

Livestock market and auction news



THE OLD FARMER'S ALMANAC

MARCH 24-30, 1980
A run of some sun

March goes out like a lion Emmett Kelly died March 28 1979
Average length of days for the week, 12 hours, 36 minutes
Tornadoes around now Food rationing began March 29, 1943
Alaska purchased from Russia March 30 1867 Woodchucks
emerging now Try before you trust



Ask the Old Farmer How did the old-timers forecast the weather before radio and TV weathermen? Or for that matter before the Old Farmer's Almanac? Was anything reliable? H.F., Bellows Falls, Vt

Very little If you didn't have The Old Farmer's Almanac (and it's been around since 1792) you could have kept a pig
When he digs a hole in the ground, it's going to be hot When he chews straw it's going to rain The alternative was that folks just let her storm and thought about something else

Home Hints Wet scissors prevent stickiness when dicing marshmallows or dates

OLD FARMER'S WEATHER FORECASTS

New England: Rainy and milder at week's start, then partly cloudy and cold, weekend brings sleet and snow in mountains
Greater New York-New Jersey: Rain to start the week, then cloudy and seasonal through end of week, partly sunny and cold for week's end
Middle Atlantic Coastal: Showers, mild, at beginning of week, then sunny and seasonal, weekend brings rain and cold
Piedmont & Southeast Coastal: Week begins with showers, then clear and warm, possible rain, cold wave, for weekend
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Peoria Cattle

Thursday, March 20
Report supplied by USDA
Receipts about 2900 this week, 2788 a week ago, and 3520 a year ago. Trading extremely slow on steers and heifers through Wednesday and fully 1.50-2.00 lower for the week. Cows and bulls steady to instances 1.00 lower from late last week. Demand for steers and heifers continue light this week as buyers were attempting to adjust live prices to bring them more in line with carcass and cut pieces. Receipts included about 25 percent heifers and 5 percent cows.
SLAUGHTER STEERS: Mixed Choice and Prime 3-5 1025-1300 lb. 67.50-69.00 Monday but 65.00-66.50 Wednesday, few 4-5 1300 lbs. 62.00. Choice 2-4 1000-1300 lbs. Late 65.00-67.00, few to 68.00; Monday to 68.50 and load 3 1000-1050 lbs. 69.00-69.50 Mixed Good and Choice 2-4 950-1150 lbs. 63.50-64.50 late. Good 62.00-63.00
SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: Choice, few Prime, 2-4 900-1050 lbs. Closed 63.50-66.25; early to 67.50 with few head to 68.00 and some 4-5 1100 lbs. 63.00. Mixed Good and

Choice 2-4 850-1050 lbs. 62.50-64.50, early to 66.00. Good 2-3 800-1000 lbs. Late 61.00-63.00.
COWS: Utility and Commercial 1-3 47.00-50.00, some utility 1-2 early 51.00-52.00. Cutter 1-2 45.00-47.50.
BULLS: Yield Grade 1-2 1100-1700 lbs. 55.00-60.00; few 2-3 1500-2065 lbs. 47.00-55.00.

New Holland Dairy

New Holland, Pa.
Wednesday, March 19
Report supplied by auction
Reported receipts of 110 cows, 178 heifers, and 6 bulls. Market lower for cows and steady for heifers.
Load of Susquehanna Co. purebred & grade fresh cows, 1125.00-2030.00; Load of NY purebred & grade fresh cows, 925.00-1450.00, springers 1250.00-1675.00; Load of Pa. fresh cows, 975.00-1475.00, springers 960.00-1250.00; Load of Pa. fresh cows, 975.00-115.00; Load of Pa. fresh cows, 1150.00-1280.00. Locally consigned cows, 750.00-1275.00; Springing heifers 850.00-1360.00; Open Heifers 350.00-570.00; Bulls 450.00-900.00

Central US Carlot

Wednesday, March 19
Report supplied by USDA
Compared to Tuesday's 4:30 report: steer & heifer beef 1.00-2.00 lower under very light demand and trading. Market is in a depressed state, with negative margins reported from feedlots thru processing channels. Retail outlets showing very limited interest in beef items with most demand on pork and poultry. Sales reported on 54 loads of steer and heifer beef.

