



THE OLD FARMER'S ALMANAC

OCT. 12-18, 1981

Colder growing, leaves are blowing.

Mice will want to come into your house now... Robert E. Lee died Oct. 12, 1870... Full moon Oct. 13 (Tues.)... Average length of days for the week, 11 hours, 4 minutes... Graf Zeppelin made first transatlantic dirigible flight this week in 1928... The Old Farmer's Almanac began this week in 1792... If not ruled by rudder, you will be by the rock.



Ask the Old Farmer: I have read that one can remove old tree stumps by applying buttermilk to the stumps. Can you tell me what the procedure is and does it really work? B.C., York, Pa.

We have had pickle juice, buttermilk, tobacco juice, and various other things recommended for getting rid of stumps, always by boring holes in the stumps and pouring the fluids in. We believe that the plan calls for keeping the auger holes filled with whatever is used. About it working, we mistrust it will. Prayer will also work if you have plenty of patience. **Home Hints:** A coat of self-polishing wax on workshop tools will keep them free from rust and protect the cutting edges.

OLD FARMER'S WEATHER FORECASTS

New England: Week begins cloudy and cool, then clearing; temperatures hot by weekend.

Greater New York-New Jersey: Pleasantly warm and clear most of week; end partly cloudy with showers.

Middle Atlantic Coastal: Variable clouds and warming all week.

Piedmont & Southeast Coastal: Some showers at start; alternately warm and cool temperatures; midweek is partly cloudy and warm, then clearing.

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Graded Feeder Cattle Sale

Lynchburg, Va.

Thursday, Oct. 1

Report supplied by VDA

There were 1,865 head sold.

STEERS: 300-400 lbs. Medium & Large Frame 1 69.00-72.25; Small Frame 1 64.00-66.00; Medium & Large Frame 2 55.50-62.00. 400-500 lbs. Medium & Large Frame 1 65.00-69.75; Small Frame 1 61.00-67.00; Medium & Large Frame 2 56.50-64.00. 500-600 lbs. Medium & Large Frame 1 67.25-71.25; Small Frame 1 61.75-66.25; Medium & Large Frame 2 59.75-63.50. 600-700 lbs. Medium & Large Frame 1 63.50-66.25; Small Frame 1 63.50-66.00; Medium & Large Frame 2 55.00-68.50. 700-800 lbs. Medium & Large Frame 1 60.50.

HEIFERS: 300-400 lbs. Medium & Large Frame 1 46.50-52.00, mostly 50.75-52; Small Frame 1 45.00; 400-500 lbs. Medium & Large Frame 1 45.00-56.50, mostly 56.00-56.50; Small Frame 1 46.50-51.50. 500-600 lbs. Medium & Large Frame 1 50.50-58.75; Small Frame 1 45.00-48.50. 600-700 lbs. Medium & Large Frame 1 50.00-58.00.

Graded Feeder Cattle Sale

Roanoke, Va.

Thursday, Oct. 1

Report supplied by VDA

There were 1,811 head sold.

STEERS: 300-400 lbs. Medium & Large Frame 1 65.50-74.50, mostly 70.50-74.50; Small Frame 1 59.50-62.50; Medium & Large Frame 2 57.00-63.00; 400-500 lbs. Medium & Large Frame 1 67.00-73.00; Large Frame 1 68.50-73.00; Small Frame 1 57.00-64.00; Medium & Large

Frame 2 59.50-62.00. 500-600 lbs. Medium & Large Frame 1 66.00-69.00; Large Frame 1 67.00-68.00; Small Frame 1 59.00-64.00; Medium & Large Frame 2 56.00-62.00. 600-700 lbs. Medium & Large Frame 1 62.00-66.00; Large Frame 1 62.00-64.00; Small Frame 1 56.00-61.50. 700-800 lbs. Medium & Large Frame 1 57.00-61.75; Large Frame 1 55.50-59.75.

HEIFERS: 300-400 lbs. Medium & Large Frame 1 47.00-50.00; Large Frame 1 55.75; Small Frame 1 45.75-49.00; Medium & Large Frame 2 44.24-45.00. 400-500 lbs. Medium & Large Frame 1 52.00-55.00; Large Frame 1 52.50-54.25; Small Frame 1 42.50-49.50; Medium & Large Frame 2 42.50-44.00. 500-600 lbs. Medium & Large Frame 1 52.75-55.50; Large Frame 1 49.50-52.50; Small Frame 1 42.50-45.75; Medium & Large Frame 2 40.50-43.25. 600-700 lbs. Medium & Large Frame 1 51.75-52.75.

