

# THE OLD FARMER'S ALMANAC

June 6-12, 1988  
Cranberries flower

First drive-in movie theater opened, in Camden N.J. June 6 1933 Last quarter of the moon June 7 (Tues) 20 inches of snow fell in Danville Vt, June 7, 1816 The Sun, Saturn, and Uranus line up in space for the first time in 44 years June 9 Wenceslaus was elected king of Germany June 10, 1376 Houdini escaped from a straightjacket while hanging upside down 40 feet above the ground, June 12 1923 Average length of days for the week 15 hours, 12 minutes If you don't make mistakes, you don't make anything



**Ask the Old Farmer:** Can you tell me what purpose was served by putting leather hoof covers on a horse? J.I., Philadelphia, Pa

*They were called trotting boots and protected the horse's hooves from interfering — striking one foot or ankle with another — also easing the shock of striking hard ground*

**Home Hints:** Cut tulips for a vase as soon as their color is visible Keeping them cool will also make them last longer indoors

## OLD FARMER'S WEATHER FORECAST

**New England:** Week begins cloudy and cold, midweek rain, end of week showers  
**Greater New York-New Jersey:** Beginning of week rainy and cold, clear and mild mid through end of week  
**Middle Atlantic Coastal:** Beginning through midweek rainy and cold, end of week sunny and pleasant

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## Leesport Livestock Auction

Leesport, Pa.

Wed., June 1, 1988

CATTLE 212...PDA... Supply included 25 head feeder cattle. Compared to last Wednesday's market: Slaughter steers \$1 to \$2.50 higher; Cows steady to \$2 higher, most advance on Utility and Commercial. Choice 950/1270 lbs. sl steers 73.75-76.50, one 77.25, Select 67.00-74.35; Select & Choice 1100/1500 lbs. holsteins 63.25-67.85, one 68.60, Standard 60.00-67.00. Few Select & Choice sl. heifers 60.85-67.85, few Standard 50.00-58.25 Breaking Utility & Commercial sl. cows

51.50-54.50, one 56.00, Cutter & Bon. Utility 50.75-54.75, Canner & Low Cutter 46.75-51, Shells down to 42.00. Choice sl. bullocks 63.00-68, few to 69.85, Select 60-63.75, few Standard 58.75-60.75. Few Yield Grade No. 1, 1400/1565 lbs. sl. bulls 63.00-63.75, No. 2, one 1075 lbs. 55.00. Feeder Cattle: Lot Medium Frame No. 2, 680 lbs. steers 72.00. Few Large Frame No. 1, 500/800 lbs. heifers 75.00-80, Medium 1-2, 380/550 lbs. 63.00-72.00. Few Large Frame No. 2 360/535 lbs. 68.00-72.00.

CALVES 166...Few Choice vealers 115.00-124, Standard and Good 95/120 lbs 95.00-106.00, few 112.50, 65/90 lbs 85.00-96.00, few Utility 90/110 lbs 90.00-95, few 55/85 lbs. 55.00-72.50 Farm

Calves: Holstein Bulls 90/130 lbs. 150.00-170.00, some down to 110.00, few 75/90 lbs. 94.00-127.00, few Hol. Heifers 85/110 lbs. 104.00-117.50. Few Beef cross bulls & heifers 90/135 lbs. 117.50-127.50. HOGS 326...Barrows and Gilts \$1 to \$1.50 higher US No. 1-2 220/245 lbs. 54-54.75, 1-3 205/250 lbs. 52.50-54.25, lot 51.00, few 2-3 235/290 lbs. 49.60-52.85, lot 2-4 300 lbs. 42.50, few 1-3 160/195 lbs. 44-47.50. Sows steady to strong. US No 1-3 300/570 lbs. sows 34.00-37.75, few 39.50, few Medium 400/500 lbs. 30.50-33.50. Few Boars 30.00, few light weights 38.25-45.00.

FEEDER PIGS 214...One Lot US No. 1-3 20 lbs. feeder pigs 19.00, 20/50 lbs. 85.00-102.00, Utility 25/35 lbs. 70.00-81.00 --- all per hundredweight.

SHEEP 59...Choice 25/45 lbs. spring sl. lambs 90.00-117.50, few 65/90 lbs. 65.00-75.00; Good & Choice 30/60 lbs. feeder lambs 70.00-102.50. Few Slaughter ewes 12.00-26.00.

GOATS 38...Few Large Adult 42.00-63.00, few Medium 21.00-37.00, few Large Kids 27.00-43.00, Small Kids and Thin 12.00-24.00 --- all per head.

## Greencastle Livestock

Greencastle, Pa.

Monday, May 30, 1988

CATTLE 276 HEAD. SLAUGHTER STEERS. CHOICE & PRIME 74.00-74.75; GOOD & CHOICE 70.00-74.75; GOOD & CHOICE - HOLSTEIN 65.00-69.50; STANDARD & GOOD — HOLSTEIN 58.00-65.00. SLAUGHTER HEIFERS. CHOICE 70.00-75.00; GOOD & CHOICE 68.00-72.75; STANDARD & GOOD 60.00-68.00. COWS - UTILITY & COMMERCIAL 50.00-53.50, FEW TO 56.00; CUTTER & BONING UTILITY 47.00-52.50; CANNER & LOW CUTTER 47.50 & DOWN BULLS - ALL WEIGHTS - YIELD GRADE 1 62.00-67.00; YIELD GRADE 2 56.50-62.00. STOCKER CATTLE - ALL WEIGHTS. STEERS -

MEDIUM & GOOD 75.00-110.00; HEIFERS - MEDIUM & GOOD 65.00-78.00, BULLS - MEDIUM & GOOD 55.00-75.00; STEERS - HOLSTEIN 59.00-70.50; SMALL 75.00-82.00.

