

# THE OLD FARMER'S ALMANAC

OCT. 26-NOV. 1, 1987

Winds blow and jack-o'-lanterns glow.

Erie Canal opened to traffic Oct 26, 1825 Rotary-motion washing machine patent ed, in Philadelphia, Pa., Oct 26, 1858 Vermont Dairymen's Association organized, in Montpelier, Vt., Oct 27, 1869 Average length of days for the week 10 hours, 28 minutes Poet Sylvia Plath born Oct 27, 1932 A forest fire in Concord, N H was drenched by man-made rain Oct 29, 1947 First quarter of the moon Oct 29 (Thurs) Great Stock Market crash Oct 29, 1929 Halloween Oct 31 (Sat) Manufacturing of barbed wire began in De Kalb, Ill Nov 1, 1873 Riches are like muck which stink in a heap but spread abroad make the earth fruitful



**Ask the Old Farmer:** We are curious as to why the bridges in the old days were covered. Was it to protect the wood? Or was it to keep hay wagons and such from blowing off into the river during a terrific blizzard? C S, Antrim, N H  
 As far as I know bridges were originally covered to protect wooden decking from the weather. But I also know that such coverings were found to be handy for other purposes.

**Home hints** Always keep ivory objects in a well lighted place. extended darkness causes ivory to yellow.

## OLD FARMER'S WEATHER FORECAST

**New England:** Week begins with cold temperatures, midweek sunny and mild end of week rainy and cold

**Greater New York-New Jersey:** Beginning of week cold with heavy rain, midweek clear and warm, end of week cold with light rain

**Middle Atlantic Coastal:** Week begins with heavy rain, midweek clear and warm, end of week cool and cloudy showers west

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## Carlisle Livestock Market

Carlisle, Pa.

Tuesday, Oct. 20, 1987

**CATTLE: STEERS- LARGE RUN WITH STRONG DEMAND! CHOICE 66.75-69.10; GOOD-LOW CHOICE 62.50-66.50; MEDIUM 62.00 & DOWN. HOLSTEINS: CHOICE 61.60-65.25; MEDIUM-GOOD 55.00-60.75.**

**HEIFERS: CHOICE 63.00-66.25; GOOD 57.00-62.00; MEDIUM-GOOD HOLSTEINS 56.00 & DOWN.**

**COWS: LARGE RUN WITH STRONG DEMAND! EARLYBIRD PENS 2.00 HIGHER. HIGH YIELD 48.50-50.50; GOOD 45.50-48.25; MEDIUM 43.00-45.25; BIG MIDDLE 41.00-46.50; SHELLY 40.50 & DOWN.**

**FAT BULLS: GOOD 57.10-60.00, MEDIUM 51.00-53.60.**

**FEEDER CATTLE: GOOD RUN WITH GOOD DEMAND. STRONGEST DEMAND FOR CATTLE SOLD IN GROUPS.**

**STEERS: (300-550 LB.) GOOD 71.00-79.00; MEDIUM 63.00-70.00, COUPLE CULLS 62.00 & DOWN. (600-850 LB.) CHOICE 66.00-73.00; GOOD 61.00-65.00; MEDIUM 60.00 & DOWN.**

**HEIFERS (ALL WEIGHTS) CHOICE**

66.00-74.00; GOOD 61.00-65.00, MEDIUM 60.00 & DOWN.

**BULLS (ALL WEIGHTS) GOOD 63.00-70.00; MEDIUM 62.00 & DOWN.**

**VEAL CALVES: ACTIVE. CHOICE 96.00-104.00; GOOD 88.00-95.00; MEDIUM 81.00-87.00; LIGHT/WEAK 80.00 & DOWN. FARM BULLS 105.00-128.00; FARM HEIFERS 100.00-123.00.**

**HOGS: BARROWS & GILTS 2.00 TO 3.00 LOWER. US NO. 1-3 210-250 LBS. 48.00-49.85, COUPLE TO 52.50; OVER 260 LBS. 48.35-50.50; 2-3'S (ALL WEIGHTS) 40.00-47.75.**