STEER BEEF

46 Loads
FOB Omaha Basis
Choice 3 550-850 lbs. 100.00, 1.00-2.00 lower.
Choice 3: 500-700 lbs. 103.00-104.00, chain store.
Choice 2: 500-700 lbs. 103.50-104.50, chain store.
Choice 4: 550-800 lbs. 92.00, 2.00 lower.
Good 2-3: 600-900 lbs. 98.00-98.25, late 97.00.
FOB Amarillo Basis
Choice 2&3: 500-700 lbs. YG 3 103.50; YG 4 104.50.

HEIFER BEEF

8½ Loads
FOB Omaha Basis
Choice 3: 500-700 lbs. 99.00-100.00 early, 1.00-2.00 lower.
Choice 4: 500-700 lbs. 94.00 early.
Good 2-3: 500-700 lbs. 96.00-97.00.

PRIMAL BEEF CUTS

13 Loads
FOB Omaha Basis
HIND (S): 145-190 lbs. 119.00.
FORES: 150-180 lbs. 88.50.
ARM CHUCKS: 75-120 lbs. 86.50.
ROUNDS (S): 65-95 lbs. 111.00.
SHORT PLATES: 65-95 lbs. 41.00.
ARM CHUCKS: 100-150 lbs. 82.00.
BONELESS PROCESSING BEEF/BEEF TRIMMINGS
37 Loads
FOB Omaha Basis
90 pct chem lean, fresh 130.00; 85 pct chem lean, fresh 120.00; 75 pct chem lean, fresh 98.00; 60 pct chem lean, frozen 57.00; 50 pct chem lean, fresh 42.00-44.00, 1.00-2.00 lower; 50 pct chem lean, frozen 45.00.
FOB Amarillo Basis
50 pct chem lean, frozen 45.00.

Compared to Tuesday's 2:15 report: fresh pork loins steady-5.00 lower except 20&up lbs. 1.00 higher than last test. Boston butts 1.00 lower than Monday. Fresh hams steady, instances 1.00-2.00 lower than Friday. Sdls bellies steady-1.50 higher Trading and demand light to moderate. Reported on 73½ loads and 10 loads of trimmings and variety meats.

FRESH PORK CUTS

LOINS 14/dn lbs. 75.75; 14-17 lbs 71.50-74.75, steady-2.75 lower; 14-17 lbs. 75.50-77.50 clear channel; 17-20 lbs. 68.00-71.50, 72.50 late, 2.50-5.00 lower yesterday; 20&up lbs. 69.00, 1.00 higher than last test.
PICNICS: 4-8 lbs. 44.50, 1.00 lower than Monday.
BOSTON BUTTS: 4-8 lbs. 59.00, 1.00 lower than Monday.
SPARERIBS: 3/dn lbs. 84.00 frozen.
SKINNED HAMS: 14-17 lbs. 65.0-67.00, steady-2.00 lower than Friday; 17-20 lbs. 58.00-60.00, steady-1.00 lower; 20-26 lbs. 58.00 steady.
BELLIES, SDLS: 10-12 lbs. 29.00, 2.00 higher; 12-14

lbs. 37.50-37.75, steady-25 higher; 14-16 lbs. 38.00; steady-1.00 higher; 16-18 lbs 37.00, 1.50 higher than Friday; 18-20 lbs 34.00 .75 higher.

VARIETY MEATS
FEET, TOES ON: 16.00.
NECK BONES: 11.00.
CHITTERLINGS: 28.00.

PORK TRIMMINGS/ BONELESS PROCESSING PORK (Chemical Lean)
42 pct lean trmgs fresh 28.50; 72 pct lean trmgs fresh 64.00; 72 pct bnl pics fresh 65.75.

