# OLD FARMER'S ALMANAC

JAN. 23-29, 1989 Time to flake out.

"Put your John Hancock on that!" Birthday of this American patriot and statesman, Jan 23 Same day is National Handwriting Day and National Pie Day One-Tooth Rhee Landing Day, Jan 23, named for mythical Korean inventor of "confusionist burrocracy" custom Officials wear four hats, and jobs have contradictory instruc-tions Average length of days for the week 9 hours 46 minutes James W Marshall discovered gold in California, Jan 24, 1848 and Gold Rush was on quarter moon, Jan 29 Brevity is the soul of wit - Shakespeare



Ask the Old Farmer: What kind of winter weather have you had in your section? I Q, Vt

Perfectly cussed! In fact it was a darned sight worse than we expected, and we expected it would be!

Home Hints: Need an ice pack for unexpected falls or bruises? Look in your freezer. A package of frozen vegetables, in a plastic bag, makes an instant ice pack. It's quick, easy, ready to use — and nutritious too!

#### OLD FARMER'S WEATHER FORECAST

New England: Just as you would predict a snowstorm! Clear and seasonable, the week ends as it has begun, with another bout of white stuff, quite heavy

Greater New York-New Jersey: Cloudy and cold, snow then clearing before more cold; a snowstorm in the north, but it's light snow only in the south

Middle Atlantic Coastal: Sunny and milder to start, snowstorm and a cold wave follow next, clear and frigid weather, but the week ends with warming temps Piedmont & Southeast Coastal: Seasonable, showers are heavy in the south, cold weather follows, then cleaning for the end of the week

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### Carlisle Livestock Market

Carlisle, Pa.

Tuesday, Jan. 17, 1989 CATTLE: STEERS: STRONG DEMANDI STEADY. CHOICE 74.00-76.25; GOOD & LOW CHOICE 69.00-73.50; MEDIUM 68.00 & DOWN. HOLSTEINS CHOICE 65.75-68.50. HEIFERS: GOOD-LOW CHOICE 64.85-69.00; MEDIUM 64.00 & DOWN. COWS: ACTIVE! HIGH YIELD 50.00-52.75; GOOD 47.50-49.85; MEDIUM 44.00-47.25; BIG MIDDLE 42.00-46.50; SHELLY 43.00 & DOWN. FAT BULLS: MEDIUM-GOOD 51.00-59.00.

FEEDER CATTLE: GOOD DEMAND! STEERS-- (300-850 LBS.) CHOICE 81.00-88.00; GOOD 71.00-80.00; MEDIUM-GOOD HOLSTEIN 58.50-69.50. HEIFERS (ALL WEIGHTS) CHOICE 75.00-86.00; GOOD 68.00-74.00; MEDIUM 56.00-67.00. BULLS (ALL WEIGHTS) CHOICE 76.00-81.00; GOOD 63.00-72.00; MEDIUM 51.50-62.00.

VEAL CALVES: ACTIVE. CHOICE 93.00-105.00; GOOD 83.00-92.00; MEDIUM 73.00-82.00; LIGHT/WEAK 71.00 & DOWN. FARM BULLS 120.00-167.00.

HOGS: BARROWS & GILTS US NO. 1-3 210-260 LBS. 42.50-45.35; UNDER 200 LBS. 33.00-39.50; 2 & 3'S (ALL WEIGHTS) 40.00-42.25.

SOWS: OVER 450 LB. 30.00-34.00; UNDER 450 31.75-35.00; 2 & 3'S 29.00

BOARS: 22.25-29.00.

FEEDER PIGS (BY THE HD.) (25-35 LBS. 16.00-24.00); (40-60 LBS. 33.00-36.00). SHOATS (BY THE LB.) 114-140 LBS. 28.00-38.00.

SHEEP: LAMBS: STRONG DEMAND! CHOICE 60-80 LBS. 95.00-125.00; GOOD & CHOICE 85-110 LBS. 71.00-85.00; MED. 69.00 & DOWN.

