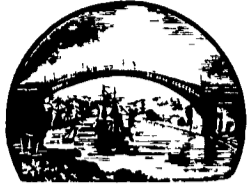


THE OLD FARMER'S ALMANAC

APRIL 20-26, 1987
Rain pelts and last snow melts.

Last quarter of the moon April 20 (Mon) City of Rome founded by Romulus April 21 753 B.C. Baron Manfred von Richtofen German flying ace killed in action, April 21 1918 Average length of days for the week, 13 hours 44 minutes Playwright William Shakespeare born April 23 1564 at Stratford-on-Avon Warwickshire Library of Congress established April 24 1800 *The tongue always turns to the aching tooth*



Ask the Old Farmer: In researching my family's history I find that my earliest American ancestor built the first tide mill in Connecticut. What is or was a tide mill?
L.M. Readsboro Vt.

It was a waterpowered mill built on an estuary having a dam whose gates allowed the incoming tide to fill a catch basin. The miller would then control the outflow of water through the sluice gates to power his equipment.

Home Hints: Use the black striking portion of a matchbook to resharpen razor blades for shop use.

OLD FARMER'S WEATHER FORECAST

New England: Beginning of week rainy midweek clear and mild end of week cloudy and cold
Greater New York-New Jersey: Heavy rain with cold temperatures at beginning of week, midweek sunny and warm end of week cold with light rain
Middle Atlantic Coastal: Showers with seasonable temperatures at beginning of week, midweek cloudy and cold end of week clear

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Frederick Livestock

Monday, Apr. 13, 1987

BUTCHER COWS: Steady to \$1 lower. Good 42.00-45.00; Standard & Utility 37.00-41.00; Canners 33.00-37.00; Shelly 33.00 down.

BULLS: \$1.50 lower. Good 48.00-48.75; Medium 45.00-47.00.

BUTCHER HOGS: \$1 higher. 200-210 lbs. 46.00-47.50; 220-240 lbs. 48.50-50.00; 250-270 lbs. 46.00-48.00.

SOWS: 500-600 lbs. 42.00-43.25; 300-450 lbs. 38.00-42.00.

VEAL CALVES: No Choice offered. Good 70.00-80.00; Standard 60.00-69.00; Stocky & Thin 50.00-59.00; Light Calves 52.00-58.00; Weak & Rough 51.00-Down.

CALVES RETURNING TO FARM: \$8 higher.

HOLSTEIN HEIFERS: 90-120 lbs. 60.00-70.00.

HOLSTEIN BULLS: 90-100 lbs. 65.00-79.00; 105-115 lbs. 80.00-94.00.

LAMBS: Good 73.00-80.00; Lightweight 70.00-84.00.

STOCK CATTLE: Good run, very active \$8-\$15 higher. Steers Choice 78.00-92.00; Good 65.00-77.00; Medium 58.00-64.00. Heifers Choice 58.00-63.00; Good 51.00-

57.00; Medium 45.00-50.00; Bulls Choice 70.00-80.00; Good 61.00-69.00; Medium 55.00-60.00.

SPRINGING HEIFERS: 735.00-935.00.

PIGS & SHOATS: Mostly steady. By the head 20-30 lbs. 30.00-36.00; 40-50 lbs. 40.00-54.00. By the lb. 125-180 lbs. 45.00-50.00.

Westminster Livestock Auction

Hagerstown, Md.

Tuesday, April 14, 1987

Report supplied by auction

SLAUGHTER COWS: Good run, \$2 higher. High Yield 46.00-47.50; Utility 41.00-46.00; Canners 39.00-44.00; Shelly 38.00-Down. Bulls: Good medium wts. to 54.00. Fed Steers- \$2 higher. Good & Low Choice 1000-1200 lbs. 57.00-63.00;

Good Holsteins to 53.00. Fed Heifers-Good Low Choice 1000-1125 lbs. 56.00-60.50; Holsteins 1200-1600 lbs. 46.00-49.25. Veal Calves-Choice 1 at 185 lbs. 60.00; Standard 1 at 165 lbs. 60.00. Killers- 80-100 lbs. 50.00-58.00; Weak/Rough 45.00-down. Farm Calves- Holstein Bulls 100-125 lbs. 70.00-85.00; 95-100 lbs.

