

Livestock market and auction news



THE OLD FARMER'S ALMANAC

MAY 21-27, 1979

It's spring-like, so hike or bike.

Trees finish annual growth now Babe Ruth hit his last home run (#714) May 25, 1935 New moon May 25 Average length of days for the week, 14 hours, 54 minutes Ben Franklin invented bifocals May 23, 1785 Golden Gate Bridge opened May 27, 1937 A bright eye indicates curiosity; a black eye too much



Ask the Old Farmer: Someone wrote to our local paper asking about "heartshorn" as an ingredient in an old cookie recipe No one seemed to know the answer Do you? P.N., Waterville, Maine

Heartshorn (this is the way it's spelled) is a preparation made originally from the horn of a hart or stag deer It has medicinal properties, and made into tablets it eases a cough. It's also used in smelling salts, but we can't fathom what it does to cookies

Home Hints: Club soda that has gone flat is good for watering plants The chemicals which remain add vigor and color to your greenery

OLD FARMER'S WEATHER FORECASTS

New England: Rainy and cold to start, then warm with sprinkles east, rain west.

Greater New York-New Jersey: Rain, clearing and warm, rain again, sunny and seasonal weekend

Middle Atlantic Coastal: Week begins sunny and pleasant, thundershowers at midweek, then clear and cool

Piedmont & Southeast Coastal: Sunny and warm first of week, then showers east, seasonal

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Lancaster Feeder Cattle

Lancaster, Pa.
Fri., May 11, 1979

Today 204
Last Friday 924
Last Year 312

TREND: Hardly enough on offer for a market test, few lots 1.00-3.00 higher.

FEEDER STEERS: One

lot Choice and Prime 415 lbs. 117.50; couple lots Choice 480-530 lbs. 97.50-102.50, one lot Choice 955 lbs. 74.10; one lot mixed Good and Choice 905 lbs. 73.50.

FEEDER HEIFERS: One lot Choice 425 lbs. 90.50.

FEEDER BULLS: One lot Choice 385 lbs. 111.00; couple lots Standard and Good 785-860 lbs. 67.10-68.50.

Market courtesy of USDA.

Dewart Auction

Dewart, Pa.
May 14, 1979

CATTLE 186. Compared with last Monday's market, slaughter cows mostly 50 cents higher. Choice No. 2-4 975-1275 lbs. slaughter steers 72.00-75.25, Good 68.25-71.00. Choice slaughter heifers 69.00-72.85, one at 74.25. Utility & Commercial slaughter cows 58.00-64.85, Cutters 57.00-62.00, few Canner & Low Cutter 51.50-55.00. Few Choice slaughter bullocks 73.85-74.50, few Good 69.00-72.00. Yield Grade #1 1100-2000 lbs. slaughter bulls 69.50-76.85. Few Good 650-780 lbs. feeder steers 73.00-78.50, one at 85.00.

CALVES 128. Few Choice vealers 125.00-130.00, few Good 105.00-115.00, few Standard & Good 90-110 lbs. 99.00-101.00, 70-85 lbs. 85.00-95.00. Farm calves, holstein bulls 90-120 lbs. 110.00-135.00, couple to 140.00; few holstein heifers 100-150 lbs. 150.00-188.00.

HOGS 410. Barrows & gilts 50 cents to \$1 higher. US No. 1-2 200-240 lbs. barrows & gilts 47.00-47.60, No. 1-3 200-240 lbs. 45.50-46.85, No. 2-3 230-250 lbs. 43.50-44.75. US No. 1-3 300-550 lbs. sows 36.75-40.00. Boars 35.00-40.00.

FEEDER PIGS 178. US No. 1-3 25-40 lbs. feeder pigs 35.00-39.00 per head, No. 1-3 40-50 lbs. 36.50-46.50 per head.

SHEEP 17. Choice 80-110 lbs. spring slaughter lambs 80.50-84.00.

Market courtesy of PDA.

East Coast Carlot

May 16, 1979

Compared to Tuesday: prime special fed veal firm in limited test and comparison. Good and Choice boning veal firm to 2.00 higher. Spring lamb 55 lbs. down generally steady. No sales reported on boneless beef, however weak undertone noted. Cured and processed hams steady to weak.

VEAL CARCASS-HIDE ON

Prime (Special Fed) 180-240 lbs. LTD 230.00, firm, late yesterday few kosher 235.00.

