

THE OLD FARMER'S ALMANAC

MAR. 12-18, 1990
Mar. 18, third Sunday in Lent.

Raccoons emerge The definition of Spring the night freezes are over and day temperatures reach 70 degrees F Mar 13, cartoon "Uncle Sam" is born in the New York *Lampoon* Mar 15, 1767, birthday of Andrew Jackson, seventh US president As much fog in March, so many thunderstorms after 100 days *Hear twice before you speak once*



Ask the Old Farmer: "She dressed up in her best bib and tucker" What's a tucker? B W, Conn
A loose bit of fabric, often white, which could be tucked into and over the collar of a dark-colored shirt or blouse, for men or women

Home Hints: It takes over an hour's walk to exercise away a slice of pound cake

OLD FARMER'S WEATHER FORECAST

New England: Cloudy skies, rain, and snow It's New England, you know Clearing briefly, then more rain, heavy centrally, and it's snow in the mountains
Greater New York-New Jersey: Partly cloudy and cold, then sunny and cool It's improving! A rainstorm dampens spirits, but temperatures turn mild
Middle Atlantic Coastal: A cold snap with rain and snow, the whole kit and caboodle Clearing and seasonable next, then heavy rains but warm
Piedmont & Southeast Coastal: Rain and snow and the south gets it the hardest Cloudy and cold, heavy rain, but the west gets snow for the rest

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Belleville Livestock Auction

Belleville, Pa.

Wednesday, March 7, 1990
Report Supplied by PDA

CATTLE 115...PDA...Compared with last weeks market: Slaughter cows mostly 1.00 to 2.00 lower. Few Breaking Utility and Commercial slaughter cows 48.75-51.60, Cutter and Boning Utility 49.35-51.75, one 54.00, Canner & low Cutter 46.00-47.50, Shells down to 38.00. Few Yield Grade No. 1, 1100/2040 lbs. sl. bulls 60.25-65.25. Feeder Cattle: Few Large Frame No. 1, 660/900 lbs. steers and bulls 60.50-66.50. Few Medium Frame No. 1, 340/575 lbs. bulls 72.00-76.00.

CALVES 78...Individual Choice vealer 94.00, few Utility 60/85 lbs. 60.00-72.00. Farm Calves: Holstein Bulls No. 1, 90/130 lbs. 120.00-142.50, No. 2, 85/125 lbs. 76.00-105.00, few Hol. Heifers 80/95 lbs. 78.00-132.50.

HOGS 227...Barrows and gilts steady to .75 lower. US No. 1-2 215/250 lbs. 52.35-53.00, 1-3 215/245 lbs. 51.25-52.25. US No. 1-3 300/650 lbs. sows 45.00-51.00. Few Boars 39.50-40.00.

FEEDER PIGS 142...US No. 1-3 35/55 lbs. feeder pigs 34.50-48.50 --- all per head.

SHEEP 40...Few Choice 35/40 lbs. new crop lambs 92.00-116.00, 45/95 lbs. 70.00-85.00. Few Slaughter sheep 20.00-37.00.

GOATS 0...No Market Test. SMALL SUPPLY HOLSTEIN DAIRY COWS - \$800.00-\$1575.00 - PER HEAD.

Belknap Livestock Auction

Dayton, Pa.

Wednesday, March 7, 1990
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CATTLE 63...PDA...Compared with last Wednesday's market: Few Breaking Utility and Commercial slaughter cows 50.00-54.50, few low yielding 46.50-49.25, Cutter & Boning Utility 48.00-53.00, Canner & low Cutter 42.25-48.00. Few Yield Grade No. 1, 1225/2175 lbs. sl. bulls 62.50-65.00, one No. 2 1365 lbs. 58.75. Feeder Cattle: Few Medium Frame No. 1-2, 600/4770 lbs. heifers 59.00-70.00. Few Medium Frame No. 1, 325/520 lbs. 69.50-82.50, Medium #3, 250/585 lbs. Guernsey 57.75-63.25.

CALVES 107...Few Good vealers 93.00-107.00, few Standard and Good

90/125 lbs. 80.00-85.00, 60/85 lbs. 66.00-70.00. Farm Calves: Holstein Bulls 90/140 lbs. 100.00-141.00, No. 2, 84.00-103.00; one Hol. Heifer 125 lbs. 107.50&151.00. Beef cross 65/110 lbs. bulls and heifers 78.00-132.50, few 152.50; Beef cross 90/110 lbs. 101.00-160.00.

