



JANUARY 18-24, 1993

DRUID NEW YEAR, JAN. 22.

NEW MOON, NEW YEAR

An old bit of Almanac lore tells us that the druids celebrated the new year at the first new moon in January. Druidism was the religion of the ancient Celts and seemed to involve some sort of worship of the sun, but in fact, we don't know very much about them. They apparently followed a lunar calendar in which the natural rhythm of the changing seasons was an important element. The time of winter solstice, with its short, dark days, held particular significance as the death of the old year. In fact, we wonder if they actually celebrated the new year at the first new moon after solstice, which, in our calendar, would fall in January some years, and in December others.

The good of other times let people state; I think it lucky I was born so late. — Ovid

TIP OF THE WEEK

Use dental floss to sew buttons on clothing that gets a lot of hard wearing.

EARTHWISE

If you are reluctant to bathe your dog in the winter, but Fido is beginning to look sort of dingy, try a dry shampoo. Spread an old sheet on the floor as a drop cloth and gently rub dry oatmeal into the dog's coat. When you brush out the oatmeal, the dirt and grease will come out too. Baking soda can also be rubbed into the coat as a cleansing powder, and it has the added advantage of neutralizing that "doggy" smell.



BROWN RICE PUDDING

½ cup short-grain brown rice
2½ cups milk
½ cup honey
½ teaspoon cinnamon
½ cup raisins
1 cup heavy cream, divided

Cover rice with water and bring to a boil. Cook 5 minutes, drain. Place rice in greased 1½-quart baking dish. Scald milk, stir in honey and cinnamon. Add raisins and ½ cup of cream. Pour over rice. Bake at 325° F for 1½ hours. Stir pudding, add remaining cream and return to oven for 30 minutes.

Makes 6 servings.

The OLD FARMER'S WEATHER FORECAST



NORTHEAST:
Mild, rain and freezing rain south, snow north, then cold and cloudy, some snow.

SOUTHEAST:
Rain, sunny and very warm Florida, then showers; colder, rain and snow.

MIDWEST:
Mild, rain north; cold nights, flurries; cold snap.

NORTHWEST:
Cold wave, light snow; sunny and mild then heavy snow coast.

SOUTHWEST:
Showers, snow mountains, then clearing, some rain California, then sunny and warm, clear and very warm desert.

Four States Livestock

Hagerstown, Md.
Jan. 13, 1993

Report supplied by Auction

SLAUGHTER COWS: 118 HEAD, 1.00-3.00 HIGHER. UTILITY 47.00-51.00; LOW DRESSING 45.00-47.00; HIGH DRESSING TO 53.00; FEW CHAROLAIS TO 57.00; CANNERS 43.00-47.00; SHELLY 43.00 DOWN.
BULLS: YG#1 1400-1700 LBS. 61.00-62.75; YG#2 1500-1950 LBS. 54.00-59.00.

FED STEERS: ACTIVE BEDDING ON HIGH CHOICE. HIGH CHOICE TO PRIME 1100-1400 LBS. 79.00-84.00; CHOICE 74.00-78.00; CHOICE 1400-1600 LBS. 72.00-76.50; SELECT 65.00-68.00; SELECT 1100-1400 LBS. 64.00-68.00; HOLSTEINS 55.00-58.00.

FED HEIFERS: CHOICE 1000-1100 LBS. TO 73.75; SELECT 900-1200 LBS. 65.00-68.00; HOLSTEINS TO 53.50.

VEAL CALVES: CHOICE 250-350 LBS. 80.00-90.00; CULLS 85-110 LBS. 44.00-54.00; 50-80 LBS. 40.00-47.00; WEAK/ROUGH 38.00 DOWN.

FARM CALVES: HOLSTEIN BULLS #1 90-125 LBS. 150.00-184.00, #2 80-105 LBS. 100.00-145.00; HOLSTEIN HEIFERS FEW 95-120 LBS. 140.00-175.00; 75-90 LBS. 90.00-125.00; BEEF X BULLS TO 137.00; HEIFERS TO 135.00.

BUTCHER HOGS: NO TOP HOGS OFFERED. 350-450 LBS. 34.00-38.00.
SOWS: GOOD DEMAND. 300-500 LBS. 32.00-36.50; 500-600 LBS. TO 34.25.

BOARS: TO 29.75.
STOCK CATTLE: 88 HEAD. STEERS 200-400 LBS. 78.00-90.00; HOLSTEINS 200-400 LBS. 69.00-89.00; 400-600 LBS. 75.00-87.00; 600-700 LBS. 66.00-79.00; 900-1050 LBS. 66.00-75.00.

HEIFERS: 300-500 LBS. 69.00-77.00; 500-600 LBS. 70.00-81.00, 600-700 LBS. TO 76.50.

BULLS: 200-400 LBS. 80.00-92.00; HOLSTEINS TO 83.00; 400-600 LBS. 74.00-83.00.

