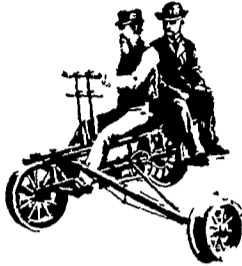




JAN. 17-23, 1977

Here comes a bluster so around the fire cluster.

Feed the birds now Cary Grant born Jan 18, 1904 New moon Jan 19 Inauguration Day Jan 20 Average length of days for the week, 9 hours, 33 minutes First atomic submarine launched Jan. 22, 1954 Cut more firewood now First US basketball game Jan 20, 1892 Whatever is in the heart will come up to the tongue



Ask the Old Farmer: Up north I've seen black bands around house chimneys I heard it was a mark to keep witches away, or that it was a sign of a hiding depot for the underground railroad Which is right? T.N., Albanv, Georgia As far as we know, neither is right We think it's just for decorative purposes, but drivers of sightseeing buses like to entertain their passengers so there's a lot of hokum like this

Home Hints: If heavy furniture has flattened the pile of your rugs, erase the marks with a steam iron Build up a good head of steam and hold the iron over the flattened spot Don't touch the rug with the iron Brush briskly

OLD FARMER'S WEATHER FORECAST

New England: Week begins with thaw and rain, end of week brings flurries

Greater New York-New Jersey: Turning cloudy and raw, week ends sunny and fair

Middle Atlantic Coastal: Rain, then cloudy last part of week

Piedmont & Southeast Coastal: Rain, ending midweek, sunny and mild for week's end

Belleville Auction

Belleville Market January 5, 1977

CATTLE: 198. Compared with last Wednesdays market. Slaughter cows \$1-\$2.50 lower. Two good steers 32.25-33.10. One Standard steer 34.00. A few Utility 28.29 and low standard. One yield grade No. 4 slaughter heifer 31.50; one Good 31.00; a few Standard 26.00-28.00. A few Utility 22.00-28.00. A few Utility 22.00-26.50; Utility and High Dressing Cutter slaughter cows 24.10-26.10; a few Commercial 24.60-26.75. Cutters 22.75-24.25; Canners 20.10-22.75; Shells down to 16.75.

Bullocks, one good 31.75; A few Standard 28.85-34.00; One Utility 23.35. Yield Grade No. 1 1505-1855 lbs. slaughter bulls 32.00-32.50

CALVES: 217. Vealers grading Standard and Good \$1-\$3 higher. A few Choice 55.00-57.00; Good 39.00-51.00; Standard and Good 110-130

lbs. 34.00-41.50, 90-110 lbs. 28.00-34.00, Standard 60-90 lbs. 22.00-29.00, Utility 50-105 lbs. 10-20.

FARM CALVES: Holstein bulls 100-115 lbs. 35.00-40.50, Holstein heifers 90-115 lbs. 32.50-41.50.

HOG: 253. Barrows and gilts steady to 50 cents higher. U.S. No. 1-2 200-240 lbs. barrows and gilts 39.80-41.00, No. 1-3 195-245 lbs. 39.50-40.30 one lot 41.50; No. 2-3 190-260 lbs. 37.00-39.00 one lot 41.40; A few U.S. No. 1-3 300-425 lbs. sows 27.75-32.50, No. 2-3 375-600 lbs. 22.75-26.75; A few Boars 14.25-18.25.

FEEDER PIGS 565. U.S. No. 1-3 25-35 lbs. feeder pigs 7-15 per head, No. 1-3 35-50 lbs. 11-24, No. 1-3 50-80 lbs. 24-38, No. 1-3 85-120 lbs. 38.00-42.50, Utility 25-60 lbs. 8-15 per head.

SHEEP 8. A few Good 75-130 lbs. 25.00-44.50.

Livestock market

Omaha Cattle

Omaha Jan. 6, 1977

Weekly 51 - Cattle - Compared with the previous weeks close.

