

THE OLD FARMER'S ALMANAC

MAY 13-19, 1991

May 19th, St. Dunstan's Day, usually cold.

May 14, 1904, the U.S. hosts its first Olympic Games in St. Louis, Mo. May 16, 1866, Congress authorizes the first US 5-cent piece, called the nickel, although it is 25% nickel and 75% copper. May 17, 1792, 24 New York stock brokers meet and sign an agreement to fix uniform rates of commission on stocks and bonds — the beginning of the New York Stock Exchange. May 18, 1852, Massachusetts passes a mandatory school attendance law for children between the ages of 8 and 14. *What this country needs is a good five-cent nickel* — Ed Wynn



Ask the Old Farmer: Where did the expression "with one fell swoop" originate, and what does it really mean? H.C., Va. *The word fell signifies calamitous or destructive. The swoop is whatever energy visits the disaster on the subject, such as the attack of a bird of prey.*

Home Hints Use an old nylon stocking to strain the lumps out of paint.

OLD FARMER'S WEATHER FORECAST

New England: Showers and mild, consistent with this cold, wet May. Turning cold and rainy to end the week. The month's average of 55° F is 3° below normal.

Greater New York-New Jersey: A brief respite from the cold and wet, this week begins warm and clear, then changes back to rain, locally heavy, and cool.

Middle Atlantic Coastal: The first half of the week is clear (for a change) and very warm, then heavy rain for the second half and cooling off considerably.

Piedmont & Southeast Coastal: Sunny skies and warm temperatures through mid-week, then cloudy with rain, heavy in the east. The week ends with clearing.

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Belknap Livestock

Dayton, PA
May 8, 1991

CATTLE 57...PDA...Compared with last week's market: Couple High Select slaughter steers 70.25, one Standard 62.50. One Standard slaughter heifer 65.00. Breaking Utility and Commercial slaughter cows 52.50-55.50, couple 56.75&57.75, Cutter and Boning Utility 50.00-54.00, few high dressing 55.00, Canner and low Cutter 41.75-50.00. Individual Yield Grade No. 1, 1200 lbs. sl. bull 60.75. **FEEDER CATTLE:** Few Medium Frame No. 1, 330/425 lbs. steers 83.50-100.00. Few Medium & Large Frame No. 1, 605/890 lbs. heifers 60.25-71.00.

CALVES 105... Supply included 90% sold to returned to farm...Few Standard and Good 90/100 lbs. 83.00-88.00, few 50/80 lbs. 67.00-77.00. Farm Calves: No. 1, Holstein Bulls 85/150 lbs.

152.00-210.00, one 220.00, 70/85 lbs. 122.50-163.00, No. 2, 90/120 lbs. 120.00-170.00; No. 1, Hol. Heifers 75/130 lbs. 130.00-190.00. Beef cross 55/120 lbs. bulls & heifers 100.00-180.00, one 220.00, few 160/220 lbs. 113.00-130.00.

HOGS 287...Barrows and gilts: steady to .50 higher. US No. 1-3 235/255 lbs. barrows and gilts 52.00-52.70, 1-3 230/265 lbs. 50.50-52.30, lot 54.40, 2-3 230/280 lbs. 49.90-51.10, lot 49.00, few 1-3 165/200 lbs 48.00-49.50. Sows: steady to strong. Few US No. 1-3 475/600 lbs. sows 44.00-46.50, few 310/395 lbs. 40.00-44.00. Boars 36.25-39.25.

FEEDER PIGS 16...Lot US No. 2-3 20 lbs. feeder pigs 21.00, lot 30 lbs. 34.00 - all per head.

SHEEP 8...Spring slaughter lambs: Lot Choice 110 lbs. woolled slaughter lambs 63.00 - all cwt.

GOATS 7...One Large 30.00, few Medium and Small Kids 24.00-27.00 - all per head.

