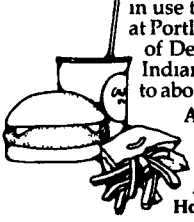


THE OLD FARMER'S ALMANAC

FEB. 24-MAR. 1, 1992

French Fry Friday, Feb. 28.

Feb 24, 1582, Pope Gregory XIII issues a papal bull correcting the Julian calendar which was 10 days in error at that time. (The Gregorian calendar is still in use today.) Feb 27, 1807, Henry Wadsworth Longfellow is born at Portland, Maine. Feb. 29, 1704, The Deerfield Massacre, the village of Deerfield, Massachusetts, is attacked and burned by French and Indian warriors. Mar. 1, 1780, Philadelphia becomes the first state to abolish slavery. It is easy to see, hard to foresee. — Benjamin Franklin



Ask the Old Farmer: Where did the name "Buzzards Bay" come from? M. B., Mass

Early explorers found the bay shore full of the nests of the osprey or fish-eagle. Not knowing what the birds were, they called them buzzards.

Home Hints: Never machine dry silk, fiberglass, or wool

OLD FARMER'S WEATHER FORECAST

New England: Initially cold, then turning mild and rainy as the week begins. Mid-week brings a change to snow and seasonable temperatures through the weekend.
Greater New York-New Jersey: Rainy and mild weather changes to freezing rain for the second half of the week. February's precipitation is 3.5", 0.5" above average.
Middle Atlantic Coastal: The week begins with intermittent rain and temperatures ranging from mild to seasonable. Then more clouds and cooler with steady showers.
Piedmont & Southeast Coastal: Rain begins the week, followed by sunshine and warmer temperatures, with some showers remaining in the north.

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Frederick Livestock Auction

Frederick, Md.

Monday, February 17, 1992
Report Supplied by Auction

SLAUGHTER COWS: 50 HEAD, STEADY PRICES. UTILITY 47.00-49.50; HIGH DRESSING TO 51.00; CANNERS 43.00-47.00; SHELLY 43.00 DOWN.
BULLS: YG#1 61.50-62.75; YG#2 55.00-60.00.

FED STEERS: NO CHOICE; 1 SELECT AT 63.00.

FED HEIFERS: SELECT 63.00-67.00.
VEAL CALVES: LOW CHOICE 200-250 LBS. TO 93.00; GOOD 150-200 LBS. 85.00-99.00; CULLS 85-110 LBS. 79.00-87.00; 50-80 LBS. 72.00-81.00; WEAK/ROUGH 60.00 DOWN.

FARM CALVES: HOLSTEIN BULLS 5.00 HIGHER; #2 80-100 LBS. 95.00-135.00; HOLSTEIN HEIFERS 95-120 LBS. 130.00-150.00; 75-90 LBS. 85.00-127.00; BEEF X BULLS 120.00-160.00; HEIFERS 100.00-135.00.

BUTCHER HOGS: 25 HEAD, 2.00 HIGHER. US#1&3 215-260 LBS. 42.00-43.00; 265-290 LBS. 41.00-41.50, 2 AT 44.00; 2 305 LB. AT 40.00.

SOWS: NONE.

BOARS: NONE.
STOCK CATTLE: 25 HEAD. STEERS 300-500 LBS. 85.00-91.00; 500-600 LBS. 80.00-91.00; 600-800 LBS. 70.00-76.00.
HEIFERS: 300-500 LBS. 76.00-84.00; 500-600 LBS. 71.00-84.00.
BULLS: 500-700 LBS. 73.00-75.00.
BEEF STOCK COWS: 2 BLACK WHITE FACE 870-950 LBS. AT 63.50.
SHEEP: FEW 29.00-30.00.
GOATS: NONE.
PIGS AND SHOATS: NONE.

Dewart Livestock

Dewart, Pa.

February 17, 1992

Report Supplied by Auction

STEERS: 60.00-72.25.
HEIFERS: 55.00-66.00.
GOOD COWS: 47.00-52.00.
CANNERS AND CUTTERS: 40.00-47.00.

BULLS: 53.00-60.75.
VEAL: 90-190 LBS. 99.00-180.00; 70-90 LBS. 75.00-99.00.

HOGS: 40.00-43.50.
SOWS: 28.00-38.00.
FEEDER PIGS: 20.00-38.00 HEAD.

Leesport Livestock

Leesport, PA

Feb. 19, 1992

CATTLE 248...(PDA)... Supply included 114 sl. steers and heifers... Compared with last weeks market: Slaughter steers uneven, about steady. Sl. cows .50 to 1.50 higher. Choice 1100/1400 lbs. sl. steers 73.00-78.00, couple 79.00, Select 68.00-72.50, few Standard 63.00-64.50, few Choice Holsteins 65.75-68.25, individual 69.50; Select 62.25-66.00. Choice sl. heifers 69.75-78.00. few Select 65.00-72.00, few Choice Holsteins 65.50-69.00, few select 59.75-63.25. Breaking Utility and Commercial sl. cows 48.00-52.50, couple 56.75, Cutter and Boning Utility 49.00-52.00, couple to 53.00, Canner & low Cutter 45.75-49.50, Shells down to 41.75. Few Choice sl. bullocks 64.25-70.00. Yield Grade No. 1, 1025/2475 lbs. sl. bulls 56.75-66.75. Feeder Cattle: Few Medium Frame No. 1, 450/500 lbs. steers 75.00-85.00.

