



THE OLD FARMER'S ALMANAC

OCT. 6-12, 1980

In for a wetting, we're betting.

Set new trees now . . . Pierre Trudeau born Oct 8, 1919 New moon Oct 8 Average length-of days for the week, 11 hours, 20 minutes First glider license awarded a Mr Wiggins from Akron, Ohio, Oct 7, 1930 Cranberry harvest over A warm heart requires a cool head



Ask the Old Farmer: When I pick dandelion greens in the spring or wild berries later on, I have noticed that those growing around large rocks are bigger and more delicious. Do you think these rocks somehow provide mineral or vitamins to the plants? C. E. Brattleboro, Vt

Whatever the scientific reason, this was well known to old farmers. They always planted melons around a rock. They claimed the melons ripened sooner, were larger and sweeter. This is usually the case of any wild fruit growing beside a rock.

Home Hints: Place half an apple in an airtight container with baked goods to keep them moist.

OLD FARMER'S WEATHER FORECASTS

New England: Seasonal, then cool, light showers, midweek is warm, possible cold wave by weekend.

Greater New York-New Jersey: Fair, then rain, heavy south, and cool by middle of week, weekend brings warmer temperatures.

Middle Atlantic Coastal: Rainy and cool throughout the week, then partial clearing, warmer for week's end.

Piedmont & Southeast Coastal: Rain, very cool temperatures through middle of week, by weekend, sunny and warm.

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Special Feeder Steer Sale

Dublin, Va.

Wednesday, September 24
Report supplied by VDA

There were 1,429 head sold. All steers were graded by Representatives of the VDACS's Division of Markets, Livestock Section on USDA standards and sold by the hundredweight.

STEERS:

Medium Frame No. 1: 400-500 lbs. 79.00; 500-600 lbs. 74.75-76.00; 600-700 lbs. 69.50-75.00; 700-800 lbs. 72.50-73.25; 800-900 lbs. 63.00-69.25; 900-1000 lbs. 65.00-65.50.

Large Frame No. 1: 600-700 lbs. 72.75; 700-800 lbs. 73.50-73.75; 800-900 lbs. 64.50-67.00; 900-1100 lbs. 63.50.

Small Frame No. 1: 400-500 lbs. 71.00; 500-600 lbs. 71.25-72.25; 600-700 lbs. 69.00-72.50; 700-800 lbs. 68.75-69.00; 800-900 lbs. 65.75-66.50; 900-1000 lbs. 62.75.

Large & Medium Frame No. 2: 400-500 lbs. 75.00; 500-600 lbs. 68.50; 600-700 lbs. 66.50; 700-800 lbs. 65.75; 800-900 lbs. 61.00-62.00; 1000-1200 lbs. 54.25-55.75.

Short Shorts: 400-500 lbs. 59.25; 600-700 lbs. 62.75; 700-800 lbs. 59.25.

Special Feeder Cattle Sale

Staunton, Va.

Friday, September 26
Report supplied by VDA

There were 1,385 head sold. All cattle were graded by Representatives of the VDACS's Division of Markets, Livestock Section on USDA standards and sold by the hundredweight.

STEERS: Large Frame No. 1: Under 400 lbs. 81.00-83.50; 400-500 lbs. 77.50-82.25; 500-600 lbs. 70.50-82.25; 600-700 lbs. 72.00-76.25. Medium Frame No. 1: 400-500 lbs. 76.25-85.00; 500-600 lbs. 70.50-86.75; 600-700 lbs. 65.00-78.75. Small Frame No. 1: 400-500 lbs. 73.00-79.00; 500-600 lbs. 72.25-72.75; 600-700 lbs. 63.00-75.25.

HEIFERS: Large Frame No. 1: 350-500 lbs. 63.50-69.00; 500-600 lbs. 60.00-68.00. Medium Frame No. 1: 350-500 lbs. 59.05-66.75; 500-600 lbs. 64.00-68.25; 600-700 lbs. 64.50.

Western Maryland Market

Hagerstown, Md.

Wednesday, September 24
Report supplied by auction

BUTCHER COWS: Large run! Steady to 50 cents higher. High Yield 49.00-51.00; Standard & Utility 45.00-49.00; Cannors 44.00-47.00; Shelly 44.00 Down. Bulls Good 1000-1300 lbs. 56.00-60.00; Med. 52.00-56.00; Steers Good 1000-1200 lbs. to 66.25; Holsteins to 60.00; Heifers Good to 58.00.

