

# THE OLD FARMER'S ALMANAC

MARCH 30-APRIL 5, 1987  
No more gloom — arbutus in bloom.

All Fools Day April 1 First edition of *Mother Goose's Melodies* published in Boston by Thomas Fleet, April 1 1719 Average length of days for the week, 12 hours, 45 minutes Pony Express mail service began between St Joseph, Mo and Sacramento, Calif., April 3, 1860 John Tyler became 10th president of the U.S. on the death of William Henry Harrison, April 4, 1841 Hear Reason, or she will make you feel her



Ask the Old Farmer: I recently acquired a toothpick holder that is very discolored. It was clear crystal at one time, but was buried in a dirt cellar floor. What can I use to clean it up? P.R. Juno Texas  
Try soaking the holder in a solution of ammonia and water for a couple of hours, then wash and rinse. If that doesn't do the job, soak it in vinegar with tea leaves added, then wash and rinse. You could also try the same procedure using acetone.

Home Hints Plant morning glories in poor soil rich soil produces luxurious leaf growth but few flowers.

## OLD FARMER'S WEATHER FORECAST

New England: Beginning of week clear and mild, midweek cold with rain, sleet and snow in mountains

Greater New York-New Jersey: Week begins sunny and mild, midweek cold with intermittent rain, end of week seasonable and showery

Middle Atlantic Coastal: Beginning of week sunny and warm midweek rainy and cold end of week sunny and mild rainy north

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## State Graded Feeder Pig Sale

Westminster Livestock  
March 20, 1987

778 Pigs - 2 weeks ago 765 - Compared to last sale, prices were \$10.00-15.00 higher. All pigs weighed on arrival and sold per hundredweight.

US 1&2: 61 hd. 34-38 lbs. 130.00-142.00; 237 hd. 41-48 lbs. 125.00-137.00; 218 hd. 50-59 lbs. 110.00-129.00; 51 hd. 61-65 lbs. 104.00-106.00; 5 hd. 91 lbs. 79.00.

US 1: 31 hd. 60 lbs. 124.00.  
US 2: 102 hd. 42-46 lbs. 115.00-130.00; 17 hd. 52-58 lbs. 82.00-114.00.  
US 2 & 3: 34 hd. 31-40 lbs. 102.00-130.00.

Next Sale- Friday, April 3rd - 1:30 P.M.

## Belleville Livestock Auction

Belleville, Pa.

Wednesday, March 25, 1987

Report Supplied by PDA

CATTLE 110...PDA...Compared with last Wednesday's market: Slaughter cows \$2 to \$3.50 higher. Few Good sl. steers 56.60-57.60.

Couple Good sl. heifers 55.00&56, couple Standard 50&50.25. Breaking Utility and Commercial sl. cows 45.50-49.75, couple 54.60, Cutter and Boning Utility 42-46.50, Canner and Low Cutter 38.00-41, Shells down to 33.25. Few Yield Grade No. 1, 1150-1920 lbs. sl. bulls 49.25-55.85.

CALVES 118...Couple Good vealers 76.00&79, Standard and Good 75-100 lbs. 54.00-62, few Utility 60-80 lbs. 40.00-53.00. Farm Calves: Holstein Bulls 90-130 lbs. 60.00-78, few Holstein Heifers 90-110 lbs. 56.00-97.00.

HOGS 119...Barrows and gilts \$1 higher. US No. 1-3 210-230 lbs. 49.00-50.85, 3 head 51.25, lot 1-3 180 lbs. 44.75. US No. 1-3 375-550 lbs. sows 36.00-40.25. One Boar at 30.00.

FEEDER PIGS 181...US No. 1-3 20-35 lbs. feeder pigs 33.00-46, 35-50 lbs. 45.00-57, 50-60 lbs. 56.00-65.00 — all per head.

SHEEP 10...Few Good 80-100 lbs. spring sl. lambs 54.00-67.00. Few Slaughter ewes 20.00-54.00.

GOATS 8...Few Large 31.00-45.00, few Small Kids 17.00-20.00 — all per head. FEW REGISTERED HOLSTEIN DAIRY COWS \$1250.00-\$2300, GRADES \$500.00-\$1200.00 — PER HEAD.



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### Next Sale Dates & Times

Tuesday, March 31, 1 p.m.

Thursday, April 2, 1 p.m.

Receiving Tobacco Monday thru Fridays  
7 a.m. to 5 p.m.

We are expecting more buyers for our Tuesday & Thursday sales and we feel it is VERY IMPORTANT that you visit our sales, where the action is, or call after the sales for sale results. Last weeks top price was 65¢. Average price was also up from last week's sales. We thank our new buyer from Universal for helping to improve our market.

If you want to process your tobacco, make sure how and why you select the right company to process. Alex Parker Tobacco Co. is a future buyer and will help to improve our market. They are quite capable of selling this tobacco. They are a very credit worthy tobacco company.

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Call us to find out what style of tobacco we expect to be in demand this week.

When sowing your new tobacco beds, it is important to apply Ridomil according to the LABEL. Two layers of muzzling will also produce earlier plants. Be sure that you inspect your tobacco that's still in the barn, to make sure it is not heating and spoiling.

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