

**THE OLD FARMER'S ALMANAC**

JAN. 28-FEB. 3, 1985

The cold lingers on — will it ever be gone?

Watch for amethyst sunsets now U C L A won its 88th consecutive basketball game, Jan 29, 1974 Average length of days for the week, 10 hours First quarter of the moon Jan 28 (Mon) "Lone Ranger" first broadcast Jan 30, 1933 Groundhog Day Feb 2 (if he sees his shadow, there will be six more weeks of winter) Example has more followers than reason



**Ask the Old Farmer:** From my Vermont family I acquired a tin candle mold It is in one piece, not split How did they get the candles out in one piece? A L, Cherry Hill, N J

Wax shrinks slightly as it cools, so candles often could be lifted out Or the mold could be dipped briefly in hot water, similar to the way you remove gelled dishes from fancy molds Most craft shops sell a spray that helps prevent sticking

**Home Hints:** To keep children's new shoes from slipping, lightly sandpaper the soles

**OLD FARMER'S WEATHER FORECAST**

**New England:** Beginning of week cold, midweek continuing cold, with snow in south, by end of week clearing skies, still cold  
**Greater New York-New Jersey** Through midweek sunny and mild, end of week brings snow and cold  
**Middle Atlantic Coastal.** Clear and mild at week's beginning, midweek rain, snow in mountains, cold and rainy, with snow in mountains and north by week's end  
**Piedmont & Southeast Coastal:** Beginning of week clear and warm, midweek brings showers, clearing by end of week

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**Carlisle Livestock**

Carlisle, Pa.

Tuesday, January 22

Report supplied by auction

**CATTLE:** Steers: Steady. Good 58.85-63.50; Good & Choice Holsteins 55.00-60.25; Medium Holsteins 48.25-54.00. Heifers: Steady. Good 54.25-58.25; Medium 50.00-53.75. Cows: Strong demand; (3.00 to 5.00 higher) High Yield 44.00-47.25, Individual 51.00; Average 40.00-45.00; Big Middle 36.00-42.10; Shelly 38.00 down. Fat Bulls: 2.00 higher. Good 50.50-53.75; Medium 47.50-48.25.

**FEEDER CATTLE:** Steers (300-550 lb.) Mostly steady. Choice none offered; Good 52.00-57.00; Medium 46.00-51.00; Culls 45.00 down. Heifers (all weights) Few Medium 39.50-45.00. Bulls (all weights) Good 50.00-52.00; Medium 45.00-49.00.

**VEAL CALVES:** Active 5.00

higher! Choice 80.00-93.00; Good 70.00-79.00; Medium 60.00-69.00; Light 50.00-59.00, Weak 53.00 down. Farm Bulls- 70.00-94.00.

**HOGS:** Barrows & Gilts 2.00 higher. 210-250 lbs. 51.50-52.75; over 260 lb. 44.50-52.00; Under 210 46.50-49.50.

**SOWS:** Heavy 2.00 higher; Light mostly steady. Over 450 lb. 42.25-44.50; under 450 41.25-44.50; 2&3's 38.25-38.50; Boars: Heavy 34.25-34.50; Light 38.00-38.50.

**FEEDER PIGS** (by the Hd) (1 lot 25 lbs. 24.00) (30-38 lbs. 30.00-38.00).

**SHEEP:** Strong demand 2.00 to 5.00 higher. Lambs: Choice 69.00-71.00; Good 59.00-65.00. Ewes- 23.00-29.00 lb. Goats: (Lg) 34.00-43.00.

Next State Graded Feeder Pig Sale will be Friday, Feb. 8th 1:30 PM.

**Westminster Livestock Auction**

Westminster, Pa.

Tuesday, January 15

Report supplied by auction

**SLAUGHTER COWS:** 75 head, prices steady. High Yield to 42.75, 1 at 45.75; Utility 37.00-41.00; Canners 34.00-37.00; Shelly 33.00 down. Bulls- Few Medium to Good 44.00-46.00. Fed Steers- No Choice offered. Good 1000-1150 lbs. 53.00-60.00; Good Holsteins 1200-1300 lbs. 53.00-54.25. Fed Heifers- No Choice offered. Few Good to 52.00. Veal Calves- 120 head. Good 140-170 lbs. 55.00-75.00; Killers 80-110 lbs. 45.00-52.00; Weak/Rough 30.00 down. Farm Calves- \$8.00 higher. Holstein Bulls 95-120 lbs. 55.00-74.00; Holstein Heifers few 100-110 lb. 54.00. Sows- 400-600 lbs. 36.00-45.00, mainly 39.00-42.00. Boars- 400-600 lb. 34.00-34.50, 1 335 lb. at 31.00.

