

# THE OLD FARMER'S ALMANAC

AUG. 27-SEPT. 2, 1984

The heat and haze give way to cooler days.

Plant winter rye in fallow fields now Tarzan of the Apes published August 27, 1912  
 Average length of days for the week, 13 hours, 15 minutes First quarter of the moon Sept 2 (Sun)  
 Non-aggression pact signed by Afghanistan and Russia, Aug 31, 1926 Japan Stationery Co sold first felt-tipped pen, Aug 30, 1960  
 Forest fire in Hinckley, Minn., killed 418, burning 160,000 acres, Sept 1, 1894 A great deal of what we see depends on what we're looking for



polka music and you'll understand exactly how come

Home Hint: For easier cleaning, always rinse a pan in cold water before scalding milk in it

Ask the Old Farmer: Where did the term "polka dots" come from? P.C., Buffalo, N.Y.  
 The polka is a dance imported from Bohemia back in the early 1800s Somewhere about 1840 a company turned out a dotted pattern in dress goods Somebody, likely a musician, observing the regularity of the pattern, compared it to the notes of the polka Hunt up a scrap of

## OLD FARMER'S WEATHER FORECAST

**New England:** Beginning of week sunny, changing to rain by midweek and continuing through end of week  
**Greater New York-New Jersey:** Beginning of week partly cloudy and warm, rain by midweek, sunny and warm by week's end  
**Middle Atlantic Coastal:** Week begins with warm temperatures and showers, temperatures change to cool with rain by midweek, clear and mild by end of week  
**Piedmont & Southeast Coastal:** Rain begins the week, hot by midweek, week ends clear and hot

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## Oklahoma Cattle

Wednesday, August 22

Report supplied by USDA

Estimated Receipts 8,000  
 Same Day Last Week 4,351

Feeder Steers and Heifers largely steady. Demand good for No. 1 muscled cattle; light demand for the lower grades. Bulk supply Medium Frame 1 and Mixed 1-2 500-800 lb. Steers and 450-700 lb. Heifers. Mixed 1-2 forming the larger percentage of sales. No. 2's offered in larger volume than normal.

**FEEDER STEERS:** Medium few Large Frame 1 295 lb. 77.50; 400-500 lb. 66.00-71.60; 500-600 lbs. 63.00-66.60, 505 lb. thin 70.50; 600-700 lb. 63.50-65.30; couple lots 700-705 lb. 65.70-65.80; 700-800 lb. 62.40-64.90, lot 795 lb. gaunt 64.00; 800-900 lb. 60.90-62.90; lot 1000 lb. partly fattened 60.30. Small Frame 1 375 lb. 64.50; 500-600 lb. 58.50-64.00; 600-750 lb. 60.70-61.80. Medium and Large Frame Mixed 1-2 400-500 lb. 62.50-67.00; 500-600 lb. 62.00-64.00; 600-800 lb. 62.00-63.80, part-load thin 690 lb. 64.25; 800-900 lb. 56.50-60.60; lot 890 lb. 61.80. Medium and Large Frame 2 420 lb. thin 63.25; 500-650 lb. 58.20-62.25, lot thin 685 lb. 63.10; 700-775 lb. 56.80-60.10, light-bone Brahma 770 lb. 54.00. Large Frame 2 Holsteins 430 lb. 45.00; package 765 lb. 43.75.

**FEEDER HEIFERS:** Medium few Large Frame 1 350-750 lb. 56.00-59.00 few lots 640-745 lb. 59.50-60.60. Small Frame 1 450-550 lb. 49.00-54.00. Medium and Large Frame Mixed 1-2 295 lb. 57.50; 400-500 lb. 53.00-56.00; 500-800 lb. 53.00-56.50. Medium and Large Frame 2

500-700 lb. 49.00-53.25, lot 515 lb. 54.50; 700-800 lb. including Heiferettes 46.00-51.00. Medium and Large Frame 2-3 375-650 lb. mostly 46.00-50.00.

**FOR THE WEEK:** Feeder Steers steady to 50 cents lower. Feeder Heifers steady to 1.00 lower. Slaughter Cows weak to 1.00 lower. Cow numbers very large. Bulls steady.

## Keister's Livestock Auction

Middleburg, Pa.

Tuesday, August 21

Report is supplied by auction

Compared with last week's market Choice slaughter steers 64.00-66.60, Good 60.00-63.75, Standard 55.00-60.00, Utility 50.00-55.00. Choice slaughter heifers 60.00-63.75, Good 55.00-60.00, Standard 45.00-55.00, Utility 40.00-45.00. Breaking Utility & Commercial slaughter cows 42.00-45.85, few to 46.75, Cutter & Boning Utility 40.00-44.75, Canner & Low Cutter 32.00-40.00, Shells down to 28.00. One Choice slaughter bullock at 60.50, Good 55.00-60.00. Yield Grade No. 1 1200-1815 lbs. slaughter bulls 50.75-56.60, #2 800-1200 lbs. 44.00-50.75.

