OLD FARMER'S ALMANAC

MAY 8-14, 1989 A dry May means a wet June.

May 9, 1754, Ben Franklin designed and printed the first newspaper cartoon, "Join or Die" Birthday of Don Rickles, actor, May 8, 1926 . Average length of days for the week 14 hours 27 minutes for commercial purposes There are two ways to be rich to have much, or to want little



Ask the Old Farmer: I can remember when the young girls known today as 'bobby-soxers' were called "flappers" What did it mean? P. R., Colo A flapper, as the English call it, is a young duck, too young to fly, but which will flap its wings wildly in the attempt when startled or enthused Rather apt, we'd say Home Hints: If you discover ants in the kitchen, lay down cucumber peels in the area. Ants cannot abide the smell of freshly cut cukes

OLD FARMER'S WEATHER FORECAST

New England: Cold and sunny starts this week. A storm, mid-week, and cold, then rain before it clears. This 1989 month is wet, in general

Greater New York-New Jersey: A cold snap and intermittent rain most of the week Clear and seasonable weather follows tor a bit of a break.

Middle Atlantic Coastal: A cold wave and a rainstorm What's this? Then mostly sunny and warm for weather-wise apologies of a sort. Showers next.

Piedmont & Southeast Coastal: Cold snap and heavy rains are followed early by clearing and warm temperatures Showers, cool, then seasonable

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Morrisons Cove Livestock

Martinsburg, Pa. Monday, May 1, 1989 Report supplied by auction

CATTLE: 129. STEERS: H. CHOICE & PRIME 70.00-74.25; CHOICE 68.00-70.25; GOOD 64.00-67.75; STAN-DARD 57.00-63.00.

HEIFERS: CHOICE 68.00-70.50; GOOD 61.00-67.25.

COWS: UTILITY & COMMERCIAL 52.00-53.75; CUTTERS 48.00-50.75; CANNER & LOW CUTTER 42.00-47.75. BULLOCKS: GOOD & CHOICE 62.50-67.50.

BULLS: YIELD GRADE NO. 1 58.25-61.00.

FEEDER CATTLE: STEERS GOOD 71.00-80.50; STANDARD 58.50-68.50; BULLS GOOD 64.00-73.50; STAN-DARD 54.00-62.50, HEIFERS GOOD 65.00-74.00; STANDARD 48.00-62.00. CALVES: 202. PRIME 112.00-125.00; CHOICE 101.00-105.00; GOOD 96.00-100.00; STANDARD AND GOOD 85.00-93.50; 90-110 LBS. 84.50-96.50; 65-90 LBS. 74.00-89.00; HOLSTEIN BULLS 90-130 LBS. 135.00-175.00; HOLSTEIN HEIFERS 90-130 LBS.

105.00-135.00. HOGS: 92. US#1-2 37.00-38.25; US#1-3 35.50-36.50.

SOWS: US#1-3 29.00-32.50; BOARS 26.00-30.00.

FEEDER PIGS: 44. US#1-3 20-35 LBS. 18.50-28.50 PER HEAD; 1-3 35-50 LBS. 29.50-34.00 PER HEAD.

SHEEP: 25. SLAUGHTER LAMBS CHOICE 74.50-78.50; GOOD 71.00-73.00; SL. EWES 16.00-27.50. GOATS: 26.00-64.00 PER HD.

13 LOADS OF HAY \$41.00 TO \$115.00 PER TON.

2 LOADS OF STRAW \$61.00 TO \$70.00 PER TON.

Mercer Livestock Auction

May 2, 1989 CATTLE 258...PDA...Compared with last Tuesday's market: Slaughter steers \$1.50 to \$2 higher; Cows \$1.50 to \$2 higher. Couple High Choice sl. steers 75.00, Choice 70.50-74.75, High yielding 74.00-77.25, Select 67-70.50, Standard 61.00-67.25, few Utility 54-57.50. Choice sl. heifers 68.00-74.90, few Select 65.25-68.50, few Standard 56.00-60.00. Breaking Utility & Commercial sl. cows 47.00-51.00, few 52.00, Cutter & Boning Utility 45.00-49.00, Canner & Low Cutter 38.50-45.00, Shells down to 28.00. One Select sl. bullock 60.00. Yield Grade No. 1, 1050/2370 lbs. sl. bulls 57.00-65.10, few No. 2, 1000/1200 lbs. 53.00-55.00. Feeder Cattle: Few Medium & Large Frame No. 1, 400/700 lbs. steers 66.00-80.00. Medium Frame No. 1, 370/550 lbs. bulls 70.00-85.00, couple Large No. 1, 850 lbs. stock 75.00.

CALVES 84...One Choice vealer 113.00-115.00, few Good 100.00-108.00. Standard and Good 90/120 lbs. 81.00-95.00, 60/85 lbs. 71.00-84.00. Farm Holstein Bulls 90/125 lbs. 105.00-210.00.

HOGS 181...Barrows and gilts \$1 higher. US No. 1-2 220/250 lbs. 39.00-39.60, 1-3 230/265 lbs. 38.00-39.00, lot 2-3 243 lbs. 36.10. US No. 1-3 350/520 lbs. sows 30.00-33.25, 2-3 400/700 lbs. 26.00-29.00. Boars 22.00-25.00.

