

# THE OLD FARMER'S ALMANAC

DEC. 28, 1987-Jan. 3, 1988

Cheers!

Woodrow Wilson born Dec 28, 1856. First cinema was established Dec 28, 1895, in Paris, by Louis and Auguste Lumière. Chewing gum patented by William Semple of Mount Vernon, Ohio, Dec. 28, 1869. First flea laboratory opened Jan 1, 1939, in San Francisco. Average length of days for the week 9 hours, 8 minutes. Martin Luther excommunicated Jan 3, 1521. Full moon Jan 3 (Sun) Write injuries in dust, but kindness in marble



**Ask the Old Farmer:** The other evening my husband and I were discussing sleigh bells, when we realized that we didn't know why they were used. So, why sleigh bells? P.P., Iva, SC

*For the same reason that bikes have bells and autos have horns — to notify all hands that a sleigh was approaching. Sleighs don't make any noise, neither do horses' hooves on snow*

**Home Hints** Don't haul your Christmas tree to the dump! Save branches for garden mulch. Save the trunk for firewood

## OLD FARMER'S WEATHER FORECAST

**New England:** Week begins with severely cold temperatures, midweek snowy and mild, end of week cold, snowstorm  
**Greater New York-New Jersey:** Week begins with very cold temperatures, flurries, midweek snowstorm, end of week freezing rain, snow north  
**Middle Atlantic Coastal:** Beginning of week flurries with very cold temperatures, midweek snowstorm, rain south, end of week snow and sleet

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## Central U.S. Carlot

Pork Report

Monday, Dec. 21

Report supplied by USDA

CENTRAL U.S. CARLOT PORK REPORT FOB OMAHA BASIS INCLUDES MAJOR PRODUCTION AREAS IN MIDWEST AS OF 3:00 P.M. COMPARED FRIDAY'S 3:00 P.M. CLOSE: FRESH PORK LOINS 14-18# 1.00-8.00 HIGHER; PICNICS 3.50 LOWER; BOSTON BUTTS STEADY TO 4.00 HIGHER; SKD HAMS 9.00-25.00 LOWER; S/DLS BELLIES STEADY TO 1.25 LOWER.

TRADE MODERATE TO ACTIVE FOR MODERATE OFFERINGS AND LIGHT TO MODERATE DEMAND.

NOTE!! THREE LOADS 17-20# HAMS FOR IMMEDIATE SHIP EARLY REPORTED AT 80.00-83.00. US #2 175 LB. HOG CARCASS DECLINED (5.05) TO \$55.46 P/CWT. LOADS PORK CUTS: 58.50. LOADS TRIM/PROCESS PORK: 5.00.

**PORK CUTS- FOB OMAHA BASIS**  
 LOINS, REGULAR, FRESH  
 14-18 LBS. 5.5 LDS. 78.00-87.50.  
 18-22 LBS. 1.0 LD. 80.00.  
 22/UP 1.0 LD. 60.00.  
 BNLS. CENTER CUT LOIN 0.5 LD. 175.00.  
**TENDERLOINS**  
 2/BAG 0.5 LD. 270.00.  
**PICNICS**  
 4-8 LBS. 2.0 LDS. 38.00.  
 8/UP LBS. 1.0 LD. 38.00.  
**BOSTON BUTTS**  
 4-8 LB. 3.0 LDS. 62.00-64.00.  
**SPARERIBS, FRESH**  
 1.5-3.5 LBS. 0.5 LD. 108.00.  
 3.5-5.5 LBS. 0.5 LD. 85.00.  
**SPARERIBS, FROZEN**  
 3.5-5.5 LBS. 84.00 A.  
**LOIN BACKRIBS**  
 1.5/DN LBS. 0.5 LD. 225.00.  
 1.75/DN LBS. 0.5 LD. 215.00.  
**HAMS, SKINNED, FRESH**  
 17-20 LBS. 18.0 LDS. 70.00-74.50, M 70.00-72.00.  
 20-26 LBS. 11.0 LDS. 60.00-68.00.  
**BELLIES, S/DLS, SKIN ON, FRESH**  
 10-12 LBS. 39.00 A.  
 12-14 LBS. 2.0 LDS. 42.00-43.50.  
 14-16 LBS. 2.0 LDS. 42.00-43.50.  
 16-18 LBS. 6.0 LDS. 38.50-40.75.  
 18-20 LBS. 3.0 LDS. 30.00-32.50  
 20-25 LBS. 26.50 A.  
**PORK TRIMMINGS/BONELESS PROCESSING PORK (CHEMICAL LEAN)**  
 COMBO 42% FRESH 21.50 A.

**BOXED FROZEN 24.50-25.00 A.**  
 COMBO 72% FRESH 1.0 LD. 51.75.  
 BOXED FROZEN 0.5 LD. 54.00.  
**BONELESS PICNIC MEAT**  
 COMBO 72% FRESH 3.0 LDS. 53.50.  
 BOXED 72% FROZEN 60.00-63.00 A.  
**SKINNED JOWLS**  
 COMBO FRESH 18.00 E.  
 BOXED FROZEN 0.5 LD. 18.00.  
**CURED AND PROCESSED MEATS**  
**HAMS, SMOKED, SKINNED, WATER ADDED**  
 16-19 LBS. 115.00-130.00.  
 19-23 LBS. 114.00-127.00.  
**PICNICS, SMOKED, WATER ADDED**  
 4-7 LBS. 62.00-74.00.  
**BACON, SLICED, VAC. PACK**  
 1# PKG. 100.00-149.00.  
 ABCDE AFTER QUOTES REPRESENT DAYS SINCE LAST ACTUAL MARKET TEST. QUOTES ARE DROPPED AFTER 5 DAYS OF NO TEST OR BEFORE IF THEY NO LONGER REFLECT CURRENT MARKET CONDITIONS.  
 NOTE!!!!!! OUR HOLIDAY SCHEDULE: CLOSE WILL BE RELEASED AT 11:AM ON DEC. 24 AND JAN. 31.

