

# THE OLD FARMER'S ALMANAC

June 13-19, 1988

If you forgot about hot, fear not!

New moon June 14 (Tues) Flag Day June 14 Vulcanized rubber patented by Charles Goodyear June 15, 1844 Benjamin Franklin flew a kite and a key in a thunderstorm June 15, 1752 Lieutenant Valentina Tereshkova became the first woman cosmonaut June 16, 1963 Beate Paul McCartney born June 18 1942 Fathers Day June 19 (Sun) Average length of days for the week 15 hours, 16 minutes He who tells his wife news is but newly married



**Ask the Old Farmer:** How early did the widow's walk appear on houses in this country? G R, Orono, Maine  
The railed-in platform that some folks call a widow's walk developed from the roof scuttle which was necessary because fires were common. This would date from the time that they put the chimneys in the middle of the house instead of at one end close to 300 years ago

**Home Hints.** Plant seeds now for a fall crop of broccoli cabbage and cauliflower

## OLD FARMER'S WEATHER FORECAST

**New England:** Week begins with showers, midweek rain, end of week sunny and very warm  
**Greater New York-New Jersey:** Beginning of week clear and mild, midweek rainy and hot, end of week sunny and hot  
**Middle Atlantic Coastal:** Beginning through midweek rainy and hot, end of week sunny and hot, showers possible

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## Leesport Livestock Auction

Wed., June 8, 1988  
CATTLE 234 .PDA Supply included 17 head feeder cattle. Compared to last Wednesday's market. Slaughter steers steady to .75 lower; Cows \$1 to \$2.50 lower. Few Choice 975/1300 lbs sl steers 71.25-74.50, one 77.75, Select 68.00-73.25, Select & Choice 1150/1500 lbs. holsteins 63-68.25, one 68.75, Standard 58-66.75. Few Choice sl. heifers 65-69.75, few Select 60-65.50, few Standard 54.25-56.00. Breaking Utility & Commercial sl. cows 49.00-52.25, one 53.75, few Low dressing 46.85-48.50, Cutter & Bon. Utility 47.75-52.85, few 55.00, Canner & Low Cutter 45.75-49.75. Select & Choice sl. bullocks 62.50-65.35, few Choice 68.50, few Standard 60.25-63.75. Few Yield Grade No. 1, 1450/1840 lbs sl bulls 62.00-67.25.  
CALVES 146.. Vealers \$4 to \$5 lower

One Choice 126.00, few Good 98.00-110.00, Standard and Good 90/115 lbs 90.00-102.50, few 70/90 lbs 80.00-90.00, few Utility 65/70 lbs 65.00-75.00 Farm Calves Few Holstein Bulls 130/140 lbs 104.00-115.00, 90/125 lbs 120.00-128.00, some 101.00, few 85/90 lbs 94.00-105.00; Hol. Heifers 95/125 lbs. 110.00-137.50, few 90/95 lbs 100.00-105.00 Few Beef cross bulls & heifers 95/130 lbs. 122.00-147.50; few Good & Choice 350/500 lbs slaughter calves 76.00-90.00  
HOGS 436 .Barrows and Gilts 50 to \$1 lower. US No. 1-2 215/235 lbs. 53.25-54.25, 1-3 205/255 lbs. 51.25-54.50, mostly 52.10-53, 2-3 215/275 lbs 50-52.10, few 1-3 135/195 lbs 45.75-49.00. Sows steady to \$1 higher. US No. 1-3 285/520 lbs. sows 34.00-39, few 42.00. Few Boars 28.00-30.00, few light weights 34.00-42.00.  
FEEDER PIGS 300..Few US No. 1-3 15/20 lbs. feeder pigs 17.50-23, few 20/25 lbs. 122.50-135, 25/45 lbs. 87.00-101.00 --- all per hundredweight.  
SHEEP 54. .Choice & Prime 70/115 lbs.

spring slaughter lambs 66.00-71, few 40/60 lbs. 79.00-114, few Good & Choice 35/55 lbs. 65.00-79.00; few Good & Choice 25/70 lbs. feeder lambs 75.00-85.00 Slaughter ewes 17.00-31.00.  
GOATS 12...Few Large Adult 42.50-52.50, one 70.00, few Large Kids 25.00-35.00 --- all per head