BUTCHER HOGS: 50 cents over last week. US #1 & 3 215-240 lbs. 49.00-49.85; 240-260 lbs. 47.00-49.00; 195-210 lbs. 48.00-49.35. **SOWS** 350-600 lbs. 38.00-41.00; **BOARS** 400-600 lbs. 34.50-36.85.

VEAL CALVES: Active! \$10 over last week. Few Good & Choice 82.00-91.00; Standard 72.00-82.00; Stocky & Thin 60.00-70.00; Killers 80-100 lbs. 70.00-80.00; Weak & Rough \$70 Down.

CALVES RETURNED TO FARM: Holstein Heifers 90-120 lbs. 120.00-157.50; Holstein Bulls 90-110 lbs. 80.00-90.00, few to 99.00; Beef Type 75-100 lbs. 80.00-108.00.

LAMBS: 6 Head. Medium 76 lbs. to 45.00.

STOCK CATTLE: Good run of all classes. Steers Few Choice 350-450 lbs. 70.00-80.00; Good 450-600 lbs. 55.00-65.00; 700-850 lbs. 60.00-65.00; Heifers Good 350-600 lbs. 55.00-62.00; Plain & Medium 35.00-50.00. Bulls Good & Choice 300-600 lbs. 55.00-70.00.

PIGS AND SHOATS: Steady to \$2 higher! By the Head 15-35 lbs. 8.00-17.00, 40-50 lbs. 17.00-25.00; By the Lb. 60-110 lbs. 35.00-40.00; St. Boars 190-275 lbs. 30.00-35.00.

Four States Livestock

Hagerstown, Md.

Wednesday, September 24
Report supplied by auction

SLAUGHTER: Fed Steers \$1.00 lower. Choice to 67.50; Good 62.00-66.00; Medium 61.00 Down. Heifers Choice 63.00-65.10; Good 56.00-62.00; Medium 55.00 Down. Cows Mostly steady, shelly cows lower. High Yield 49.00-51.50; Average 45.00-48.00; Big Middle 40.00-44.00; Shelly 39.00 Down. Fat Bulls

Very active, steady prices. Good 57.00-61.00; Medium 52.00-56.00. Veal Calves Steady prices. Choice 91.00-96.00; Good 85.00-90.00; Medium 75.00-84.00; Farm Hfns. to 152.50; Farm Bulls to 90.00; Light & Weak 67.00 Down. Lambs Few offered. Choice to 62.50.

STOCKER: Steers 300-550 lbs. \$1.00 to \$2.00 higher. Choice 71.00-74.00; Good 65.00-70.00; Medium 60.00-64.00; Culls 59.00 Down. Steers 600-850 lbs. Choice 65.00-68.00; Good 60.00-64.00; Medium 59.00 Down. Heifers (All Weights) Choice 53.00-58.50; Good 48.00-52.00; Medium 47.00 Down. Bulls Choice 65.00-70.50; Good 59.00-64.00; Medium 58.00 Down. Springing Heifers to 1310.00. Pigs, Hd. Mostly steady. 20-30 lbs. 5.00-14.00; 40-50 lbs. 15.00-18.00. Shoats By Lb. to 36.00. Slaughter Hogs 2.00 under last week. 210-230 lbs. 46.75-47.00; 240-260 lbs. 44.85-46.85; 190-205 lbs. 41.00-45.00; 270-290 lbs. 40.00-45.00. Sows 300-600 lbs. 38.00-43.75; Thin Sows 23.00-35.00.

Low Cutter 40.00-43.00, Shells down to 38.00. Good slaughter bullocks 65.00-67.00, Standard 55.00-60.00, Utility 52.00-55.00. Yield Grade #1 1000-2000 lbs. slaughter bulls 62.00-67.00; yield grade #2 900-1600 lbs. 53.00-58.00.

CALVES 337. Choice vealers 95.00-112.00, Good 90.00-100.00, Standard & Good 90-110 lbs. 70.00-78.00, 70-95 lbs. 70.00-74.00, Utility 55-100 lbs. 65.00-69.00. Farm calves, holstein bulls 90-120 lbs. 105.00-116.00; holstein heifers 85-130 lbs. 150.00-201.00.

HOGS 447. US No. 1-2 200-240 lbs. barrows & gilts 49.50-51.00, No. 1-3 195-230 lbs. 48.00-49.00, No. 2-3 250-270 lbs. 46.00-48.00, No. 1-3 130-185 lbs. 40.00-45.00. US No. 1-3 300-575 lbs. sows 43.00-45.00, No. 2-3 300-650 lbs. 39.00-43.00. Boars 32.00-36.00.

