

THE OLD FARMER'S ALMANAC

June 20-26, 1988

Strawberry shortcake would sure taste great!

First quarter of the moon June 22 (Wed) Average length of days for the week 15 hours, 17 minutes Lieutenant Colonel Custer and his 208 men were killed in 20 minutes by Sitting Bull and the Sioux June 25, 1876 Korean War started June 25, 1950 First television broadcast in color June 25, 1951 Abner Doubleday, fabled inventor of baseball, born June 26, 1819 The Mackinac Straits Bridge, connecting upper and lower Michigan, opened June 26, 1958 Our worst misfortunes are those which never befall us



Ask the Old Farmer: I have a copy of my grandfa ther's diary from the Civil War in which he men tions that he "hung up his cradle" What was this cradle? M N, La Crosse, Wis

A "cradle" was a combination of a scythe and three or four parallel wooden arms, used to reap grain Every sweep of the cradle make a sheaf

Home Hints: Remove marks on the rubber part of tennis shoes with rubbing alcohol

OLD FARMER'S WEATHER FORECAST

New England: Beginning of week rain, light north, with seasonable temperatures sunny and warm mid through end of week

Greater New York-New Jersey: Week begins sunny and hot, warm with thunder storms mid through end of week

Middle Atlantic Coastal: Week begins rainy and warm, sunny mid through end of week

Piedmont & Southeast Coastal: Beginning of week clear and hot, showers west, midweek rainy and cool, end of week hot, showers south

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Mercer Livestock Auction

Mercer, Pa.

Tuesday, June 14, 1988
Report Supplied by PDA

CATTLE 290. PDA Compared with last Tuesday's market. Slaughter steers .50 to \$1 lower; Cows \$3 to \$4 lower. Choice sl steers 70.00-75.35, Select 65.25-69.50, Standard 59.00-65.50, few Utility 53.00-58.00. Choice sl. heifers 68.00-72, Select 60.00-65, few Standard 55.00-60, Utility 49.00-55.00. Breaking Utility & Commercial sl. cows 46-49.50, couple 50.00, Cutter & Boning Utility 42.50-47.25, Canner & Low Cutter 37.50-43, Shells down to 25.00 Couple Choice sl. bullocks 63.25, one 65.00. Yield Grade No. 1, 1000/1960 lbs. sl bulls 58.00-61.85, No 2, 800/1500 lbs 44.00-52.00. Feeder Cattle: Few Medium Large Frame No. 1, 400/600 lbs. steers 63.00-79.00. Few Medium & Large Frame No 1, 400/660 lbs. heifers 60.00-81.00 Few Large Frame No 2, 470/700 lbs bulls 52.00-57.00

CALVES 140..Standard and Good

90/120 lbs vealers 88.00-98, 60/85 lbs 78.00-90, few Utility 45/70 lbs 55.00-70.00 Farm Calves: Holstein Bulls 90/120 lbs. 100.00-140.00 Few Beef cross bulls & heifers 80/100 lbs. 100.00-125.00 HOGS 230. Barrows and gilts .50 to \$1 lower. US No. 1-2 220/260 lbs. 51.00-52.50, two lots 53.00, 1-3 215/260 lbs. 50-51.10, 2-3 245/270 lbs. 47.00-49.00. Few US No 2-3 350/500 lbs sows 30.00-32.00, few 2-3 300/450 lbs. 25.00-29.00.

FEEDER PIGS 0...No Market Test. SHEEP 8 ..Slaughter sheep 10.00-18.00. GOATS 12 ..Kids 10.00-14.00 --- all per head.

Leesport Livestock Auction

Leesport, Pa.

Wednesday, June 15, 1988
Report Supplied by PDA

CATTLE 188. PDA. Supply included 17 head feeder cattle. Compared to last Wednesday's market Slaughter steers steady to \$1 lower, Cows \$2.50 to \$3.75 lower. Choice 950/1500 lbs sl steers 70.25-74.25, mostly 72.50-73.50, Select 68.75-73.00, few down to 65.50, few Select & Choice 1230/1500 lbs Holsteins 63-67.00, Standard 57.50-62.00 Choice 960/1250 lbs sl heifers 63.50-66.75, two head 68.50 & 75.00. Few Breaking Utility & Commercial sl cows 46.50-49.25, Cutter & Bon Utility 44.50-49.25, one 50.00, Canner & Low Cutter 42.00-45.00, under 900 lbs 40.25-43.75, shells down to 37.25 Few Select & Choice sl bullocks 59.85-63.75, few Standard 55.50-57.75 Few Yield Grade No 1, 1300/1600 lbs sl bulls 56.00-62.00.

FEEDER CATTLE, Few Large Frame No 2, 300/600 lbs. steers 68.00-74.00 Few Medium Frame No 2, 350/365 lbs. heifers 66.50-80.00 Medium and Large Frame No 1, 300/570 lbs. bulls 76.00-93.00, few Large Frame No. 2, 420/560 lbs 65.00-69.00

CALVES 220.. Vealers steady to \$5 higher Few Choice 110.00-114.00, few Good 100.00-108.00, Standard and Good 85/110 lbs. 95.00-100.00, few 104.00, 70/85 lbs. 80.00-92.00, few Utility 90/105 lbs. 80.00-90.00, 50/85 lbs 50.00-75.00 Farm Calves: Holstein Bulls 90/135 lbs 120.00-140.00, some 100.00; Hol. Heifers 85/125 lbs. 100.00-117.50. Few Beef cross bulls & heifers 75/115 lbs. 95.00-152.50; few Good & Choice 250/450 lbs. slaughter calves 87.00-102.00.

