

**THE OLD FARMER'S ALMANAC**

AUG. 17-23, 1981

As the days shorten, the heat will scorch 'em.

If you put new trees in this spring, water a lot now Lou Gehrig played in 1308th consecutive baseball game Aug 17, 1933 Last quarter of the moon Aug 22 (Sat) Average length of days for the week, 13 hours, 39 minutes Cat nights commence "Mona Lisa" stolen from Louvre Aug 22, 1911 (recovered 1913) Gather thistles, expect prickles



**Ask the Old Farmer:** My father used to have a breakfast dish he called "tongues and sounds" I have never seen reference to the meal since, and I have no idea why it was so named Do you? D E, New York

*It's a meal made up of parts of a codfish that are usually thrown away today The sound is the air bladder, or floatation sac, which is deflated when a fish "sounds" or goes to the bottom You know what the tongue is*

**Home Hints:** To get car grease off your hands, scrub them with baking soda

**OLD FARMER'S WEATHER FORECASTS**

**New England:** Clear and hot, then thundershowers and seasonal temperatures from midweek on

**Greater New York-New Jersey:** Sunny and very hot at start, then thundershowers, heavy inland

**Middle Atlantic Coastal:** Clear and hot through midweek, heavy thundershowers at end

**Piedmont & Southeast Coastal:** Week begins sunny, very hot, few sprinkles turn to showers, milder, clearing toward end

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**Middleburg Auction**

Middleburg, Pa.

Tuesday, August 11

Report supplied by auction

**CATTLE** 314. High Choice & Prime slaughter steers 68.00-71.85, Choice 65.00-69.75, Good 60.00-65, Standard 55.00-60, Utility 45.00-55. Choice slaughter heifers 61.00-63.25, Good 55.00-61, Standard 50.00-55, Utility 45.00-50. Utility & Commercial slaughter cows 46.00-51.60, Cutters 44.00-48.75, Canner and Low Cutters 36.00-44, Shells down to 32.00. Good slaughter bullocks 56.00-61.25. Yield Grade #1, slaughter bulls 56.00-61.50, #2, 46.00-56. Medium Frame #1, 300-750 lbs. feeder steers 45.00-65.00.

**CALVES** 211. Prime vealers 90.00-100, Choice 85.00-90, Good 75.00-85, Standard and Good 90-110 lbs. 60.00-75, 60-90 lbs. 45.00-60. Farm Calves: Hol. Bulls 90-120 lbs. 70.00-95; Hol. Heifers 80-150 lbs. 75.00-160.00.

**HOGS** 378. US No. 1-2 210-235 lbs. barrows and gilts 53.75-54.85, No. 1-3 190-250 lbs. 53.00-53.75, No. 2-3 190-270 lbs. 51.00-53.00. US No. 1-3 3-685 lbs. sows 42.00-47.75, No. 2-3 3-600 lbs. 38.00-42. Boars 200-900 lbs. 37.00-41.75.

**FEEDER PIGS** 206. US No. 1-3 10-20 lbs. feeder pigs 15.00-25 per head, No. 1-3 20-40 lbs. 25.00-38, No. 1-3 40-60 lbs. 38.00-48 per head.

**SHEEP** 46. Choice 90-120 lbs. spring slaughter lambs 58.00-63.50,

Good 60-80 lbs. 52.00-58. Slaughter ewes 18.00-30.00.

**Shenandoah Valley Livestock**

Harrisonburg, Va.

Saturday, August 8

Report supplied by auction

**STOCKER, FEEDER, AND SLAUGHTER CATTLE:** Good Light Steer Calves 61.00-66.50; Medium 56.00-60.75; Plain 55.75 and down; Good Heavy Steers 58.00-62.50; Medium 53.00-57.75; Plain 52.75 and down; Holstein Steers 57.00 and down; Good Light Heifer Calves 49.00-54.00; Medium 45.00-48.75; Plain 44.75 and down; Good Heavy Heifers 45.00-50.00; Medium 40.00-44.75; Plain 39.75 and down; Slaughter Cows 45.00-49.25; Utilities 40.00-44.75; Canners & Cutters 35.00 and down; Milk & Stock Cows 545.00 and down; Stock Bulls 63.00 and down; Slaughter Bulls 56.75 and down.