EWES: MOSTLY 22.00-29.00. GOATS (LG.) 52.50-67.50; (HD) SM./MED. 32.00-51.00.

NOTICE: STATE GRADED PIG SALE FRIDAY, JAN. 27TH 1:30 P.M. SALE EVERY TUES. EVENING 5:30 P.M. RABBITS, POULTRY & EGGS, 7:00 P.M. LIVESTOCK.

### Westminster Livestock Auction

Hagerstown, Md. Tuesday, Jan. 17, 1989 Report supplied by auction

SLAUGHTER COWS: HIGH YIELD: 50.00-52.00; UTILITY 45.00-49.75; CAN-NERS 42.00-46.00; SHELLY 42.00 DOWN.

BULLS: YG#1 57-60.00; YG#2 51.00-57.00.

FED STEERS: SELECT TO LOW CHOICE 67.00-71.75; SELECT HEAVY-WEIGHTS 60.00-65.00.

FED HEIFERS: SELECT 60.00-67.25.; UTILITY AND COMMERCIAL 50.00-57.00.

VEAL CALVES 150-300 LBS.: CHOICE 98.00-112.00; GOOD

80.00-95.00; CULLS 85-125 LBS. 68.00-76.00; 50-80 LBS. 62.00-70.00; WEAK AND ROUGH 55.00 DOWN. HOLSTEIN BULLS: SEVERAL TO 161.00, BULK 95-125 LBS. 135.00-155.00; SMALL FRAME 85-95 LBS. 80.00-115.00.

HOLSTEIN HEIFERS: 95-120 LBS. 85.00-120.00; BEEF X BULLS 90.00-115.00.

BUTCHER HOGS: US#1 AND 2 42.50-43.00; US#1 AND 3 215-270 LBS. 40 00-42.00; 290-400 LBS. 32.00-37.25; 195-215 LBS. 39.50-42 00.

SOWS: 300-600 LBS. 31.00-34.75; THIN 26.00-29.00.

HEAVY BOARS: 26.00-27.00.

STOCK CATTLE: STEERS 300-500 LBS. 79.00-90.00; 500-700 LBS. 68.00-79.00, 700-900 LBS. 62.00-71.00; 900-1050 LBS. 60.00-69.00.
HEIFERS: 300-500 LBS. 70.00-85.00;

500-700 LBS. 55.00-68.50; 700-900 LBS. 55.00-68.50.

BULLS: 400-500 LBS. 80.00-88.00, 500-700 LBS. 67.00-78.00.

LAMBS: CHOICE 115-130 LBS. 63.00-68.00; 70-95 LBS. 72.00-74.00; 30-50 LBS. 81.00-108.00.

SHEEP; 115-150 LBS. 29.00-44.00; OVER 150 LBS. 23.00-31.00.

GOATS: LARGE 55.00-82.00; MEDIUM 45.00-58.00; SMALL FLESHY 36.00; YOUNG KIDS 16.00-25.00. PIGS AND SHOATS: BY THE HEAD 15-30 LBS. 13.00-24.00; 30-50 LBS.

19.00-30.00; 50-75 LBS. 26.00-36 00. BY THE LB.: 100-160 LBS. 33.00-41.00; STOCK BOARS 180-275 LBS. 29.00-33.00.

#### Mercer Livestock Auction Mercer, PA January 17, 1989

CATTLE 234...PDA...Compared with last Tuesday's market: Slaughter steers .50 to mostly \$1 higher; Cows \$1 to \$1.50 higher. Choice sl. steers 71.00-75.50, Select 66.50-70.25, Standard 61.00-67, few Utility 52 00-56.00. Choice sl. heifers 68.50-73.25, Select 63.00-67, few Standard 53.80-57.00. Breaking Utility & Commercial sl. cows 46.00-49, Cutter & Boning Utility 44.00-48, Canner & Low Cutter 38 00-44, Shells down to 33.00. Couple Select sl. bullocks 58.85&59.10. Yield Grade No. 1, 1200/1950 lbs. sl. bulls 54.00-64.85, one No. 2 1495 lbs. 52.85. Feeder Cattle: Few Medium & Large Frame No. 1, 550/760 lbs. steers 71 50-81.00. Medium Frame No. 1,

370/550 lbs. heifers 69.00-74, few 800/960 lbs. 59.00-62.00. Few Med. & Large Frame No. 1, 525/700 lbs. bulls 70.00-82.00.

