

THE OLD FARMER'S ALMANAC

APRIL 10-16, 1989
Listen for the whip-poor-will.

First Arbor Day celebration was April 10, 1872 in Nebraska Woodie Guthrie writes Dust Bowl Ballad, "So Long, It's Been Good to Know Yuh" April 14, 1935 Insulin, discovered by Dr Frederick Banting of Toronto, Canada, becomes available for general use, April 15, 1923 Average length of days for the week 13 hours 16 minutes Happiness is virtue, not its reward — B Spinoza



Ask the Old Farmer: Why, for heaven's sake, don't New Englanders raise more popcorn? R T, Fla
Raising popcorn is going out of style here You see, our seasons are getting so much warmer, the stuff pops in the fields
Home Hints: Spirits of camphor, rubbed on white rings on wooden tables will help remove the rings

OLD FARMER'S WEATHER FORECAST

New England: Rain, some heavy, snow in the mountains, sunny and normal, cold, finally rain and it's snow in the mountains again
Greater New York-New Jersey: Sprinkles and cold, mild in the south, rain, partly cloudy, and finally cold to round out the week
Middle Atlantic Coastal: Hey! Sunny and pleasant, what do you say? Rainy and cold to change the scene, warm and showers to top it off
Piedmont & Southeast Coastal: Sunny, very warm, rain in the north, sun in the south, warm, cold wave, then rain again
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Belknap Livestock Auction

Dayton, PA
April 5, 1989

CATTLE 100... PDA... Compared with last Wednesday's market: Couple Choice slaughter steers 71.50 & 71.75, one Select 67.75, Choice 1400/1575 lbs. Holsteins 66.50-69.75, few Standard 57.00-65.50. Couple Choice low yielding sl. heifers 66.50 & 67.00, couple Select 62.25 & 62.50, one Standard 60.00. Few Breaking Utility & Commercial sl. cows 46.00-47.25, one 52.00, low yielding down to 44.25, Cutter & Bon. Utility 44.50-49.00, Canner & Low Cutter 37.50-44.75, Shells down to 30.00. Few Yield Grade No. 1, 1080/2000 lbs. sl. bulls 55.75-61.00, one No. 2, 975 lbs. 47.25. Feeder Cattle: Few Medium and Large Frame No. 1, 695/770 lbs. steers 67.00-70.50. Medium Frame No. 1, 320/475 lbs. heifers 71.50-79.00, 530/775 lbs. 60.25-68.00. Few Medium Frame No.1, 340/530 lbs. bulls 78.00-86.00, few 600/650 lbs. 69.50-75.50.
CALVES 96... One Choice vealer 107.00, one Good 94.00, few Standard and Good 90/110 lbs. 77.00-86.00, 60/85 lbs. 69.00-81.00, few Utility 50/55 lbs. 63.00-66.00. Farm Calves: Holstein Bulls 85/130 lbs. 100.00-162.00, few 150/185 lbs. 89.00-106.00; Hol. heifers 90/115 lbs. 90.00-116.00. Beef cross bulls & heifers 60/115 lbs. 83.00-145.00.
HOGS 183... Barrows and gilts \$1 lower. US No. 1-2 240/250 lbs. 37.10-37.50, 1-3 220/255 lbs. 36.00-36.80, 2-3 225/285 lbs. 35.00-35.90, small lot 295 lbs 33.75, 1-3 205/215 lbs. 34.00-35.10, 130/150 lbs. 34.25-35.50, lot 2-3 135 lbs. 27.00. US

