



THE OLD FARMER'S ALMANAC

JUNE 23-29, 1980

Nice surprise! Blue skies

Plant cucumbers for pickling now. General Custer and all his men slain June 25, 1876. Full moon June 28. Average length of days for the week, 15 hours, 17 minutes. Baseball-size hail hit Ft Stockton Texas, June 23, 1957. Bad weather always looks worse through a window.



Home Hints: Leftover coffee poured on anthills and ant runs rid them completely.

OLD FARMER'S WEATHER FORECASTS

New England: Intermittent heavy thunderstorms, cool all week, week's end is clearing and seasonal.

Greater New York-New Jersey: Thundershowers and mild most of week, with clear skies and warm temperatures for weekend.

Middle Atlantic Coastal: Clearing south rain north first of week then clear and warm middle of week, weekend brings showers inland.

Piedmont & Southeast Coastal: Sunny and hot throughout the week, with scattered showers for weekend.

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Omaha Cattle

Thursday, June 19

Report supplied by USDA
Through midweek, Slaughter Steers were 1.25-1.75 higher, instances 2.00 higher, Heifers 1.00-1.50 higher. Cows were under pressure and 1.00-2.50 lower with the most decline on breaking type utility and commercial. Bulls were firm.

Four Day Receipts 12,500
Last Week 15,500
Year Ago 12,450

Most packers again entered the week in need of immediate Slaughter requirements. Local marketings were moderate early and sharply curtailed at midweek. The carcass trade was forced upward with the demand for steers usually greater than for heifers through midweek. The Steer supply included a fair percentage Choice with some Choice and Prime Heifers largely good to average - Choice with a few loads Choice and Prime. Slaughter Steers made up near 51 pct, Heifers 28 pct, Cows 13 pct and Feeders 6 pct of the week's total receipts.

STEERS. At midweek, four loads Choice 3 1125-1150 lbs. 68.25-68.50, one load at latter price. Several loads Choice 3 and Choice with end Prime 3, few 4 1175-1225 lbs. 68.00, few loads near 1100 lbs. returned to country for short feeding period also 68.00. Choice 2-4 1050-1275 lbs. 65.50-67.75. Early in week, few loads Choice and Prime with larger percentage 4 1200-1350 lbs. 64.00-66.00. Mixed Good and Choice 2-3 1000-1250 lbs. 65.00-66.00. Good 2-3 62.00-65.00. Good and Choice 2-3 1200-1400 lb. Holsteins ranged 58.00-60.00, few 60.50, load 1680 lbs. 56.00.

Average of LS-214 quotations for Choice 900-1100 lbs. Steers this week

66.80; 1100-1300 lbs. 66.82. Average cost and weight of Steers sold out of first hands this week 1169 lbs. 66.17 as compared 1170 lbs. and 64.86 week ago. Average cost and weight of Heifers sold out of first hands this week 1004 lbs. 64.12 as compared 1017 lbs. 62.72.

HEIFERS: At midweek, three loads Choice and Prime 3-4 1025-1075 lbs. 66.25-66.50. Choice 2-4 900-1100 lbs. 64.25-66.00. Mixed Good and Choice 2-3 875-1050 lbs. 62.50-64.50. Good 59.50-62.50.

COWS: at the close, Utility and Commercial 2-4 42.00-43.50, few 44.00. Cutter and boning utility 1-2 42.00-43.50. Canner and low cutter 40.00-42.50.

BULLS: 1-2 1200-2000 lbs. 52.00-58.00, few high dressing 1.60 00-62.00.

Lancaster Feeder Cattle

Friday, June 13

Report supplied by USDA
Today 275
Last Friday 269
Last Year 273

TREND: Insufficient volume for a full market test; supply included five lots of sixty head sold in the graded sale; balance sold mainly in lots of four or less.

FEEDER STEERS
MEDIUM FRAME 1: One lot 835 lbs. 66.80; couple lots 940-990 lbs. 62.85-63.00.

FEEDER HEIFERS
MEDIUM FRAME 1-2: One lot 580 lbs. 62.75.

FEEDER BULLS
MEDIUM AND LARGE FRAME 1: One lot 640 lbs. 65.10; few 565-910 lbs. 61.50-63.00.