## Carlisle Livestock Market

Carlisle, Pa.  
Tuesday, June 7, 1988  
CATTLE STEERS ACTIVE & MOSTLY STEADY CHOICE 74.50-77.00, GOOD-LOW CHOICE 68.50-74.00 HOLSTEINS CHOICE 67.00-71.00, GOOD 64.75-66.00, MEDIUM 59.25-61.00  
HEIFERS: CHOICE (900-1050 LBS) 70.75-71.75, GOOD 68.50-70.50, COUPLE MEDIUM 66.00 & DOWN COWS ACTIVE HIGH YIELD 53.25-54.35, GOOD 48.00-53.00, MEDIUM 46.00-50.00, BIG MIDDLE 46.00-49.75, SHELLY 45.00 & DOWN FAT BULLS MEDIUM-GOOD 57.10-61.00.  
FEEDER CATTLE STEERS (300-550 LBS) CHOICE 85.00-92.00, GOOD 78.00-84.00, MEDIUM 68.00-75.00 STEERS (600-950 LBS) MOSTLY HOLSTEINS OFFERED MEDIUM GOOD 68.00-79.00. HEIFERS (ALL WEIGHTS) MOSTLY HEAVIES OFFERED. GOOD 69.00-74.00, MEDIUM 64.00-68.00 BULLS (ALL WEIGHTS) GOOD 73.00-76.00  
VEAL CALVES DEMAND FOR FARM CALVES WEAKER CHOICE 114.00-120.00, GOOD 105.00-113.00, MEDIUM 95.00-104.00, LIGHT/WEAK 93.00 & DOWN. FARM BULLS 120.00-132.00, FARM HEIFERS 120.00-144.00  
HOGS. BARROWS & GILTS: STEADY. US NO. 1-3 210-250 LBS 50.50-51.00, OVER 260 LBS. 46.50-50.00, 2 & 3'S 49.75 & DOWN.  
SOWS: (350-650 LBS) US NO 1-3 34.00-37.50, US NO. 2&3'S 29.00-33.75. BOARS: HEAVY 28.50-29.25, UNDER 300 LBS. 32.00-37.00.  
FEEDER PIGS: (BY THE HD.) ACTIVE! (LOT 25 LBS. 26.00) (30-40 LBS. 32.00-41.00) (40-50 LBS. 41.00-45.00). SHOATS: (BY THE LB) 1 LOT 56 LBS 97.00.  
SHEEP LAMBS (ALL WEIGHTS)

CHOICE 72.00-78.00, GOOD 64.00-71.00, MED HEAVIES 55.00-63.00.  
EWES: MOSTLY 23.00-30.00 GOATS (LG) 55.00-87.00 (HD), SM/MED 19.00-46.00 (HD.), FAMILY'S 70.00-100.00 (HD.).  
NOTE: SALE EVERY TUESDAY EVENING 5.30PM RABBITS, POULTRY & EGGS, 7.00PM LIVESTOCK

## Belleville Livestock Auction

Belleville, PA  
Wed., June 8, 1988  
CATTLE 117...PDA Compared with last week's market. Slaughter cows \$1.75 to \$2 lower Few Select holstein steers 61.00-65.25. Breaking Utility and Commercial slaughter cows 46.50-51.10, couple 53.10, Cutter and Boning Utility 45.00-50.25, Canner and Low Cutter 40.0-44.50, Shells down to 36.00. Few Yield Grade No 1, 1025/1865 lbs sl bulls 57.00-61.35. Few Medium Frame No 1, 350/500 lbs. steers 69.50-82.00.  
CALVES 120...Stanard and Good 70/95 lbs. vealers 91.00-102.00, few Utility 60/80 lbs 69.00-85.00 Farm Calves Holstein Bulls 90/130 lbs. 105.00-140.00; one Hol Heifer 120 lbs at 140.00  
HOGS 66.. Barrows and gilts \$1.50 lower. US No 1-2 200/250 lbs 52.00-53.00, lot 2-3 285 lbs. 48.00. US No. 1-3 300/575 lbs. sows 31.00-36.25.  
FEEDER PIGS 279. .US No 1-3 30/45 lbs. feeder pigs 28.00-32.50, 50/65 lbs 36.00-43.00, 75/125 lbs. 47.00-56, one lot 175 lbs. 64.00 --- all per head.  
SHEEP 47 .Choice 40/100 lbs spring slaughter lambs 67.00-77.00. Slaughter ewes 14.00-30.00  
GOATS 21...Few Large 29.00-41.00, Kids 9.00-20.00 -- all per head. HOLSTEIN DAIRY COWS \$620.00-\$1150.00 --- PER HEAD

