

## THE OLD FARMER'S ALMANAC

**MARCH 29-APRIL 4, 1982**  
*In for a blow, and maybe snow.*

Watch out for April fool tricks on Thursday Jack Benny debuted on radio March 29, 1932. First quarter of the moon April 1 (Thurs). Average length of days for the week, 12 hours, 43 minutes. President Ronald Reagan shot by J. Hinckley March 30, 1981. *Friendship cannot stand only on one side.*



**Ask the Old Farmer:** My grandfather was a farmer and his dwelling had few modern facilities. The backyard privy was as crude as any. Yet when he prepared to visit the accessory, he would say he was "going to the dolphins." Just what did he mean? W.L., Boston

*In the ancient Roman baths there were also public toilets and these were often decorated with carved representations of breaching dolphins.*

**Home Hints** Use a block of wood for leverage to prevent marring when pulling nails. Insert block against the nail after the first gentle tug and continue pulling.

**OLD FARMER'S WEATHER FORECAST**

**New England:** Rainy, mild to start, then cloudy and cold, with rain south, rain, snow in mountains, seasonable to cold for weekend.  
**Greater New York-New Jersey:** Week's beginning is mild and rainy, cold temperatures, more rain midweek, seasonable weekend.  
**Middle Atlantic Coastal:** Clear and hot, then showers, through midweek, rest of week is rainy and cool.  
**Piedmont & Southeast Coastal:** At week's beginning, sunny and warm, rain west and Piedmont, cooler, midweek, then rain, mild temperatures.

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### Eighty-four Auction

Eighty-four, Pa.  
 Monday, March 22

Report supplied by PDA

**CATTLE** 296. Compared with last Monday's market, slaughter cows \$1.50 to \$2 lower. Few Good slaughter steers 58.00-59.50, Standard 55.00-58.00, few Utility 47.00-50.00. Few Good slaughter heifers 56.00-58.00, Standard 46.00-50.00. Utility & Commercial slaughter cows 39.50-43.00, couple 45.00, Commercial No. 4-5 37.00-44.00, Cutters 36.00-39.75, Canner & Low Cutter 31.00-36.50, Shells down to 23.00. Yield Grade #1 1400-2200 lbs. slaughter bulls 46.25-55.00. Medium Frame #1 300-600 lbs. feeder steers 59.00-63.00, 800-950 lbs. holsteins 51.00-53.00; Medium Frame #1 280-350 lbs. feeder heifers 57.00-59.00, few Small Frame #1 350-550 lbs. 45.00-50.25.

**CALVES** 322. Vealers \$5 to \$10 lower. Choice vealers 85.00-97.00, Good 76.00-86.00, Standard 60.00-77.00, Standard & Good 90-120 lbs 50.00-61.00, 65-85 lbs. 34.00-50.00, Utility 50-90 lbs. 20.00-30.00. Farm calves, holstein bulls 90-120 lbs 52.00-75.00; holstein heifers 55.00-90.

**HOGS** 132. Barrows & gilts 50 cents to \$1 higher. US No. 1-2 200-250 lbs. barrows & gilts 51.00-52.25, No. 1-3 210-250 lbs. 50.00-51.20, No. 2-3 235-265 lbs. 47.50-49.00, No. 1-3 170-180 lbs. 42.00-47.00. US No. 1-3 300-700 lbs. sows 43.00-48.00, No. 2-3 350-600 lbs. 39.00-42.50. Boars 30.00-34.75.

**FEEDER PIGS** 18. One Lot US No. 1-3 51 lbs. feeder pigs 41 00 per head.

**SHEEP** 147. Spring slaughter lambs steady to weak. Choice 47-70 lbs. spring slaughter lambs 81.00-87.50, Good 55-72 lbs. 77.00-82.00; few Choice 86 lbs. woolled slaughter lambs at 67.00, Good 70-83 lbs. 53.00-55.00. Slaughter ewes 20.00-25.00.

