

THE OLD FARMER'S ALMANAC

AUG. 19-25, 1985

Restless and lazy — Old Sol drives us crazy

John Fitch tested first steamboat on the Delaware River Aug 22, 1787 Average length of days for the week, 13 hours, 37 minutes Sacco-Vanzetti trial began Aug 23, 1927 First quarter of the moon Aug 22 (Thurs) Captain Isaac Hull's USS Constitution engaged and defeated the British frigate *Guerriere*, Aug 19, 1812 Beef has bones, eggs have shells, but ale has nothing else



Ask the Old Farmer: Tell me, please, how sassafras tea was made? I'm a city-bred ignoramus now living in the country, surrounded by sassafras trees M P, Dunsuir, Calif

There were two schools of thought back in the "good old days" when folks drank sassafras tea One swore by the potency of the root while the other depended upon the buds and bark, the latter taken from the twigs In either case the bark, buds and shavings from the roots were well dried Then they dumped a handful into a teapot, filled it with hot water and let it steep, not boil, until the contents of the pot turned the color of swamp water

Home Hints: Cover water stains on ceilings by painting on white pigmented shellac, then applying a coat of regular paint

OLD FARMER'S WEATHER FORECAST

New England: Beginning of week rain warm temperatures, mid through end of week hot and humid
Greater New York-New Jersey: Thunderstorms through midweek end of week sunny and hot
Middle Atlantic Coastal: Week begins sunny, midweek thunderstorms possible flooding, end of week showers
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Dewart Livestock

Dewart, Pa.

Monday, August 12

Report Supplied by PDA

CATTLE 190: Compared with last Monday's market, slaughter cows mostly steady, to \$1.00 higher. Few Choice slaughter steers 1030-1350 lbs. 51.75-53.25, Few 4-5 47.25-50.25, Few Good & Choice holsteins 44.25-46.50, Few Standard 41.50-43.00, One Standard 46.75, Utility & Low Standard 36.50-39.50, Few 42.75. Choice slaughter heifers, one at 50.00, One Yield Grade 5 at 35.00, One Good 47.00, Few Good & Choice 4-5 40.50-45.75, Few Standard 40.25-47.50, Few Utility 32.75-38.75. Breaking Utility & Commercial slaughter cows 37.00-38.75, few 42.75, Cutter & Boning Utility 34.00-37.00, Canner & Low Cutter 28.00-33.75, Shells down to 17.00. Few Standard 42.25-45.60, Two Utility 40.50 & 41.50, Few Yield Grade No. 1 1255-2050 lbs. slaughter bulls, 47.50-48.75, One Yield Grade No. 2 1320 lbs. 44.25.

FEEDER CATTLE: Heifers Few Medium Frame #2 575-685 lbs. 40.00-47.00.

CALVES 227: Few Choice 61.00-77.00, Few Good 50.00-61.00, Standard & Good 90-110 lbs. 45.00-49.00, 65-85 lbs. 41.00-45.00, few Utility 60-90 lbs. 30.00-40.00.

FARM CALVES: Holstein bulls 90-130 lbs. 50.00-80.00 mostly 65-75.00.

HOGS 54: Few US No. 1-2 225-230 lbs. barrows & gilts 46.75-47.25, Lot No. 2-3 225 lbs. 47.10, Few No. 2-4 215-225 lbs. 40-85-42.00, No. 3-4 195-340 lbs. 33.00-38.00. Sows: Few US No. 1-3 440-510 lbs. sows 34.25-36.75, Few No. 2-3420-575 lbs. 33.00-35.00. Few Boars 27.00-30.25, Few Light weights 30.50-35.00.

FEEDER PIGS 119: US No. 1-3 15-25 lbs. feeder pigs 19.50-29.00 per

head. No 1-3 25-35 lbs. 28.50-35.00, No. 1-3 40-50 lbs. 41.00-43.50, Lot 1-3 60 lbs. 52.00 per head. **SHEEP 50:** High Choice & Prime 70-114 lbs. 63.00-66.00, few 69.00, Choice 75-100 lbs. 60.00-64.00, Good & Choice 50-85 lbs. 55.00-61.00, Few Utility & Good 35-50 lbs. 63.00-72.00. Slaughter Sheep: 20.00-31.00, Individual 37.00. **GOATS 3:** 21.00 per head.

Omaha Weekly

Thursday, Aug. 15

Report Supplied by USDA

Slaughter steers and heifers closed this week at steady levels with last week. This weeks trading started on a higher scale, but by midweek, when downturns werer registered, all advances had been erased. Demand was generally good but by midweek an uncertain dressed beef trade created a bearish atmosphere. Slaughter cows 1.00-2.00 higher, slaughter bulls firm to 1.00 higher.

Estimated 5 day receipts this week 6600, actual receipts last week 4742, last year 8360. Slaughter steers accounted for 54 pct of the weeks receipts, heifers 38 pct, cows 5 pct, feeder cattle 1 pct.