**CALVES:** Veal Calves 80.00 and down; Baby Calves 87.50 and down.

**SHEEP & LAMBS:** Choice Blue O 58.00; Good Red O 47.75; Feeder Lambs 32.00-39.00; Slaughter Ewes 15.75 and down.

**HOGS:** Top 51.00; Heavy 48.00; Light 43.00; Sows 48.75 and down; Boars 35.00 and down.

**Central U.S. Carlot**

Wednesday, August 12

Report supplied by USDA

Compared to Tuesday's 4.00 report: steer and heifer beet steady to 1.00 higher, advance on 700-900 lbs. Choice 3 700-900 lbs. steer and good heifer beef Demand good Trading fairly active. Supplies fairly current. The boxed beef carcass cutout value declined \$.06 to an estimated \$109.94 per cwt. Sales reported on 147 loads of steer and heifer beef.

**STEER BEEF**

103 Loads

FOB Omaha Basis

Choice 3: 600-900 lbs. 103.00, steady.

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Choice 4: 600-900 lbs. 95.00-96.00, late 95.00, steady.

Choice 2-3: 600-900 lbs. 98-mstly 100.00 (Hols.)

Good 2-3 600-900 lbs. 96-mstly 97.00, steady.

Good 2-3: 600-900 lbs. 95.00 (Hols.)

FOB Amarillo Basis

Choice 3: 600-700 lbs. 103.00-103.50.

Choice 2: 600-700 lbs. 104.00-104.50.

Good 2-3: 600-900 lbs. 97.50.

Good 2-3: 600-700 lbs. 99.00-101.50.

**HEIFER BEEF**

44 Loads

FOB Omaha Basis

Choice 3: 500-700 lbs. 100.00, steady.

Choice 4: 500-700 lbs. 95.00, steady.

Good 2-3: 400-500 lbs. 88.00.

Good 2-3: 500-700 lbs. 96.00, steady-1.00 hghr.

FOB Amarillo Basis

Good 2-3: 600-700 lbs. 97.50-100.50.

Cow beef steady to firm. Demand fairly good, supplies light.

**COW BEEF**

5 Loads

Bkrg Utility: 450/up lbs. 80.00 (Midwest), no recent comp. 3-4.

Bng Utility: 400/up lbs. 85.00-85.50, steady 2-3 (Midwest).

Cntr. & Ctr. 1-2: 350/up lbs. 90.00 (Midwest) firm.

**BULL BEEF**

1 Load

FOB Omaha Basis

Bull 1: 500/up lbs. 91.00 (Midwest).

**PRIMAL BEEF CUTS**

8 Loads

FOB Omaha Basis

HINDS (S): 145-190 lbs. 121.00.

HINDS (H): 120-170 lbs. 116.00.  
FORES: 130-210 lbs. 88.00.  
LOINS: 40-70 lbs. 176.50 (Trimmed).  
DMND CT LOINS: 35-65 lbs. 179.50 (Trimmed).

**BONELESS PROCESSING BEEF/BEEF TRIMMINGS**

5 Loads

75% chem lean, fresh 97.00  
65% chem lean, fresh 82.00-82.50  
92% chem lean, fresh 127.00 bull.  
Compared to Tuesday's 4:00 report: Fresh pork loins 17/dn lbs. steady to 2.00 lower, 17/up lbs. steady to .50 higher. Picnics steady. Boston butts steady to 2.00 higher. Fresh hams 2.00 lower. Sdls bellies steady to 1.50 higher. Trading active. Demand moderate to good. Sales reported on 58 loads plus 2 3/4 loads of trimmings & variety meats.

**FRESH PORK CUTS**

LOINS: 14/dn lbs. 105.00-106.00; 14-17 lbs. 103.00-mostly 105.00, steady-2.00 lower; 17-22 lbs. 102.00-102.25, .50 higher; 20/up lbs. 88.00, steady.