FEEDER PIGS 3...No Market Test. SHEEP 14 Few High Choice 83/90 lbs. spring slaughter lambs 90.00-93.00, few Choice 67/75 lbs. 70.00-78.00.

GOATS 4...Two Medium 30.00&31.00, two Small Kids 14.00 --- all per head.

Dewart Livestock Auction Dewart, PA May 1, 1989

CATTLE 129...PDA...Compared with last Monday's market: Slaughter cows .50 to mostly \$1 higher. One Choice slaughter steer 73.25, few Select 65.00-68.00; few Choice holsteins 63.75-67.50. Few Choice sl. heifers 65.00-70.00, couple Select 61.75&63.25, few Select holsteins 58.00-61.00. Breaking Utility & Commercial sl. cows 47.00-50.50, Cutter & Bon. Utility 47.50-50.75, couple 54.00, Canner & Low Cutter 44.00-47.00. Few Yield Grade No. 1, 900/1865 lbs. sl. bulls 56.00-62.00. Feeder Cattle: Medium Frame No. 1, 330/700 lbs. steers and bulls

68.00-83.00. Few Medium Frame No. 1, 320/640 lbs. heifers 61.00-75.00.

CALVES 128...One Prime vealer 112.00, few Standard & Good 70/100 lbs. 80.00-91.00, few Utility 60/80 lbs. 65.00-80.00. Farm Calves: Holstein Bulls 80/130 lbs. 95.00-183, mostly 135.00-175.00; Hol. Heifers 90/125 lbs. 90.00-122.00.

Few Lots 1-3 220/240 lbs. barrows and gilts 37.60-39.00, few lots 2-3 260/275 lbs. 34.50-36.00. US No. 1-3 350/600 lbs. sows 28.25-31.25. Few Boars 26.00-27.50. FEEDER PIGS 79...US No. 1-3 20/35

HOGS 72...Barrows and gilts .50 lower.

lbs. feeder pigs 19.00-28.00, 35/50 lbs. 26.00-35.00 --- all per head. SHEEP 0...No Market Test.

GOATS 0...No Market Test.

Grantsville Livestock Grantsville, Maryland Sat., April 29, 1989

HOGS: TOP BARROWS & GILTS 37.50-39.00; HEAVY BUTCHER 33.50-38.00; LIGHT BUTCHER 30.00-37.50; BUTCHER SOWS 25.00-31.50.

VEAL: GOOD 95.00-110.00; STAN-DARD 85.00-90.00; UTILITY 55.00-75.00; BULL CALVES 100.00-155.00.

SHEEP & LAMBS: GOOD 75.00-89.00; UTILITY 60.00-70.00; SLAUGHTER EWES 15.00-25.00.

SLAUGHTER CATTLE: STEERS GOOD 68.00-70.00; STANDARD 65.00-67.50; UTILITY 58.00-62.00. HEIFERS GOOD 62.50-68.50; STAN-DARD 58.00-60.00; UTILITY 50.00-52.50.

COWS: COMMERCIAL 46.00-54.50; UTILITY 42.00-44.00; CANNER & CUT-TER 40.00 & DOWN

BULLS: COMMERCIAL & GOOD 58.00-62.00; CUTTER & UTILITY

STOCK-FEEDER CATTLE: GOOD 75.00-80.00; MEDIUM 55.00-65.00.

STEER CALVES: GOOD 80.00-90.00; MEDIUM 65.00-75.00.

HEIFER CALVES: GOOD 65.00-80.00; MEDIUM 50.00-60.00. EGGS: LARGE 55.00-62.00; MEDIUM 50.00-54.00.

Valley Livestock Athens, Pa. Monday, May 1, 1989

Report supplied by auction HOLSTEIN HFR. CALVES TO 135.00. VEAL CALVES TO 106.00. VEALER BULL CALVES TO 195.00. SLAUGHTER CALVES 75.00-92.00. GRASSERS & FEEDERS 45.00-65.00. LAMBS, SMALL TO 92,50: WOOL TO

HOGS 200 TO 250 LBS. TO 39.00. SOWS 24.00-32.00. BOARS 24.00-29.00. PIGS EACH TO 26.00. HEIFERS, 48.00-63.00. MEDIUM STEERS, 50.00-58.50. FEEDER STEERS 55.00-78.00. BULLS 50.00-58.00. COWS GOOD 47.00-53.75. COWS MEDIUM 45.00-49.00. **COWS POOR OR SMALL 32.00-44.00.** CATTLE MARKET HIGHER. CALF MARKET: BACK TO FARM

CALVES HIGHER. GOATS TO 70.00. PONIES TO 250.00. HORSES TO 520.00. PRICES HIGHER.

SHEEP 18.00-28.00.

North Jersey Livestock

Hackettstown, NJ Tues., May 2, 1989 Report supplied by auction

CALVES .48-1.67%. COWS .411/4 -.541/4 EASY COWS .12-.48. HEIFERS .44% -.68% . BULLS .49-.58% HOGS .20-.351/4 STEERS .56% -.72% BOARS .21-.22. ROASTING PIGS, EACH 26.00-38.00

SOWS .21-.28. SHEEP .08-.50. LAMBS EACH 28.00-90.00. LAMBS PER LB. .46-1.10. GOATS EACH 47.00-85.00. KIDS EACH 14.00-64.00. HIDES, EACH 38.00. TOTAL: 1,308.

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