Graded Feeder Cattle Sale

Narrow, Va.

Tuesday, Sept. 29

Report supplied by VDA

There were 1,639 head sold.

STEERS: 500-600 lbs. Medium & Large Frame 1 60.50-66.00; Small Frame 1 56.00-62.25; Medium & Large Frame 2 57.50-62.50. 600-700 lbs. Medium & Large Frame 1 61.75-65.75; Small Frame 1 58.50-61.00; Medium & Large Frame 2 57.75-60.00. 700-800 lbs. Medium & Large Frame 1 60.25-62.50; Small Frame 1 56.00-60.00; Medium & Large Frame 2 54.00-59.00. 800-900 lbs. Medium & Large Frame 1 57.00-63.25. 900-1000 lbs. Medium & Large Frame 1 55.00-60.25.

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Dewart Auction

Dewart, Pa.

Monday, Oct. 5

Report supplied by PDA

CATTLE 207. Compared with last Monday's market, slaughter steers about steady. Slaughter cows uneven, about steady. Choice 2-4, 850-1400 lbs. slaughter steers 63.75-67.25, Good 59.00-63, Standard 53-57.50. Few Choice slaughter heifers 58.50-65, few Good 53.75-57.25. Utility & Commercial slaughter cows 40.50-44.85, couple 45.50, Cutters 38.00-41, Canner and Low Cutters 33.50-37. Individual Choice slaughter bullock at 62.25, one Good at 58.00. Few Yield Grade No. 1, 1290-1625 lbs. slaughter bulls 51.75-54.75. Few Large Frame #1, 400-650 lbs. feeder steers 58.50-71. Few Medium Frame #1, 375-450 lbs. feeder heifers 45-51.50.

CALVES 178. Few Choice vealers 86.00-100, few Good 62.00-82, Standard and Good 70-95 lbs. 55.00-60. Farm Calves: Hol. Bulls 90-130 lbs. 65.00-94; Few Hol. Heifers 95-140 lbs. 75.00-100.00.

HOGS 328. Barrows and gilts 25 cents-50 cents lower. US No. 1-2 2-235 lbs. barrows and gilts 50.30-50.90, No. 1-3 195-235 lbs. 49.50-50.40. US No. 1-3 3-600 lbs. sows 43-45.75, couple 48.00. Boars 35.00-42.50.

FEEDER PIGS 289. US No. 1-3 8-12 lbs. feeder pigs 10.00-17 per head, No. 1-3 25-50 lbs. 32.00-37 per head, lot No. 1-3 60 lbs. 42.00 per head, No. 1-3 90-130 lbs. 40.50-45 per hundredweight.

SHEEP 14. Few Choice 75-95 lbs. woolled slaughter lambs 55.00-60.

Four States Livestock

Hagerstown, Md.

Wednesday, September 30

Report supplied by auction

SLAUGHTER: Fed Steers Choice 62.50-65.50; Good 58.00-62.00; Holsteins 53.00-57.50. Heifers Choice 60.00-63.25; Good 55.00-59.00; Medium 50.00-55.00. Cows \$2.00 lower. High Yield 45.00-47.75; Average 39.00-42.50; Big Middle 35.00-39.00; Fatty Herf. 35.00-38.00; Shelly 38.00 Down. Fat Bulls Good (Fat) 49.00-50.75; Medium 45.00-49.00. Veal Calves Choice 80.00-84.00; Good 75.00-80.00; Medium 65.00-75.00; Farm Hirs. to 85.00; Farm Bulls to 98.00; Light & Weak

55.00 Down. Lambs Feeders 31.00-38.00.

STOCKER: Steers 300-550 lbs. Steady on large run. Choice 59.00-65.00; Good 55.00-60.00; Medium 50.00-55.00. Steers 600-850 lbs. Choice 58.00-60.50; Good 53.00-58.00; Medium 48.00-52.00. Heifers (All Weights) \$2.00 lower. Choice 50.00-54.00; Few to 59.00; Good 45.00-50.00; Medium 40.00-45.00. Dairy Cows few offered. Open Heifers 300-600 lbs. 55.00-75.00; 250-300 lbs. 90.00-94.00. Pigs, Hd. Mostly steady. Pigs offered. 20-30 lbs. 10.00-20.00; 30-60 lbs. 20.00-35.00. Slaughter Hogs, Steady to 50 cents lower. 200-230 lbs. 48.50-49.25; 240-260 lbs. 48.35-50.75; 180-195 lbs. 45.25-48.75. Sows 300-500 lbs. 44.00-49.50; Thin or too Fat 38.00-44.00. Stock Bulls Choice 59.00-62.50; Good 53.00-59.00; Medium 48.00-52.00.

