

# THE OLD FARMER'S ALMANAC

MARCH 5-11, 1979

Think we saw a thaw.

Prune fruit trees now Johnny Appleseed died March 11, 1847  
 First quarter of the moon March 5 Average length of days for the week, 11 hours, 34 minutes (we gain 87 minutes of daylight this month). Maple sap running now On the 5th, the spacecraft Voyager I, launched Sept 5, 1977, will pass Jupiter on it's way to a rendezvous with Saturn late next year They who give have all things



Ask the Old Farmer: I've heard tell that rainbows can help foretell upcoming weather Is this true? R H, Battle Creek, Mich

More often than not There are three pieces of verse we trust "Rainbow at noon, more rain soon" "Rainbow in the east,

sailors at peace Rainbow in the west, sailors in distress "Rainbow in morning, shepherds take warning Rainbow at night, shepherds' delight"

Home Hints: Keep bottle corks to use as pin cushions for loose tacks and pins that find their way into drawers

## OLD FARMER'S WEATHER FORECASTS

New England: Partly sunny and cold, some heavy rain on coast last of week

Greater New York-New Jersey: Cold with light snow to start, sunny and mild with few showers for remainder of week

Middle Atlantic Coastal: Cold and showery to midweek, then sunny and very warm

Piedmont & Southeast Coastal: Seasonal and showery all week

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## Lebanon Valley Auction

Fredericksburg, Pa.  
 February 27, 1979

**CATTLE** 262. Compared with last Tuesday's market, slaughter steers steady to \$1 lower. Slaughter cows 25 cents to \$1 lower, spots \$1.50 lower. Choice No. 2-4 900-1395 lbs. slaughter steers 67.00-69.00, Good 63.00-67.00, Standard 61.75-64.75, few Utility 57.75-59.75. Few Choice slaughter heifers 63.10-65.25, Good 63.00-64.10, few Standard 53.75-61.00. Utility & Commercial slaughter cows 52.75-54.75, few to 58.50, Cutters 50.75-

53.75, Canner & Low Cutter 47.00-50.60, few Shells down to 45.00. Few Good & Choice slaughter bullocks 62.75-67.25, few Utility & Low Standard 54.85-63.25. One Yield Grade #1 1335 lbs. slaughter bulls at 63.75; one yield grade #2 1595 lbs. at 66.00.

**CALVE** 192. Vealers grading Standard & Good \$2 to \$5 higher. Two Prime vealers 117.00 and 131.00, few Choice 124.00-137.00, few Good 92.00-116.00, Standard & Good 900-115 lbs. 92.00-102.00, 65-90 lbs. 85.00-92.00, few Utility 50-80 lbs. 50.00-86.00. Farm calves very active. Holstein Bulls 90-120 lbs. 105.00-140.00; holstein

heifers 80-150, few to 250 lbs. 100.00-155.00.

**HOGS** 478 Barrows & gilts mostly \$2 lower. US No. 1-2 195-245 lbs. barrows & gilts 54.00-55.00, No. 1-3 190-250 lbs. 53.50-54.35, No. 2-3 200-260 lbs. 52.50-53.85. US No. 1-3 285-605 lbs. sows 48.25-51.00, one at 52.25, No. 2-3 300-540 lbs. 46.00-49.25. Few Boars 41.00-44.25.

**FEEDER PIGS** 48. US No. 1-3 45-75 lbs. feeder pigs 68.50-81.00 cwt.

**SHEEP** 2. Two slaughter sheep at 30.00.

Market courtesy of PDA.

## Joliet Cattle

March 1, 1979

**CATTLE:** Friday through Wednesday's salable receipts 4,900; 5 days last week 5,039; year ago 7,841. Trading slow on Monday, turning moderately active Wednesday. Slaughter steers and heifers closed the week 1.00-1.50 higher than Wednesday of last week. Cows closed the week 50 to mostly 1.00 higher.

**SLAUGHTER STEERS:** Mixed high Choice and Prime 3-4, few 5, 1150-1350 lbs. 68.00-68.50 Monday; 69.00-69.50, load mostly 4, few 5, 1250 68.50 Wednesday. Choice 2-4 1050-1300 66.50-68.00 Monday; 67.00-69.00 mostly 67.50-69.00 Wednesday. Mixed Good and Choice 2-3 1000-1250 lbs. 65.00-66.50 Monday; 66.00-67.00 Wednesday.

**SLAUGHTER HEIFERS:** Mixed high Choice and Prime 3-4, few 5, 950-1100 66.00-66.50 Monday; 67.00, 1 load 67.25, 1 load 67.50. Choice 2-4 900-1050 66.25 Monday; 66.00-67.00 Wednesday. Mixed Good and Choice 2-3 800-1000 64.00-65.50 Monday; 64.50-66.00 Wednesday.

**COWS:** Utility & Commercial 1-3 50.00-52.00, few 52.50; 51.00-53.00, Wednesday.

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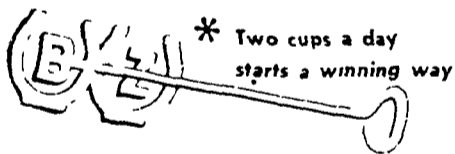
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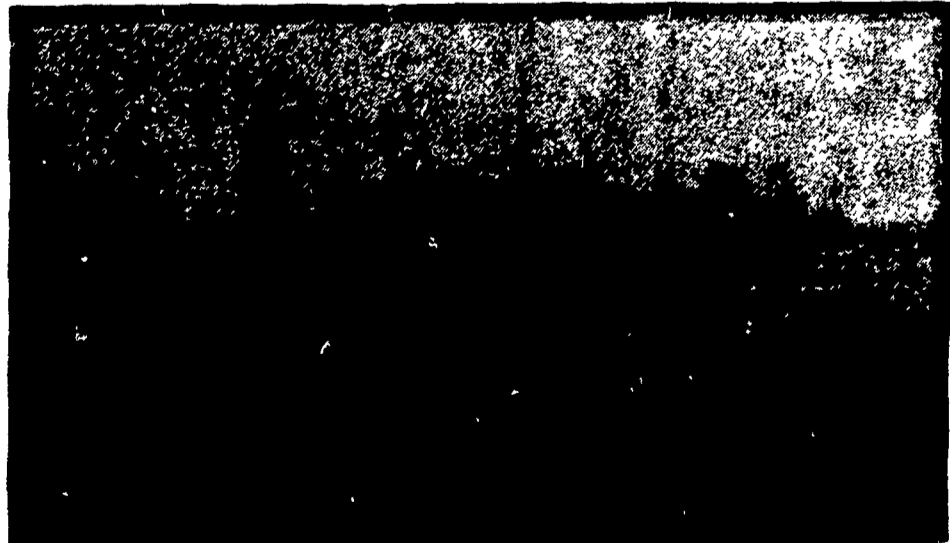
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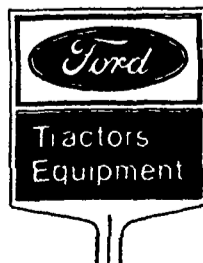
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