



DEC. 18-24, 1978

Winter is officially here!

Shortest days of the year this week Winter begins Dec 22 at 12.21 A.M. EST. Last quarter of the moon Dec 22 Average length of days for the week, 9 hours, 4 minutes First American penal colony started in Virginia Dec 23, 1617 USS Pueblo seized by N Koreans Dec 23, 1968 'Tis mirth not dishes that sets a table off



Ask the Old Farmer: Can you tell me how the Soldier bean was named? D.T., Lincoln, Nebraska

The Navy bean is the only one we have known to be named for the armed forces

Home Hints: If you wear cotton gloves under rubber gloves your hands won't sweat or stick to the gloves

OLD FARMER'S WEATHER FORECASTS

New England: Cloudy with light snow, partly sunny for weekend
Greater New York-New Jersey: Seasonal with light rain to start, then partly sunny with some showers or flurries for last of week
Middle Atlantic Coastal: Rainy all week, scattered light snow west
Piedmont & Southeast Coastal: Week begins with heavy rain, snow in mts, gradual clearing and milder for remainder of week
Florida: Rain first of week, then cloudy north and sunny south to week's end, cold
Upstate NY-Toronto & Montreal: Cloudy with snow west to start, snowstorm for last of week
Greater Ohio Valley: Snow and cold this week
Deep South: Sunny west with rain in east and snow in mts, then variably cloudy and colder last of week
Chicago & Southern Great Lakes: Flurries and light snow all week, very cold weekend
Northern Great Plains-Great Lakes: Light snow and flurries for most of week
Central Great Plains: Week brings snow west and snow or sleet in the east, sunny and cold for weekend
Texas-Oklahoma: Partly sunny and cold all week
Rocky Mountain: Mostly cold and sunny, possible snow south for weekend
Southwest Desert: Sunny and clear, light frost, then cloudy with light rain for weekend
Pacific Northwest: Partly sunny, some light rain, cloudy and cold south, sunny north for last of week
California: Cloudy, then mostly clear, warm south, some frost Central Valley

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Carlisle Auction

Carlisle, Pa. December 12, 1978

CATTLE: Steers steady. Cows steady. **STEERS:** Choice 53.00-55.10; Good 49.50-53.00; Standard 46.00-48.00. **COWS:** Utility & Commercial 42.00-45.75; Cutter 38.75-42.50; Canner & Low Cutter 34.00-39.00. **BULLS:** Yield Grade No. 1 51.85-53.50. **CALVES:** Vealers lower. Choice 72.50-89.00; Good 55.00-70.00; Standard & Good 110-130 lbs. 48.00-60.50; Holstein Heifers 119.00-140.00.

HOGS: Barrows & gilts steady. US No. 1-2 50.60-51.85; US No. 1-3 46.75-50.50; **SOWS:** US No. 1-3 38.50-45.00. **FEEDER PIGS:** US No. 1-3 20-35 lbs. 26.00-37.00 per head, No. 1-3 35-50 lbs. 40.00-43.50.



Livestock market and auction news

St. Louis Cattle

National Stockyards December 14, 1978
 Weekly cattle review: Receipts this week 6,700; Week ago 7,000; Year ago 9,300.

Compared to the previous weeks close, slaughter steers and heifers uneven, generally steady. Cows steady. Bulls firm to 1.00 higher. Slaughter supply mainly Choice 2-4 1050-1200 lbs. steers, around 30 percent heifers and 15 percent cows.

Note: A substantial increase in Yield Grade 3-5 steers and heifers apparent this week.

SLAUGHTER STEERS: Mixed Choice and Prime 2-4 1050-1250 lbs. 54.50-55.00, closing 54.50; few loads 3-5 1175-1250 lbs. 53.00. Choice 2-4 950-1250 lbs. 52.50-54.50, closing 52.50-54.00. Mixed Good and Choice 2-4 900-1175 lbs. 51.50-53.50. Good 2-3 900-1150 lbs. 50.50-52.00. Standard to Good 2-3 1050-1350 lbs. holsteins 48.00-51.00.

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: Mixed Choice and Prime 2-4 875-1050 lbs. 52.50-53.50, closing 52.50-53.00. Part load Prime 4 to mostly 5's 1150 lbs. 47.00. Choice 2-4 800-1050 lbs. 51.00-52.00, several closing sales 51.00-52.00; scattered lots 3-5 975-1050 lbs. 48.00-50.00. Mixed Good and Choice 2-3 700-975 lbs. 49.00-51.00. Good 2-3 700-950 lbs. 46.00-49.00.

COWS: Utility and Commercial 2-4 38.00-42.00. Boning utility 1-2 42.00-43.50. Cutter 1-2 36.50-41.00. Canner and low Cutter 1-2 33.50-36.50.

BULLS: Yield Grade 1-2 1050-1800 lbs. 45.00-51.00, closing 46.00-51.00. Yield Grade 1 1450-1800 lbs. 51.00-51.50, couple 52.00.

FEEDERS: (Including around 2,300 at the regular Thursday auction.) Feeder Steers and heifers 2.00-5.00 higher. Demand good. Supply mostly Choice and Mixed Good and Choice 350-800 lbs. steers and 300-600 lbs. heifers.