FEEDER PIGS 116. US No. 1-3 20-35 lbs. feeder pigs 8.00-16.00 per head, No. 1-3 35-50 lbs. 17.00-24.50 per head.

SHEEP 1. One Choice spring slaughter lamb at 55.00.

FEEDER STEERS MEDIUM FRAME 1: 745-800 lbs. 68.75-69.60.

LARGER FRAME 1: One lot 953 lbs. 64.00.

MEDIUM AND LARGE FRAME 1: One lot 670 lbs. 71.00; couple lots 830-935 lbs. 67.25-67.50.

SMALL AND MEDIUM FRAME 1: Couple lots 530-590 lbs. 68.60-69.85; one lot Small to Large Frame #1 365 lbs. 72.75.

MEDIUM FRAME 1-2: One lot 476 lbs. 67.25; 600-710 lbs. 68.25-69.75; one lot 850 lbs. 66.50.

LARGE FRAME 1-2: Couple lots 590-825 lbs. 66.00-66.50.

MEDIUM FRAME 2: One lot 600 lbs. 69.85.

LARGE FRAME 2: One lot 690 lbs. 64.25.

LARGE AND MEDIUM FRAME 2: Couple lots 650-775 lbs. 64.50-65.50.

FEEDER HEIFERS MEDIUM FRAME 1: One lot 490 lbs. 57.25.

FEEDER BULLS MEDIUM FRAME 1-2: One lot 430 lbs. 67.75.

Martinsburg Auction

Mon., September 29

Report supplied by auction

CATTLE 206. Compared with last Monday's market; Choice slaughter steers 68.00-70.00, Good 64.00-68.00, Standard 61.00-64.00, Utility 54.00-58.00. Good slaughter heifers 64.00-67.50, Standard 55.00-60.00, Utility 50.00-55.00. Utility & Commercial slaughter cows 48.00-51.00, Cutters 45.00-47.50, Canner &

Lancaster Feeder Cattle

Friday, September 26

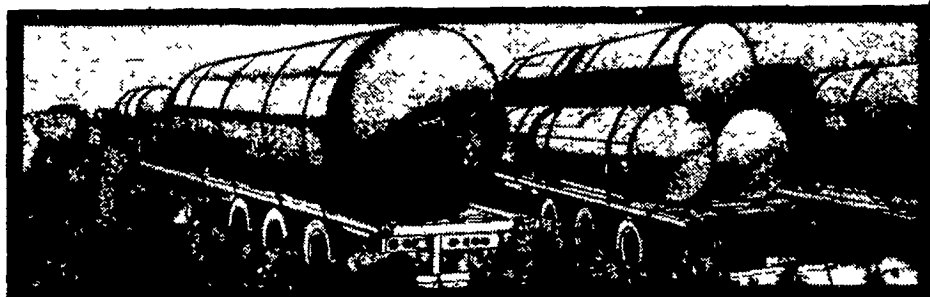
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Today 915
Last Friday 363
Last Year 1212

TREND: Compared to last Friday feeders weak to 1.00 lower. Supply included 405 in graded sale sold in lots of 10 or more, balance sold mainly in lots of three or less.

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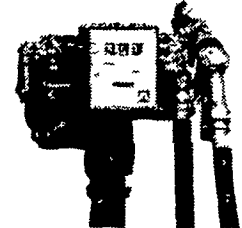
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Capacity	Dia.	Gauge	Price	Capacity	Dia.	Gauge	Price
285	36"	12	110	4000	64"	7	950
550	48"	10	205	10,000	96"	1/4"	2495
550	48"	7	250	10,000	120"	1/4"	2250
1000	48"	10	300	15,000	126"	5/16"	3825
1000	48"	7	370	20,000	126"	5/16"	4790
2000	64"	7	570	30,000	126"	3/8"	8390

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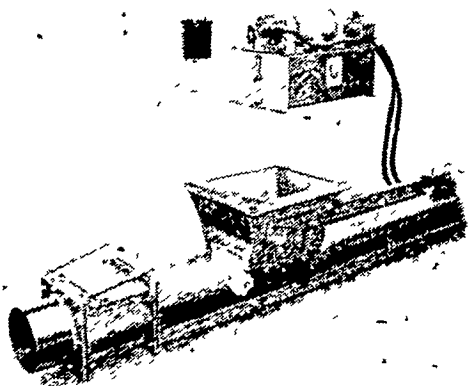
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