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Retail food prices rose 10.9 percent in 1979 while the overall rate of inflation was 11.3 percent. This compares to a 10-percent hike in food prices and a 7.7 percent overall inflation rate in 1978.

Central U.S. Carlot

Wednesday, June 18

Report supplied by USDA
Compared to Tuesday's 4:30 report: steer beef steady; heifer beef erratic, steady to 1.00 higher to packers and processors but 1.00 lower to chain stores. Demand unevenly moderate with packers bullish. Supplies moderate. Sales reported on 120 loads of steer and heifer beef.

STEER BEEF

92 Loads

FOB Omaha Basis
Choice 3: 700-900 lbs. 107.00, steady, pckr/pckr.
Choice 3: 600-700 lbs. 105.00-106.00, generally steady, mostly 106.00; pckr/pckr.

Choice 2-3: 600-700 lbs. YG 3 107.00; Y.G. 2 108.00.
Choice 4: 600-900 lbs. 95.00.
Choice 4: 600-850 lbs. 97.00 West.

Good 2-3: 600-900 lbs. 102.00 steady pckr/pckr.
Good 2-3: 600-800 lbs. 99.00-100.00 West.

Good 2-3: 600-900 lbs. 96.50 (Hols. type).

FOB Amarillo Basis

Choice 2-3: 500-700 lbs. Y 3 106.50-107.50; Y 2 108.00-108.50.

HEIFER BEEF

28 Loads

FOB Omaha Basis

Choice 3: 550 & up lbs. 103.00-104.00, steady-1.00 hghr.

Choice 3: 500-750 lbs. 102.00, chn str 1.00 lower.
Choice 4: 500-700 lbs. 94.00, 1.00 higher.

Good 2-3: 500-700 lbs. 97.00, steady.

Cow beef not well tested, steady-1.00 lower to West Coast. Supplies light, demand light.

COW BEEF

5 Loads

FOB Omaha Basis

Utility: 450 & up lbs. 76.50 steady (BKRK) 3-4.

Utility: 400 & up lbs. 83.50. (BNG) 2-3.

Canner & Cutter: 350 & up lbs. 88.50, 1-2.

FOB Amarillo Basis

Utility: 450 & up lbs. 77.50, 1.00 lower, (BRKG) 3-4.

PRIMAL BEEF CUTS

Choice 3

3 Loads

FOB Omaha Basis

HINDS (S): 120-170 lbs. 124.00.

BONELESS PROCESSING BEEF/BEEF TRIMMINGS

26 Loads

FOB Omaha Basis

50% chem lean fresh 47.00-48.50, 1.00 higher.

50% chem lean frozen 48.00.

Compared to Tuesday's 2:15 report: Fresh pork loins 1.00-2.00 lower. Picnics 4-8 lbs. 1.50 higher. Boston butts steady-2.00 higher, advance on 4-8 lbs. Fresh hams steady, instances 1.00 lower on packer to packer trading. Sdls Bellies not fully established, few early sales firm trading light, moderate for loins; Demand light to

moderate. Sales reported on 67½ loads and 10 loads of trimmings and variety meats.

FRESH PORK CUTS

LOINS: 14/dn lbs. 84.00-84.50; 14-17 lbs. 83.00-85.00, mostly 1.00 lower, 83.00-84.00; 14-17 lbs. 95.00 clr channel/sp trim; 20 & up lbs. 62.00-63.00, 1.00-2.00 lower; 20 & up lbs. 66.50 clear channel.

PICNICS: 4-8 lbs. 45.50, 1.50 higher.

BOSTON BUTTS: 4-8 lbs. 60.00, 2.00 higher; 8 & up lbs. 56.00, steady.

SPARERIBS: 3/dn lbs. 104.00 frozen.

SKINNED HAMS: 17-20 lbs. 61.00 frozen; 20-26 lbs. 61.00, stdy. inst. 1.00 lower.

BELLIES, SDLS: 10-12 lbs. 27.00; 12-14 lbs. 31.50; 18-20 lbs. 27.50.

BNLS CT BUTT: 1-1½ lbs. 89.50.

VARIETY MEATS

FEET, TOES ON: 13.50.

SKINNED JOWLS: 22.25-22.75 frozen.

PORK TRIMMINGS

BONELESS PROCESSING PORK

(Chemical Lean)

42% lean trimmings fresh 27.00, .50 higher; 72% lean trimmings fresh 62.00; 72% bnl picnics fresh 65.00; 72% bnl picnics frozen 61.25 resale; 85% cheek meat frozen 64.00.

