

# THE OLD FARMER'S ALMANAC



AUG. 3-9, 1981 Too sultry for adul'try.

Best way to weather a hot spell is to keep busy Roger Bannister ran mile 3 588 record time, Aug 7, 1954 First quarter of the moon Aug 7 (Fri) Average length of days for the week, 15 hours, 9 minutes Hiroshima bombed Aug 6, 1945 Columbus sailed from Spain Aug 3, 1492 Better face a danger once than always be to face.



Ask the Old Farmer: My grandfather used to say he could tell it was going to rain by the sound of a distant train. I was too young to disbelieve him. Any truth in what he said? H.D., Grand Forks, ND He was right When distant sounds are loud and hollow, look for rain Lowering cloud ceiling acts like a sounding board

Home Hints Hot vinegar will remove paint

OLD FARMER'S WEATHER FORECASTS New England: Warm temperatures and frequent showers

throughout week. Greater New York-New Jersey: Week begins warm, with showers, by midweek, clear and hot to end

Middle Atlantic Coastal: Hot, frequent showers become heavy toward end with seasonal temperatures

Piedmont & Southeast Coastal: Showers, hot, rain central and west midweek on, seasonal

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#### Weekly Summary Friday, July 31

Report supplied by PDA CATTLE: 6942. Compared with 7243 head last week, and 7407 head a year ago. Compared with last week's market: Slaughter steers, heifers, bullocks & bulls 1.00-2.00 lower; Sl. cows grading Cutter & Utility 1.25-2.00 lower, Canners steady. Sl. steers: High Choice & Prime 56.50-70.00; Choice 62.00-67.00; Good 56.00-63.00; Standard 47.00-56.00. Sl. heifers: Choice 58.00-64.00; Good 52.50-57.00; Standard 44.00-52.00. Sl. cows: Utility & Commercial 42.75-47.50; Cutters 40.00-44.00; Canner & L. Cutter 35.00-42.00; Shells down to 25.00. Sl. bullocks: Choice 55.00-60.00; good 51.00-57.00; Standard 45.00-53.00. Sl. bulls Yield Grade

FEEDER CATTLE: Steers, Medium & Large Frame No. 1, 400-800 lbs. 45.00-59.00. Heifers, Medium & Large Frame No. 1, 450-650 lbs. 44.00-55.00.

No. 1, 1100-2200 lbs. 50.00-58.00;

Yield grade No. 2, 900-1400 lbs.

44.00-53.00.

CALVES: 4187. Compared with 4200 head last week and 4051 head a year ago. Vealers uneven, mostly steady to weak. Few Prime 99.00-111.00; Choice 80.00-102.00 few down to 71.00; Good 65.00-85.00. Standard & Good 90-110 lbs. 50.00-62.00; 70-90 lbs. 40.00-55.00; Utility 50-100 lbs. 30.00-50.00.

FARM CALVES: Hol. Bulls 90-125 lbs. 60.00-100.00: Hol. Heifers 90-140 lbs. 68.00-125.00, few to

HOGS: 6259. Compared with 7560 18.00-27.50; No. 1-3 28.00-36.00. head last week and 7356 head a year ago. Barrows and gilts weak 54.00. to .50 lower. US No. 1-2 200-240 lbs. 51.75-54.00 No. 1-3 200-255 lbs. 50.00-52.50; No. 2-3 200-285 lbs. 48.00-51.00, 190 lbs. 42.00-50.00; Sows steady to 1.00 lower US No. 1-3 300-650 lbs. 42.00-48.00, few No. 2-3 400-700 lbs. 39.00-44.00. Boars 30.00-

FEEDER PIGS: 1204. Compared with 1882 head last week and 2029 a year ago. Feeder pigs steady to strong. US No. 1-3 25-35 lbs. 13.00-30.00 per head; No. 1-3 35-50 lbs. 25.00-45.00; few No. 1-3 50-60

lbs. 35.50-51.00 per head.

GRADED FEEDER PIGS: 2170. Compared with 2044 head last week, and 1436 head a year ago. All sales by CWT. Feeder Pigs strong to 15.00 higher. US No. 1-2 25-40 lbs. 85.00-105.00, 40-50 lbs. 86.00-101.00, 50-60 lbs. 82.00-91.00, 60-70 lbs. 75.00-84.00: US No. 2-3 30-40 lbs. 80.00-96.00, 40-50 lbs. 81.00-86.00.

SHEEP: 786. Compared with 695 head last week and 757 head a year ago. Spring sl. lambs steady to 5.00 lower, Choice 60-115 lbs. 52.00-65.00, with few to 78.00; Good 50-110 lbs. 45.00-60.00. Sl. ewes: 11.00-

#### Carlisle Auction Carlisie, Pa. Tuesday, July 28

Report supplied by auction CATTLE: STEERS: Good 64.00-65.75; Standard 52.00-56.50. HEIFERS: Good 49.50-55.75; Standard 47.50-49.50; Utility 44.50-48.00. BULLOCKS: Good 55.00-56.50; Standard 50.25-52.00.

