

THE OLD FARMER'S ALMANAC

OCT. 6-12, 1986
Rain keeps dripping as foliage is dropping.

Egyptian President Anwar el-Sadat assassinated in Cairo, Oct 6 1981 Average length of days for the week 11 hours, 23 minutes Great Chicago Fire began Oct 8 1871, killing 250 and causing \$200 million in damage First quarter of the moon Oct 10 (Fri) Tuxedo introduced by Griswold Lorillard, Oct 10, 1886 Eleanor Roosevelt born in New York City, Oct 11, 1884 One mend-fault is worth two find-faults, but one find-fault is worth two make-faults



Ask the Old Farmer: I have a queen-size bed with a box spring and mattress. The minute you get on it, it squeaks terribly. What can I do to correct this? E F, Milford, N H
The squeaking is due to wood rubbing on wood. Remove the spring and mattress. Rub any areas of wood that might move enough to squeak with a cake of paraffin or stub of a candle or you could use paste wax instead.

Home Hints: Cure sunflower heads in a dry, airy location before removing the seeds.

OLD FARMER'S WEATHER FORECAST

New England: Beginning of week rainy and cool, midweek cloudy, cool temperatures continue, end of week sunny and warm, possible showers.
Greater New York-New Jersey: Week begins cloudy and cool, mid through end of week clear and warm.
Middle Atlantic Coastal: Cloudy and cool at beginning of week, mid through end of week clear and warm.

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Mercer Livestock

Tuesday, Sept. 30

Report supplied by PDA

CATTLE: 301. Compared with last Tuesday's market, Slaughter steers .50 to \$1 higher; Cows .50 to \$1 lower. Few High Choice slaughter steers 60.50-62.00, Choice 56.00-61.00, few yield grade 2, 59.00-61.00, Good 51.50-56.10, Standard 45.00-51.00, few Utility 40.50-44.00. Choice slaughter heifers 54.00-58.00, few yield grade 2, 58.00-59.00,

Good 49.00-54.00, Standard 43.50-49.25, few Utility 38.50-44.00. Breaking Utility & Commercial slaughter cows 37.00-39.50, few 40.50, Cutter & Boning Utility 34.00-38.00, Canner & Low Cutter 30.00-34.00, Shells down to 21.00. Yield Grade No. 1, 1100-1800 lbs. slaughter bulls 43.00-51.25, No. 2, 950-1400 lbs. 39.00-43.25.

FEEDER CATTLE: Few Medium & Large Frame No. 1, 400-700 lbs. steers 47.00-50.00. Medium

Frame No. 1, 400-600 lbs. heifers 44.00-47.00, Small No. 1, 400-700 lbs. 41.00-46.50.

CALVES: 110. Few Good vealers 61.00-69.00, Standard and Good 90-120 lbs. 47.00-57.00; 60-85 lbs. 40.00-48.00, few Utility 50-90 lbs. 20.00-30.00.

FARM CALVES: Holstein Bulls 90-125 lbs. 70.00-112.00.

HOGS: 215. Barrows & Gilts \$3.50 to \$4 lower. US No. 1-2 210-245 lbs. 52.50-53.10, two lots 53.50-53.60; 1-3 210-250 lbs. 51.00-52.60, 2-3 205-235 lbs. 48.50-50.50. US No. 1-3 300-500 lbs. sows 45.00-47.00, 2-3 400-700 lbs. 43.00-46.00. Boars 38.50-40.00.

FEEDER PIGS: 9. Few US No. 1-3 30-35 lbs. feeder pigs 23.00-28.00 — per head.

SHEEP: 16. Slaughter sheep 20.00-26.00.

GOATS: 0. No market test.

Eighty-Four Livestock

Eighty-Four, Pa.