Prices on Slaughter Steers and Heifers were 50-75 cents higher, instances 1.00 higher through midweek, but limited closing sales not better than steady. Cows were steady, and bulls firm to 1.00 higher.

For day receipts 15,000 compared 14,700 previous week and 13,000 a year ago.

Fed cattle prices advanced on the opening session and the early upturns were maintained through midweek even in the face of an unresponsive carcass trace.

However, demand was stimulated by storm conditions which moved through the area curtailing livestock movement, and the early advances were erased under a bearish late demand. Most interest came into the week with minimal live inventories on hand and many were in need of cattle for immediate requirements.

Carcass trading was generally dull under light demand despite a reduced daily rate of slaughter. A large proportion of the steer and Heifer supply was good to average-Choice. Steers made up approximately 39 per cent, Heifers 40 per cent, cows 16 per cent and feeders less than 5 per cent.

STEERS: Early, three loads Choice and Prime 3-4 1102-19 lbs. 40.75-41.00, most Choice 2-4 975-1325 lbs. 39.00-40.25 through midweek, closing sales 38.50-39.50. During week, several loads choice and prime 4-5 1500-1572 lbs. 35.00-36.00. Mixed Good and Choice 2-3 950-1275 lbs. closed 37.50-38.50, several loads 1250-1275 lb. Holsteins 35.00-35.25 early.

Good 2-3 33.00-37.50 late, Standard and Good 2-3 31.50-32.50.

Average of LS-214, detailed quotations, for Choice 900-1100 lb. steers this week 39.58, Choice 1100-1300 lbs. 39.50. Average weight steers first three days 1135 lbs. compared 1130 lbs. previous week. Average weight heifers first three days 991 lbs. as compared 974 lbs. previous week.

HEIFERS: Load Choice 3 1060 lbs. 39.50 early, moderate volume Choice and Prime 3-4 975-1085 lbs. 39.10-39.25. Choice 2-4 875-1025 lbs. closed 37.25-38.00. Mixed Good and Choice 2-3 850-1000 lbs. 36.00-37.00 late. Good 2-3 31.00-35.50. Small lots standard and Good 2-3 30.00-31.00.

COWS: Utility and Commercial 2-4 22.50-24.00, load high dressing 24.50. Canner and Cutter 19.00-22.50, mixed cutter and Utility 22.75-23.00.

BULLS: 1-2 1400-1800 lbs. 27.00-30.00, individual 1 30.50-31.00.

Oklahoma

January 6, 1977

Estimated Receipts 6,300 Same day last week 669

Moderately active, feeder cattle and calves steady to weak; majority receipts mixed Good and Choice and Choice 400-700 lb. feeder Steers and 350-550 lb. Feeder Heifers; moderate attendance buyers.

FEEDER STEERS: Choice 300-500 lb. 37.75-40.50, two part loads 359-401 lb. 42.00-42.50; 500-600 lb. 37.00-39.75; 600-885 lb. 34.75-36.50; Mixed Good and Choice 300-500 lb. 35.00-36.50; 500-700 lb. 36.50; mixed Good and Choice 300-500 lb. 35.00-36.50; 500-700 lb. 34.75-36.50; 700-810 lb. 34.50-35.50; Good 300-775 lb. 33.00-35.25; few good 330-917 lb. Holstein Steers 24.50-28.25.

FEEDER HEIFERS: Choice 300-500 lb. 30.25-32.75; part load 317 lb. at 34.40; 500-600 30.00-33.00, part load 599 lb. at 33.30; 600-740 lb. 30.00-32.75; Mixed Good and Choice 300-500 lb. 28.00-30.00; Two part loads 540-641 lb. very thin fleshed, good

weighing condition 312 31.40; good 360-715 lb. 28.00-28.75.

FOR THE WEEK Compared to late last week feeder cattle and calves led the early advance to close near steady; cows steady 50 cents lower; bulls 1.00 higher; salable receipts near 14,600 head compared 13,243 last week and 18,450 head the same week a year ago. Cows and bulls near 10 per cent of the cattle receipts; feeders 86 per cent of the total.



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