Peoria Cattle

Thursday, June 19

Report supplied by USDA
Compared to last Wednesday: slaughter steers finished the week 1.50-2.00 higher. Heifers .50 to mostly 1.00 higher. Slaughter cows lost part of early advances and closed 1.00-2.00 higher. Bulls firm to 1.00 higher. Receipts this week totaled near 3100 compared to 3248 last week, 3264 last year.

SLAUGHTER STEERS: Choice, few Prime 2-4 1000-1300 lbs. 65.00-67.50, closing 66.50-67.50. ½ load at 68.00. Few Yield Grade 4 1275-1325 lbs. 62.00-63.00. Mixed Good and Choice 2-3 1000-1150 lbs. 64.50-66.50. Good 62.50-64.50. Good and Choice 1125-1300 lbs. Holsteins 60.00.

HEIFERS: Choice, few Prime 2-4 950-1100 lbs. 64.00-65.75, closing 64.50-65.75. Mixed Good and Choice 2-3 800-1050 lbs. 62.50-64.50. Good 60.50-62.50.

COWS: Utility and Commercial 2-3 42.00-50.00, closing 42.50-49.00. Cutters 41.00-47.00.

BULLS: Yield Grade 1-2 1000-1800 lbs. 50.00-59.25. Largely 51.00-56.00.

Lebanon Valley

Tuesday, June 17

Report Supplied by PDA
CATTLE 186. Compared with last Tuesday's market, slaughter steers about steady. Slaughter cows 50 cents - \$1 higher. Choice 2-4, 1000-1200 lbs. slaughter

steers 62.50-65.85, Good 58.25-63.00, Standard 55.00-57.75. Choice slaughter heifers 58.75-63.00, couple to 65.00.

Utility & Commercial slaughter cows 46.60-51.25, few 53.25, Cutters 46.00-50.50, Canner and Low Cutters 42.00-44.75. Couple Good slaughter bullocks at 56.35. Yield Grade No. 1 1300-1900 lbs. slaughter bulls 57.00-63.60, couple 64.25.

CALVES 192. Supply included 85% farm calves. Choice vealers 92.00-107.00, Good 83.00-95.00, Standard and Good 70-90 lbs. 67.00-76.00, Utility 50-100 lbs. 50.00-67.00. Farm Calves: Hol Bulls 85-120 lbs. 79.00-117.00, mostly 90.00-105.00; Hol. Heifers 90-125 lbs. 132.00-153.00.

HOGS 222. Barrows and gilts \$3-\$4 higher. US No. 1-3 195-260 lbs. barrows and gilts 37.25-38.60, couple lots 39.75, No. 1-3 165-195 lbs. 30.50-35.10. US No. 1-3 300-550 lbs. sows 26.75-28.75, few 30.00, No. 2-3 300-575 lbs. 25.50-28.00. Few Boars 25.25-27.00.

FEEDER PIGS 60. US No. 1-3 36-57 lbs. feeder pigs 43.00-51.00 per hundredweight.

SHEEP 14. Choice 50-100 lbs. spring slaughter lambs 61.00-68.00, few Good 65-90 lbs. 54.50-58.00.

Joliet Cattle

Thursday, June 19

Report supplied by USDA
CATTLE: Friday through Wednesday's salable receipts 2,900; 5 days last week 3,277, same period a year ago 4,170. Trading moderately active on Monday, slow on Wednesday. Slaughter steers ended the week 1.50 to 2.00, instances 2.50 higher than Wednesday of last week. Slaughter heifers 1.50 to 2.00 higher. Cows ended the week 2.00 to 3.00 higher.

SLAUGHTER STEERS: Mixed high Choice and Prime mostly 3, few 4, 1150-1300 lbs. 64.50-65.50 Monday; 66.00-66.50 Wednesday, mostly YG 4 1250-1350 lbs. 63.50-64.50 Monday. Choice 2-3 1050-1200 lbs. 65.50-66.00, 1 load 66.25 Monday; 66.50-67.00, 1 load 67.25 Wednesday. Choice 2-4 1050-1300 lbs. 64.50-65.50 Monday, 65.50-66.50 Wednesday.

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