



OCT. 3-9, 1977
Color wild, days mild.

Apple cider best now Robinson Crusoe marooned Oct 5, 1704
Last quarter of the moon Oct. 5 Average length of days for the week, 11 hours, 30 minutes
Decimal arithmetic invented Oct 3, 1602 Larsen pitched perfect World Series game Oct 8, 1956
A vacant mind is open to all suggestions as a hollow building echoes all sounds



Ask the Old Farmer: Recently, at an auction I bought an item called a Cape Cod lighter for a fire-place starter. What is the fluid that traditionally has been used in them? R W, Providence, RI
Kerosene, mostly — but alcohol would do.

Home Hints: Add diced raw celery to canned peas and carrots and heat, the celery gives good texture contrast

OLD FARMER'S WEATHER FORECASTS

New England: Heavy rain and cool through Wednesday, remainder of week sunny and mild
Greater New York-New Jersey: Clear and very warm to start, then heavy rain and cool through Thursday, week's end clear
Middle Atlantic Coastal: Rain and colder through Thursday; clear weekend
Piedmont & Southeast Coastal: Sunny and hot with showers west through Wednesday, fair, mild, scattered rain east throughout the week's end

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Sechrist Auction

Stewartstown, Pa.
September 26, 1977

CATTLE 112: Steers High Choice and Prime 41.00-42.50, Good Choice 40.00-40.75, Good 38.75-39.50, Standard Good 37.00-38.00, Holsteins Good 35.00-36.25, Standard to Good 30.00-34.00; Heifers High Choice and Prime 38.00-39.25, Good to Choice 37.00-37.85, Good 35.00-36.00, Standard Good 32.00-34.00, Holsteins Good 30.00-31.00, Standard Good 25.00-28.00; Feeder Steers Good and Choice absent, Standard Good 37.00-38.00, Utility 32.00-35.00; Bulls Good and Choice Commercial absent, Standard to Good absent, Utility to Standard 25.00-28.50; Cows High Yearling Commercial absent, Cutters 24.00-24.60, Canners Low Cutters 23.00-23.75, Shells 18.00-22.00.

CALVES 152: Calves Choice and Prime 65.00-68.00, Good and Choice 60.00-64.00, Standard and Good 55.00-59.00, Utility to Good 110-140 lbs. 50.00-54.00,

Utility 90-110 lbs. 40.00-48.00, Culls 25.00-38.00.

HOGS 306: Hogs US No. 1 and 2 190-220 lbs. 41.50-42.00, US No. 1 and 3 190-230 lbs. 41.00-41.25, US No. 1 and 3 180-250 lbs. 39.00-40.00; Sows 250-375 lbs. 33.50-34.00, 400-500 lbs. 33.00-33.25; Boars 300-500 lbs. 25.00-27.00.

SHEEP 3: Lambs Good to Choice 45.00-48.00, Medium and Good 40.00-44.00; Ewes 8.00-18.00.

Private Treaty Fat Hogs, Select No. 1 and 2 190-215 lbs. 41.50-41.75.

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Private Treaty Fat Hogs, No. 1 and 3 190-220 lbs. 40.50-40.75.

Livestock market and auction news

Omaha Cattle

Omaha, Neb.
September 29, 1977
CATTLE: Compared with the previous weeks close.

Closing prices on slaughter steers were 50-1.00 higher. Heifers closed mostly 50 cents higher, instances 75 cents higher. Cows were steady and bulls weak to 1.00 lower.

Four day receipts 13,000 as compared 14,600 previous week and 12,900 a year ago. For the second successive week, fed cattle prices advanced on moderate supplies with the midweek upturn supported by higher carcass prices at the wholesales level. Cattle marketing was often given priority as ideal fall weather permitted harvest operations and field work to move ahead at full speed, and there was generally no particular seller pressure to move the available supply of market-ready cattle: much of the steer and heifer supply was of good to average choice grade and well-finished steers over 1200 lbs. were relatively scarce. Slaughter Steers made up approximately 34 pct and heifers 32 pct. Cows comprised 7 pct and feeders for Friday auction 25 pct.

STEERS: At midweek high time, load and part load choice and prime 1105-1220 lbs. predominantly 3 with end 4 42.35-42.50, Highest locally since early July. Choice 2-4 1025-1250 lbs. closed 41.00-42.00, some mostly choice 3 950-1000 lbs. 40.50-41.00. Mixed Good and Choice 2-4 950-1275 lbs. 40.00-41.00. Good 2-3 36.00-40.00. Standard and Good 2-3 34.50-35.50.