No. 1-3 260/605 lbs. sows 28.00-31.00, one 33.00. Few Boars 25.00-30.50.
FEEDER PIGS 33... US No. 1-3 25/40 lbs. feeder pigs 18.50-30.00, Utility 10/25 lbs. 7.00-12.50 --- all per head.
SHEEP 17... Few Choice 70/90 lbs. wooled slaughter lambs 62.00-65.00. Slaughter ewes 17.00-28.00.
GOATS 5... One Large 65.00, few Medium and Small 26.00-41.00 --- all per head.
RECEIPTS FOR THE DIRECT HOG MARKET IN VIRGINIA TOTALED 19,181 HEAD. COMPARED TO LAST WEEK 10,007 HEAD. THE MARKET CLOSED \$1.50 LOWER COMPARED TO LAST WEDNESDAY'S TRADING.
COUNTRY POINTS PLANTS US 1-3 200-240 LBS 34.00-37.50 --- US 1-2 210-240 LBS FEW HIGH YIELDING 37.00-39.00 US 2-4 210-240 LBS BASE PRICE 35.50-37.00 SOWS \$25.00-30.00 AND BOARS \$18.00-22.00.
SLAUGHTER STEERS AND HEIFERS 2%; **SLAUGHTER COWS 8%;** **SLAUGHTER BULLS 1%;** **SLAUGHTER CALVES AND VEALERS 1%;** **FEEDER CATTLE UNDER 600 LBS 70% OVER 600 LBS 18%**
PRICE RANGES FOR VIRGINIA WEEKLY AUCTIONS
SLAUGHTER CATTLE STEERS; **CHOICE 2-3 1000-1300 LBS 68.00-74.60** **CHOICE 2-3 1300 LBS & OVER 71.70-75.75** **HEIFERS;** **CHOICE 2-3 1000-1200 LBS 70.75-73.75** **UTILITY & COMMERCIAL COWS 43.00-53.50** **BULLS - 1-2 900-1300 LBS 50.75-62.00** **1-2 1300-1600 LBS 53.00-65.00** **1-2 1600 LBS & OVER 50.00-66.00** **SLAUGHTER CALVES AND VEALERS** **VEALERS - HIGH CHOICE & PRIME 100-250 LBS 95.50-100.00** **GOOD AND CHOICE**

100-250 LBS 86.50-100.00 **CALVES - GOOD AND CHOICE 250-500 LBS 72.00-90.00** **SLAUGHTER LAMBS HIGH CHOICE & PRIME 95-125 LBS SPRING 68.00-78.30** **HIGH CHOICE & PRIME 95-125 LBS WOOL 60.00-73.00** **FEW 58.00** **SLAUGHTER HOGS US 2-4 200-250 LBS 34.00-37.50** **SOWS US 1-3 300-500 LBS 27.00-32.00;** **500 LBS & OVER 32.80-33.10**
FEEDER CATTLE STEERS; **MEDIUM 1 HEIFERS: MEDIUM 1 200-300 LBS 108.00-127.00** **FW88.00** **300-400 LBS. 79.00-96.00** **300-400 96.00-115.00** **400-500 75.00-89.00** **400-500 94.00-108.00** **FW87.00** **500-600 70.00-85.00** **500-600 91.00-107.00** **600-700 66.00-78.00** **600-700 75.50-91.00** **700-800 62.00-74.50** **700-800 70.50-86.00** **800-900 58.00-68.00** **800-900 66.75-78.00.**

CALVES 145... Couple Prime vealers 129.00, few Choice 109.00-115.00, few Good 96.00-107.50, few Standard & Good 80/115 lbs. 80.00-85.00, few 65/80 lbs. 65.00-76.00. Farm Calves: Holstein Bulls 90/130 lbs. 125.00-150.00, one 152.50, some down to 85.00; Holstein Heifers 95/125 lbs. 95.00-134.00; Beef Cross 85/130 lbs. bulls and heifers 87.50-170.00, mostly 110.00-155.00.
HOGS 490... Barrows and gilts steady .50 to \$1 lower. US No. 1-2 220/250 lbs. 37.00-38.75, 1-3 220/260 lbs. 36.50-37.75, few 39.00, 2-3 220/280 lbs. 34.00-36.50, few 2-4 285/290 lbs. 33.50-34.00, lot 1-3 180 lbs. 34.50. Sows .50 to \$1 higher. US No. 1-3 290/560 lbs. sows 29.50-32.75, couple 33.25, 2-3 485/665 lbs. 27.50-30.50, few Medium 315/435 lbs. 28.00-30.50. Few Boars 26.00-30.00.
FEEDER PIGS 236... Few US No. 1-3 20/25 lbs. feeder pigs 76.00-82.50, 25/60 lbs. 60.00-74.00, lot 130 lbs. 42.50, few Utility 65/100 lbs. 46.00-48.00 --- all per hundredweight.
SHEEP 71... Few Choice 20/50 lbs. spring slaughter lambs 99.00-115.00, few 65/115 lbs. 75.00-85.00, few Good 20/30 lbs. 77.50-85.00. Slaughter sheep 5.00-25.00, mostly 10.00-13.50.
GOATS 22... Few Large adult 39.00-62.00, one 75.00, Large Kids 37.50-52.50 --- all per head.

