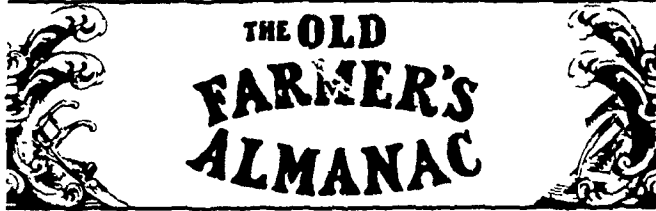


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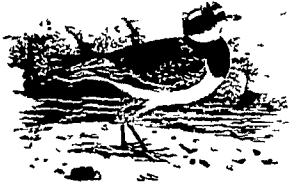


THE OLD FARMER'S ALMANAC

APRIL 6-12, 1981

Winter creeps back and goes on the attack.

Seed winter-killed grass patches now. Mae West first appeared on NY stage in *Diamond Lil* April 9, 1928. First quarter of the moon April 11 (Sat). Average length of days for the week, 13 hours, 8 minutes. Hank Aaron hit home run 5715 April 8, 1974. Weather, wind, women, and fortune change like the moon.



Ask the Old Farmer: In the old days, why did they make cheese in round containers and not square ones? F.T., San Francisco
Back in the old days when folks first learned how to make cheese, there were no square containers. The belief started that a square cheese wouldn't keep well or taste right.

Home Hints: Use a large plastic lawn bag to cover your barbecue grill to protect it from bad weather.

OLD FARMER'S WEATHER FORECASTS

New England: Cold with frost and some light snow through most of week and weekend.
Greater New York-New Jersey: Cold all week with rain at first, overcast midweek, week's end brings rain south and snow north.
Middle Atlantic Coastal: Light rain, cool at start of week, then partly cloudy and cool midweek, week's end is rainy and cold.
Piedmont & Southeast Coastal: Light rain, cool temperatures start the week, midweek sunny skies, cold air, heavy rain end of week.

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Central U.S. Carlot

Wednesday, April 1
Report supplied by USDA

Compared to Tuesday's 4.30 report. Steer beef 2.00 lower, heifer beef mostly 1.00 lower, after being steady early. Demand and trading light. Bulk early sales steer beef packer to packer Processors entered the market late at lower price levels. The boxed beef carcass cutout value advanced \$.03 to \$99.34 per cwt. Sales reported on 64 loads of steer and heifer beef.

STEER BEEF

44 Loads
FOB Omaha Basis
Choice 3 600-900 lbs 95.00 early, 93.00 late, 2.00 lower
Choice 4 600-900 lbs 85.00 steady

Choice 5 600-900 lbs 80.00
Good 2-3 600-900 lbs 91.00-93.00, late 91.00, 2.00 lower late

FOB Amarillo Basis
Choice 2-3 600-700 lbs YG 3 95.00-97.00, YG 2.96 50-99.00

HEIFER BEEF

20 Loads
FOB Omaha Basis

Choice 3 500-700 lbs. 92.00-94.00, late 92.00, 1.00 lower.
Good 2-3 500-700 lbs. 88.00-90.00, late 88.00, 2.00 lower late.

Cow beef generally steady
COW BEEF

7 Loads

FOB Omaha Basis
BRKG Utility 450&up lbs 76.50 (West) 3-4
BNG Utility 400&up lbs 81.50 (West)

FOB Amarillo Basis
BRKG Utility 450&up lbs 77.50 (West) steady 3-4
BNG Utility 400&up lbs 81.50 (West) steady 2-3

BULL BEEF

FOB Omaha Basis
Bull 1 500&up lbs. 94.50 (West) steady

PRIMAL BEEF CUTS

5 Loads

FOB Omaha Basis
HINDS (H) 145-190 lbs 110.00
HINDS (H) 120-170 lbs 110.00
FORES: 130-210 lbs 77.00

BONELESS PROCESSING

BEEF/BEEF

TRIMMINGS

20 Loads

FOB Omaha Basis
50% chem lean fresh 46.50-49.00
50% chem lean frozen 52.00 to river area.