**SOWS: OVER 450 LB. 44.50-44.75; UNDER 450 LB. 45.25-47.00; 2 & 3'S 35.50-44.00.**

**BOARS: 35.00-39.50.**

**FEEDER PIGS (BY THE HD.) GOOD RUN (15-25 LBS. 22.00-32.00) (25-35 LBS. 26.00-37.00) (40-45 LBS. 38.00-47.00).**

**SHEEP: LAMBS STRONG DEMAND FOR LAMBS UNDER 70 LBS. CHOICE (70-75 LBS.) 80.00-89.00; GOOD 62.00-75.00; MED. 61.00 & DOWN.**

**EWES MOSTLY 24.00-36.00.**

**GOATS (LG.) 50.00-69.00, SM/MED 20.00-45.00.**

**SALE EVERY TUES. EVENING 7.00 LIVESTOCK; 5:30 PM FOR RABBITS, POULTRY & EGGS**

## Grantsville Livestock

Grantsville, Maryland  
 Saturday, Oct. 17, 1987

**LARGE: 45-55; MEDIUM: 35-40. HOGS: TOP BARROWS & GILTS 48.50-51.00; HEAVY BUTCHER 45.00-50.50; LIGHT BUTCHER 40.00-49.00; BUTCHER SOWS 39.00-48.00; FEEDER SHOATS 18.00-56.00.**

**VEAL: GOOD 82.00-90.00; STANDARD 72.00-80.00; UTILITY 55.00-70.00; HEAVY CALVES 1.00-1.25. SHEEP & LAMBS: GOOD 70.00-72.00; UTILITY 65.00-68.00; CULLS 55.00-60.00; SLAUGHTER EWES 20.00-32.00.**

**SLAUGHTER CATTLE: STEERS GOOD 64.00-67.00; STANDARD 60.00-62.00; UTILITY 52.00-55.00.**

**HEIFERS: GOOD 60.50-65.50; STANDARD 54.00-58.00; UTILITY 45.00-50.00.**

**COWS: COMMERCIAL 45.00-52.00; UTILITY 38.00-42.00; CANNER AND CUTTER 32.00-35.00.**

**BULLS: COMMERCIAL & GOOD 52.00-58.00; CUTTER & UTILITY 45.00-50.00.**

**STOCK-FEEDER CATTLE: (YEARLING STEERS) GOOD 68.00-80.00; MEDIUM 55.00-60.00.**

**STEER CALVES: GOOD 75.00-98.00, MEDIUM 60.00-70.00**

**HEIFER CALVES: GOOD 65.00-82.00, MEDIUM 50.00-60.00.**

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**TUESDAYS:** B & R Cattle  
**THURSDAYS:** Marietta 717-426-3258

**YORK COUNTY FARMERS**  
**MONDAYS:** Stewartstown 717-993-2564  
**TUESDAYS:** Thomasville 717-792-2248 or 9836  
 Contact for information:  
 Ed Herrmann, 717-284-3203  
 or Charlie Kauffman, 215-593-5674  
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PRODUCTION:	FARM A		FARM B
	59,120 DEKALB XL Housed 6/15/87 - 20 Weeks		31,009 DEKALB XL Housed 7/6/87 - 20 Weeks
Age	House #1	House #2	
20	7%	6.7%	—
21	30.6%	30.2%	11 %
22	59.2%	59.4%	35 %
23	79.9%	80.1%	59.2%
24	88.3%	88.4%	79.0%
25	92.3%	92.2%	89.7%
26	93.9%	93.9%	94.0%
27	94.2%	94.0%	95.6%
28	94.5%	94.4%	95.5%
29	94.2%	94.3%	95.7%
30	93.9%	94.2%	95.4%
<b>CASE WEIGHT AT 30 Weeks:</b>	44.8#	44.6#	45.5#
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