HOGS 303...Barrows and gilts .50 to .75 higher. US No. 1-2 220/245 lbs. 50.50-50.90, one lot 52.00, 1-3 235/260 lbs. 49.50-50.70, 2-3 230/265 lbs. 48.50-49.60, lot 295 lbs. 47.00, 1-3 215/225 lbs. 44.00-48.80, 155/195 lbs. 42.00-45.50. US No. 1-3 345/700 lbs. sows 45.00-48.50. Few Boars 38.75-39.25.

FEEDER PIGS 25...US No. 1-3 40/55 lbs. feeder pigs 28.50-42.00 --- all per head.

SHEEP 3...No enough of any one grade to establish a market.

GOATS 5...Few Medium & Large 30.00-45.00 --- all per head.

Leesport Livestock Auction

Leesport, Pa.

Wednesday, March 7, 1990
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CATTLE 219...PDA... Supply include 121 head feeder cattle ...Compared to last Wednesday's market: Slaughter cows steady to 1.00 lower. Choice 1180/1415 lbs. sl steers 75.00-77, one 79.00, few Select 68.00-74.00; few High Choice & Prime 1300/1475 lbs. Holsteins 72.00-74.25, Choice 1300/1600 lbs. 66.75-68.50, one 70.50, Select 1120/1550 lbs. 62.75-67.00, few Standard 56.00-62.25. Few High Choice & Prime 1165/1200 lbs. sl. heifers 74.50-78.25, few Choice 1050/1220 lbs. 69.25-73.75, few Select 62.00-69.50, few Standard 54.75-58.25. Breaking Ut. & Commercial sl. cows 50.00-53.50, few 56.25, few low dressing 48.00-50, Cutter & Bon. Utility 49.25-54.75, few 57.00, low dressing 43.00-48.25, Canner & Low Cutter 44.25-51.00, Shells down to 31.00. Few Select sl. bullocks 63.25-65.75, few Standard 58.00-61.75. Couple Yield Grade No. 1, 1735/1740 lbs. sl. bulls 62.50&64.25. Feeder Cattle: Few Large Frame No. 2, 325/520 lbs. steers 71.00-90.00. Medium Frame No. 1-2, 320/480 lbs. bulls 69.00-79.00. One Lot Medium Frame #1, 540 lbs. bulls 73.00, few Large #2, 300/450 lbs. 72.00-90.00.

CALVES 157...Few Choice vealers 117.00-120.00, few Good 90.00-111.00, few Standard & Good 70/110 lbs. 75.00-80.00. Farm Calves: No. 1, Holstein Bulls 90/125 lbs. 135.00-160.00, No. 2, 80/125 lbs. 80.00-137.50; few Holstein 90/105 lbs. heifers 96.00-170.00, few 75/80 lbs. 74.00-79.00. Few Beef cross 85/115 lbs. bulls and heifers 95.00-160.00.

HOGS 583...Barrows and Gilts 2.50 to 3.00 higher. US No. 1-2 215/250 lbs. 50.85-51.75, lot 52.00, 1-3 220/255 lbs. 50.00-51.10, few 51.75, 200/215 lbs. 49.25-50.00, 2-3 230/265 lbs. 49.10-50.10, few 1-3 130/140 lbs. 36.00-41.00. Sows 2.00 to 4.00 higher. US No. 1-3 290/490 lbs. sows 43.00-48.50, few 52.50, 500/600 lbs. 49.50-51.00, few 2-3 350/435/625 lbs. 40.50-41.50, few Medium 285/500 lbs. 38.00-42.75. Boars 40.50-41.50, few 37.75.

FEEDER PIGS 154...Few US No. 1-3 30/40 lbs. feeder pigs 105.00-111.00, 45/55 lbs. 86.00-91.00, lot 76.00, few 65/85 lbs. 65.00-75.00 --- all per hundredweight.

SHEEP 37...FEW High Choice & Prime 120/130 lbs. wool slaughter lambs 63.00-68.00, Choice 40/45 lbs. new crop lambs 112.50-140.00, small lot 60 lbs. 92.50. Slaughter sheep 18.00-21.00, one 43.00.

GOATS 8...Large 47.50-71.00 --- all per head.

Lebanon Valley Livestock Auction

Fredericksburg, Pa.

Monday, March 5, 1990
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CATTLE 193...PDA...Compared with last Tuesday's market: Slaughter cows uneven, mostly steady to .75 lower. One Choice sl. steer 74.00, two Select 69.25&71.25, few Standard 61.25-66.75; Choice & Prime 1125/1780 lbs. Holsteins 68.50-71, Select 1105/1370 lbs. 64-68.25, Standard 54.00-61.00. Few Choice 980/1325 lbs. sl. heifers 66.00-75.00, few Select & low Choice 60.75-67.00, few Standard 54.75-63.25, few Utility 46.00-53.75. Breaking Utility & Commercial sl. cows 51.25-54.75, few high dressing 58.75, Cutter & Boning Utility 48.00-54.50, few high dressing 58.00, Canner & Low Cutter 45.50-50.75, few Shells down to 40.00. Few Select & Standard sl. bullocks 56.25-61.00. Few Yield Grade No. 1, 1385/1885 lbs. sl. bulls 60.25-68.60, one low yielding to 56.25.