**FEEDER CATTLE:** 350-850 lbs. feeder steers 40.00-62.50, 350-800 lbs. feeder heifers 35.00-50.00. 300-650 lbs. feeder bulls 40.00-60.00.

**CALVES** 212. Choice vealers 60.00-75.00, Good 50.00-60.00, Standard and Good 90-110 lbs. 45.00-55.00, Utility 60-90 lbs. 35.00-45.00.

**FARM CALVES:** Holstein Bulls 90-120 lbs. 60.00-80.00.

**HOGS** 557. US No. 1-2 210-235 lbs. barrows and gilts 54.50-55.75, few to 56.50, No. 1-3 2-250 lbs. 53.75-54.50, No. 2-3 190-270 lbs. 50.00-53.75. US No. 1-3 3-600 lbs. sows 43.75-47.00, No. 2-3 3-600 lbs. 38.00-43.75. Boars 32.00-40.25.

**FEEDER PIGS** 187. US No. 1-3 10-25 lbs. feeder pigs 15.00-25.00 per head, No. 1-3 25-60 lbs. 25.00-43.50 per head.

**SHEEP** 31. Good 50-80 lbs. spring slaughter lambs 45.00-51.00, Utility 35.00-45.00.

## Central U.S. Carlot

Beef Report

Wednesday, August 22

Report supplied by USDA

Compared to Tuesday's 4:00 report: Choice 3 Steer Carcasses - not tested, YG 2 steady, good steady to \$.50 lower. Heifer Carcasses \$1.00 lower on Choice, steady on Good. Demand and trading moderate except very light on Choice Steers.

The gross boxed beef carcass cut-out value declined \$.55 to an estimated \$97.90 per cwt., 123 loads boxed cuts reported.

Sales reported on 78 loads of steer and heifer carcasses.

Steer Beef

27 Loads

FOB Omaha Basis

Choice 3 600-700 lbs. 94.50-95.50, no comparison.

Choice 2 600-700 lbs. 95.50-96.50, mostly steady.

Good 2-3 600-900 lbs. 89.00-90.00, no comparison.

Good 2 & Low 3 600-700 lbs. 88.50-90.50, steady-.50 lower.

Choice 2-3 600-900 lbs. 86.00 (Hols), not established.

Good 2-3 600-900 lbs. 81.00 (Hols), not established.

FOB Amarillo Basis

Good 2-3 600-900 lbs. 89.00, 2.00 lower.

Heifer Beef

51 Loads

FOB Omaha Basis

Choice 3 550-700 lbs. 92.50-93.00, bulk 93.00, 1.00 lower; 500-550 lbs. 91.00, 1.00 lower; 400-500 lbs. 89.00, 1.00 lower.

Choice 2 600-700 lbs. 94.00.

Good 2-3 550-700 lbs. 87.00-88.00, bulk 88.00, mostly steady.

FOB Amarillo Basis

Good 2-3 550-700 lbs. 88.00, steady.

Cow Carcasses

18 Loads

FOB Omaha Basis

Prices mostly steady. Demand light to moderate on moderate supplies.

Brkg Util 2-3 450&sup lbs. 73.50 (MW) steady.

Brng Util 1-3 400&sup lbs. 74.00 (MW) 1.00 higher.

Canner & Cutter 1-2 350&sup lbs. 75.00-77.00, mostly 77.00 (MW) mostly steady.

FOB Amarillo Basis

Brkg Util 2-3 450&sup lbs. 72.00 (W), steady.

Brng Util 1-3 400&sup lbs. 74.00 (MW) steady.

Canner & Cutter 1-2 350&sup lbs. 75.00. (W).

Bull Beef

1 Load

FOB Amarillo Basis

Bull 1-2 500&sup lbs. 82.00.

Primal Beef Cuts

7 Loads

FOB Omaha Basis

Choice 3- Hinds (H) 120-170 lbs. 112.00; Fores 130-210 lbs. 78.00; Arm Chucks 66-120 lbs. 71.00.

Boneless Processing Beef

Beef Trimmings

149 Loads

90% Chem Lean Fresh 104.00-106.00.

50% Chem Lean Fresh 57.00-61.50, bulk 60.00.

50% Chem Lean Frozen 65.00.

FOB Amarillo Basis

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