

THE OLD FARMER'S ALMANAC

FEB. 28 - MARCH 6, 1977

Need mops as snow level drops.

Caution children about weak pond ice now Col Bowie and Davy Crockett killed in defense of the Alamo March 6, 1836 Full moon March 6 Maple syrup time now Average length of days for the week, 11 hours, 18 minutes US Steel Corp founded March 3, 1901 Wise men care not for what they cannot have



Ask the Old Farmer: I've always been curious about the origin of Uncle Sam as the symbol for the US Government Can you tell me? R T, San Francisco

One tale has it that Uncle Sam was originally associated with the Army back in the War of 1812 Meat was then packed in barrels for the Army The initials "E A -US" were stamped on the barrels, standing for Elbert Anderson, the name of the packer, and for United States One soldier asked what the initials meant and was told in jest they stood for Elbert Anderson and his Uncle Sam It caught on In 1830, Uncle Sam was first featured in cartoons, but he had no goatee in Lincoln's time

Home Hints Roll dates in flour before cutting and they won't stick together or cling to the knife

OLD FARMER'S WEATHER FORECASTS

New England: Sunny and fair through Wednesday, then 8-12" snow at midweek, week's end brings clearing and thaw

Greater New York-New Jersey: Freezing-rain to start changing to snowstorm of 8-10" by midweek, warming and rain at end of week

Middle Atlantic Coastal: Rain turning to sleet and 12" snow by Friday, weekend promises sun

Piedmont & Southeast Coastal: Cold snap and snowstorm inland ending by Tuesday, then cold and rainy through midweek, cold snap expected for week's end

Florida: Rain to start with clearing and warmer temperatures by Wednesday, rain Thursday through remainder of week

Upstate N.Y.-Toronto & Montreal: Flurries to start and remaining cold with 8-12" snow through Friday, week's end clear

Greater Ohio Valley: Freezing-rain with 5-10" snow on Tuesday, then fair and very cold Thursday through Saturday, week's end clear

(All Rights Reserved Yankee Inc Dublin NH 03444)

Leesport

Leesport, Pa.
February 23, 1977

CATTLE 253. Compared with last Wednesday's market, slaughter steers uneven, extremes \$1 higher to 75 cents lower. Slaughter heifers mostly steady. Slaughter cows 50 cents to 75 cents higher, spots to \$2 higher. Choice 2-4, 940-1285 lbs. slaughter steers 38.00-39.25, few to 40.25, Good and Low Choice 35.25-38.00, Standard 32.00-34.75, Utility and Low Standard 27.25-32.00. Choice 2-4, slaughter heifers 34.00-37.50, Standard and Good 29.75-33.50, few Utility 26.00-28.75. Utility and High Dressing Cutter slaughter cows 27.00-29.00, individual at 29.50, Cutters 26.25-29.35, Canners 23.50-26.60, Shells down to 20.00. Good and Choice slaughter bullocks 33.75-37.50, Standard 28.60-33.75. Few Yield Grade No. 1, 1585-2330 lbs. slaughter bulls 34.00-39.00, couple Yield Grade No. 2, 1190 and 1210 lbs. 31.10 and 32.00. Few Good and Choice 490-885 lbs. feeder steers 35.00-37.50, few Medium and Good 600-885 lbs. 23.75-29.75, Few Good 375-700 lbs. feeder heifers 34.50-35.50.

CALVES 177. Vealers highly uneven. Prime vealers, individual's 72.50 and 73.00, Choice 58.00-69.00, Good 50.00-58.50, Standard and Good 110-135 lbs. 36.50-48.00, 90-110 lbs. 31.00-36.00, Standard 70-90 lbs. 28.00-33.50, Utility 60-85 lbs. 24.00-28.00. Farm Calves: Holstein bulls 85-110 lbs. 34.00-36.00.

HOGS 219. Barrows and gilts evenly steady. US No. 1-2 200-250 lbs. barrows and gilts 41.50-41.75, few lots 42.00-42.25, No 1-3 200-235 lbs. 41.10-41.60, No. 2-3 190-255 lbs. 39.85-41.00, No. 1-3 140-190 lbs. 31.25-38.25. US No. 1-3 295-500 lbs. sows 32.75-37.25, No. 2-3 320-565 lbs. 29.00-32.75. Boars 18.00-21.75, light weights 25.00-30.00.

FEEDER PIGS 169. US No. 1-3 (few) 15-20 lbs. feeder pigs 8.00-12.50 per head, No. 1-3 25-30 lbs. 17.50-24.00, No. 1-3 30-50 lbs. 25.00-30.00, few No. 1-3 50-65 lbs. 34.00-37.00, lot Utility 50 lbs. at 22.00 per head.

SHEEP 15. Individual Choice 30 lbs. new crop lamb at 90.00; Two Choice 80 and 110 lbs. wooled slaughter lambs 50.00 and 58.00, few Good 110-150 lbs. 30.00-54.00. individual Utility 45 lbs. at 38.00. Few Slaughter ewes 5.00-18.00.