Lancaster Feeder Cattle

Friday, March 14
Report supplied by USDA

	Feeder Cattle
Today	103
Last Friday	339
Last Year	815

TREND: Insufficient volume for a market test. Supply included 50 head in lots of 5-20 head unsold. One lot Medium and Large frame number 1 680 lbs. 75.50; one lot Medium frame number 1 and 2 560 lbs. 68.50. Balance sold in lots of one and two.

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Complete Line of
RED ROSE Feeds
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LATE NOTICE **WOODBURNERS:**
TODAY - SATURDAY, MARCH 22
8:30 A.M. to 3:30 P.M.

WE WILL BE DEMONSTRATING:
■ LOG SPLITTING ■ LOG SAWING ■ LOG TOWING

THE FOLLOWING WILL BE IN ACTION
★ 3 pt. Cordwood Saw ★ 3 pt. Splitter ★ Hyd. Splitter
★ 4 W/D Kubota Towing Logs
★ Loader & Trailer Hauling Logs

SPECIAL PRICES IN EFFECT

FREE COFFEE & DONUTS

START NOW TO STOCK UP WOOD FOR NEXT YEAR

GUESSING GAME - Person who guesses the closest weight of two piles of wood - receives the wood

AT
KELLER BROS. TRACTOR CO.
BUFFALO SPRINGS, PA PH: 717-949-6501
RT. 419, 1 MILE WEST OF SCHAEFFERSTOWN

NEW HOLLAND SALES STABLES, Inc.
12 Miles East of Lancaster
on Route 23, New Holland, Penna.

WEEKLY FEEDER PIG SALE EVERY WEDNESDAY

Sale to Start at 1:30 P.M.

We Will Receive Your Pigs Anytime From 7 A.M. Wed. Morning

State Graded Until 12 Noon.
All pigs inspected by State Approved Veterinarian.
State tags available at our office for you to tag pigs at home to save 25 cents tagging charge.
Tags delivered if you call 717-354-4341 our office in advance.

Calf Sale To Be Held Every Thursday At 4:30 P.M.

NORMAN KOLB **ABE DIFFENBACH**
717-397-5538 717-393-4464

Green Dragon Livestock Sales

1 mile North of Ephrata, PA

COWS COWS COWS
BUYERS FROM 3 STATES

Regular consignments from Ray Kyper, Bob Kennedy, Dale Brewer and Ed Stover plus local consigners.

Lots of good Northern Feeders and Stockers.

SALE EVERY FRIDAY
Bulls, Steers, Slaughter Cows, Lambs and Veal Calves

11.00 A.M. - Beef Sale Stockers & Feeders 200 to 250 each week
12:30 P.M. - Dairy Cows
7:00 P.M. - Small Animal Sale

For Special Sales and Herd Dispersals on the farm or at our barn or other market information call Office 717-733-2444.

WALTER H. RISSER, Proprietor

FRIDAY, APRIL 18
ON THE FARM MONTHLY BRED GILT SALE

Sale to start promptly at 1:00 Every 4 weeks

Located 18 miles south of Lancaster, PA, 6 miles south of Quarryville, take Rt. 272 to Little Britian, turn north, follow Little Britian Rd. to Jackson Rd., 2nd farm, OR Take Rt. 222 out of Quarryville to Cedar Hill Rd. to Little Britian Rd. to Jackson Rd. Watch for sale arrows.

50 to 60 Head
more or less
2 & 3 Way Crossbred Gilts
York & Hampshire & Duroc

Due to farrow 3 days to 4 weeks after sale date. Now everything vaccinated for both Lepto & Erysipelas, wormed and sprayed for lice
Local trucker available
No hogs sold on commission

CHRIST A. BEILER
RD 2, Quarryville, PA
JOHN B. STOLTZFUS

Abe Diffenbach
Auctioneer
NEXT SALE DATE - MAY 16