THE **OLD FARMER'S ALMANAC**

JULY 31-AUG. 6, 1989 Another week of Dog Days.

July 31, 1951, birthday of Australian tennis player, Evonne Goolagong Aug 1, 1794 was the beginning of the Whiskey Rebellion in Pennsylvania, prompted by an excise tax on alcohol Average length of days for the week 14 hours 24 minutes ... Aug 4, 1912, Theodore Roosevelt states, "I feel as strong as a bull moose," leading to the Progressive Party nickname Aug. 6, 1911, birthday of Lucille Ball, comedienne and actress... Brevity is the soul of wit. — Wm. Shakespeare



Ask the Old Farmer: Was a "card wyer cane" used to make brushes to card wool or flax? 1 O., Mass. Yes. Stiff canes, twigs, splinters of wood, and large fishbones were used.

Home Hints: To clean furs, rub warm bran into them, then shake or brush

OLD FARMER'S WEATHER FORECAST

New England: Sunny; sunny and hot, why not? It's August, after all. Rain and cool weather break the spell, what the hay? Average August temperature, 69° F. Greater New York-New Jersey: Partly cloudy skies end July; then clear and season-able for August's start. Showers and cool toward the end of the week.

Middle Atlantic Coastal: Clearing to finish July; clear and seasonable; then showers are heavy in the east; cooler August weather takes over now

Piedmont & Southeast Coastal: Showers; partly cloudy to start the new month; cooler; then rain, heavy in the east; finally seasonable again.

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Leesport Livestock Leesport, PA July 26, 1989

CATTLE 222...PDA... Supply included 16 Feeder Cattle ... Compared to last Wednesday's market: Slaughter steers steady to weak; Cows weak to \$2 lower. few low to aveage Choice 1100/1500 lbs. sl. steers 68.75-73.00, Select 64.50-68.75, couple 70.25; few Choice holsteins 66.00-66.75, few Select 62.00-64, Standard 58.25-63.00. Few Choice sl. heifers 64.75-68.75, few Select 62.75-64.50. Breaking Ut. & Commercial sl. cows 47.00-50.00, Cutter & Bon. Utility 46.75-50.50, couple 52.75, Canner & Low Cutter 44.00-46.50, Shells down to 42.50. Few Choice sl. bullocks 62.85-65.60, few Select 61.75-62.75. Yield Grade No. 1, 990/1950 lbs. sl. bulls 58.00-63.50, couple down to 55.25. FEEDER CATTLE: One Lot Large Frame No. 1, 840 lbs. steers 70.50. Few Medium Frame No. 1, 500/660 lbs. heifers 69.50-75.00.

CALVES 197...Few Choice 99.00-104.00, few Good 84.00-95.00, Standard & Good 70/100 lbs. 70.00-77.00, few Utility 60/90 lbs. 45.00-65, few to 70.00. Farm Calves: Holstein Bulls No. 1, 90/140 lbs. 100.00-126.00, No. 2, 85/125 lbs. 74.00-110.00, few Holstein 90/130 lbs. heifers 90.00-150.00. Beef Cross 80/105 lbs. bulls and heifers 107.50-132.50.

HOGS 429...Barrows and Gilts strong to .75 higher. One Lot US No. 1-2 240 lbs. 48.50, 1-3 210/245 lbs. 45.85-47.75, 2-3 230/260 lbs. 42.00-45.50. US No. 1-3 340/540 lbs. sows 33.25-37.25, couple to 38.00. Boars 29.00-36.00.

FEEDER PIGS 291 ... Few Lots US No. 1-3 20/25 lbs. feeder pigs 65.00-70.00, 30/50 lbs. 38.00-51.00 --- all per hundredweight.

SHEEP 83...Choice 40/55 lbs. spring slaughter lambs 75.00-87.50, 70/115 lbs. 56.00-64.00. Few Slaughter sheep 17.00-32.00.

GOATS 6 ... Few Large 34.00-57.00 ---all per head.