HOGS 299 .. Barrows and Gilts \$1.25 to \$2 lower. Few US No. 1-2 215/245 lbs. 51.25-51.85, 1-3 210/255 lbs. 50.00-51.75, lot 52.50, 2-3 245/280 lbs. 49.50-49.85, few 1-3 195/205 lbs. 48.25-49.10. Sows steady to \$3 lower, most decline over 400 lbs. US No. 1-3 285/385 lbs. sows 36.00-39.50, 400/585 lbs. 32.00-35.50. few

Medium 360/400 lbs. 28.00-30.50. Few Boars 30.00-33.00.

FEEDER PIGS 118..Lot US No 1-3 18 lbs. feeder pigs 28.00, /hd., 30/55 lbs. 74.00-90.00, lot 70 lbs. 69.00/ hundredweight

SHEEP 141.. Few Choice & Prime 95/115 lbs. spring slaughter lambs 58.00-61, Choice 40/60 lbs 64.00-78.00, 70/100 lbs. 54.00-58.00, few 120/130 lbs 52.00-55.00, Good & Choice 55/80 lbs 55.00-60.00, few Choice 50/80 lbs. feeder lambs 59.00-81.00. Slaughter sheep 18.00-25.00, one 34.00

GOATS 16 ..Few Large Adult 50.00-75.00, Kids 23.00-35.00 --- all per head

HOLSTEINS 80-1050 LBS. 52.00-57.50 HEIFERS- 400-700 LBS. 54.00-64.00, 800-900 LBS. 54.00-62.00. BULLS- 280 LBS. @ 125.00; 400-500 LBS 72.00-76.00; 600-800 LBS. 57.00-71.00 LAMBS- 25-50 LBS MD 53.00-70.00, 60-105 LBS CH 56.00-60.00, GOOD 50.00-55.00 SHEEP- 150-200 LBS 12.00-22.00, FEW 28.00-30.00 GOATS- LG 55.00-68.00, KIDS 12.00-20.00, MD 35.00-55.00, SM. 25.00-35.00 PIGS AND SHOATS- BY THE HEAD- 20-30 LBS 18.00-25.50, 30-45 LBS. 25.00-35.00, 70-80 LBS 40.00-47.00 BY THE LB- 108 LBS @ 55.50, 120-155 LBS. 42.00-50.00, STOCK BOARS- 170-235 LBS 27.00-33.00

Westminster Livestock Auction

Hagerstown, Md.

Tuesday, June 14, 1988

Report supplied by auction

SLAUGHTER COWS HIGH YIELD 50.00-50.75, UTILITY 46.00-49.50, CANNERS 43.00-46.00; SHELLY 43.00-DOWN. BULLS- (1) 1,575 LB @ 61.00 FED STEERS- SELECT 63.00-66.00, HOLSTEINS SELECT 54.00-60.00 FED HEIFERS- LO CH 800-1000 LBS 63.00-65.00, SELECT 53.00-57.00 VEAL CALVES- INDIVI DUAL PRIME 330 LBS 121.00, CHOICE 150-250 LBS 100.00-116.00; GOOD 89.00-100.00. KILLERS 80-100 LBS 93.00-103.00, 50-80 LBS. 88.00-97.00 FARM CALVES- HOLSTEIN BULLS 125-135 LBS 101.00-116.00; 100-120 LBS 110.00-125.00; 80-95 LBS 95.00-118.00. HOLSTEIN HEIFERS- 80-120 LBS. 104.00-120.00 BEEF X CALVES- 99.00-121.00. BUTCHER HOGS- US # 1&3 215-240 LBS. 50.00-51.00; #2&3'S 48.00-49.00, 240-260 LBS. TO 48.50; 190-210 LBS. 44.00-47.50; SOWS 350-450 LBS. 31.00-35.00 FEW TO 37.00; BOARS 400-600 LBS. 28.75-29.00.

STOCK CATTLE- STEERS- 200-300 LBS. 100.00-121.00; 400-500 LBS. 67.00-80.00; 700-900 LBS. 65.00-72.00.

Penns Valley Livestock

Centre Hall, Pa.

Tuesday, June 14, 1988

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BEEF COWS: UTILITY AND COMMERCIAL 48.50-50.50, CUTTERS 45.00-47.00, CANNERS 40.00-44.00, SHELLS 38.75.

HEIFERS: STANDARD 34.00-58.00; COMMERCIAL 94.00-52.00

STEERS GOOD 55.00-60.50 BULLS GOOD 56.00-60.75, STANDARD 51.00-54.00.

FEEDER CATTLE 300-500 LBS. LARGE FRAME 57.00-89.00, 300-500 LBS SMALL FRAME 54.00-59.00, 500-700 LBS. LARGE FRAME 55.00-61.00.

VEAL CALVES. GOOD 95.00-103.00, STANDARD 87.00-94.00; UTILITY 80.00-86.00

FARM CALVES: BULLS 105.00-149.00, HEIFERS 100.00-120.00 HOGS- 48.75-50.00.

SOWS: 35.75-36.50

SHOATS: 25-30 LBS. PER HEAD 15.00-22.00, 30-35 LBS. PER HEAD 24.00-30.00, 35-50 LBS PER HEAD 31.00-38.00

SHEEP: 20.00-32.00. GOATS PER HEAD. 20.00-24.00.

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Monday - Friday 8:30 AM - 4:00 PM



PLEASE NOTE!

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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