**GOATS** 9. 20.00-48.00 per head.

### Middleburg Auction

Middleburg, Pa.  
 Tuesday, March 23

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**CATTLE** 342. Compared with last Tuesday's market slaughter steers steady to \$1 lower. Slaughter cows strong to \$1 higher. Choice 2-4, 1050-1470 lbs. slaughter steers 65.85-68.60, few 70.75, Good 58.50-63, couple 66.85, Standard 52.25-57.50, Utility 45.00-50. Couple Choice slaughter heifers 63.60 & 64.85, few Good 55.10-60.60, few Standard 52.00-53. Utility & Commercial slaughter cows 39.75-43.75, few 45.00, Cutters 38.50-41.50, few Canner & Low Cutters 33.25-37. Few Choice slaughter bullocks 60.00-65, one Good at 58.85. Yield Grade #1, 1150-2200 lbs. slaughter bulls 48-53.35. Few Large Frame #2, 400-800 lbs. feeder steers 46.00-59.

**CALVES** 138. Few Choice vealers 82.00-102, few Good 75.00-85, Standard and Good 70-100 lbs. 49.00-55. Farm Calves: Hol. Bulls 90-125 lbs. 55.00-66, couple to 72.00; Few Hol. Heifers 85-145 lbs. 67.50-110.

**HOGS** 382. (3-22-82). Barrows and gilts \$1.50-\$2.25 higher. US No. 1-2 2-240 lbs. barrows and gilts 53-54.50, No. 1-3 190-270 lbs. 52.00-53, No. 2-3 2-270 lbs. 51.75-52.50. US No. 1-3 3-660 lbs. sows 45.75-50, No. 2-3 3-700 lbs. 42-45.75. (Tues. 3-23-82).

**HOGS** 105. Few Lots US No. 1-3 215-225 lbs. barrows and gilts 52.50-53, No. 1-3 2-240 lbs. 51.85-52. **BOARS** 36-38.25.

**FEEDER PIGS** 178. US No. 1-3 20-35 lbs. feeder pigs 27-46.00 per head, No. 1-3 35-50 lbs. 45.00-54 per head.

**SHEEP** 45. Few Low Choice 70-100 lbs. woolled slaughter lambs 59.00-70; Utility and Good 50-100 lbs. 40.00-51 (Shorn). Few Slaughter ewes 25.00-29.00.

**GOATS** 15. 24.00-45. per head.

### Four States Livestock

Hagerstown, Md.

Wednesday, March 17

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**SLAUGHTER:** Fed Steers mostly steady. Low Choice 62.50; Good 57.00-61.50; Medium 56.00 Down. Heifers Choice 57.00-57.50; Good 50.00-56.00; Medium 49.00 Down. Cows good run, \$1.50 lower. High Yield 42.00-43.50; Average 38.50-41.00; Big Middle 36.00-38.00; Fatty Herf. 35.00-37.00; Shelly 37.00 Down. Fat Bulls Individual at 55.75; Good 50.00-54.25; Medium 42.00-49.00. Veal Calves Choice 95.00-101.00; Good 85.00-94.00; Medium 75.00-84.00; Farm Hfrs. to 84.00; Farm Bulls to 76.00; Light & Weak 51.00 Down.

**STOCKER.** Steers 300-550 lbs. Very active, \$1.00 higher. Choice 64.00-68.00; Good 59.00-63.00; Medium 55.00-58.00; Culls 54.00 Down; Dairy Type 43.00-53.00. Steers 600-850 lbs. Choice 60.00-64.00; Good 55.00-59.00; Medium 54.00 Down. Heifers (All Weights) Choice 53.00-58.00; Good 47.00-52.00; Medium 46.00 Down. Holsteins 55.00-83.00 Bulls Choice 58.00-61.50; Good 53.00-57.00; Medium 52.00 Down. Springing Heifers to 875.00. Pigs, Hd. small run, steady prices. 20-30 lbs. 11.00-29.00; 40-60 lbs. 30.00-41.00. Shoats by Lb to 44.00. Slaughter Hogs Steady to 25 cents higher. 210-230 lbs. 49.25-50.75; 240-260 lbs. 49.50-50.25; 190-205 lbs. 48.50-49.50. Sows 400-550 lbs. 47.50-52.25; Thin-Sows 42.00-46.00.

### Dewart Auction

Dewart, Pa.

