

# THE OLD FARMER'S ALMANAC

AUG. 8-14, 1977

Sun burns now — and how!

Look for shooting stars this week H G Wells died Aug 13, 1946  
 New moon Aug 14 Hay fever season begins Average  
 length of days for the week, 15 hours, 5 minutes Ankle-length  
 dresses the rage in 1947 Social Security began Aug 14, 1935  
 The greater the obstacle the more glory in overcoming it (Moliere)



Ask the Old Farmer: Evidently the original settlers of Connecticut fancied the word "bury" to tag onto the names they chose for their towns, to wit — Danbury, Waterbury, and no doubt many others My problem is what is a bury? F.C., Hartford

The suffix, as it is used in town names, is merely a form of the word borough, and originally meant "a fortified place"

Home Hints: For applying cleanser to aluminum kettles and pans, and silver polish to silverware, use a clean powder puff Then use another clean puff for the polishing job Wash the puffs and use again later

## OLD FARMER'S WEATHER FORECASTS

**New England:** Cool and cloudy with some rain through Thursday, remainder of week, sunny and warm

**Greater New York-New Jersey:** Heavy rain to start, then Tuesday brings fair and mild temperatures for rest of week

**Middle Atlantic Coastal:** Heavy showers north and west, then sunny at midweek, week's end warm with some rain

**Piedmont & Southeast Coastal:** Sunny and hot with some showers through Tuesday, then cloudy, mild, showers west and south at midweek, week's end sunny, hot with showers

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1.00 higher; Good 2-3 500-700 lbs. 53.25 1.50 higher.

**COW BEEF**  
 no confirmed loads  
**CHOICE & PRIMAL BEEF CUTS**  
 7 confirmed loads

Fores 130-210 lbs. 47.50-49.75 couple loads  
 Arm Chucks 75-120 lbs. 41.50-42.00 couple loads  
 Rounds (Heifers) 60-85 lbs. 67.75.

**BEEF TRIMMINGS**  
 15 confirmed loads  
 Beef Trimmings 50 chemical lean (fresh) 25.50; Beef Trimmings 50 chemical lean (frozen) 24.50 load  
**BONELESS BEEF**  
 1 confirmed load  
 Boneless Beef 75 chemical lean (fresh) 50.50.

## East Coast Carlot Meats

August 3, 1977

Compared to Tuesday's close: Beef demand and movement light as reported by USDA. Choice steer beef in limited test .75 to 1.00 higher. Choice 3 arm chucks mostly steady to .50 higher. Prime special fed veal firm to 1.00 higher. Good and Choice boning veal steady to 3.00 lower. Spring lamb mostly steady on 55 lb. down, 75 lbs. down generally steady with last weeks bulk. Fresh pork loins 14-17 lbs. steady to .75 higher.

**STEER BEEF**  
 8 loads

Choice 3 600-800 lbs. 6550-6575, load early 6400, mostly .75 to 1.00 higher.  
 Good 2-3 550-700 lbs. 5975 part load.  
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 Hostein standard 2-3 550-650 5675 load.

**COW BEEF**  
 1 load

Canner-cutter 1-2 350 lbs. up 51.00.

**CHOICE 3 PRIMAL BEEF CUTS**  
 8 loads

Armchucks 90-130 lbs. 4500-4650.

Full Plates 3300.  
 Short Plates 3200.  
 Briskets 3500-3600.

**SPRING LAMB, CHOICE AND PRIME 3-4**  
 18 loads

55 lbs. down 9800, few 9900 mostly steady; 75 lbs. down 9800, few 9900.

**VEAL CARCASS-HIDE ON**  
 Prime (special fed) 180-250 lbs. 11000-11400, firm to 1.00 higher.

Good and Choice boning type.

Northeastern suppliers, 65-75 lbs 5400-5600, steady to 2.00 lower, LTD 5300; 55-64 lbs. 5200-5400, steady to 2.00 oover 5100 and 5500 LTD; 45-54 lbs. 5000-5200, steady to 2.00 lower LTD 4900; 35-44 lbs. 48.00-5000, steady to 2.00 lower LTD 4700; 34 lbs. down 4600-4800, steady to 2.00 lower, LTD 45.00.

Midwest and west coast suppliers: 70-80 lbs. 5600-5900, steady to 3.00 lower; 60-70 lbs. 5400-5700, steady to 3.00 lower; 50-60 lbs. 5200-5500, steady to 3.00 lower; 40-50 lbs. 5000-5300, steady to 3.00 lower; 30-40 lbs. 4800-5100, steady to 3.00 lower.

**FRESH PORK CUTS**

Loins 14 lbs. down 8550; 14-17 lbs. 8425-8500, steady to .75 higher  
 Skinned Hams 14-17 lbs. 7975 load; 17-20 lbs. 7850 load.

