

### THE OLD FARMER'S ALMANAC



FEB. 13-19, 1984

Rain near ocean, storm in motion.

Plan your vegetable garden now Valentine's Day Feb 14 (Tues )
Full moon Feb 16 (Thurs ) Average length of days for the week, 10 hours, 38 minutes "Chicago Seven" convicted of contempt of court. Feb 15, 1970 Nylon patented Feb 16, 1937 Charity begins at home, but shouldn't end there



Ask the Old Farmer: Does the twentieth century end Dec 31, 2000? Could a man born in 1900 and living to 100 plus one day be alive in three different centuries? S1, Scranton, Pa

The answer to the first question is yes. All because we started counting at one instead of zero. Therefore, the answer to your second question is yes You expect to be around that long

Home Hints: To slice fresh bread or cake, dip the knife in hot water and dry it

#### OLD FARMER'S WEATHER FORECASTS

New England: Beginning of week clear and cold, rest of week snow,

Greater New York-New Jersey: Clear and cold at week's start, mild with rain and snow inland by end of week

Middle Atlantic Coastal: Cold weather with rain and snow changes to clear and mild by midweek, week's end brings rain and snow to mountains, with cold temperatures

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### Penns Valley Livestock

Centre Hall, Pa. Tuesday, February 7 Report supplied by auction

Beef Cows: Utility and Commercial 38.75-41.25; Cutters 35.10-38.50; Canners 31.60-34.75; Shells 20.00.

Heifers: Good 56.85-60.25: Standard 48.00-51.00; Commercial 38.50-46.75.

Steers: Good 55.25-58.00; Standard 48.50-52.00.

Bulls: Good 52.00-54.60; Standard 46.00-51.50.

Feeder Cattle: 300-500 lbs. large frame 46.00-51.50; 300-500 lbs. small frame 38.00-48.50; 500-700 lbs. large frame 42.25-49.00; 500-700 lbs. small frame 40.00-48.00.

Veal Calves: Prime 96.00-102.00: Choice 82.00-94.00; Good 68.00-81.00; Standard 57.00-66.00; Utility 45.00-56.00.

Farm Calves: Bulls 88.00-104.00; Heifers 60.00-78.00.

Hogs: 47.75-49.50. Sows: 36.00-43.50. Boars: 25.00-27.50.

Shoats: 25-30 lbs. per head 12.00-18.00; 30-35 lbs. per head 15.00-23.00; 35-50 lbs. per head 20.00-35.00.

Lambs: 40.00-46.00. Goats: 21.00-32.00.

#### Peoria Cattle Thursday, February 9 Report supplied by USDA

Compared to last Wednesday Slaughter Steers sold .50-1.00 lower. Heifers steady to 1.00 lower. Cows finished steady, instances .50-1.00 lower. Bulls remained steady. Trade moderate during the week. Buyers remain cautious and selective with salable supply carrying 1 to 2% mud. Majority of supply Good and Choice Steers and Heifers with 18% Cows and Bulls.

## Livestock market and auction news

**SLAUGHTER STEERS: Choice** 2-4 1050-1300 lbs. 66.50-68.00, bulk 66.50-67.50. Few consignments mostly YG 3-4 and muddy 65.00-66.00. Good and Choice 2-3 950-1200 lbs. 63.00-67.00. Good 60.00-64.50. Holsteins: Standard and good 1-3 1200 lbs. 57.00. Package 1500 lbs. 58.00.

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: Choice 2-4 950-1150 lbs. 66.00-68.00. 850-950 lbs. 65.00-66.00, load 1070 lbs. muddy 63.50. Good and Choice 2-3 850-1050 lbs. 63.00-65.00. Good 58.00-63.00.

COWS: High Cutter and Boning Utility 1-3 37.00-40.00. Canner and low Cutter 32.00-37.00. Low yielding 28.00-32.00.

BULLS: Few YG 1-2 1400-1800 lbs. 43.00-50.50.

#### Apple Market Monday, February 6 Report Supplied by PDA

Demand for apples today is moderate and prices are stable. Sales of bagged apples are showing a moderate increase this week while traypacked apples sales are declining. Ten representative growers, packers, shippers growers, packers, shippers reported selling 12,127 cartons of bagged apples and 2,110 cartons of traypacked apples. Several brokers throughout the apple producing area report that interest is high among chain store and independent buyers over the Apple

marketing Board's 12/3 Polybag promotion which began last week.