SLAUGHTER STEERS: At the close, scattered loads and lots choice 2-4 1050-1400 lbs. 52.00-53.00, load 53.25. Some sales to C.M.E. interests 1050-1250 lbs. 53.00-53.50. Mixed good and choice 2-3 1050-1200 lbs. 51.00-52.50. Few good 50.00-51.00. Mixed good and choice 2-3 1100-1400 lb. holsteins 42.00-44.50.

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: At the close, scattered loads and lots choice 2-3 975-1150 lbs. 51.00-52.50, load 52.75. Mixed good and choice 2-3 900-1050 lbs. 50.00-51.50. Good 49.00-50.50.

Average of LS-214 detailed quotations for choice 900-1100 lb. steers 52.60, 1100-1300 lbs. 53.45. Average cost all slaughter steers this week 52.25, average weight

1217 lbs. compared to 51.21 and 1211 lbs. last week. Average cost all slaughter heifers this week 52.11, average weight 1051 lbs. compared to 50.51 and 1026 lbs. last week.

SLAUGHTER COWS: At the close, breaking utility and commercial 2-3 35.75-39.00, couple head 40.00. Cutter and boning utility 1-2 35.00-38.50. Few lot cutter 35.00-37.00.

SLAUGHTER BULLS: Few 1-2 1200-1900 lbs. 45.00-51.00, high dressing individual 53.75, few head ow dressing 42.00-45.00.

Farmers Livestock Auction

Duncansville, Pa.

Monday, August 12

Report Supplied by PDA

CATTLE 136: Choice 50.50-52.50, High Good & Low Ch. 50.00-51.25, Good 45.50-46.75, Good & Choice holsteins 42.00-45.50, Standard 41.00-42.00, Utility 36.50-40.00. Choice sl. heifers 45.50-49.50, Good 44.00-46.75, Standard 41.00-43.75, Utility 36.00-38.50. Breaking Ut. & Commercial sl. cows 39.00-40.25, Cutter & Boning Ut. 36.75-38.50, Canner & Low Cutter 34.00-37.75, Shells down to 29.00. Choice sl. bullocks none, Good 44.50-46.50, Standard 41.50-43.50, Utility 35.50-38.75. Yield Grade No. 1 sl. bulls, 44.50-46.50, Yield Grade No. 2 41.50-43.50.

FEEDER CATTLE: Steers Good 48.50-52.50, Standard 42.50-45.50, Heifers Good 44.50-47.50, Standard 35.00-41.50, Bulls Good 44.50-48.50, Standard 36.50-39.00.

CALVES 298: Choice 72.50-78.50, Good 60.00-70.50, Standard 52.50-56.00, Standard & Good 90 lb. to 130 lb. 45.00-56.50, Utility 40-65 lbs. 35.00-43.00.

FARM CALVES: Holstein bulls 90-130 lbs. 65.00-84.50, Holstein heifers 90-130 lbs. 48.75-62.50.

HOGS 136: US No. 1-2 220-240 lbs. barrows and gilts 47.00-48.25, No. 1-3 200-240 lbs. 46.50-47.25, No. 2-3 220-240 lbs. 45.50-46.75. US No. 1-3 300-600 lbs. sows 38.50-40.00, No. 2-3 300-600 lbs. 34.50-37.50. Boars 28.50-29.75, Light weights 32.00-33.50.

FEEDER PIGS 14: US No. 1-3 30-40 lbs. feeder pigs 24.50-30.50 per head.

SHEEP 2: High Ch. & Pr. 90-100 lbs. 64.50-66.50. 2 GOATS 11.00-24.00 per head.

New Holland Horse

New Holland Sales Stables

Monday, August 12

Report supplied by auction

Reported receipts of 250 head of horses, mules and ponies. Market: steady.

Local:

Better horses 425.00-600.00. Few Registered Horses 625.00-500.00.

Driving horses 275.00-925.00. Riding horses 175.00-350.00.

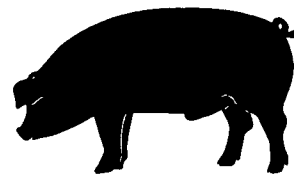
Lightweight killers 155.00-235.00; Heavyweight killers 275.00-365.00.

Mare ponies 30.00-75.00; Colts 10.00-25.00; Gelding ponies 30.00-75.00.

Larger ponies 125.00-175.00.



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Location: Ephrata RD 4. 1 mile N. on North State St., Ephrata.

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- We will receive your hogs from 8 AM to 12 Noon every Monday. Your hogs will be weighed and paid for immediately.
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FRIDAY, AUG. 30 ON THE FARM MONTHLY BRED GILT SALE

Sale to Start Promptly Every 4 Weeks at 7:30 P.M.

7:30 Evening Sale Aug. 30 7:30 D.S.T.

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.

50 to 60 Head Now selling our new hybrid gilts representing mostly York & Hampshire & Landrace cross. Bred for easier & less trouble over farrowing and better weight gains.

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NEXT SALE DATE SEPT. 27