Joliet Cattle

Thursday, October 8

Report supplied by USDA

CATTLE: Stable receipts this week, 4,000; a week ago 3,359, and a year ago 4,543. Trading slow for the week. Slaughter steers ended the week 1.75 to 2.50, instances 3.00 lower compared with Wednesday a week ago. Slaughter heifers 2.00-2.50, instances 3.00 lower. Cows closed mostly 1.00-2.00 lower.

SLAUGHTER STEERS: Mixed Choice and Prime 3-4, few 5 1150-1350# 66.50-67.00, load Monday 67.25 and another load 67.50; 66.00 two loads 66.50 Wed. Choice 2-4 1150-1350 lbs. 65.00-66.50 Monday; 64.50-65.50 Wednesday; 1050-1175# 64.00-65.50 Monday; 62.50-64.50 Wednesday; 1000-1050 lbs. 63.00-64.50 Monday. 62.50-63.50 Wednesday; 900-1000 lbs. 62.00-62.50. Mixed Good and Choice 2-3 1000-1150 lbs. 61.00-63.00.

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: Mixed Choice and Prime 2-4 950-1100 lbs. 63.00-63.50 Monday; 61.50-62.50 on Wednesday. Choice 2-4 925-1000 lbs. 61.00-63.00 Monday; 61.00-62.00 on Wednesday; 850-925 lbs. 61.00-61.50. Monday, 59.50-61.00 Wednesday. Mixed Good and Choice 2-3 800-1000 lbs. 55.00-59.00.

COWS: Cutter and Utility 1-3 38.00-40.00 Monday; 36.00-39.00, few 40.00 on Wednesday.

Eighty-Four Auction

Eighty-four, Pa.

Tuesday, Oct. 6

Report supplied by auction

CATTLE 437. Choice slaughter steers 60.00-66.75, Good 55.00-59.00, Standard 45.00-54.50. Choice slaughter heifers 58.00-64.50, Good 48.00-55.00, Standard 40.00-47.50. Cutter slaughter cows 39.50-43.50, Canner & Low Cutter 34.50-38.75, Shells down to 26.00. Yield Grade #1 slaughter bulls 44.50-54.25; yield grade #2 40.00-52.00. Good feeder steers 48.50-57.50; Good feeder heifers 40.00-52.50.

CALVES 411. Choice vealers 80.00-103.00, Good 60.00-80.00, Standard & Good 50-95 lbs. 30.00-65.00. Farm calves, holstein bulls 71.00-94.00; holstein heifers 70.00-125.00; beef cross bulls & heifers 52.00-69.00.

HOGS 58. US No. 1-2 200-260 lbs. barrows & gilts 48.00-50.74. US No. 1-3 sows 40.00-48.75. Boars 38.75-39.00.

FEEDER PIGS 5. Few US No. 1-3 54 lbs. feeder pigs 26.00 per head, few No. 1-3 125 lbs. 41.50 cwt.

SHEEP 120. Choice woolled slaughter lambs 45.00-50.00, Good 44.00-47.00, feeders 24.00-45.00. Slaughter sheep 13.00-26.00.

GOATS 2.

Hunter's Auction

Monday, October 5

Rising Sun, Md.

Report supplied by auction

FEEDER HEIFERS: Good to Choice 55.00-57.00; Other 42.00-47.00.

COWS: High Choice to Prime 45.00-46.50; Good to Standard 44.25-45.00; Utility 42.25-43.75; Cutters 41.00-42.50; Cannors 37.50-40.00.

CALVES: Prime 180-220 lbs. 82.00-89.00; High to Choice 140-180 lbs. 76.00-87.00; Good to Choice 120-140 lbs. 72.00-84.00; Standard to Good 90-115 lbs. 57.00-72.00; Utility 75-85 lbs. 55.00-67.00; Low Utility 65-75 lbs. 42.00-54.00.

FEEDER PIGS: 25-35 lbs. \$18 to \$27 by hd.; 35-45 lbs. \$32 to \$39 by hd.

HOGS: 180-210 lbs. 46.00-47.50.

SOWS: 40.50-42.00.
GOATS: Nannies \$34 to \$42 by hd.; Kids \$18 to \$27 by hd.; Billies \$35 to \$40 by hd.

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