Pa. Auction Summary

FEBRUARY 18, 1977

CATTLE 6887. Compared with 7277 head last week, and 5580 head a year ago. Compared with last Friday's summary; slaughter steers and heifers 50 cents to \$1 lower. Slaughter cows mostly 25 cents to 75 cents higher. Slaughter bulls and bullocks steady to \$2 over. **STEERS:** High Choice & Prime 3-4, 39.50-41.75, Choice 2-4, 37.00-41.00, Good 33.00-37.50, Standard 30.00-34.00, Utility 27.00-31.00. **HEIFERS:** Choice 34.00-38.50, Good 31.00-34.75, Standard 28.00-31.00, Utility 24.00-28.00. **COWS:** Utility & High Dressing Cutter 25.50-29.75, Cutters 24.00-27.00, Canners 21.00-25.00, Shells down to 15.00. **BULLOCKS:** Few Choice 36.00-39.50, Good 33.00-37.00, Standard 28.00-33.00, few Utility 26.00-28.25. **BULLS:** Yield Grade No. 1, 1000-1900 lbs. 30.50-35.50, Yield Grade No. 2, 900-1600 lbs. 28.00-33.50. **FEEDER CATTLE:** Good 300-850 lbs. steers 26.00-33.00, few to 38.00; Medium & Good 300-750 lbs. heifers 17.00-27.00; Good 400-800 lbs. bulls 25.00-32.00.

CALVES 4841. Compared with 4422 head last week and 3496 head a year ago. Vealers grading Good to Prime steady to \$4 higher, Standard & Good 70-130 lbs. steady to \$2 lower. **VEALERS:** Few Prime 69.00-80.00, Choice 60.00-75.00, Good 45.00-60.00, Standard & Good 110-130 lbs. 38.00-50.00, 90-110 lbs. 30.00-40.00, Standard 70-90 lbs. 24.00-32.00, Utility 50-90 lbs. 15.00-26.00. **FARM CALVES:** Holstein bulls 90-120 lbs. 34.00-48.00.

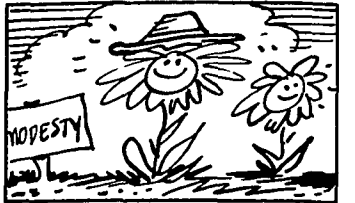
HOGS 6951. Compared with 6910 head last week, and 7269 head a year ago. Barrows & gilts mostly steady to 50 cents higher. **BARROWS & GILTS:** US No. 1-2 200-240 lbs. 41.50-43.60, few to 44.00, No. 1-3 200-250 lbs. 40.50-42.00, No. 2-3 190-260 lbs. 38.00-41.00, No. 2-4 250-325 lbs. 34.00-38.50, No. 1-3 140-190 lbs. 32.00-40.00. **SOWS:** US No. 1-3 300-600 lbs. 32.00-38.00, No. 2-3 300-650 lbs. 26.00-32.00. **BOARS** 15.00-22.00, light weights 21.00-27.50.

FEEDER PIGS 1488. Compared with 1356 HEAD LAST WEEK, AND 777 HEAD A YEAR AGO. Feeder pigs were highly uneven. US No. 1-3 20-35 lbs. 10.00-20.00 per head, No. 1-3 35-50 lbs. 17.00-27.00, No. 1-3 50-100 lbs. 24.00-34.50 per head, Utility 20-60 lbs. 11.00-24.50 per head.

GRADED FEEDER PIGS SALES. 2461 head. Compared with 604 head last week. ALL SALES PER HUNDREDWEIGHT. Feeder Pigs mostly \$3 to \$5 higher CWT. US No. 1-2 40-65 lbs. 60.00-78.50, No. 2-3 35-60 lbs. 49.00-77.00, few to 86.00, Utility 30-60 lbs. 30.00-39.00, few to 71.00.

SHEEP 439. Compared with 402 head last week, and 417 head a year ago. Wooled slaughter lambs uneven, \$1 to \$5 higher, with spots \$5 lower. **WOOLED LAMBS:**

Choice 60-115 lbs. 47.50-55.50, few to 59.00, Good 50-110 lbs. 40.00-49.00, Utility 40-75 lbs. 29.00-40.00. **SLAUGHTER EWES**



In the language of flowers a white violet means "modesty."






INCREASE YOUR PRODUCTION!

LEASE QUALITY DAIRY COWS
DHIA HERDS AVAILABLE
DAIRY FARM LEASING COMPANY
1700 DUPONT AVENUE SOUTH
MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA 55403

CALL 612-377-1489 TODAY!

TOP OF THE HOG MARKET

DANVILLE LIVESTOCK MARKET
OLD ROUTE 11
DANVILLE, PA 17821
717-275-2880



Send me to
DANVILLE

Market your hogs the auction way.

SALE EVERY MONDAY 2 P.M. Mehvin M. Lehman (Owner)

CONSIGN YOUR

HOGS TO

McCOY CATTLE COMPANY

ATTENTION!!

FEEDER PIG SALE

TUESDAY, MARCH 1, 1977

Sale time 1:00 P.M.

Note to Buyers
Reputation Breeder Consignments

Your Market Prices Protected
By Experienced Brokers

McCOY CATTLE COMPANY
Lancaster Stockyards
PH: 717-397-1411

SEX SAL STARTED PULLETS AVAILABLE

2300 Pullets - March 16 (20 Wk. Date)
2700 Pullets - April 29 (20 Wk. Date)



Picture these birds in your cage or floor-type laying house They are floor grown and beautiful

CALL US AT:

Moyer's CHICKS, INC.

Quakertown, PA 18951 Phone: 215-536-3155

NEW IDEA 95 BU. GROUND DRIVEN SPREADERS



206 New Idea Spreader Available
For Shipment Soon. Limited Supply. Order Yours Today.

SPECIAL PRICE

LANDIS BROS., INC.

1305 Manheim Pike, Lancaster, PA 17601
PH: 717-393-3906