# OLD FARMER'S ALMANAC

OCT. 30-NOV. 5, 1989 Oct. 30, 1963, "Whoopers" arrive in Texas.

Oct 30, 1943, birthday of singer Grace Slick Devil's Night, Oct. 30, then Halloween or Beggar's Night, Oct 31 Average length of days for the week 15 hours 2 minutes Nov. 1, 1913, the forward pass is first dramatized in Notre Dame vs. Army football game at West Point . Nov. 5, 1605, the Gunpowder Plot (not to be forgot) where Guy game at West Point. Nov 3, 1003, the Sampondards in England except me and thee, and sometimes I suspect thee a little Everyone is crazy



Ask the Old Farmer: What do you make of this William Coles quote from 1656? "If a footman take mugwort and put it in his shoes in the morning, he may goe (sic) 40 miles before Noon and not be weary." M. N., Vir.

Mugwort is a perennial herb resembling wormwood, and of Eurasian origin. Betwixt us, we don't put much stock in it.

Home Hints: Charcoal at the bottom of a potted plant will keep the soil

#### OLD FARMER'S WEATHER FORECAST

New England: Scattered showers, then November starts warm with showers. Sunny and cooler days next; rain in the north It's a mild month, though.

Greater New York-New Jersey: Rain, scattered in the north and warm. November brings light rain and then clearing; very warm days; cloudy

Middle Atlantic Coastal: Heavy rain and milder for Ocotber, their rain in the north and east in November; sunny south; and very warm temperatures

Piedmont & Southeast Coastal: Heavy rain to close October; showers and warm temperatures to open November Sunny and warm days follow next.

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#### Dewart Livestock Auction Dewart, Pa.

Monday, October 23, 1989 Report Supplied by PDA

CATTLE 133...PDA...Compared with last Monday's market: Few Select slaughter steers 59.50-63.50. One Choice sl. heifers 66.00, few Select Holsteins 58.00-61.50. Breaking Utility & Commercial sl. cows 47.50-52.50, Cutter & Bon. Utility 47.00-53.50, Canner & Low Cutter 42.75-46.75, Shells down to 38.50. Two Yield Grade No. 1, 1400 lbs. 59.75 and 1575 lbs. sl. bulls 54.25. Feeder Cattle: Medium Frame No. 1, 350/500 lbs. steers and Bulls 63.00-77.00. Medium Frame No. 1, 375/525 lbs. heifers 58.00-67.00.

CALVES 205...Comple Choice vealers 195.65-112.80, Standard & Good 70/100 lbs. 79.00-80.00, Utility 60/85 lbs. 60.00-72.00. Farm Calves: Holstein Bulls No. 1-2, 90/130 lbs. 90.00-139.00, few down to 80.00, Hol. Heifers 85/125 lbs. 80.00-134.00.

HOGS 74...US 1-3 220/240 lbs. barrows and gilts 48.35-48.75. US No. 1-3 300/660 lbs. sows 38.75-42.25. Couple Boars 32.25&33.00

FEEDER PIGS 91...US No. 1-3 40/80 lbs. feeder pigs 24.00-32.00 --- all per

SHEEP 9...Few Choice 65/110 lbs. wool slaughter lambs 56.00-61.00. Few Slaughter sheep 19.00-28.00.

GOATS 0...No Market Test.

#### New Wilmington Livestock Auction N. Wilmington, Pa. Monday, October 23, 1989

Report Supplied by PDA CATTLE 324...PDA...Compared with last Monday's market: Slaughter cows steady. Choice slaughter steers 67.00-71.00, one 72.75; Choice one 65.25, Select 64.00-68, Standard 57.00-64, few Utility 52.00-55.00. Few Choice sl. heifers 65.75-69.25, one 73.00, one Select 63.00, Standard 52.75-60, Utility 47.50-52.00. Breaking Utility & Commercial sl. cows 47.50-51.75, one 56.75, low yielding down to 44.00, Cutter & Boning Utility 45.00-50.25, Cannet & Low Cutter 38.50-45.50, Shells down to 31.00. One Select sl. bullock 63.00, one Standard 58.25. Yield Grade No. 1, 1245/1910 lbs. sl. bulls 56.00-61.75, one 65.00, few No. 2, 1035/1945 lbs. 52.00-55.50. Feeder Cattle: Few Medium & Large Frame #1, 325/525 lbs. steers 69.50-81.00, 620/910 lbs. 60.50-67.00. Few Med. & Large Frame #1, 340/475 lbs. heifers 62.00-73.50, 565/880 lbs. 53.50-60.50.

CALVES 289...Few Choice vealers 100.00-111.00, few Good 90.00-105.00, Standard & Good 90/120 lbs. 70.00-88.69, 60/85 lbs. 60.00-79.00, Utility 50/75 lbs. 40.00-55.00. Farm Calves: Hol. Bulls 95/130 lbs. 105.00-149.00, No. 2, down to 80.00, 80/90 lbs. 76.00-87.00; Hol. Heifers 85/125 lbs. 80.00-110.00. Beef cross 80/120 lbs. bulls & heifers 75.00-110.00.

HOGS 514...Barrows and gilts .50 to 1.00 lower. US No. 1-2 230/260 lbs. 48.00-48.35, 1-3 220/260 lbs. 46.75-48.00, lot 2-3 285 lbs. 45.10, 1-3 200/220 lbs. 42.00-46.10. Sows mostly 1.00 lower. US No. 1-3 345/685 lbs. sows 35.00-40.00, 2-3 380/535 lbs. 33.00-35.00. Boars 25.00-36.50.