Monday, March 22

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**CATTLE** 249. Compared with last Monday's market, slaughter

cows about steady. Choice 2-4, 1075-1300 lbs. 65-67.85, couple 69.85, Good 59-62.75, couple 64.00, Standard 49.00-56, few Utility 44.75-48. Few Choice slaughter heifers 58.75-63.75, few Standard and Good 52-54.75. Utility & Commercial slaughter cows 39-43.50, Cutters 37.75-40.75, Canner & Low Cutters 34-37.75, Shells down to 27.75. Yield Grade #1, 920-1820 lbs. slaughter bulls 46.60-55.

**CALVES** 228. Couple Prime vealers 111 & 114.00, Choice 89-106.50, Good 72.00-86, few Standard and Good 110-140 lbs. 63.00-71, 70-100 lbs. 55.00-60. Farm Calves: Hol. Bulls 90-125 lbs. 60.00-77; Hol. Heifers 90-140 lbs. 80.00-111.

**HOGS** 294. Barrows and gilts \$1.25-\$1.75 higher. US No. 1-2 2-240 lbs. barrows and gilts 53.50-54.10, couple lots 54.85, No. 1-3 210-255 lbs. 51.50-53.50, few lots No. 1-3 160-185 lbs. 44.85-45. US No. 1-3 300-600 lbs. sows 45.00-50, couple 52.25. Boars 34.00-38.00.

**FEEDER PIGS** 170. US No. 1-3 25-35 lbs. feeder pigs 36.50-45 per head, No. 1-3 50-60 lbs. 47.00-49, lot No. 1-3 85 lbs. at 52.50, few lots No. 1-3 100-145 lbs. 45.00-50.50 per hundredweight.

**SHEEP** 2. Not enough of any one grade to establish a market.

### Morrison Cove Auction

Martinsburg, Pa.

Monday, March 22

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**CATTLE** 243. High Choice & Prime slaughter steers 68.75-70.25, Choice 65.75-67.25, Good 62.10-65.75, Standard 60.25-62.10, Utility 51.50-57.50. Choice slaughter heifers 67-68.25, Good 64.50-66.10, Standard 57.50-60.25, Utility 52.50-57.50.

Utility & Commercial slaughter cows 46-51.50, Cutters 41.50-43.75, Canner & Low Cutters 37.50-40.25, Shells down to 35. Good slaughter bullocks 55.25-60.25, Standard 52.25-55.25, Utility 45.50-52.25. Yield Grade #1, slaughter bulls 55.50-56.50, #2, 47.50-52.50. Choice feeder steers 60.50-68, Good 56.50-60, Medium 48.50-53.50. Good feeder heifers 56.50-60.25, Medium 47.50-53.50. Good feeder bulls 52.50-57.50, Medium 47.50-52.50.

**CALVES** 353. Prime vealers 92.50-100, Choice 85.50-92.50, Good 78.50-84.50, Standard & Good 110-130 lbs. 65.00-78.50, 90-110 lbs. 54-60.50, 70-90 lbs. 45-52.50.

**FARM CALVES:** Hol. Bulls 90-130 lbs. 62.50-78.50; Hol. Heifers 90-130 lbs. 72.50-122.50.

**HOGS** 330. US No. 1-2 2-240 lbs. barrows and gilts 53-54.10, No. 1-3 2-240 lbs. 52-53.30, No. 2-3 50.00-51, 2-4, 170-300 lbs. 49-50.25. US No. 1-3 sows 48.50-51.25, No. 2-3 44-48.50. Boars 36.50-40.25.

**FEEDER PIGS** 3. Few US No. 1-3 40-70 lbs. feeder pigs 19-43.75 per hundredweight.

**SHEEP** 3. Individual Choice 60 lbs. woolled slaughter lamb at 73.00. Slaughter ewes 24.00-35.00.

**GOATS:** 19. \$11-41.00 per head.

### Denton Feeder Pig Sale

Denton, Md.

March 22, 835 Pigs

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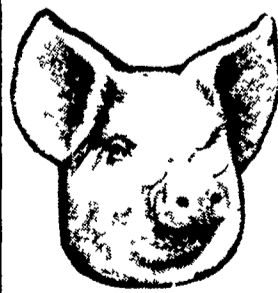
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