# Livestock market and auction news

## Belleville Auction

Belleville, Pa.  
 August 3, 1977

**CATTLE** 126. Compared with last Wednesday's market, slaughter cows grading Utility and High Dressing Cutter 75 cents lower, Canners 25 cents higher. Couple Choice slaughter steers 39.75 and 39.85. Choice slaughter heifers 33.50-37.10, few Utility 27.10-29.85. Utility and High Dressing Cutter slaughter cows 23.85-26.50, individual at 27.25, Cutters 23.10-25.50, Canners 20.50-23.00, Shells down to 17.75. Few Yield Grade No.1, 1300-1750 lbs. slaughter bulls 32.35-34.85.

**CALVES** 182. Vealers grading Standard and Good 70-110 lbs. \$1.50 to \$6 higher. Few Good vealers 38.00-48.50, few Standard and Good 110-130 lbs. 30.00-42.00, 90-110 lbs. 28.00-30.00, Standard 70-85 lbs. 23.00-27.00. Farm Calves: Holstein bulls 90-125 lbs. 31.00-52.00.

**HOGS:** Barrows and gilts \$1 to \$1.25 higher. US No. 1-2 200-220 lbs. barrows and gilts 44.90-45.70, No. 1-3 200-235 lbs. 43.20-44.60, few No. 1-3 160-165 lbs. 32.50-33.25. US No. 1-3 350-575 lbs. sows 33.00-36.50, few No. 2-3 400-700 lbs. 30.50-31.50.

**FEEDER PIGS** 340. US No. 1-3 25-35 lbs. feeder pigs 24.00-28.00 per head, No. 1-3 40-55 lbs. 28.00-33.50, few lots No. 1-3 75-150 lbs. 39.50-59.00

Bellies, Saddles 16-18 lbs. 5850 load.

**CURED AND PROCESSED MEATS**  
 8 loads

Skinned hams 16-19 lbs. 7650.  
 Semi Boneless Hams 14-17 lbs. 9700.  
 Picnics 5-7 lbs. 5750.  
 1 lb. sliced bacon vacuum pack 10500.

**BEEF TRIMMINGS**  
 2 loads

50 PCT. Chemical lean, fresh 3100-3200.

per head, Utility 20-35 lbs. 11.00-20.00 per head.  
**SHEEP** 37. Choice 75-110 lbs. spring slaughter lambs 36.00-40.50, few Utility and mixed Good 60-80 lbs. 27.00-35.00.

## Omaha Cattle

Omaha, Neb.  
 August 4, 1977

Compared with previous weeks close - closing prices on slaughter steers and heifers 25-50 cents lower. Cows 50-1.00 lower. Bulls firm.

The fed cattle trade was forced downward on the opening session under the influence of a bearish, slow-moving carcass trade, and only a small portion of the early decline was regained as marketings decreased on later sessions. Most buying interests were selective with best demand for Choice 1050-1300 lbs. steers and choice heifers in reflection of the \$6.00-8.00 per hundredweight 1 between Good and Choice carcasses. The overall finish of the steer and heifer supply was not particularly attractive with a large share of Good to Average-Choice grade and including a moderate volume 950-1022 lbs. New crop steers and 750-850 lbs. heifers. In addition, marketings were poorly distributed over the trading period with more than 50 per cent arriving on Monday. Steers made up approximately 45 per cent and heifers 33 per cent. Cows comprised 15 per cent and feeders 5 per cent.

**STEERS:** The forepart of week, several loads Choice predominantly 3 1075-1200 lbs. 41.00-41.50. At midweek, few loads Choice 3 1075-1150 lbs. 41.00. Choice 2-4 1025-1350 lbs. 39.50-40.75, some Choice 3 950-1025 lbs. Yearling type 38.75-39.50. Mixed Good and Choice 2-3 950-1025 lbs. 38.00-39.00. Good 2-3 35.00-38.00, Holsteins 33.50-34.00. Standard and Good 2-3 32.50-34.00.

Average of LS-214, detailed quotations, for Choice 900-110 lbs. steers this week 39.65; Choice 1100-1300 lbs. 40.32. Average weight steers first three days 1111 lbs. compared 1120 last week. Average weight heifers first three days 961 lbs.. Compared 949 lbs. last week.

Small lots Standard and Good 2-3 31.50-33.00.

**COWS:** Utility and Commercial 2-4 closed 23.00-24.50, few individuals to 25.00. Canner and Cutter 20.00-23.00, Mixed Cutter and Utility 23.25-23.50.

**BULLS:** 1-2 1300-1800 lbs. 31.00-33.00, individual 1 33.50-34.00.

**FEEDERS:** Few loads Choice 950-1000 lbs. steers 38.00-38.25.

Four day receipts 13,807 compared 17,351 previous week and 13,759 a year ago.

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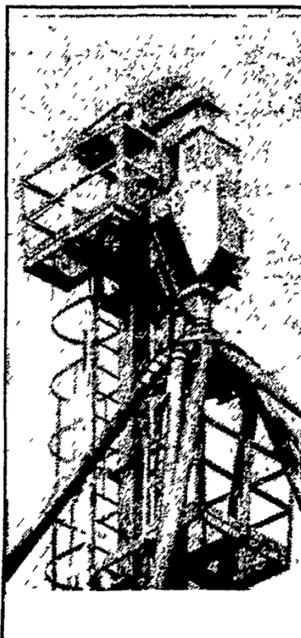
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