CALVES — GOOD & CHOICE 125-250 LBS. 105.00-118.00; MEDIUM & GOOD 125-250 LBS. 90.00-108.00, MEDIUM & GOOD 80-120 LBS 105.00-120.00; LIGHT & CULL - ALL WEIGHTS 105.00 & DOWN; HOLSTEIN BULLS - RETURN TO FARM UP TO 180.00; HOLSTEIN HEIFERS - RETURN TO FARM UP TO 160.00.

LAMBS, SHEEP & GOATS 32. CHOICE LAMBS 61.00-65.50; MEDIUM & GOOD LAMBS 60.00-66.00; LIGHT AND CULL LAMBS, NONE OFFERED; SHEEP, EWES & BUCKS, NONE OFFERED; GOATS — (BY HEAD) SMALL & MEDIUM 20.00-39.00; NO LARGE GOATS OFFERED.

HOGS 89. NO. 1-3 BUTCHER HOGS - 190-225 LBS. 48.00-50.00; NO. 1-3 BUTCHER HOGS - 225-250 LBS. 50.00-51.00; NO. 1-3 BUTCHER HOGS - 250-300 LBS. 46.00-49.75; GOOD BUTCHER SOWS - 400 LBS. DOWN 34.00-38.50; GOOD BUTCHER SOWS - 400 LBS. UP 33.00-38.50; HEAVY BOARS - OVER 300 LBS. 27.00-31.00; PIGS - ALL SIZES (BY HEAD) 31.00-47.00

SALE EVERY MONDAY AFTERNOON AT 3:30 P.M. & THURS. AT 1:00 P.M.

HAY & STRAW SALE EVERY MONDAY & THURS. AT 11:30 A.M. SPECIAL FEEDER CATTLE SALE FRIDAY AT 7:15 P.M.

HAY & STRAW 3 LOADS (NO MARKET TESTED).

## Mercer Livestock Auction

Mercer, Pa.

Tues., May 31, 1988

CATTLE 202...PDA...Compared with last Tuesday's market: Slaughter steers steady, Cows \$1.50 to \$2 lower. Choice sl steers 70.00-75.85, few High yielding 77.25, Select 65.00-70.25, Standard

60.00-65.50, few Utility 53.00-57.50. Choice sl. heifers 68.00-74, one 75.75, Select 64.00-68.25, few Standard 55.00-60, few Utility 49-54.50. Breaking Utility & Commercial sl. cows 48.00-53, couple 54.75, Cutter & Boning Utility 47.00-50, Canner & Low Cutter 38.00-47.50, Shells down to 25.00 Select sl. bullock, individual 64.25. Yield Grade No. 1, 900/2240 lbs. sl. bulls 53.50-62.50 Feeder Cattle: Few Medium & Large Frame No. 1, 600/800 lbs. steers 60.00-68.00.

CALVES 81...few Good vealers 90.00-100.00, Standard and Good 90/120 lbs. 100.00-125, 60/85 lbs. 88.00-105, few Utility 50/70 lbs. 48.00-70.00. Farm Calves: Holstein Bulls 90/125 lbs. 115.00-175.00; few Hol. Heifers 85/120 lbs. 110.00-130.00. Beef cross bulls & heifers 80/110 lbs. 110.00-139.00.

HOGS 195...Barrows and gilts .50 lower. US No. 1-2 215/250 lbs. 51.00-52, couple lots 52.75, 1-3 220/260 lbs. 50.35-51.10, 2-3 230/260 lbs. 49.50-50.25. Few US No. 2-3 350/650 lbs. sows 31.50-36.00. Few Boars 25.00-29.00.

FEEDER PIGS 0...No Market Test. SHEEP 5...Few Slaughter ewes 20.00-25.00.

GOATS 0...No Market Test.

## New Holland Dairy

New Holland Dairy Stables  
Wednesday, June 1, 1988

Report supplied by auction

REPORTED RECEIPTS OF 33 COWS, 31 HEIFERS, AND 4 BULLS. MARKET STEADY.

LOAD OF PA FRESH COWS, 870.00-1300.00.

LOAD OF PERRY CO. FRESH COWS, 910.00-1250.00.

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Change of Location to Home Farm  
On Hill Rd.

FRIDAY, JULY 1 - 1:00 PM  
ON THE FARM MONTHLY

# BRED GILT SALE

Sale To Start Promptly Every 4 Weeks

Located 4 miles east of former location, 1 mile off 472 midway between Quarryville & Oxford, PA, 1 mile south of Kirkwood, turn west off 472 at Union Church (Street Rd.) 1 mile to crossroad turn left, 2nd farm on right. Hill Road. Watch for sale signs.

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