Monday, Sept. 29

Report supplied by PDA

CATTLE: 602. Supply included 55% feeder cattle. Compared with last Monday's market: Slaughter cows .50 to 1.00 lower. Choice slaughter steers 55.00-57.00, few Good 51.50-55.25, Standard 45.00-52.00, few Utility 39.75-44.50. Choice slaughter heifers 53.00-58.75, few Good 50.00-53.25, few Standard 42.00-47.50, Utility 38.00-42.50. Breaking Utility & Commercial slaughter cows 36.00-39.00, Cutter and Boning Utility 33.00-37.50, Canner and Low Cutter 29.00-33.00, Shells down to 22.00. Yield Grade No. 1, 1000-2000 lbs. slaughter bulls 43.00-48.75, No. 2, 900-1400 lbs. 37.50-42.00. Feeder Cattle: Medium

Frame No. 1, 300-550 lbs. steers 57.00-65.00, lot 870 lbs. 53.50, Large No. 1, 330-500 lbs. 60.00-70.00. Medium & Large Frame No. 1, 300-600 lbs. heifers 47.00-53.50, lot 850 lbs. 48.50. Medium Frame No. 1, 350-550 lbs. bulls 55.00-63.00.

CALVES: 241. Few Choice vealers 74.00-78.00, Good 64.00-70.00, Standard and Good 90-120 lbs. 44.00-52.00, 60-85 lbs. 38.00-45.00, Utility 50-90 lbs. 20.00-33.00. Farm Calves: Holstein bulls 90-125 lbs. 68.00-103.00.

HOGS: 115. Barrows and gilts 3.50 to 4.00 lower. US No. 1-2 220-240 lbs. 52.00-52.60, 1-3 220-235 lbs. 51.00-52.10, 2-3 240-265 lbs. 50.25-51.00, few 2-4 260-320 lbs. 46.25-49.00. US No. 1-3 350-600 lbs. sows 48.00-51.00, 2-3 400-780 lbs. 37.00-44.00. Boars 38.00-40.00.

FEEDER PIGS: 5. No Market Test.

SHEEP: 258. Spring slaughter lambs 4.00 to 5.00 lower. High Choice and Prime 80-95 lbs. 63.00-68.00, Choice 85-100 lbs. 61.00-63.50, Good & Choice 60-75 lbs. feeder lambs 67.50-82.25. Slaughter sheep 18.00-26.00.

GOATS: 18. 10.00-41.00 - all per head.

Farmers Livestock Auction

Duncansville, Pa.

Sept. 29, 1986

Report supplied by auction

CATTLE 182. STEERS: H.

Choice & Prime 59.00-60.50; Choice 56.00-57.75; Good 51.00-55.50; Standard 41.00-48.75.

HEIFERS: Choice 54.50-56.00; Good 45.00-52.50.

COWS: Utility & Commercial 37.50-40.25; Cutters 34.25-37.25; Canner & Low Cutter 26.50-35.75.

BULLOCKS: Good & Choice 47.00-51.00.

BULLS: Yield Grade No. 1 40.00-46.50.

FEEDER CATTLE: Steers Good 55.00-62.50; Standard 39.00-51.00; Bulls Good 45.00-54.00; Standard 35.00-43.00; Heifers Good 45.00-54.50; Standard 36.00-44.00.

CALVES: 248. Prime None; Choice 72.50-81.00; Good 60.00-72.00; Standard & Good 50.00-62.50; 90-110 lbs. 49.00-61.00; 65-90 lbs. 38.00-55.00; Holstein Bulls 90-130 lbs. 60.00-94.50; Holstein Heifers 90-130 lbs. 54.00-67.50.

HOGS: 66. US No. 1-2 21/ 52.50-54.25; US No. 1-3 20/ 50.00-52.50.

SOWS: US No. 1-3 47.00-52.75.

FEEDER PIGS: 24. US No. 1-3 20-35 lbs. 18.00-32.00 per head; 1-3 35-50 lbs. 40.00-46.50 per head.

SHEEP: 17. Slaughter lambs Choice 85-100 lbs. 64.50-67.50; Good 75-85 lbs. 60.00-64.00; Sl. Ewes 10.00-22.50.

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