Feeder Cattle: Lot Medium & Large Frame No. 1, 460 lbs. heifers 77.50. One Medium Frame No. 1, 570 lbs. bull 77.00.

CALVES 198...One Choice 120.00, one Good 91.00, Standard & Good 70/100 lbs. 70.00-79.00, Utility 50/75 lbs. 57.00-67.00. Farm Calves: Hol. Bulls No. 1, 85/130 lbs. 120.00-160, few to 115.00, few down to 115.00, No. 2, 75/115 lbs. 79.00-137.00; Hol. Heifers 90/130 lbs. 130.00-161.00.

HOGS 161...Barrows and gilts strong to 1.00 higher. US No. 1-2 220/250 lbs. 49.85-50.60, No. 1-3 215/260 lbs. 48.75-49.75, lot 2-3 285 lbs. 47.25, lot 1-3 170 lbs. 44.00. Sows mostly steady to strong. US No. 1-3 295/495 lbs. sows 43.00-47.50, few 520/755 lbs. 47.50-49.50, Medium 315/365 lbs. 37.00-43.00. One Boar 36.75, light weight - two at 38.00&40.00.

FEEDER PIGS 9...Lot US Utility 22 lbs. feeder pigs 61.00 cwt.

SHEEP 0...No Market test.
GOATS 1...Medium 39.00 - per head.

Dewart Livestock Auction

Dewart, Pa.

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CATTLE 105...PDA...Compared with last Monday's market: Slaughter cows .50 to 1.50 lower. One Select slaughter heifer 60.75. Breaking Utility & Commercial sl. cows 48.00-51.50, couple 53.50, Cutter & Bon. Utility 47.75-52.00, Canner & Low Cutter 45.00-48.00, Shells down to 40.00. Few Yield Grade No. 1, 950/1600 lbs. sl. bulls 60.00-67.25. Feeder Cattle: Few Medium Frame No. 1, 360/760 lbs. steers and bulls 62.00-82.00.

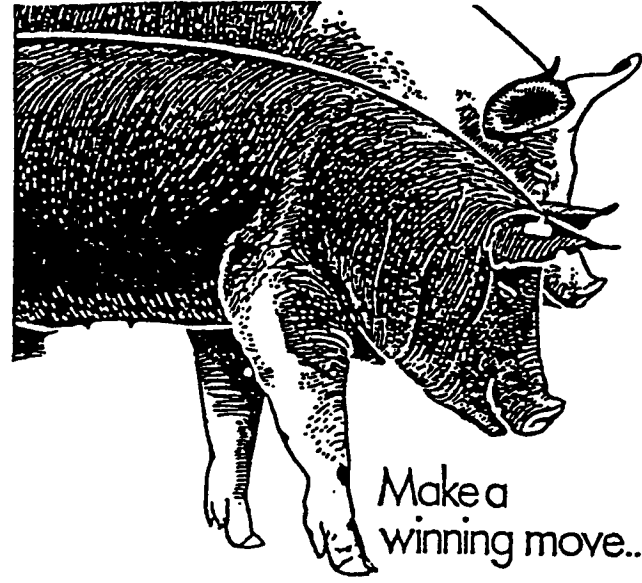
CALVES 181...Couple Choice vealers 100.00-118.00, few Standard & Good 70/95 lbs. 68.00-80.00, Utility 60/85 lbs. 60.00-70.00. Farm Calves: Holstein Bulls No. 1, 90/130 lbs. 140.00-169.00, No. 2, 80/125 lbs. 85.00-130.00; Hol. Heifers 80/125 lbs. 130.00-172.00, few down to 76.00.

HOGS 57...Barrows and gilts .75 higher. Few Lots US 1-3 225/270 lbs. 49.50-51.00. Few US No. 1-3 400/700 lbs. sows 42.25-46.00.

FEEDER PIGS 18...Not enough of any one grade to establish a market.

SHEEP 14...Few Choice 100/115 lbs. wool slaughter lambs 55.00-63.00, few Good and Choice 50/60 lbs. 56.00-61.00. Few Slaughter sheep 16.00-29.00.

GOATS 0...No Market Test.



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