FEEDER PIGS 29...US No. 1-3 30/40 lbs. feeder pigs 18.00-23.00, lot 60 lbs. 28.00 --- all per head.

SHEEP 135...High Choice & Prime 85/110 lbs. wool slaughter lambs 63.00-66.00, Choice 70/115 lbs. 60.00-65.00; Good & Choice 45/80 lbs. feeder lambs 50.00-67.00, few down to 40.00. Slaughter ewes 11.00-27.00.

GOATS 13...Couple Large 57.50-61.00, Medium 20.00-40.00, few Small 10.00-12.00 --- all per head.

#### Keister's Middleburg Auction Middleburg, Pa.

Tuesday, October 24, 1989 Report Supplied by PDA

CATTLE 481...PDA...Compared with last weeks market: Few High Choice & Prime 3-4 slaughter steers 68.00-70.00. Choice 1050/1450 lbs. 68.00-73.10, few 74.25, mixed Good & Choice 66.00-68.50, Select 64.50-68.00; few Choice holsteins 63.50-65.75, Select 60.00-63.00, few Standard 55.00-60.00. Few Choice sl. heifers 62.50-68.75, few Select 61.00-63.00. Breaking Utility & Commercial sl. cows 47.00-52.25, couple 54.60, Cutter & Boning Utility 47.25-53.00, Canner & low Cutter 42.75-47.00, Shells down to 38.00. Yield Grade No. 1, 1240/2065 lbs. sl. bulls 56.75-63.50, couple 69.25. FEEDER CATTLE: Medium & Large Frame No. 1, 400/800 lbs. steers 66.00-75.00. Medium Frame No. 1, 400/700 lbs. heifers 59.00-72.00. Medium Frame No. 1, 400/700 lbs. bulls 57.00-71.00.

CALVES 240...One Choice vealer 109.00, few Good 85.00-95.00, Standard and Good 75/100 lbs. 69.00-75.00, Utility 60/85 lbs. 60.90-70.00, few down to 50.00. Farm Calvan: Holstein bulls No. 1, 90/130 Pbs. 115.00-142, No. 2, 85/125 lbs. 75.00,125.00; Hol. Heifers 85/140 lbs. 78.00-159.00.

HOGS 632...US No. 1, 220/250 lbs. barrows and gilts 49.50-51.25, 1-2 220/250 lbs. 48.75-49.50, 2-3 210/250 lbs. 42.50-48.50, 2-4 200/270 lbs. 43.00-47.50. US No. 1-3 300/600 lbs. sows 38.00-41.00, few 43.00, 2-3 200/600 lbs. 33.00-38.00. Boars 36.80-35.00.

FEEDER PIGS 975...US No. 1-3 20/35 lbs. feeder pigs 14.00-20.00, 35/50 lbs. 17.00-27.00, 50/65 lbs. 24.00-29.00 --- all per head; 120/180 lbs. 35.00-42.00 per hundredweight basis.

SHEEP 46...Good & Choice 65/105 lbs. wool slaughter lambs 58.00-69.00. Few Slaughter ewes 22.00-25.00.

GOATS 31...Medium and Large 40.00-88.00 - all per head.

Eighty-Four Livestock Auction Eighty-Four, Pa.

Monday, October 23, 1989 Report Supplied by PDA CATTLE 517...PDA...Compared with last Monday's market: Slaughter cows steady to weak. Few Choice slaughter steers 66.00-67.00, few Select 63.50-65.00, Standard 56.00-61.50, Utility 51.00-56.50. Choice sl. heifers 60.00-68.50, Select 59.50-63.50, few Standard 56.00-58.50, Utility 47.50-54.00. Breaking Utility & Commercial sl. cows 48.00-53.00, few High Yielding Commercial 53.00-57.00, low yielding down to 45.00, Cutter & Boning Utility 44.50-50.00, Canner & Low Cutter 38.00-45.00, Shells down to 20.00. Yield Grade No. 1, 1200/1800 lbs. sl. bulls 58.00-64.00, No. 2, 950/1400 lbs. 51.00-57.00. Feeder Cattle: Medium & Large Frame #1, 280/400 lbs. steers 71.00-90.00, 450/650 lbs. 64.00-76.00. Med. & Large Frame #1, 250/400 lbs. heifers 68.00-82.00, 425/600 lbs. 60.00-70.00. Med. & Large Frame No. 1, 300/500 lbs. bulls 68.00-85.00.

CALVES 265...Good vealers 85.00-95.00, Standard & Good 90/120 lbs. 77.00-87.00, 60/85 lbs. 64.00-80.00, few Utility 50/70 lbs. 40.00-55.00. Farm Calves: Hol. Bulls No. 1, 90/130 lbs. 100.00-130.00, few up to 147.50, 80/90 lbs. 85.00-100.00; Hol. Heifers 85/120 lbs. 90.00-110.00. Beef cross 80/115 lbs. bulls & heifers 80.00-120.00.

HOGS 57...Barrows and gifts .50 lower. US No. 1-3 225/250 Nos. 45.25-46.50, lot 205 lbs. 43.50. Few US No. 1-3 450/700 lbs. sows 39.00-41.00, 2-3 300/500 lbs. 26.00-35.00. Few Boars 30.00-34.00.

FEEDER PIGS 0...No Market Test. SHEEP 207...Wool slaughter lambs 2.50 to 3.50 higher. High Choice & Prime 85/102 lbs. weel slaughter lambs 62.50-64.75, Choin 70/95 lbs. 60.00-63.00; Good & Choice 60/45 lbs. feeder lambs 60.00-70.75. Slaughter ewes 18.00-21.50.

GOATS 19...Large 38.00-44.00, Medium 21.00-36.00 --- all per head.

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