

# THE OLD FARMER'S ALMANAC

FEB. 13-19, 1989  
Much snow in February, fine summer.

Birthday of Bess Truman, Feb 13, 1885 "Chicago Seven" convicted of contempt of court, Feb 15, 1970 Nylon patented, Feb 16, 1937 Average length of days for the week 10 hours 38 minutes Birthday of Smokey Robinson, singer, Feb 19, 1940 Mouth and heart should never part



**Ask the Old Farmer:** I was told I didn't amount to a tunker's dam What's that? N P, R I Anything, such as a lump of dirt, to prevent melted solder from running off the desired spot

**Home Hints:** To make a tight cork fit, cut a small V in the side Presto!

## OLD FARMER'S WEATHER FORECAST

**New England:** Average temperature this month, 27.5°F; slightly less precipitation than usual Partly cloudy; mild; rain, snow in the mountains

**Greater New York-New Jersey:** Intermittent snow, sleet in the south Followed by seasonable weather, clearing, rain and mild temperatures end the week

**Middle Atlantic Coastal:** A storm and heavy snow in the west start this week Sunny and mild weather comes next, but more showers make for a wet week's end

**Piedmont & Southeast Coastal:** Rain, heavy in the west, cooler, clear and warm, mud-weep, then sun and showers alternating at week's end

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## New Wilmington Livestock Auction

N. Wilmington, PA  
February 6, 1989

**CATTLE 184. PDA...** Compared with last Monday's market: Slaughter cows mostly \$1 higher. Few Choice sl. steers 71.00-73.50, couple heavy weights 68&68.75, few Select 67.00-70; few Select & Choice holsteins 63.75-68.25. Couple Choice sl. heifers 70.00&73.50, few Select 65.50-67.75, few Standard 55.00. Breaking Utility & Commercial sl. cows 47.50-51, couple 53.25&54.50, Cutter & Boning Utility 44.75-50, Canner & Low Cutter 40.00-45, Shells down to 31.50. Few Utility sl. bullocks 49.00-53.00. Couple Yield Grade No. 1, 1350/2030 lbs. sl. bulls

59.00&59.25, one No. 2, 1635 lbs. 53.75. Feeder Cattle: Medium & Large Frame No. 1, 320/520 lbs. heifers 69.50-81.00, few 575/790 lbs. 56.50-60.00.

**CALVES 279...** One Choice 103.00, couple Good 85.00&90.00, Standard & Good 90/120 lbs. 70.00-82.50, 60/85 lbs. 60.00-79.00, Utility 45/60 lbs. 42.50-58.00. Farm Calves: Hol. Bulls 90/135 lbs. 100.00-190.00, Hol. Heifers 90/125 lbs. 82.50-140.00. Beef cross bulls & heifers 80/135 lbs. 80.00-135.00.

**HOGS 468...** Barrows and gilts mostly \$2.50 higher. US No. 1-2 220/255 lbs. 41.00-41.25, 1-3 210/260 lbs. 40.00-41, lot 225 lbs. 41.35, 2-3 220/265 lbs. 39.00-40, 1-3 150/205 lbs. 35.00-39.35. Sows \$1 to \$2 higher. US No. 1-3 340/640 lbs. sows 30.00-36.00. Few Boars 25.00-28, couple

stock light weights 33&34.00.

**FEEDER PIGS 7...** US No. 1-3 30/45 lbs. feeder pigs 11.00-19.00 --- all per head.

**SHEEP 36...** Couple High Choice & Prime 90 lbs. wool slaughter lambs 79.00, Choice 80/100 lbs. 60.00-65.50. Few Good & Choice 45/75 lbs. feeder lambs 59.00-76.00. Slaughter ewes 31.00-37.00.

**GOATS 2...** No Market Test. NEW WILMINGTON GRADED FEEDER PIG SALE - FEB. 3, 1989 Feeder Pigs 693...Average 46 lbs./pig---\$27.00/pig & \$58.37 Cwt...All Sales Cwt. US No. 1-2 20/30 lbs. 55.00-71, 30/40 lbs. 60.00-71, 40/50 lbs. 61.00-76, 50/60 lbs. 53.00-70, 60/75 lbs. 56.00-63; No. 2, 20/30 lbs. 56.00-62, 30/40 lbs. 55.00-66, 40/50 lbs. 54.00-64, 50/60 lbs. 44.00-50, 60/75 lbs. 44.00-57.00.

51.00-55.00; UTILITY 47.00-51.00; CANNERS 42.00-47.00; SHELLY 42.00 DOWN.

**BULLS:** YG#1 59.00-60.25; YG#2 53.00-57.50.

**FED STERS:** 1 SELECT HOLSTEIN 63.75; STANDARD 56.00-61.00.

**FED HEIFERS:** 1 SELECT HOLSTEIN 65.00, DAIRY CULLS UP TO 55.25.

**VEAL CALVES:** 220-375 LBS. CHOICE 102.00-116.00; GOOD 85.00-99.00; CULLS 85-120 LBS. 75.00-82.00; 50-80 LBS. 68.00-78.00.

**FARM CALVES:** HOLSTEIN BULLS 125-135 LBS. 110.00-130.00; 100-120 LBS. 120.00-149.00; 90-95 LBS. 85.00-115.00.

**HOLSTEIN HEIFERS:** 95-125 LBS. 100.00-125.00; BEEF X BULLS AND HEIFERS 99.00-135.00.

**BUTCHER HOGS:** US#1 AND 2 220-250 LBS. UP TO 41.85; 215-250 LBS. US#1 AND 3 39.25-41.00; 250-280 LBS. 36.50-39.00; 280-350 LBS. 31.00-37.50; #3 TO 28.00-31.00.

**SOWS:** 300-650 LBS. 29.00-31.25;

THIN 27.00-29.00; HEAVY 26.00-27.00. STOCK CATTLE: STEERS 600-900 LBS. 65.00-76.00; 900-1050 LBS. 61.00-70.00; HOLSTEINS 600-1000 LBS. 54.00-60.00.

**HEIFERS:** 300 LBS. UP TO 79.00; 500 LBS. UP TO 65.00; 700 LBS. 55.00-67.00.

**BULLS:** 200-300 LBS. 100.00-118.00; 300-400 LBS. 85.00-98.00; 500-800 LBS. 60.00-70.00; 800-1000 LBS. 54.00-64.00.

**LAMBS:** GOOD TO CHOICE 100-125 LBS. 63.00-68.00; 80-99 LBS. 68.00-82.00; 65 LBS. UP TO 89.00.

**SHEEP:** 115-170 LBS. 33.00-41.00; 170 LBS. AND UP 23.00-27.00.

**GOATS:** LARGE 50.00-70.00; MEDIUM 40.00-53.00; SMALL AND THIN 40.00 DOWN.

**PIGS AND SHOATS:** BY THE HEAD, 15-30 LBS. 12.00-17.00; 30-40 LBS. 16.00-25.00.

**BY THE POUND:** 100-190 LBS. 33.00-39.50.

**STOCK BOARS:** 140-200 LBS. 27.00-32.00; 200-300 LBS. 24.00-28.50.

## Westminster Livestock Auction

Hagerstown, Md.

Tuesday, Feb. 7, 1989

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