**STOCK CATTLE:** 60 head. Steers- Good demand. Good 400-800 lbs. 52.00-56.00; Good to Choice 550-950 lbs. 53.00-58.00. Heifers- Choice 400-800 lbs. 50.00-55.00; Good 43.00-49.00; Medium 37.00-43.00. Lambs- 4 head. Few 55-85 lb. 58.00-66.00. Sheep- 5 head 20.00-26.00, 1 to 32.00. Goats- 10 head 20.00-43.00 per head. Pigs & Shoats- 90 head. 25-35 lbs. 19.00-26.00; 50-52 lbs. few 29.00-32.00; 60-90 lbs. 34.00-36.00. By the Lb.- Few 130-190 lbs. 35.00-43.50; 1 Good Duroc Boar 210 lbs. at 52.00.

**Butcher Hogs-** Good run, higher prices. U.S.#1 & 2 2 lots 260 lbs. 51.35-52.25. Bulk- 230-260 lbs. 49.75-50.50; 190-210 lbs. 45.00-46.00.

**HAY**

20 Loads

Alfalfa 70.00-101.00 per ton; Timothy 78.00 per ton, 1.60 bale; Clover (dark) 47.00-71.00 per ton, 70 cents bale; Mixed Hay 76.00-90.00 per ton 1.40 bale; Meadow & Orchard Grass 57.00-66.00 per ton; Straw 1.30 bale; Corn 73.00 per ton; Firewood 56.00 per cord.

**Lebanon Valley Livestock**

Fredericksburg, Pa.

Tuesday, January 22

Report Supplied by PDA

**CATTLE** 172. One Prime Slaughter Steer 1245 lbs. at 68.10, Choice 2-4 1065-1405 63.75-66.10, one at 68.10, Good 61.00-63.00, few 64.25, Standard & Good Holsteins 50.00-59.75, Few Utility 45.75-47.50. One Choice Slaughter Heifer 1355 lbs. at 66.25, Few Good 55.00-61.50, Few Standard 48.00-52.75. Few Breaking Utility & Commercial

Slaughter Cows 44.00-49.25, Cutter & Boning Utility 38.75-44.85, Canner & Low Cutter 33.50-37.75 few 40.00 Few Shells down to 32.00. Two Good Slaughter Bullocks 49.50 & 50.35, Few Standard 47-47.75. Two Yield Grade No. 1 1310 & 1445 lbs. Slaughter Bulls, 51.00 & 51.25, One Yield Grade No. 2 1265 lbs. at 46.75.

**CALVES** 160. One Prime Vealer at 96.00, Few Choice 82.00-90.00, Few Good 63.00-83.00, Few Standard & Good 90-115 lbs. 50.00-53.00, 65-90 lbs. 38.00-47.00, Few Utility 50-70 lbs. 30.00-32.00.

**FARM CALVES.** Holstein Bulls 90-115 lbs. 51.00-82.00 mostly 68.00-80.00, Holstein Heifers 90-115 lbs. 50.00-55.00, one at 58.00.

**HOGS** 124. US No. 1-2 210-250 lbs. Barrows & Gilts 50.60-51.00, No. 1-3 215-245 lbs. 50.00-50.60. Sows: US No. 1-3 325-560 lbs. sows 40.25-43.00, No. 2-3 325-565 lbs. 37.75-40.00, one at 42.50. Few Boars at 35.50-36.25.

**SHEEP** 4. One Choice 60.00 Wool Slaughter Lamb at 71.00. Few Slaughter Sheep 15.00-18.00.

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**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15 ON THE FARM MONTHLY BRED GILT SALE**

Sale to Start Promptly at 1:00 P.M. 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, right. 2nd farm, OR take Rt. 222, out of Quarryville to Cedar Hill Road to Little Britain Road to Jackson Road, left. Watch for sale arrows.

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