**PULLY STEADY. BULLS SCARCE.**  
**SLAUGHTER CLASSES: STEERS:** CHOICE 3, MOSTLY 4 1150-1250 LBS. 59.00-60.00 SELECT AND CHOICE 2-3 975-1200 LBS. 60.50-62.50.  
**HOLSTEINS: SELECT AND CHOICE** 2-3 1125-1500 LBS. 54.00-57.00.  
**HEIFERS: CHOICE 3, MOSTLY 4** 875-1100 LBS. 58.00-59.00 SELECT AND CHOICE 2-3 825-1050 LBS. 59.50-61.50.  
**COWS: CUTT, UTIL, COMM BULK SALES HI-DRESS % LO DRESS % BREAKING 2-4 42.00-46.00 BONING 1-2 46.00-47.00 47.00-48.00 FEW 49.00 CANNER & CUTTER 1-2 41.00-45.00 SHELLY CANNER 1-2 36.00-41.00 BULLS: SCARCE DS 214 QUOTATION CHANGE: CG 44.00-49.00.**

## New Holland Horses

New Holland Sales Stables

New Holland, PA

Monday, Dec. 21, 1987

Report supplied by Auction REGISTERED RECEIPTS OF 312 HEAD OF HORSES, MULES AND PONIES. MARKET: STRONGER. LOCAL REGISTERED HORSES: 650.00-800.00.

DRIVING HORSES: 375.00-1000.00  
 RIDING HORSES: 250.00-575.00.  
 LIGHTWEIGHT KILLERS: 175.00-350.00.  
 HEAVYWEIGHT KILLERS: 425.00-575.00.  
 MARE PONIES: 30.00-75.00.  
 COLTS: 10.00-30.00.  
 GELDING PONIES: 30.00-75.00.  
 LARGER PONIES: 125.00-200.00.

## St. Louis Cattle, Hogs

Tuesday, December 22, 1987

MID-SESSION CLOSE CATTLE AND CALVES 150: ( SLTR 100, FDRS 50) INSUFFICIENT VOLUME SLAUGHTER STEERS AND HEIFERS TO FULLY TEST PRICES. SUPPLY MAINLY COWS. TRADING ACTIVE. COWS

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### Please Review These Local Records Of Lancaster, York And Lebanon County Flocks.

20 Weeks of Age	# Birds	Peak Production	# Weeks Over 90%	Livability
12-23-85	24,845	Over 93% - 9 weeks	Over 90% - 16 weeks	96.3% at 56 weeks
5-08-86	30,688	Over 93% - 2 weeks	Over 90% - 18 weeks	94% at 70 weeks
7-18-86	45,715	Over 93% - 4 weeks	Over 90% - 14 weeks	96.0 weeks
8-29-86	60,637	Over 93% - 4 weeks	Over 90% - 20 weeks	95.8% at 60 weeks
9-08-86	42,200	Over 93% - 4 weeks	Over 90% - 14 weeks	94.6% at 62 weeks
9-17-86	81,244	Over 93% - 4 weeks	Over 90% - 14 weeks	97.7% at 49 weeks
9-17-86	20,400	Over 93% - 4 weeks	Over 90% - 14 weeks	96.9% at 56 weeks
9-22-86	40,000	Over 93% - 4 weeks	Over 90% - 14 weeks	96.2% at 52 weeks
9-24-86	40,000	Over 93% - 4 weeks	Over 90% - 14 weeks	94.3% at 59 weeks
9-30-86	40,000	Over 93% - 4 weeks	Over 90% - 14 weeks	97.1% at 55 weeks
10-06-86	62,226	Over 93% - 4 weeks	Over 90% - 15 weeks	95.9% at 53 weeks
12-24-86	61,290	Over 93% - 13 weeks	Over 90% - 18 weeks	95.8% at 52 weeks
12-29-86	27,664	Over 93% - 10 weeks	Over 90% - 16 weeks	97% at 47 weeks
1-30-87	85,619	Over 93% - 8 weeks	Over 90% - 15 weeks	95.9% at 38 weeks

**EGG SIZE: 68.98% LARGE AND ABOVE THROUGH 58 WEEKS**  
**EGGS/H.H. AT 60 WEEKS: 229.1**  
**FEED CONVERSION THROUGH 60 WEEKS: 3.15**

**Average: 18 Farms with 909,553 layers averaged over 93% for 8½ weeks, over 90% for 16½ weeks.**

Records like these are a result of superior genetics, a sound growing program, and excellent management in the laying house. We would welcome the opportunity to be of service to you in your production needs.

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For More Information Phone: **717-653-1102**  
 Monday - Friday 8:30 AM - 4:00 PM



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 Lancaster Farming  
 P.O. Box 366-B-151  
 Lititz, PA 17543

## FRIDAY, JAN. 15 - 1:00 PM ON THE FARM MONTHLY BRED GILT SALE

Sale To Start Promptly Every 4 Weeks  
 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.

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