Compared to Tuesday's 2.30 report. Fresh pork loins 14-17 lbs steady-mostly 75 lower, 17-20 lbs steady. Picnics steady. Boston butts 4-8 lbs 2.25 higher in limited market test. Fresh hams 14-20 lbs steady-2.00 higher, 20-26 lbs monthly 1.00 lower. Sdls bellies uneven, mostly 1.00-3.00 higher except 16-18 lbs 2.00-2.75 lower. Trading & demand moderate. Sales reported on 38 1/2 loads & 16 loads of trimmings & variety meats.

FRESH PORK CUTS

LOINS 14/dn lbs 86.00, 14-17 lbs 82.50-85.00, mostly 85.00, steady-mostly 75 lower, 17-22 lbs 77.00 late Tuesday, 17-20 lbs & 17-22 lbs 77.00-79.00, steady

PICNICS 4-8 lbs 45.00 steady
BOSTON BUTTS 4-8 lbs 72.25, 2.25 higher.

SKINNED HAMS 14-17 lbs 72.00, 2.00 higher, 17-20 lbs 66.50-67.50, bulk 67.00, steady-1.00 higher, 20-26 lbs 62.00-63.00, bulk 62.00, mostly 1.00 lower

BELLIES, SDLS 12-14 lbs 46.50-47.00, 1.00-1.50 higher; 14-16 lbs. 47.00-47.50, 1.50-2.00 higher; 16-18 lbs. 45.75-46.50, 2.00-2.75 lower, 18-20 lbs. 46.00 1.00 higher; 20-25 lbs. 42.50, 3.00 higher; 20-25 lbs. 43.00 frozen

VARIETY MEATS

NECK BONES 12.00-13.50
FEET, FRONT, TOE ON 18.50
SKINNED JOWLS 28.00 frozen
PORK TRIMMINGS/ BONELESS PROCESSING PORK
(Chemical Lean)
42% lean trimmings fresh 34.00
42% lean trimmings fresh 36.00
72% bnl picnics frozen 73.00 mostly 73.50

Four States Livestock

Hagerstown, Md.

Wednesday, March 25

Report supplied by auction

SLAUGHTER. Fed Steers \$2.00 lower. Choice 57.00-58.00; Good 53.00-56.00; Medium 51.00 Down. Heifers Choice 53.00-55.00; Good 47.00-52.00; Medium 46.00 Down. Cows Good run, \$1.00 higher. High Yield 45.00-47.00; Average 41.00-44.00; Big Middle 37.00-40.00; Fatty Herf. 36.00-39.00; Shelly 39.00 Down. Fat Bulls \$1.00 lower. Good 53.00-54.75; Medium 48.00-52.00. Veal Calves Mostly steady. Choice 100.00-109.00; Good 85.00-99.00; Medium 75.00-84.00, Farm Hfrs. to 114.00; Farm Bulls to 85.00; Light & Weak 56.00 Down. Slaughter Sows 300-600 lbs 34.00-37.50; Thin Sows 27.00-33.00.

STOCKER. Steers 300-550 lbs. Steady prices Choice 72.00-80.00; Good 65.00-71.00; Medium 59.00-64.00; Culls 58.00 Down. Steers 600-850 lbs Choice 69.00-74.00; Good 63.00-68.00; Medium 62.00 Down. Heifers (All Weights) Choice 62.00-68.00; Good 52.00-61.00; Medium 51.00 Down. Bulls Choice 60.00-63.50; Good 54.00-59.00; Medium 53.00 Down. Dairy Cows to 800.00. Springing Heifers to 1035.00. Pigs, Hd. Large run, steady prices 20-30 lbs 10.00-24.00, 40-60 lbs. 25.00-35.50. Shoats by Lb 35.50. Slaughter Hogs 50 cents higher. 210-230 lbs 40.00-40.85; 240-260 lbs. 39.00-40.50, 190-205 lbs 37.25-39.00, 265-300 lbs. 36.00-38.00

NOTICE OF CHANGE

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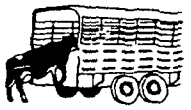
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