



JAN. 29-FEB. 4, 1979

Touch up the fire, sire.

Don't forget to feed the birds now Sam Goldwyn died Jan. 31, 1974 First quarter of the moon Feb 3 Average length of days for the week, 10 hours, 1 minute Groundhog Day Feb 2 (if clear, don't cheer) US Income Tax became law Feb 3, 1913 A little nonsense, now and then, is relished by the wisest men



Ask the Old Farmer: Can you tell me the origin of the name "Cat-O-Nine Tails," which is given to the tall reed growing alongside the road? E.G., Reading, Pa

The reed is named for its resemblance to a slave whip, which was also used at sea for flogging sailors. The whip left scars that looked like cat scratches

Home Hints To prevent your pancakes from sticking to a griddle that's too hot, rub a raw potato over the griddle

OLD FARMER'S WEATHER FORECASTS

New England: Cloudy and cold with flurries throughout the week
Greater New York-New Jersey: Very cold with flurries to start, then snowstorm, heavy south
Middle Atlantic Coastal: Cold with light snow throughout the week
Piedmont & Southeast Coastal: First of week, sunny and cold, then light rain east and south, snow west and north for remainder of week

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Joliet Cattle

January 25, 1979

Weekly cattle: Friday through Wednesday salable receipts 6200; 5 days last week 4537; same period last year 6322. Trading moderate for the week. Slaughter steers closed the week 75 to 1.25, instances 1.50 lower. Slaughter heifers 1.00-1.50 lower than last Friday. Cows steady to weak.

SLAUGHTER STEERS: Mixed choice and prime 3-4 few 5 1150-1300 lbs. 62.75-63.50 Monday, 62.25 with 2 loads 62.75 on Wednesday. Choice 2-4 1050-1250 lbs. 62.00-62.75 Monday, 61.00-62.00 Wednesday. Mixed good and choice 2-3

950-1250 lbs. 61.00-62.00 Monday, 60.00-61.00 Wednesday.

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: Mixed choice and prime 3-4 few 5 950-1100 lbs. 62.00-62.50 Monday, 4 loads at 61.00 Wednesday. Choice 2-4 900-1050 lbs. 61.25-62.00; 1000 lbs. 60.00-61.25 Monday, 59.00-60.00 Wednesday.

COWS: Utility and commercial 1-3 47.00-50.00, a few high dressing individuals at 51.50 on Monday.

Wolves

While hunting, wolves roam far and wide. They tend to travel single file at a tireless rate of five miles an hour. Oftentimes, their routes traverse frozen waterways, windswept ridges and old roads and trails.

Livestock market and auction news

Special Market

Work Horse and Mule Sale for Paul Waltermeyer at New Holland - January 19, 1979
 Total 331 head.

Work horses, load out of Iowa, pairs 1650-3200, singles 1050-1750; load out of Kansas, singles 875-1225; load out of Tennessee, pairs 2250-3250, singles 1100-1950; load out of Michigan, pairs 1825-3600, singles 875-1300; load out of Iowa, pairs 1075-2425, singles 800-1075; mules, load out of Kentucky, pairs 2400-3150, singles 950-1450; load out of Iowa, pairs 2500-3950, singles 1050-2000; local work horses, pairs 2200-3400, singles 925-1300; registered mares 1150-2600; mules, pairs 1200-3600, singles 750-1025; driving horses 810-1000.

Omaha Cattle

January 25, 1979

Cattle -- Compared previous week's close -- midweek prices on slaughter steers and heifers were 25-50 cents lower. Limited late sales steers steady, heifers weak to 25 cents lower. Cows closed steady to 50 cents lower and bulls were fully steady, instances 1.00 higher.

The fed cattle trade again followed an uneven pattern;

prices firmed on the initial session and then broke sharply on Tuesday as carcass beef prices plummeted downward. The downturn was short lived, however, as carcass prices rebounded, and midweek trading on a curtailed run of steers and heifers was aggressive as prices again trended higher. Late supplies were not sufficient to fully reflect the late upsurge in carcass prices. The run included a fairly liberal percentage choice steers and heifers, but mud was a generally prevalent condition and often a major price determining factor. Steers made up approximately 40 per cent and heifers 32 per cent. Cows comprised 14 per cent and feeders 10 per cent.

STEERS: Several loads choice and prime 3-4 1167-1241 lbs. 62.50-63.00 early, some choice 3 62.75-63.00 to fill commodity orders. At midweek, load and part load choice with few prime 3 1125-1150 lbs 62.62, and load choice and prime 3-4 1177 lbs. 62.75 Thursday. Choice 2-4 1000-1275 lbs. closed 61.00-62.50. Mixed Good and Choice 2-3 1000-1250 lbs. 60.00-61.00. Good 2-3 56.00-59.50.

Average of LS-214, detailed quotations for choice 900-1100 lb. steers this week 61.72; choice 1100-1300 lbs. 61.62. Average weight steers for three days 1171 lbs. as compared 1158 lbs. previous week. Average weight heifers for three days

1000 lbs. as compared 984 lbs. previous week.

HEIFERS: Early, four loads and part load choice and prime 3-4 996-1137 lbs. 61.50. At midweek, load and part load choice and prime 3-4 1000-1025 lbs. 60.35-60.50. Choice 2-4 900-1050 lbs. closed 59.50-60.50. Mixed Good and Choice 2-3 850-1000 lbs. 58.00-59.00. Good 2-3 54.50-58.00.

COWS: Utility and commercial 2-4 46.00-48.50, few 49.00-50.00. Cutter 43.00-46.00. Canner and low-cutter 39.00-43.00.

BULLS: 1-2 1400-2000 lbs. 53.00-60.00, an individual 1 62.00.

New Holland Horse

New Holland Sales Stables

Monday, January 22

Reported receipts of 273 head of horses, mules, and ponies. Market stronger than last week's market.

Local driving horses 350-750; riding horses 225-375; better horses 400-700; lightweight killers 250-350; heavyweight killers 375-650; mare ponies 15-55; colts 5-20; geldings 15-50; larger ponies 75-225.



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