CALVES 94...One Choice vealer 126.00, one Good 91.00, Standard and Good 90/120 lbs. 69.00-80.00, 60/85 lbs. 58.00-70.00, few Utility 45/65 lbs. 40.00-50.00. Farm Calves: Holstein Bulls 90/125 lbs. 105.00-155.00. Few Beef cross bulls & heifers 85/115 lbs. 75.00-110.00.

HOGS 188...Barrows and gilts .50 to \$1 lower. US No. 1-2 218/245 lbs. 42.00-43.00, 1-3 220/250 lbs. 41.00-42.10, 2-3 250/265 lbs. 40.50-41.35, few lots 2-4 290/300 lbs. 35 85-36.00, 1-3 180/190 lbs. 35.00-38, lot 40.25. US No. 1-3 300/600 lbs. sows 311.00-35.00, 2-3 300/650 lbs. 27.00-31.00. Boars 25.00-32.00.

FEEDER PIGS 8...US No. 1-3 30/35 lbs. feeder pigs 8.00-9.00 --- per head SHEEP 4...Couple Choice 55/78 lbs. feeder lambs 66.00.

GOATS 2...Large 45.00 and 47.00 --per head.

### Keister's Middleburg Auction

Middleburg, PA January 17, 1989

CATTLE 399...PDA...Compared with last week's market: Slaughter steers mostly strong to \$1.50 higher; Cows unevenly steady. High Choice & Prime slaughter steers 77-79.85, Choice 1100/1600 lbs. 73.00-78.50, one 80.25, Select 67.00-71; few Choice holsteins 66.00-68.75, Select

62.00-66.75. Choice sl. heife 69.00-74.75, few Select 64.00-66.50, fe holsteins 58-63.00. Breaking Utility Commercial sl. cows 46.00-50, Cutter Boning Utility 46.75-51.75, one 52, Canner & Low Cutter 43.00-47.25, She down to 38.00. Yield Grade No. 1060/1780 lbs. sl. bulls 55.75-61.00, fr No. 2 1100/1980 lbs. 50.00-53.00. FEE ER CATTLE: Medium Frame No 400/750 lbs. steers and bulls 68.00-82.0 One Lot Large Frame No. 2, 840 61.00. Few Medium Frame No. 1, 350/5 lbs heifers 65.00-77.00.

CALVES 192...Few Choice veale 115.00-122.00, Standard and Good 70/ lbs. 65 00-72 00, few Utility 60/85 | 50 00-63.00. Farm Calves: Holstein Bu 80/85 lbs. 72.00-90, 90/140 lb 100.00-172.00; Hol. heifers 100/135 ll 72.00-152.00.

HOGS 592...Barrows and gilts absteady. US No. 1-2, 220/245 lt 44.00-44.60, No. 1, 220/245 lt 44.50-46.50, 2-3 200/250 lbs 43.00-44( 2-4 190/270 lbs. 40.00-43.00. US No. 1 270/600 lbs. sows 30.00-34.00, few light weights 45.00, 2-3 260/575 h 28.00-30.00. Boars 27.50-30.00. FEEDER PIGS 546...US No. 1-3 25/

lbs. feeder pigs 25.00-33.00, 40/60 ll 30.00-39.50 --- all per head.

SHEEP 30...Good & Choice 45/1001 wool slaughter lambs 72 00-84.00. I Slaughter Ewes 25.00-31 00.

GOATS 13...Large 56.00-103.00 --per head.

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