Keister's Middleburg Auction Middleburg, PA July 25, 1989

CATTLE 434...REPORT SUPPLIED BY THE AUCTION ... Compared with last Tuesday's market: High Choice & Prime slaughter steers 73.00-75.60, Choice 70.00-74.75, Select 65.00-69.75; Choice holsteins 65.00-68.50, Select 60.00-64.75. Choice sl. heifers 65.00-71.50, Select 60.00-64.75, Standard 56.00-59.75. Breaking Utility & Commercial sl. cows 48.00-53.75, few 55.75, Cutter & Boning Utility 47.00-53.50, Canner & low Cutter 44.00-47.00, Shells down to 40.00. Choice sl. bullocks 65.00&68.75, Select 58.00-64.50. Yield Grade No. 1, 1200/1875 lbs. sl. bulls 58.00-65.75, No. 2, 800/1200 lbs. 54.00-57.75. FEEDER CATTLE: Few Medium Frame No. 1, 450/600 lbs. steers and B k75.00-84.00.

CALVES 232...One Choice vealer 113.00, few Good 80.00-90.00, Standard and Good 70/100 lbs. 70.00-77, couple to 80.00, 60/90 lbs. 55.00-70.00, few down to 45.00. Farm Calves: Holstein Bulls No. 1, 90/130 lbs. 90.00-120, couple 132.00, No. 2, 80/120 lbs. 79.00-100.00, Hol. Heifers 80/120 lbs. 76.00-128.00.

HOGS 477...Barrows and gilts about steady. US No. 1, 220/245 lbs. 50.00-51.00, No. 1-2, 220/245 lbs. 49.00-50.00, 2-3 200/250 lbs. 48.00-49.00, 1-3 190/270 lbs. 45.00-48.00. US No. 1-3 300/650 lbs. sows 30.00-44.75.

FEEDER PIGS 677..US No. 1-3 20/35 lbs. feeder pigs 9.00-18.00, 35/50 lbs. 15.00-25.00, 50/75 lbs. 20.00-30, couple lots 35.00 --- all per head. SHEEP 51...Few Choice 50/100 lbs.

spring slaughter lambs 53.00-63.00, one 40 lbs. 68.00. Slaughter ewes 15.00-28.00. GOATS 22...Large 38.00-82.00, Kids 10.00-30.00 --- all per head.

Belleville Livestock Belleville, PA July 26, 1989

CATTLE 121...REPORT IS SUPPLIED BY THE AUCTION...Compared with last Wednesday's market: Standard sl. steers -54.00-57.75. Breaking Utility and Commercial sl. cows 48.75-50.10, couple 52.10, Cutter and Boning Utility 46.50-49.60, Canner & low Cutter 39.00-45.75, Shells down to 36.50. Yield Grade No. 1, 1525/1815 lbs. sl. bulls

56.85-59.75. Feeder Cattle: Few steers 62.50-88.00.

CALVES 131...Couple Good vealers 82.00-91.00, Standard and Good 54.00-77.00. Farm Calves: Holstein Bulls No. 1, 95/115 lbs. 100.00-127.50, No. 2, 80/90 lbs. 83.00-110.50.

HOGS 92...US No. 1-2 barrows and gilts 49.10-50.00, 1-3 200/285 lbs. 47.85-48.600. US No. 2-3 sows 22.50-31.00. Boars 22.00-28.00.

FEEDER PIGS 254...US No. 1-3 feeder pigs 13.50-33.00 --- all per head.

SHEEP 45...Choice spring slaughter lambs 40.00-56.00, Utility 17.00-32.00. GOATS 19...14.00-57.00 --- all per head. HOLSTEIN DAIRY COWS -

\$580.00-\$1400.00 - PER HEAD.

New Wilmington Livestock N. Wilmington, PA July 24, 1989

CATTLE 238 ... PDA ... Compared with last Monday's market: Slaughter cows fully \$1 lower. Few Select and Choice slaughter steers 67.25-69.75; couple Choice holsteins 67.50&68, one Standard 62.00. Couple Choice sl. heifers 68.00-69.25, few Select 62.00-65.50, few Standard 55.00-59.25. Breaking Utility & Commercial sl. cows 47.00-50.75, low yielding down to 44.75, Cutter & Boning Utility 46.50-51, one 52.25, low dressing 44.00, Canner & Low Cutter 38.00-46.50, Shells down to 26.00. Few Yield Grade No. 1, 1190/1995 lbs. sl. bulls 57.25-62.50, one 64.00, few No. 2, 1000/1515 lbs. 50.00-55.25. Foeder Cattle: Medium & Large Frame No. 1, 585/785 lbs. steers 65.00-76.50. Med. & Large Frame No. 1, 435/690 lbs. heifers 60.00-69.00.