According to the Western New York Apple Growers Newsletter of January 24, for the first time in 1982, there were one billion bushels of apples produced throughout the world. The United States produces about 1/5 of this volume. The apple bowl of the world is Europe which as a collection of countries, produces about 1/2 of the total world production. Thus, if the United States is to compete, we must do so aggressively in terms of price, promotion, supply stability and with a high quality product. For Pennsylvania growers now in the export market or anticipating entering the market, keep these facts in mind for a successful operation.

**SUMMARY** 

APPLES REG. BAGGED STORAGE — 12/3# Red Delicious U.S. Fancy 21/4" - \$6.25-6.50; 8/5# Red Delicious U.S. Fancy 21/4" some \$6.25; 12/3# Golden Delicious U.S. Fancy 2¼" - 5.50-6.00; 8/5# Golden Delicious U.S. Fancy 21/4" some 6.25; 12/3# Ida Red, U.S.

Fancy 21/4" - few 7.25; 12/3# Stayman, Winesap, U.S. Fancy 21/4" - few 6.25; 12/3# Red Rome, U.S. Extra Fancy 2¼" - some 7.50; 12/3# Red Romes, U.S. Fancy 2¼" - mo. 5.00, few 6.25; 12/3# Law Romes, U.S. Fancy 21/4" - 6.50; 8/5# Red Romes U.S. Fancy 24" - 6.25; 8/5# Red Romes U.S. #1, Generic 21/4" - 6.00; 12/3# Yorks U.S Fancy

21/4" - 6.00-6.50. CA STORAGE - 12/3# Red Delicious U.S. Extra Fancy 24" -9.00; 12/3# Red Delicious U.S. Fancy 2<sup>1</sup>4" - 7.50; 12/3# Golden Delicious U.S. Fancy 2<sup>1</sup>4" - 7.00; 12/3# Law Romes U.S. Fancy 21/4" -7.50; 12/3# Red Romes U.S. Extra Fancy 24" - 9.00.

TRAYPACKS REG. STORAGE -Red Delicious Comb. Fancy & Ex. Fancy, 72-100's - 7.50; Golden Delicious Comb. Fancy & Ex. Fancy 100's-113's - 9.00; Red Romes Comb. Fancy & Ex. Fancy 100's - 8.00.

CA STORAGE - Yorks Comb. Fancy & Ex. Fancy 113's up - 9.00-9.75; Law Romes Fancy & Ex. Fancy 100's - 11.00; 40# box, loose pack, Red Delicious & Golden Delicioius - 8.25.

### **Green Dragon** Livestock Sales





### BUYERS FROM 3 STATES

Regular consignments from Bob Kennedy & Ed Stover plus 15 other local consignors. Lots of good Northern Feeders and Stockers.

#### SALE EVERY FRIDAY

Bulls, Steers, Slaughter Cows, Lambs and Veal Calves

11:00 A.M.- Beef Sale Stockers & Feeders 200 to 250 each week.

12:30 P.M.-Dairy Cows 7:00 P.M.-Small Animal Sale

For Special Sales and Herd Dispersals on the farm or at our barn or other market information call: Office 717-733-

WALTER H. RISSER, Proprietor

### ATTENTION FARMERS

**EVERY MONDAY** HATFIELD PACKING CO. and

> Will Receive Your Hogs and Cattle at the

### DANVILLE LIVESTOCK MARKET

RD4, Danville, PA

- We will receive your hogs from 8 AM to 12 Noon every Monday Your hogs will be weighed and paid for immediately.
- We will also accept your sows & boars
- Your cattle will be received from 12 30 to 5 P M We will either pay you for your cattle immediately or you may sell them dressed weight
- There will not be a commission or yardage fee deducted from your check
- You may call our office Monday morning and we will be able to tell you the base price for hogs for

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#### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17 ON THE FARM MONTHLY **BRED GILT SALE**

Sale to Start Promptly at 1:00 **Every 4 Weeks** 

Located 18 miles south of Lancaster, Pa., 6 miles south of Quarryville, take Rt. 272 to Little Britain, turn north, follow Little Britain Road to Jackson Road, 2nd farm, OR take Rt. 222, out of Quarryville to Cedar Hill Road to Little Britain Road to Jackson Road. Watch for sale arrows.

50 to 60 Head

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Phone: 717-275-2880 **NEXT SALE DATE MARCH 16** 



# **SPRAY MATERIALS**

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- DUEL
- **BICEP**
- \* SUTAN +
- LASSO

- BLADEX
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  - MELVIN R. WEAVER

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