder heifers generally steady. Supply primarily good and choice 350-600 lbs. steers and 300-500 lb. heifers.

STEERS: Mostly choice 450-650 lbs. 25.50-28.00, small lot 593 lbs. 29.25. Mixed good and choice 400-650 lbs. 23.50-26.50. Good 350-625 lbs. 19.00-22.75, part load standard and good Holsteins 602 lbs. 17.25.

HEIFERS: Few choice fleshy 600-737 lbs. 25.50-28.75. Mixed good and choice 300-500 lbs. 19.00-22.50. Good 16.25-19.75, few 593-635 lbs. 18.25-20.00.



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Carlisle Livestock

Carlisle, Penna. March 11, 1975

CATTLE 326. Supply included 180 head feeder cattle sold by the head. Compared with last Tuesday's market, slaughter cows steady to \$2 higher. Few Good slaughter steers 32.50-34.00, Standard 25.50-30.00, Utility & Low Standard 22.00-24.75. Couple Choice slaughter heifers 30.75 and 32.75. Utility & High Dressing Cutter slaughter cows 20.50-23.35, Cutters 18.75-21.00, Canners 17.00-18.75. Standard slaughter bullocks 24.00-25.35. Few Yield Grade 1 1395-1585 lbs. slaughter bulls 25.50-26.60; two Yield Grade 2 1105 and 1160 lbs. 19.60 and 23.25.

CALVES 173. Vealers about steady. Few Good & Choice vealers 49.00-56.00, Good 45.00-49.00, Standard 31.00-43.00, Utility 90-110 lbs. 18.00-23.50, 110-130 lbs. 22.00-29.50, 70-85 lbs. 15.00-17.50. Farm calves, holstein bulls 90-110 lbs. 22.00-29.50.

HOGS 329. Barrows & Gilts fully 50 cents higher. US No. 1-3 195-240 lbs. barrows & gilts 41.00-41.50, No. 2-3 190-250 lbs. 40.50-41.10, No. 2-4 250-290 lbs. 36.25-40.60, few

290-300 lbs. 30.00-30.75, No. 2-4 150-180 lbs. 29.00-38.00. US No. 1-3 300-595 lbs. sows 35.00-37.25, Utility 200-300 lbs. 24.00-30.00. Couple Boars 25.00 and 26.00.

FEEDER PIGS 172. US No. 1-3 20-35 lbs. feeder pigs 15.00-22.00 per head, No. 1-3 35-50 lbs. 26.00-34.00, few No. 1-3 50-70 lbs. 37.00-39.00 per head, No. 1-3 100-130 lbs. 38.00-46.50 cwt., Utility 20-30 lbs. 6.00-10.50 per head.

New Holland Dairy

Wednesday, March 12

Reported receipts of 106 cows, 14 heifers and 5 bulls.

Load of Franklin County cows fresh 600-620 and springers 550-605; load of Wisconsin cows, fresh 725-780; load of Pa. cows springers 430-600; load of Pa. cows springers 345-480 and load of Pa. cows fresh 700-800.

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