New Wilmington Livestock

N. Wilmington, PA
May 6, 1991

CATTLE 232...PDA...Compared with last Monday's market: Slaughter cows strong to Standard Holsteins 59.00-62.00. High Select and Choice sl. heifers 68.00-74.00, few Standard 57.00-64.00. Breaking Utility & Commercial sl. cows 52.00-57.00, Cutter & Boning Utility 49.50-54.25, few high dressing to 55.00, Canner & Low Cutter 40.00-49.50, Shells down to 25.00. Few Standard sl. bullocks 63.00-65.75. Yield Grade No. 1, 1375/1980 lbs. sl. bulls 60.00-65.00, one, No. 2, 1195 lbs. 55.00. **Feeder Cattle:** Medium & Large Frame No. 1, 330/450 lbs. steers 92.00-110.00. Medium & Large Frame No. 1, 305/490 lbs. heifers 76.00-90.00, Medium and Large Frame No. 2, 350/650 lbs. 64.00-73.00, Large Frame #2, 540/875 lbs. Holsteins 55.00-67.00. Med. & Large No. 2, 350/490 lbs. bulls 70.00-81.00.

HOGS 282...Barrows and gilts: 1.00 to 1.25 higher. US No. 1-2 220/260 lbs. barrows and gilts 51.50-52.25, lot 52.75, 1-3 225/260 lbs. 50.00-51.50, 2-3 250/275 lbs. 46.25-48.85. Sows: strong to 1.00 higher. US No. 1-3 320/645 lbs. sows 42.75-47.25. Boars 37.00-40.50, Stock 41.00-50.00.

FEEDER PIGS 29...US No. 1-3 35/45 lbs. feeder pigs 37.00-48.00 --- all per head.

SHEEP 223...SPRING SLAUGHTER LAMBS...High Choice & Prime 50/100 lbs. spring slaughter lambs 69.00-77.00, Choice 45/75 lbs. 58.00-70.00, 75/95 lbs. 59.00-67.00, couple lots Good & Choice 85 lbs. 56.00 - all cwt. Slaughter sheep 10.00-24.00.

GOATS 10...Few Large 46.00-52.00, few Medium 25.00-38.00, few Small Kids 15.00-22.00 --- all per head.

Eighty-Four Livestock

Eighty-Four, PA
May 6, 1991

CATTLE 196...PDA...Compared with last Monday's market: Slaughter cows strong to Standard 61.00-65.00, Standard 61.00-65.00. Select sl. heifers 65.00-69.00, few Standard 61.00-64.50, Utility 58.00-62.00. Breaking Utility & Commercial sl. cows 52.50-57.00, several high yielding 58.00-60.00, Cutter & Boning Utility 50.00-54.00, Canner & Low Cutter 42.50-49.00, Shells down to 25.00. Yield Grade No. 1, 1400/1950 lbs. sl. bulls 62.00-73.00, No. 2, 1200/1600 lbs.

51.00-56.00. Feeder Cattle: Medium Frame No. 1, 200/325 lbs. steers 110.00-128.00, 470/730 lbs. 80.00-103.00. Medium Frame No. 1, 300/550 lbs. heifers 83.00-103.00, Medium No. 2, 450/600 lbs. 70.00-77.00. Medium Frame No. 1, 300/400 lbs. bulls 105.00-115.00, Medium No. 2, 350/400 lbs. 92.00-100.00.

CALVES 187...Choice vealers 115.00-128.00, Good 97.00-107.00, Standard & Good 90/125 lbs. 74.00-85.00, 60/85 lbs. 55.00-73.00. Farm Calves: Hol. Bulls #1, 90/130 lbs. 155.00-225.00, No. 2, 75/100 lbs. 100.00-155.00; few No. 1, 90/120 lbs. Hol. Heifers 140.00-235.00. Beef cross 80/145 lbs. bulls and heifers 100.00-235.00.

HOGS 131...Barrows and Gilts: .50 to 1.00 higher. US No. 1-3 230/250 lbs. barrows and gilts 50.00-51.00, 2-3 218/245 lbs. 48.75-50.00, 2-4 210/260 lbs. 47.00-48.00, 1-3 190/205 lbs. 45.00-45.50. US No. 1-3 300/520 lbs. sows 44.00-48.00, 2-3 300/700 lbs. 35.00-43.00. Boars 37.00-40.00.

FEEDER PIGS 17...Lot US No. 1-3 82 lbs. feeder pigs 56.00, 2-3 65/88 lbs. 43.00-46.00. --- per head.

SHEEP 169...SPRING SLAUGHTER LAMBS...High Choice & Prime 55/60 lbs. spring lambs 75.00-80.00, 70/85 lbs. 72.00-77.50; Choice 40/65 lbs. 65.00-70.00, lot Good & Choice 46 lbs. 56.00. Slaughter sheep 16.00-28.50 - all cwt.