CALVES 74... Standard and Good 70/100 lbs. vealers 75.00-85.00, few Utility 60/80 lbs. 60.00-66.00. Farm Calves: Holstein Bulls 90/130 lbs. 85.00-144.00, mostly 110.00-135.00. Few Holstein Heifers 90/125 lbs. 85.00-90.00.
HOGS 132... Barrows and gilts weak \$2 lower. US No. 1-3 205/250 lbs 37.35-40.00, lot 2-3 270 lbs. 37.25. Few US No. 1-3 350/480 lbs. sows 27.00-31.00. Few Boars 20.00-23.00.
FEEDER PIGS 277... US No. 1-3 20/35 lbs. feeder pigs 17.50-24.50, 35/50 lbs. 21.50-30.50, 60/80 lbs. 32.50-40.00 --- all per head.
SHEEP 25... Few Good 80/120 lbs. wooled slaughter lambs 49.00-54.00. Slaughter ewes 12.00-28.00.
GOATS 5... Few Small Kids 16.00-24.00 --- all per head. **HOLSTEIN DAIRY COWS \$650.00-1300.00 - PER HEAD.**

Leesport Livestock Auction

Leesport, PA
April 5, 1989

CATTLE 227... PDA... Supply included 21 head feeder cattle ... Compared to last Wednesday's market: Slaughter steers .50 to \$2.50 lower; cows steady to \$1 lower. Choice 1050/1400 lbs. sl. steers 70.75-74.25, Select 65.75-69.25, few High Choice & Prime 1450/1675 lbs. Holsteins 67.85-70.00, Choice 1250/1600 lbs. 66.75-69.00, Select 1100/1400 lbs. 61.00-64.25, few Standard 58.75-66.00. Choice sl. heifers 67.75-70.00, few Select and Choice Holsteins .57.50-63.25, few Standard 55.00-55.25. Breaking Ut. & Commercial sl. cows 47.00-50.00, few 54.85, Cutter & Bon. Utility 46.75-51.50, one 55.00, Low Dressing 44.00-45.50, Canner & Low Cutter 44.75-48.00, few Shells down to 37.00. Select & Choice sl. bullocks 60.00-67.75, one 69.00, few Select & Choice Holsteins 58.00-64.10, few Standard 55.50-58.25. Few Yield Grade No. 1, 1250/1770 lbs. sl. bulls 58.50-61.25. Feeder Cattle: Few Large Frame No. 2, 750/1000 lbs. steers 62.00-63.00.

Belleville Livestock Auction

Belleville, PA
April 5, 1989

CATTLE 140... PDA... Compared with last Wednesday's market: Slaughter cows steady to \$1 higher. Couple Select sl. steers 58.75 & 61.50. Few Select heifers 57.00-60.25. Breaking Utility and Commercial sl. cows 45.00-50.00, Cutter and Boning Utility 45.75-50.50, Canner and Low Cutter 40.50-44.50, Shells down to 35.00. One Yield Grade No. 1, 2015 lbs. sl. bull 58.85. **FEEDER CATTLE:** Few Large Frame No. 1, 400/570 lbs. heifers 66.00-67.00.

Grantsville Livestock

Grantsville, Maryland
Saturday, April 1, 1989

HOGS: TOP BARROWS & GILTS 36.50-37.80; **HEAVY BUTCHER 30.50-36.50;** **LIGHT BUTCHER 28.00-35.00;** **BUTCHER SOWS 20.00-32.00;** **FEEDER SHOATS 5.00-32.00.**
VEAL: GOOD 85.00-115.00; **STANDARD 75.00-80.00;** **UTILITY 60.00-70.00;** **BULL CALVES 100.00-140.00.**
SHEEP & LAMBS: GOOD 65.00-77.50; **UTILITY 55.00-60.00;** **SLAUGHTER EWES 18.00-28.00.**
SLAUGHTER CATTLE: GOOD 68.00-72.00; **STANDARD 62.00-65.00;** **UTILITY 55.00-60.00.**
COWS: A FEW HIGH DRESSERS UP TO 60.00. COMMERCIAL 45.00-55.50; **UTILITY 40.00-42.00;** **CANNER & CUTTER 30.00-35.00.**
BULLS: COMMERCIAL & GOOD 55.00-62.00; **CUTTER & UTILITY 48.00-50.00.**
STOCK-FEEDER CATTLE: GOOD 80.00-85.50; **MEDIUM 65.00-75.00.**
STEER CALVES: GOOD 80.00-99.00; **MEDIUM 68.50-75.00.**
HEIFER CALVES: GOOD 72.00-89.00; **MEDIUM 60.00-70.00.**
EGGS: Large .60-.75; MEDIUM .55-.62.

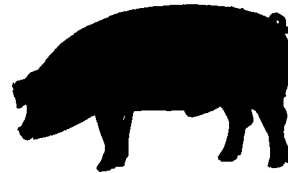
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