CALVES 308...One Choice vealer 100.00 few Good 80.00-88.00, Standard & Good 90/120 lbs. 75.00-81.00, 60/85 lbs. 60.00-78.00, Utility 45/70 1bs. 30.00-60.00. Farm Calves: Hol. Bulls 95/145 lbs. 100.00-144, No. 2, down to 82.50, 80/90 lbs. 80.00-85.00; Hol. Heifers 90/125 lbs. 79.00-137.50. Beef cross 75/120 lbs. bulls & heifers 80.00-130.00.

HOGS 361...Barrows and gilts \$1.50 lower. US No. 1-2 220/240 lbs. 47.00-47.50, 1-3 215/260 lbs. 45.75-47.00, 1-3 175/205 lbs. 37.00-41.00. Sows steady to weak. US No. 1-3 310/615 lbs. sows 32.00-36.00, few 36.75-39.50, few 2-3 330/585 lbs. 32.00-37.25, few 2-3 345/565 Ibs. 28.00-32.00. Boars 26.00-31.00.

FEEDER PIGS 57 ... US No. 1-3 20/30

lbs. feeder pigs 15.00-15.00, few 40/50 lbs. 17.00-20.00 --- all per head.

SHEEP 181...High Choice & Prime 65/110 lbs. spring sl. lambs 62.00-69, few 79.00, Choice 70/110 lbs. 54.00-63.00; Good & Choice 45/80 lbs. feeder lambs 45.0-80 lbs. 48.00-62.00. Slaughter ewes 5.00-31.00.

GOATS 15...Medium and Small 8.00-30.00 --- all per head.

Eighty-Four Livestock Eigty-Four, PA July 24, 1989

CATTLE 220 ... PDA ... Compared with last Monday's market: Slaughter cows about steady. Select slaughter steers 64.00-68.00, Standard 57.00-61.00, few Utility 52.00-55.00. Few Select sl. heifers 63.00-66.00-66.50, Utility 47.50-51.00. Breaking Utility & Commercial sl. cows 47.00-52.00, Cutter & Bon. Utility 46.00-50.00, Canner & low Cutter 39.00-46.50, Shells down to 25.00. Yield Grade No. 1, 1050/2000 lbs. sl. bulls 56.00-66.50, No. 2, 900/1400 lbs. 50.00-55.00. Feeder Cattle: Medium & Large Frame No. 1, 350/500 lbs. steers 74.00-93.00. Medium Frame No. 1, 350/600 lbs. heifers 68.00-80.00. Medium Frame No. 1, 300/600 lbs. bulls 68.00-82.00.

CALVES 240...Few Choice vealers \$8.00-100.00, Good \$2.00-90.00, Standard & Good 90/120 lbs. 70.00-23.00, 60/85 lbs. 60.00-74.00, few Utility 50/70 lbs. 45.00-60.00. Farm Calves: Holstein bulls 90/125 lbs. 95.00-130.00. Beef cross 80/115 lbs. bulls & heifers 80.00-120.00.

HOGS 113...Barrows and gilts steady Few US No. 1-2 220/250 lbs. 48.00-48.70, 1-3 225/260 lbs. 46.75-48.10, 2-3 220/260 lbs. 46.00-47.00. US No. 1-3 315/600 lbs. sows 32.00-34.00, 2-3 300/650 lbs. 30.00-32.10. Boars 30.00-32.00.

FEEDER PIGS 30...Few US No. 1-3 50/55 lbs. feeder pigs 21.00-25.00, Utility 12/21 lbs. 3.00-6.50 --- per head.

SHEEP 297...Spring slaughter lambs \$2 to \$4 lower. High Choice & Prime 75/95 lbs. spring slaughter lambs 63.00-69.00, lot 107 lbs. 62.00. Good & Choice 50/70 lbs. feeder lambs 54.00-60.50. Slaughter sheer 20.00-31.50.

GOATS 24...Large 38.00-45.00, few Small Kids 12.00-14.00 --- all per head.