FEEDER STEERS: 50.00-64.00. CATTLE HEIFERS: 52.00-60.00. BULLS: 55.00-56.00.

CALVES: VEALERS: Good 80.00-95.00; Standard & Good 70.00-85.00; Standard & Good 60.00-75.00. FARM CALVES: Hol. Heiters 137.50-160.00.

HOGS: Barrows & Gilts US No. 1-2 50.60-52.85; US No. 1-3 47.75-51.50; US No. 2-3 38.00-44.00 SOWS: US No. 1-3 45.50-47.75; No. 2-3 34.00-44.00. Boars 34.75-36.50.

FEEDER PIGS. US No 1-3 SHEEP: LAMBS: Utility 44.00-

### Livestock market and auction news

#### Omaha Cattle Thursday, July 30 Report supplied by USDA

Through midweek, Slaughter Steers and Heifers steady except Steers under 1075 lbs. weak to .50 lower. Cows 1.00-1.50 lower, bulls steady.

Four day receipts: 8,625; Last Week 11,325; Year Ago 11,775.

Despite a downtrending dressed beef trade at midweek, Steers and Heifers held largely steady due to curtailed local receipts. Slaughter Steers made up around 49 pct of the week's total receipts and continued to be largely good to average Choice with 1000-1125 lb. weights, a liberal share of the run. Heifers made up approximately 30 pct; Cows 12 pct; and Feeders 8 pct.

STEERS: Three loads and part load Choice, some Prime included 3, few 4 1142-1314 lbs. 67.75-68.00. Choice 2-4 1075-1200 lbs. 66.25 67.50; Bulk 66.50-67.25; 2-3 1025-1075 lbs. 65.50-67.00. Mostly Choice 2-3 950-1050 lbs. 65.00-66.00. Few loads Choice 3-4 1300-1350 lbs. 66.50, few 4-5 1330-1450 lbs. 60.00-63.00. Few loads and lots mostly Choice 2-3 Holsteins 130-1375 lbs. 61.00-61.50: Good, few Choice 1250-1350 lbs. 58.50-59.50.

HEIFERS: Choice 2-4 900-1050 lb. 63.50-64.75; Choice with end Prime 3-4 950-1075 lbs. 64.50-64.75, load and part load 65.00-65.25. Mixed Good and Choice 2-3 875-1000 lbs. 62.00-63.50. Good 58.00-62.00.

Average of LS 214 detailed quotations for Choice 900-1100 lb. Steers 66.25; 100-1300 lbs. 67.12. Average cost Steers this week 65.70, average weight 1111 as compared 67.08 and 1112 lbs. a week ago. Average cost Heifers this week 63.22, average weight 978 lbs. as compared 64.38 and 967 lbs.

COWS: High-Cutter, Utility and Commercial 1-3 42.00-43.50, High-Dressing 43.50-44.00, some low dressing 41.50. Cutter 1-2 40.00-42.00, few Canner and low-Cutter 38.00-40.00.

BULLS: 1-2 1100-1800 lbs. 50.00-54.00, high dressing 1 55.00, individual YG 2 2000 lbs. 48.00.

#### East Coast Carlot Wednesday, July 29 Report supplied by USDA

Compared to Tuesday's close: prime special ted veal steady. Good and Choice boning veal steady to 3.00 higher; inshipped steady with Friday's last test. Spring iamb lightly tested early however, steady to weak undertone indicated. Compared to last week, boneless beef 4.00 to 8.00

> **VEAL CARCASS** Prime (Special Fed) HIDE-ON 330 Head

240 lbs. 182.00-192.00, steady, Boars 35.00-38.00. bulk 185.00-190.00.

#### **BONING TYPE** HIDE-ON Good & Choice

Northeastern Suppliers. All steady to 3.00 higher, 65-75 lbs. 86.00-88.00; 55-64 lbs. 84.00-86.00; 45-54 lbs. 82.00-84.00; 35-44 lbs. 80.00-82.00; 34 lbs. down 78.00-80.00.

Inshipped: All steady with Friday, 71-80 lbs. 88.00-90.00, 61-70 lbs. 86.00-88.00; 51.60- lbs. 84.00-86.00; 41-50 lbs. 82.00-84.00; 30-40 lbs. 80.00-82.00.

#### SPRING LAMB CARCASS Choice & Prime 3-4 1 Load

55 lbs. down 135.00. 55-65 lbs. tew 135.00; 65-75 lbs. tew 135.00. **BONELESS BEEF** 

8 Loads 90 pct chem lean, tresh 117.0-117.50 4.00 to 6.50 lower.

85 pct chem lean, tresh 109.00-110.00 5.00 to 8.00 lower.