FEEDER STEERS: Couple lots high Choice and Prime 325-350 lbs. 88.00-89.00. Choice 300-400 lbs. 75.00-85.00; 400-500 lbs. 72.50-77.50; 500-600 lbs. 67.50-71.50; 600-700 lbs. 63.00-68.75; 700-800 lbs. 64.75-67.00. Load thin 824 lbs. 68.00. Mixed Good and Choice, some compact 300-500 lbs. 68.00-75.75; few lots 500-600 lbs. 64.00-68.00.

FEEDER HEIFERS: Choice 300-500 lbs. 62.00-70.25; 500-600 lbs. 59.00-64.00; 600-700 lbs. 55.00-63.00. Mixed

Good and Choice and some compact 300-500 lbs. 68.00-75.75; few lots 500-600 lbs. 64.00-68.00.

Western Maryland Market

Western Maryland Stockyards, Inc. Westminster, Md. December 12, 1978

BUTCHER CATTLE: Mostly cows offered, Fat Steers Good demand; Top 56.50; Good-Choice 53.00-56.50; Standard 50.00-53.00; Heifers, Good to 49.25; Cows Large run, steady to \$1.00 higher! Good Cows 43.00-46.75, Individual at 47.60; Standard & Utility 42.00-43.50; Cannors 40.00-42.00; Shelly 40.00 Down Bulls Strong demand; Top 55.00, Bulk 49.00-52.00.

BUTCHER HOGS: Prices steady. Top Hogs 49.25; Bulk 200-225 lbs. 48.50-49.25; 230-260 lbs. 48.00-49.00; 170-190 lbs. 46.00-48.00; Heavy Weights to 44.25; Sows to 42.00, Bulk 38.00-40.50.

VEAL CALVES: Good run, very active. Tops, to 98.50; Good-Choice 85.00-98.50; Standard 75.00-85.00; Light calves 3.00-5.00 lower! Bulk 55.00-75.00; Weak & Rough 55.00 Down. Farm heifers to 128.00, Bulls to 96.00.

LAMBS: Good demand, few offered. Good & Choice to 61.50; Medium to 55.00.

STOCK CATTLE: Good run, prices higher. Stock Steers 40.00-74.00; Stock Heifers 40.00-66.50, Light-weights to 76.50; Stock Bulls 40.00-75.00.

PIGS AND SHOATS: Good run, mostly steady. By the head 15.00-45.00, Shoats to 52.00; By the lb. 60-90 lbs. shoats to 81.00; 100-160 lbs. shoats to 50.00.

Carroll's Market

Carroll's Sales Co., Inc. Felton, Delaware December 8, 1978

COWS: Utility 40.00-44.50; Cutter 37.00-40.00.

STEERS: Choice 55.00-58.00; Good 50.00-55.00; Standard 45.00-50.00; 400-500 lbs. Feeder Bulls 57.00-70.00.

BULLS: 48.00-54.50. **VEAL CALVES:** Prime 80.00-90.00; Choice 70.00-80.00; Good 65.00-70.00; Standard 55.00-65.00; Monkeys returning to farm-50.00-84.00.

LAMBS: 53.00-86.00. **HOGS:** 50.50-53.50. **SOWS:** 39.00-41.00. **BOARS:** 38.00-39.75; Pigs sold between 27.00-70.00.

Joilet Cattle

December 14, 1978

Friday through Wednesday's salable receipts 7,400, 5 days last week 7,419, year ago 9,929. Trading slow on Monday, turning moderately active Wednesday.

Slaughter steers closed the week 75 to 1.25 higher than Wednesday of last week. Slaughter heifers closed the week 25 to 50 higher. Cows 50 higher.

SLAUGHTER STEERS: Mixed high Choice and Prime 3-4, few 5, 1150-1350 lbs. 55.50-56.00 Monday, 56.25-56.75 Wednesday. Load 4-5 1100 lbs. 56.00 Wednesday. Choice 2-4, largely 3-4, 1000-1250 lbs. 54.50-55.50 Monday, 55.25-56.25, Mostly 55.50-56.25 Wednesday. Mixed Good and Choice 2-3 1000-1200 lbs. 53.50-54.50 Monday, 54.00-55.00 Wednesday. Choice holsteins 1400-1500 lbs. 52.00.

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: Mixed Choice and Prime 3-4, few 5, 950-1100 lbs. 54.00-54.25; 1 load 54.50 Monday, 54.50-54.75 Wednesday. Choice 2-4 900-1050 lbs. 53.25-54.00 Monday, 53.75-54.50 Wednesday. Mixed Good and Choice 2-3 800-1000 lbs. 52.25-

53.25 Monday, 52.50-53.50 Wednesday.

COWS: Utility and Commercial 1-3 41.50-43.00. Canner and Cutter 39.00-41.00.

Market courtesy of USDA.

New Holland Dairy

New Holland Sales Stables Wed., December 13, 1978

Reported receipts of 169 cows, 203 heifers, and 10 bulls. Dairy cow market reported steady, heifers stronger.

Load of Pa. fresh 925-1040; load of N.Y. purebred and grades, fresh 900-2125, springers 850-1450; load of Pa. fresh 720-1050; load of Butler Co. purebred and grades, fresh 875-1600, springers 710-1800; Guernsey cows 525-800; local cows 750-1250; springing heifers, grades 775-1050, purebreds 850-1240; bred heifers 625-750; open heifers 275-625; bulls 450-600; herd dispersal of 25 head in all stages of lactation 345-1000.

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