PICNICS: 4-8 lbs. 60.00 steady.

BOSTON BUTTS: 4-8 lbs. 91.00-92.00, steady-2.00 higher.

SPARERIBS: 3.5-5.5 lbs. 101.50 frozen.

SKINNED HAMS: 17-20 lbs. 82.00, 2.00 lower; 20-26 lbs. 82.00.

BELLIES, SDLS: 10-12 lbs. 51.50, steady; 12-14 lbs. 55.00, steady-1.50 higher; 16-18 lbs. 54.00; 18-20 lbs. 52.00, steady.

BNLS CUT BUTT: 1.5-3 lbs. 125.00.

**VARIETY MEATS**

HEARTS: 51.00.

TAILS: 22.50.

FEET, FRONT, TOES ON: 17.50.

STOMACH, SCALDED: 30 lbs. box 15.50.

CHECEK MEAT, TRIMMED: 93.75-94.00.

LIVERS: large box 12.00 export.

**PORK TRIMMINGS/ BONELESS PROCESSING (Chemical Lean)**

42% lean trimmings fresh 45.00.

42% lean trimmings frozen 46.00-50.00.

72% lean trimmings fresh 84.50-87.00.

72% lean trimmings frozen 83.00-87.00.

72% bnls picnics fresh 88.00.

**G&M Livestock**

Monday, August 10

Duncansville, Pa.

Report supplied by auction Compared to last Monday, market report steers-steady, hogs-higher, cows-weak.

**DAIRY COWS:** 750.00-1160.00.

**STEERS:** High Choice and Prime 65.00-67.20; Good to Choice 58.00-64.00; Standard to Good 54.00-58.00; Standard 48.00-54.00.

**HEIFERS:** High Choice and Prime 61.00-64.00; Good to Choice 54.00-61.00; Standard 45.00-54.00.

**FEEDER STEERS:** Good to Choice 300-500 lbs. 55.00-64.00; Standard to Good 49.00-55.00.

**BULLS:** 1200-2070 lbs. 53 00-62.00; 900-1200 lbs. 48.00-59.00.

**COWS:** High Choice to Prime 48.00-50.50; Good 44.00-48.00; Utility 40.00-44.00; Cutters 38.00-40.00; Canners Down to 35.00.

**CALVES:** High Choice 85.00-99.00; Good to Choice 70.00-85.00; Standard to Good 50.00-70.00; Utility 35.00-50.00.

**FARM CALVES:** Hol. Bulls 75.00-99.00; Hol. Heifers 110.00-163.00.

**FEEDER PIGS:** 25.00-34.00.

**HOGS:** 200-240 lbs. 51.00-53.90; 170-300 lbs. 48.00-51.00.

**SOWS:** 38.00-47.25.

**BOARS:** 35.00-38.50.

**LAMBS:** 18.00-25.00.

**GOATS:** 15.00-39.00.

**Lancaster Feeder Cattle**

Friday, August 7

Report supplied by USDA

Today 406  
Last Friday 393  
Last Year 460

**TREND:** Compared to last Friday feeder steers 1.00-1.50 higher; heifers and bulls not fully tested, few sales firm to 1.00 higher. Supply included 200 in graded sales, sold in lots of 10 or more.

**FEEDER STEERS:** Medium Frame 1: One lot 495 lbs. 63.25; few lots 800-845 lbs. 60.00-61.35; Large Frame 1: Couple lots 510-585 lbs. 63.50-65.75; Medium and Large Frame 1: 70 head 820-945 lbs. 57.50-58.10; Small and Medium Frame 1: One lot 732 lbs. 58.50. Large Frame 1-2: One lot 480 lbs. 60.50 and one lot 835 lbs. 58.75; Medium Frame 2: Couple lots 570-650 lbs. 53.50-57.50.

**FEEDER HEIFERS:** Medium Frame 1: Few lots 400-660 lbs. 48.00-51.00.

**FEEDER BULLS:** Large Frame 1: One lot 472 lbs. 61.00.

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7:30 p.m. Thursday, August 27, 1981  
South Ridge Motor Inn  
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