DAIRY REPLACEMENTS: LARGE SPRINGERS 900.00-1100.00; MEDIUM 700.00-850.00; SMALL 500.00-700.00; 1 FRESH HEIFER WITH CALF AT

1225.00; 1 HOSLSTEIN BULL AT 735.00.
LAMBS: 40 HEAD. ACTIVE! HIGHER PRICES! CHOICE 90-120 LBS. 74.00-78.00; 70-85 LBS. 83.00-92.00, 60-70 LBS. TO 98.00; MEDIUM 74.00-76.00; 40-60 LBS. 80.00-90.00.
SHEEP: 28.00-35.00.

GOATS: LARGE NANNIES 55.00-60.00; MEDIUM 40.00-60.00.

PIGS AND SHOATS: BY THE HEAD FROM TESTED HERDS. 7 HEAD 90 LBS. AT 37.00; UNTESTED FOR SLAUGHTER 20-40 LBS. 10.00-13.00, 50-60 LBS. TO 23.50; BY THE POUND, 160-190 LBS. 34.00-36.00.

NEXT WED., JAN. 20, SPECIAL DAIRY CONSIGNMENT SALE. PROMISED: 1 HOLSTEIN BULL 18 MOS OLD CAN BE REG DAM 20,000 MILK 4% TEST 800 LB. FAT AS 2 YR. OLD

New Holland Dairy

New Holland Sales Stables
Wednesday, Jan. 13, 1993

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DAIRY COWS 33; HEIFERS 77 AND BULLS 7.

PENNSYLVANIA FRESH 1025.00-1275.00, SPRINGERS 1020.00-1400.00.

LOCAL COWS FRESH 885.00-1250.00, BETTER FRESH 1450.00-1525.00, SPRINGERS 1125.00-1335.00, 1 PUREBRED FRESH 1650.00.

OPEN BREEDING-AGE HEIFERS 570.00-675.00.

SPRINGING HEIFERS 860.00-1110.00.

SHORTBRED HEIFERS 625.00-825.00.

SMALL OPEN HEIFERS 360.00-490.00.

BULLS 520.00-790.00.

Leesport Livestock Auction
LEESPORT, PA
January 13, 1993

CATTLE 259.PDA.. Supply included 105 sl. steers and sl. heifers. Compared with last Wednesday's market. STEERS few Choice 1150/1650 lbs. 74.75-80.00, few Select 68.25-73.25, one 77.00. HOLSTEINS: Choice 70.50-73.75, few 76.75, Select 65.00-71.00. HEIFERS: Choice 75.00-82.25 mostly 77.00-80.00, few Select 74.00-76.75, few Standard and Select Holsteins 63.50-67.50. COWS Breaking Utility and Commercial 48.00-54.00, couple 55.00, Cutter and Boning Utility 48.50-53.25, few 54.25, Canner & low Cutter 44.00-48.00. Shells down to 35.00.

BULLOCKS: couple Choice 63.00 & 63.50. BULLS: few Yield Grade No. 1, 1460/2420 lbs. 57.00-63.50. FEEDER CATTLE: Lot Medium No. 1 835 lbs 74.00.

CALVES 188... VEALERS: Few Choice 107.00-112.50, few Good 65.00-80.00, Utility and Low Standard 50/90 lbs. 30.00-45.00. RETURNED TO FARM: No. 1 Holstein Bulls 90/130 lbs 125.00-185.00, No. 2 80/120 lbs 50.00-115.00. No. 1 Holstein heifers 85/125 lbs. 147.50-212.50, few No. 2 75/100 lbs. 85.00-100.00. Beef cross 75/110 lbs. bulls and heifers 95.00-135.00. HOGS 185... BARROWS AND GILTS: few lots US No. 1-2 230/250 lbs 42.10-42.85, few lots 1-3 225/260 lbs. 39.00-41.00, few lots 2-3 250/290 lbs 35.50-39.00. SOWS: US No. 1-3 350/600 lbs. 32.00-36.00. BOARS: 28.00-30.75.

FEEDER PIGS 184... Few US No. 1-3 22/35 lbs. 70.00-102.00, 40/50 lbs 63.00-69.00...per cwt.

SHEEP 12...WOOLED SLAUGHTER LAMBS: few Choice 70/90 lbs 85.00-96.00.

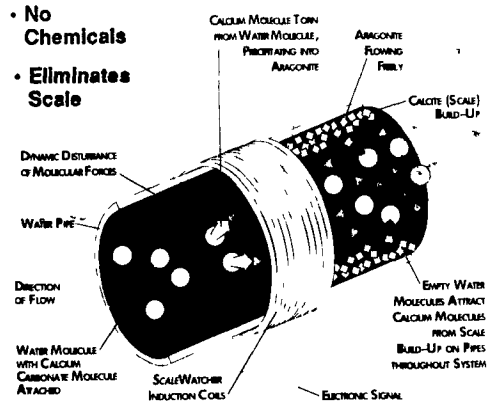
GOATS 10...few Large 42.50-62.50. --- all per head.

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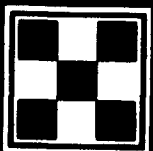


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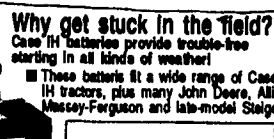
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