Average of LS-214, detailed quotations, for Choice 900-1100 lbs. steers this week 41.05; Choice 1100-1300 41.35. Average Weight steers first three days 1101 lbs. compared 1102 lbs. previous week. Average weight heifers first three days 956 lbs. compared with 948 lbs. previous week.

HEIFERS: Two loads Choice and Prime 3-4 955-1022 lbs. 40.15, several loads same grade 3-4 957-1029 lbs. 40.00. Choice 2-4 875-1025 lbs. Closed 38.75-40.00. Mixed Good and Choice 2-3 825-975 lbs. 37.50-38.75. Good 2-3 33.50-37.00. Small lots standard and Good 2-3 31.50-33.00.

COWS: Utility and Commercial 2-4 24.50-26.00. Canner and Cutter 21.50-25.00, short load good stock cows 27.00.

BULLS: 1-2 1400-1800 lbs. closed 31.00-34.00.

Joliet Cattle

Joliet, Illinois
September 28, 1977

Receipts 6,900 this week, 7,800 last week, 10,400 last year. As compared to last Wednesday slaughter steers 25 to 1.00 higher, mostly 50 to 1.00 higher. Slaughter heifers 50 to 1.25 higher, mostly 75 to 1.00 higher. Bulk of receipts choice steers and heifers, limited cow receipts.

SLAUGHTER STEERS: Mixed Choice and Prime 3-4 1125-1325 lbs. 42.50-43.00, with 2 loads 44.00 Wednesday, early week slaes 42.25-43.00, with one load 43.25. Choice 2-4 1025-1250 lbs. Wednesday 41.00-42.50; same on Monday 42.00-42.25. Choice 2-3 950-1050 lbs. early 39.75-40.75, no test on Wednesday. Monday mixed Good and Choice Holsteins 2-3 1200-1400 lbs. 36.50.

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: Mixed Choice and Prime 2-4 900-1050 lbs. 40.50-41.00 at mid-week; early sales 39.75-40.25, with one load 40.50. Choice 2-4 900-1025 lbs. 39.50-40.50 Wednesday; same Monday 39.00-40.25. Mixed Good and Choice 2-3 750-950 lbs. 36.50-39.50.

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Leesport Auction

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CATTLE 419. Supply included 97 head feeder cattle. Compared with last Wednesday's market, slaughter steers grading Good & Choice 25 cents to 50 cents lower. Slaughter cows \$1.25 to \$2.50 lower. Choice No. 2-4 900-1175 lbs. slaughter steers 40.00-42.35, couple 42.75, Good 37.00-40.25, Standard 33.00-36.50, few Utility 27.00-31.00. Few Choice slaughter heifers 36.00-38.75. Utility & Commercial slaughter cows 23.00-25.00, Cutters 22.00-24.50, Canner & Low Cutter 20.00-23.00, Shells down to 15.00. Few Good slaughter bullocks 34.00-35.85. Yield Grade #1 950-1400 lbs. slaughter bulls 28.00-33.00. Mixed Good & Choice 400-750 lbs. feeder steers 37.50-39.75; few Good 400-700 lbs. feeder heifers 26.00-29.25, couple 30.50.

CALVES 206. Vealers grading Good & Choice \$4 to \$6 lower, Standard & Good 70-110 lbs. \$1.50 to \$4 lower.

Couple. Prime vealers at 69.00, Choice 55.00-66.00, Good 44.00-54.00, Standard & Good 110-130 lbs. 40.00-45.00, 90-110 lbs. 35.00-41.50, Standard 70-85 lbs. 32.00-36.00, few Utility 50-75 lbs. 10.00-28.00. Farm calves, holstein bulls & heifers 90-115 lbs. 37.00-45.00.

HOGS 303. Barrows & gilts 75 cents lower. US No. 1-2 200-235 lbs. barrows & Gilts 43.00-43.85, No. 1-3 195-235 lbs. 42.75-43.35, few lots No. 1-3 180-190 lbs. 40.60-41.00. US No. 1-3 300-600 lbs. sows 34.00-37.00. Boars 25.00-30.00.

FEEDER PIGS 403. All prices cwt. US No. 1-3 25-45 lbs. feeder pigs 75.00-94.00, No. 1-3 50-55 lbs. 70.00-80.00, No. 1-3 135-165 lbs. 36.50-39.00, Utility 15-25 lbs. 65.00-70.00 cwt.

SHEEP 28. Few Choice 75-95 lbs. lambs 47.00-49.00, few Good 70-100 lbs. 43.00-44.00. Slaughter ewes 13.50-18.50.

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