## Mercer Livestock Auction

Mercer, PA  
Tuesday, June 7, 1988  
CATTLE 261...PDA...Compared with last Tuesday's market: Slaughter steers \$1 to \$1.50 higher; Cows \$1.50 to \$2 higher. Few High Choice sl. steers 76.75-78.35, Choice 72.00-77, High yielding 76-78.10, Select 66.50-72.50, Standard 60.00-66, few Utility 54.00-58.00. Choice sl. heifers 69.00-75.25, Select 64.50-69.50, few Standard 57.00-62, few Utility 50.00-56.00. Breaking Utility & Commercial sl. cows

49.50-55.10, Cutter & Boning Utility 47.50-51, Canner & Low Cutter 40.00-47.50, Shells down to 28.00 Yield Grade No 1, 1100/1700 lbs sl. bulls 58.00-72, No. 2, 950/1400 lbs 50.00-56.75. Feeder Cattle Few Medium & Large Frame No 1, 340/600 lbs. steers 72.00-83.00, Large #2, 400/550 lbs 59.00-63.50. Few Medium Frame No 1, 500/700 lbs heifers 65.00-71.00 Few Large Frame No. 2, 500/600 lbs bulls 57.00-67.50.  
CALVES 143 Few Good vealers 89.00-99.00, Standard and Good 90/120 lbs 88.00-105, 60/85 lbs. 78.00-90, few Utility 50/80 lbs. 60.00-80.00 Farm Calves: Holstein Bulls 90/125 lbs. 102.00-167.00, few Hol Heifers 85/120 lbs. 100.00-135.00  
HOGS 222 .Barrows and gilts 50 to mostly \$1 higher US No 1-2 218/255 lbs 52.00-53.85, 1-3 220/260 lbs 50-52.10, 2-3 203/268 lbs 48-48.50. Few US No 2-3 350/500 lbs sows 33.00-35.00 Few Boars 27.00-33.00.  
FEEDER PIGS 7. Few US No. 1-3 25/35 lbs. feeder pigs 27.00-39.00 - per head.  
SHEEP 4...Few Slaughter sheep 12.00-20.00.  
GOATS 0...No Market Test

## Dewart Livestock Auction

Dewart, PA  
Monday, June 6, 1988  
CATTLE 109.. PDA...Few Choice 1235/1700 lbs. slaughter steers 74.25-77.50, Choice & Prime holsteins 65.50-68.75. Couple Choice sl. heifers 67.50&69.25, few Select 59.75-65.00 Breaking Utility & Commercial sl cows 46.00-51, Cutter & Bon. Utility 46.00-51.75, Canner & Low Cutter 43.00-46.50, Shells down to 40.00 Few Yield Grade No 1, 1100/1835 lbs sl bulls 58.00-65.25.  
CALVES 236..Few Choice vealers 112.50-125.00, few Good 100.00-105, Standard and Good 70/95 lbs. 88.00-100, Utility 60/80 lbs. 80.00-90.00. Farm Calves: Holstein Bulls 90/140 lbs 105.00-170.00; Hol. Heifers 90/125 lbs. 105.00-135.00  
HOGS 37...Few Lots US No. 1-3 200/265 lbs. barrows and gilts 50.25-52.70 One US No. 1-3 325 lbs. sows 37.50 Few Boars 28.50-30.00.  
FEEDER PIGS 136...US No. 1-3 30/50 lbs. feeder pigs 28.00-38.00, one lot 60 lbs. 39.00 --- all per head.  
SHEEP 17.. Good and Choice 40/105 lbs. spring slaughter lambs 61.00-71.00. Few slaughter ewes 20.00-24.00.  
GOATS 0...No Market Test.

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