CALVES 177... One choice vealer 114.00. Standard and Good 75/95 lbs. 75.00-85.00. Utility 60/80 lbs. 60.00-75.00. Farm Calves: No. 1, Holstein Bulls 90/130 lbs. 125.00-155.00, No. 2, 75/125 lbs. 87.50-120.00. Few No. 1, Hol. Heifers 80/115 lbs. 105.00-185.00. Few Beef Cross 75/115 lbs. Bulls & Heifers 100.00-180.00.

HOGS 235...BARROWS & GILTS: 25 to .75 lower. US No. 1-2 215/245 lbs. barrows and gilts 41.50-42.50, 1-3 220/255 lbs. 39.00-41.25, one lot 2-3 290 lbs. 35.10, few lots 1-3 170/185 lbs. 32.00-35.75. SOWS: US No. 1-3 350/665 lbs. sows 31.00-33.00. Boars 21.00-25.00.

FEEDER PIGS 236... Few lots US No. 1-3 25/30 lbs. feeder pigs 75.00-110.00, 35/60 lbs. 60.00-84.00, Lot 18 lbs. 26.00 per head. - all cwt.

SHEEP 28...Few Good and Choice 65/140 lbs. Woolled slaughter lambs 65.00-71.00.

Slaughter sheep 24.00-32.00. - all Cwt.
GOATS 12...Few Large 62.00-82.50, Few Small kids 30.00-44.00. --- all per head.

Belleville Livestock

Belleville, PA

Feb. 19, 1992

CATTLE 111... Report supplied by Auction... Compared with last Wednesday's market: Utility sl. heifers 55.50-59.00. Breaking Utility and Commercial slaughter cows 49.25-50.85, One 51.75, Cutter and Boning Utility 45.50-49.00, Canner and low Cutter 42.25-45.50, Shells down to 38.00. Yield Grade No. 1, sl. bulls 59.35-64.00, One Yield Grade No. 2, 56.75. Feeder Steers 50.75-69.50.

CALVES 85...Standard and Good vealers 76.00-84.00, Utility 67.00-71.00. FARM CALVES: No. 1 Holstein Bulls 130.00-160.00. No. 2, 101.00-127.50.

HOGS 97...BARROWS & GILTS: US No.1-2 215/250 lbs. barrows and gilts 43.25-45.75, 1-3 220/290 lbs. 41.00-43.00. US No. 1-3 sows 30.00-38.50. Boars 23.50-24.75.

FEEDER PIGS 160...US 1-3 feeder pigs 12.00-39.00. --- all per head.

SHEEP 5... Choice woolled sl lambs 58.00-64.00. - all Cwt.

GOATS 6...30.00-61.00. --- all per head.
HOLSTEIN DAIRY COWS 120; \$500.00-1400.00 --- PER HEAD.

Oklahoma City Feeder Cattle

Feb. 19, 1992

Compared to last week: Feeder cattle and calves steady. Demand was good in active trading. Quality of supply average to attractive. Overall weigh condition average. Calves and stockers in thinner flesh conditions. Feeder cattle in slightly thin to moderately fleshy condition. Flesh con-

tinued continued to increase this week; however more green fleshy cattle just off weat than last week's consist which noted several grain started cattle. Slaughter cows steady to \$.50 higher. Slaughter bulls steady. Packer demand good. Receipts this week 12,950; last week 9,707; last year 14,497. Supply consisted of 75 percent yearlings; 21 percent calves and stockers under 600 lbs.; and 4 percent cows and bulls. Bulk price ranges follow:

Feeder Steers: Medium and Large Frame 1, 400-450 lbs. \$104.75-\$110.00; 450-500 lbs. \$95.00-\$106.75; 500-550 lbs. \$90.50-\$96.50; 550-600 lbs. \$88.25-\$93.75; 600-650 lbs. \$83.00-\$89.50; 650-700 lbs. \$80.50-\$84.75; 700-800 lbs. \$80.50-\$82.50; 800-900 lbs. \$78.00-\$81.50; 900-950 lbs. \$76.00-\$79.50; lot 1050 lbs. \$75.50. Large Frame 2 Holsteins, pkg 450 lbs. \$85.00; 500-550 lbs. \$79.00-\$80.25; 600-650 lbs. \$74.25-\$76.00; 675-700 lbs. \$69.75-\$70.75; 700-800 lbs. \$66.75-\$69.50; 800-875 lbs. \$66.50-\$67.75; pkg 1000 lbs. \$60.75.

Feeder Heifers: Medium and Large Frame 1, 300-375 lbs. few \$97.00-\$101.50; 450-500 lbs. \$88.00-\$93.50; 500-550 lbs. \$84.00-\$91.00; 550-600 lbs. \$80.25-\$84.25; 600-700 lbs. \$78.25-\$83.00; 700-800 lbs. \$76.50-\$81.00; 825-900 lbs. \$77.00-\$79.25.

Slaughter Cows: Cutter, Boning and Breaking Utility Y.G. 1-4 average dressing \$47.25-\$50.00; high dressing \$50.25-\$54.50; low dressing \$44.50-\$47.00. Canner and low Cutter \$41.50-\$46.75.

Slaughter Bulls: Y.G. 1-2 1200-2000 lbs. average dressing \$59.00-\$62.25; high dressing \$61.00-\$63.75; hi dress and hi bone \$64.00-\$69.00; low dressing \$56.50-\$57.50.

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