GOATS 20...Large 60.00-77.00, Medium 42.00-50.00, few Small 20.00-35.00 --- all per head.

Mercer Livestock

Mercer, PA
May 7, 1991

CATTLE 249...PDA...Compared with last Tuesday's market: Slaughter steers 1.50 to 2.00 higher; Cows steady. Choice slaughter steers 77.00-80.00, high yielding 80-81.75, Select 74.00-77, high yielding 77-78.50, Standard 64.50-70.00; few Choice Holsteins 69.50-73.40, Select 65.00-69, Standard 64.50-70.00. Choice sl. heifers 75.00-77.75, Select 72.25-75.00, few Standard 61.00-65.00. Breaking Utility

ty & Commercial sl. cows 52.00-56.00, couple high yielding up to 58.00, Cutter & Boning Utility 48.00-54.75, Canner & low Cutter 42.00-48.00, Shells down to 30.00. Yield Grade No. 1, 1000/1800 lbs. sl. bulls 62.00-70.00. Feeder Cattle: Medium Frame No. 1, 400/560 lbs. steers 89.00-93.00, few 300 lbs. up to 115.00, few 800/1100 lbs. 66.00-75.00. Medium Frame No. 1, 400/600 lbs. heifers 75.00-90.00, few 250/300 lbs. 91.00-120.00. Few Medium Frame No. 1, 600/900 lbs. bulls 75.00-77.50.

CALVES 128...Few Standard and Good 90/120 lbs. vealers 73.00-81.00. Farm Calves: No. 1, Holstein Bulls 90/125 lbs. 155.00-206.00, No. 2, 80/100 lbs. 90.00-160.00; Hol. Heifers 85/150 lbs. 130.00-188.00. Beef cross 80/130 lbs. bulls and heifers 130.00-190.00.

HOGS 121...Barrows and Gilts: 2.00 higher. US No. 1-2 225/260 lbs. barrows and gilts 52.00-53.25, 1-3 218/250 lbs. 50.00-51.70, small lot 2-3 221 lbs. 49.85, lot 2-4 319 lbs. 45.00. US No. 1-3 325/500 lbs. sows 46.00-50.00, 2-3 300/600 lbs. 41.00-45.00. Few Boars 32.00-35.00.

FEEDER PIGS 0...No market test - per head.

SHEEP 25...Few High Choice 45/60 lbs. Spring sl. lambs 66.00-69.00. Slaughter sheep 13.00-30.00 - all cwt.

GOATS 2...Medium 35.00 --- all per head.

Central U.S.

Carlot

Beef Report

May 9, 1991

Report supplied by USDA

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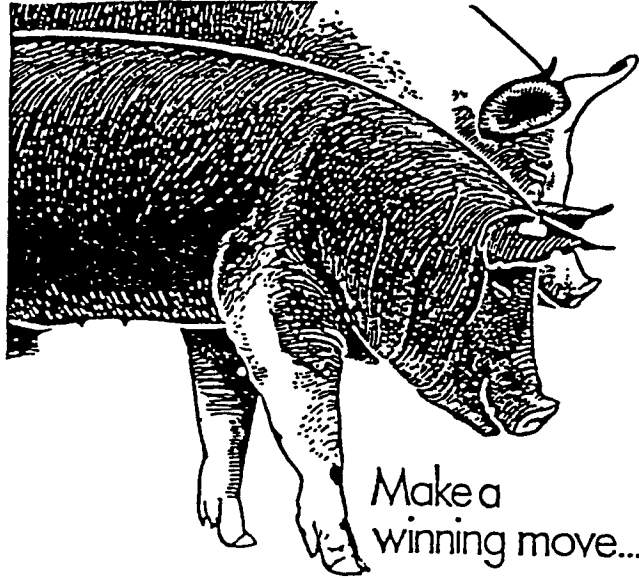
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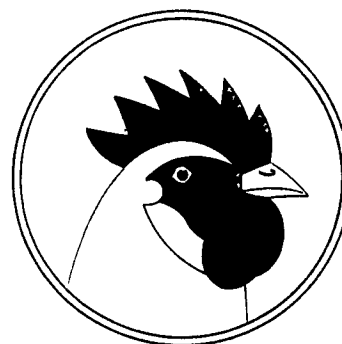
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