CURED AND PROCESSED **MEATS** 4 Loads

Semi-Boneless Hams: 14-17 lbs. 119.00 firm.

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#### Middleburg **Livestock Auction**

#### Middleburg, Pa. Tuesday, July 28 Reports Supplied By PDA

CATTLE 383. Compared with last Tuesday's market, slaughter steers about steady. Slaughter cows steady to \$1 lower. Few High Choice & Prime slaughter steers 66.00-67.60, Choice No. 2-4 1000-1400 lbs. 63.75-66.75, Good 58.00-62.25, Standard 50.50-56.50, Utility 44.50-51.00. Few Choice slaughter heiters 58.75-64.75, few Good 54.00-56.85, few Standard 51.00-55.00. Utility & Commercial slaughter cows 43.00-47.25, couplt to 48.60, Cutters 42.00-45.50, Canner & Low Cutter 38.00-41.50, Shells down to 32.00. Couple Choice slaughter bullocks 61.75 and 65.50, few Good 54.85-57.00. Yield Grade #1 1000-1750 lbs. slaughter bulls 50.50-57.35, one at 60.00. Few Large #1 450-780 lbs. feeder steers 51.50-59.00.

CALVES 176. Few Choice vealers 75.00-85.00, few Good 61.00-73.00, Standard & Good 70-100 lbs. 55.00-60.00. Farm calves, hostein buils 90-125 lbs. 60.00-77.00, few to 83.00; holstein heiters 80-185 lbs. 75.00-145.00.

HOGS 406. (Monday, July 27,1981). Barrows & gilts 25 cents to 75 cents lowr. US No. 1-2 210-235 lbs. barrows & gilts 52.75-53.75. No. 1-3 No. 1-3 190-250 lbs. 52.00-52.75, No. 2-3 190-270 lbs. 49.00-52.00. US No. 1-3 300-620 lbs. sows 45.00-47.00, No. 2-3 300-500 lbs. 37.00-45.00.

TUESDAY 84 HOGS. One lot US No. 1-2 210 lbs. barrows & gilts at 51.00, few Lots No. 2-3 200-210 lbs. 48.00-50.25.

FEEDER PIGS 127. US No. 1-3 20-35 lbs. teeder pigs 17.50-37.50 per head. No. 1-3 35-55 lbs. 35.00-45.50, one lot No. 1-3 70 lbs. 49.00 per head.

SHEEP 5. Few Good 100-120 lbs. spring slaughter lambs 53.50-56.50, one at 61.50.

GOATS 12. 20-00-40.00 per head.

#### **Chambersburg Auction** Chambersburg, Pa. Thursday, July 30

Report supplied by PDA CATTLE 568: Comapred with

last Thursday's market: Slaughter steers about steady; Sl. cows mostly 1.00-1.50 lower; Sl. steers: few Choice No. 2-4, 950-1250 lbs. 61.75-65.00; Good 57.00-61.75; Standard 51.75-56.76. Sl. heifers: few Choice 58.00-62.50; few Good 53.25-56.50. Sl. cows: Utility & Commercial 42.50-46.50, few to 47.50. Cutters 40.00-44.50; Canner & L. Cutter 36.00-40.50; Shells down to 29.50. Sl. bullocks: one Choice at 56.25; one Good at 54.00. Sl. bulls: Yield Grade No. 1, 1100-2200 lbs. 45.50-56.75.

FEEDER CATTLE: Steers, few Medium Frame No. 1, 600-800 lbs. 44.50-50.50.

CALVES 328: Vealers grading Choice 9.00-12.00 lower. Choice 67.00-78.00; Good 62.00-72.00; Standard & Good 65-95 lbs. 54.00-62.00; Utility 50-80 lbs. 31.00-52.00.

FARM CALVES: Hol Bulls 85-130 lbs. 62.00-88.00 with few to 97.00; Hol. Heifers 80-200 lbs. 80.00-170.00

HOGS 60: Few lots No. 1-3 220-230 lbs. 51 75-52.85; one lot No 2-3 333 lbs. at 44.00. Sows US No 1-3 300-550 lbs. 38.50-44.50 Few Boars 33.00-36.00.

FEEDER PIGS 56. US No. 1-3 20-30 lbs. 18.00-27.50, one lot 50 lbs. at 38 00 per head.

SHEEP 43: Few Good 80-100 lbs. 48.50-51.50; few one lot Utility 73 lbs. at 43.50; one lot Utility 43 lbs.

GOATS: 3.

#### Special Horse Sale New Holland Livestock Market Friday, July 24

Report supplied by auction 209 head

Load of Driving Kentucky \$700-\$1200; Driving Pa. \$575-\$775; Driving New York \$450-\$800; Driving New Jersey \$675-\$1300; Driving Tennesse \$550-\$1175; Driving Kentucky \$525-\$1800; Driving Kentucky \$1000-\$1775; Driving Pa. \$600-\$1550; Driving Maine \$775-\$1100.

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