60.00-70.00. Butcher Hogs steady. US #1&2 236 lbs. 49.75; 215-240 lbs. #1&3 47.50-48.00; 250-270 lbs. 47.50-48.00; 270-293 lbs. 44.00-45.50. Sows 500-650 lbs. 43.00-46.00; 400-500 lbs. 42.00-43.50. Boars 400-600 lbs. to 36.75.

STOCK CATTLE: 130 head, steady prices. Steers- Holstein steers 46.00-56.00; 200-300 lbs. 67.00-75.00; 300-500 lbs. 65.00-74.00; 500-700 lbs. 62.00-72.00; 700-950 lbs. 55.00-60.00. Heifers- 300-500 lbs. 57.00-62.50; 500-700 lbs. 54.00-62.50; 700-900 lbs. 53.00-59.00. Bulls 200-300 lbs. 60.00-75.00; 300-500 lbs. 64.00-78.00; 500-700 lbs. 56.00-64.00. Lambs 100 head, prices per cwt. Spring 20-45 lbs. Choice 110.00-130.00; Good 90.00-105.00; 50-70 lbs. Choice 100.00-130.00; Good 75.00-90.00; 70-100 lbs. Choice 80.00-96.00; Good 77.00-81.00; 100-140 lbs. Woolled 56.00-70.00. Sheep- 35 head. Lightweights 28.00-37.00, heavy 18.00-25.00. Goats 100 head, prices per head. Large Mature 50.00-59.00, Medium 30.00-50.00; Fleshy Kids 20.00-30.00; Small 5.00-20.00. Pigs and Shoats 70 head, prices steady. By the head 20-30 lbs. 37.00-39.00; 40-50 lbs. 34.00-43.00. By the lb. 100-200 lbs. 42.00-53.00; Stock boars 12 head. 215-350 lbs. 35.00-40.00.

Four States Livestock

Hagerstown, Md.

Wednesday, April 15

Report supplied by Auction

SLAUGHTER: Fed Steers: \$1 Lower. Low Choice 60.00-63.00; Good 55.00-59.00; Medium 50.00-54.00. Heifers: Low Choice 58.00-62.00; Good 52.00-57.00; Medium 46.00-51.00. Cows steady to \$1 higher. Individual lot 50.00. High Yield 43.00-45.00; Average 38.00-42.00; Big Middle 34.00-37.00; Fatty Herf. 33.00-38.00; Shelly 33.00 down. Fat Bulls \$1.50 higher. Good 51.50-54.75; Medium 46.00-51.00. Veal Calves: Farm Calves \$10-\$15 higher. Choice 75.00-80.00; Good 65.00-74.00; Medium 60.00-64.00; Farm Hfrs. 60.00-67.00; Farm Bulls 80.00-107.00; Light Calves 52.00-58.00; Weak Calves 51.00 down. Lambs: \$3 Lower. Choice 78.00-84.00; Good 72.00-77.00; Medium 68.00-71.00.

STOCKER: Good run, mostly steady. Steers 400-550 lbs. Choice 71.00-75.00; Good 64.00-70.00; Medium 55.00-63.00; Culls 54.00 down. Steers 600-850 lbs. Choice

67.00-72.00; Good 60.00-66.00; Medium 55.00-59.00. Heifers- (All weights) Choice 58.00-62.50; Good 53.00-57.00; Medium 48.00-52.00. Dairy Cows to \$600. Springing Heifers to \$820. Pigs, Hd- Good run, \$3 lower. 30-50 lbs. 30.00-44.00; 60-70 lbs. 45.00-57.00; Shoats by lb. 120-190 lbs. 42.00-47.50; Light Boars 200-275 lbs. 35.50-42.00. Slaughter Hogs- 260-270 lbs. 47.85-48.25; 1 lot #3 272 lbs. at 44.75. Sows: 400-600 lbs. 43.00-45.00; 350-400 lbs. 37.50-42.00. Bulls: Good 57.00-65.00; Medium 50.00-56.00.

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