BONING TYPE-HIDE ON

Good & Choice

Northeastern Suppliers: 65-75 lbs. 146.00-150.00, mostly 150.00. All firm to 2.00 higher.

55-64 lbs. 144.00-148.00, mostly 148.00; 45-54 lbs. 142.00-146.00, mostly 146.00; 34-44 lbs. 140.00-144.00, mostly 144.00; 34 lbs. down 138.00-142.00, mostly 142.00.

Inshipped: 70-80 lbs. LTD 154.00, all firm; 60-70 lbs. LTD 152.00, 50-60 lbs. LTD 150.00; 40-50 lbs. LTD 148.00; 30-40 lbs. LTD 146.00.

LAMB CARCASS

Choice & Prime 3-4

55-65 lbs. few 135.00; 65-75 lbs. few 130.00.

SPRING LAMB CARCASS

Choice & Prime 3-4

3 Loads
55 lbs. down 142.00 part loads, generally steady; 55-60 lbs. 140.00 part load.

BONELESS BEEF

90 pct chem lean, fresh boxed, part load 151.00.

CURED & PROCESSED MEATS

10 Loads

SKINNED HAMS: 16-19 lbs. 76.00.

SEMI BNLS HAMS: 14-17 lbs. 97.00, steady.

BONELESS HAMS: 13-17 lbs. 121.00, weak.

No. 1 Sliced Bacon Vacuum Pack 94.00, weak.

Franks 70 Beef, 30 Pork 1 lb. Pack 93.00, weak.

Bologna, 70 Beef, 30 Pork 1 lb. pack 98.00, steady.

Market courtesy of USDA.

Four States Auction

Four States Livestock Sales, Inc.
Wed., May 9, 1979

SLAUGHTER: Fed Steers & Heifers - \$1.00 higher.

Choice 71.00-73.75; Good 66.00-70.00; Medium 65.00-70.00; Good 65.00-67.00;

Medium 64.00-Down. Cows - mostly steady prices. High Yield 61.50-63.50; Average 58.00-61.00; Big Middle 53.00-57.00; Shelly 56.00-Down. Fat

Bulls - steady to \$1.00 higher. Good 71.00-76.50; Medium 65.00-70.00. Veal Calves - steady prices. Choice 115.00-129.00; Good 105.00-114.00;

Medium 95.00-104.00; Farm Hfrs. to \$201.00; Farm Bulls to \$157.00; Light & Weak \$92.00-Down. Lambs - strong demand. Choice 76.00-80.00; Good 70.00-75.00; Feeders to \$84.00.

STOCKER: Steers 300-550 lbs. - steady prices. Choice

79.00-99.50; Good 91.00-96.00; Medium 84.00-90.00; Culls 83.00-Down. Steers 600-850 lbs. - Choice 82.00-85.00; Good 75.00-81.00; Medium 74.00-Down. Heifers (All Weights) - Choice 88.00-94.00; Good 79.00-87.00; Medium 78.00-Down. Bulls - Choice 91.00-97.00; Good 80.00-90.00; Medium 79.00-Down. Dairy Cows - to 950.00. Springing Hfrs. - to \$1220.00. Pigs - Hd. 2.00 lower. 20-30 lbs. \$26.00-37.00; 40-60 lbs. 38.00-48.00. Shoats by lb. - to \$53.00. Slaughter Hogs - 50 cents higher. 210-230 lbs. 45.50-46.35; 240-260 lbs. 44.75-46.00; 190-205 lbs. 44.00-45.50. Sows - 300-550 lbs. 35.25-40.00.

Thomasville Market

Thomasville, Pa.
Wednesday, May 16

Cattle, 190 head. Steers, prime 73.00-74.85; choice 72.00-73.00; good 69.00-71.00;

Holstein steers, good 67.85-68.50; standard 64.00-66.00; Heifers: prime 72.00-73.25; choice 68.00-71.00; good 64.00-66.00; Cows: utility and high cutter slaughter cows 58.00-60.00; cutters 56.00-58.00; canners 48.00-53.00;

Bulls: yield grade 1 75.00-77.00; standard 65.00-68.00; bullocks 65.50-69.35; Calves, 31 head, choice 125.00-130.00; good 110.00-115.00; Holstein bull calves, 90 to 120 lbs. 110.00-135.00; utility 80-90 lbs. 85.00-95.00; Hogs 373 head; US 1 to 3, private treaty, 200 to 230 pounds 45.75; sows U.S. 1-3 37.00-38.25.



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