



MARCH 1-7, 1993

NATIONAL PIG DAY, MARCH 1.

TO EVERY SEASON

Every season has its weather, and every season also has its Ember Days for predicting the weather. According to old folklore, the weather on each of the three Ember Days foretells the weather for three successive months. Originally set aside by the church for fasting and prayer, the Ember Days are the Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday following the first Sunday in Lent, Whit Sunday (or Pentecost), the third Sunday in September, and the third Sunday in Advent. With Lent beginning on February 24, this season's Ember Days are March 3, 5, and 6. If the tradition is upheld, the weather on March 3 will forecast the overall weather for April, while the fifth and sixth will predict for May and June.

*Some rain, some rest;
Fine weather isn't always best.*



TIP OF THE WEEK

To quickly sharpen dull scissors, cut up sandpaper or steel-wool pads.

EARTHWISE

Save energy and money by cooking small to moderate amounts of food in a microwave. Cooking a casserole in a microwave costs five times less than in a conventional electric oven. You can save when cooking larger items by preheating the oven for only 10 minutes, and turning off the heat 15 minutes before the required time. The oven will maintain enough heat to finish cooking, and less energy will be used.

FISH ALMONDINE

- 1/4 cup sliced almonds
- 1/2 cup butter or margarine
- 1 pound fish fillets
- 1/2 teaspoon dill
- 1 teaspoon chopped parsley
- 1/2 teaspoon pepper
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice

Place almonds and butter in 8-inch square micro-proof baking dish. Cook on high power for 5 minutes or until almonds are golden. Remove nuts and set aside. Put fish in dish with butter, turning to coat. Sprinkle with seasonings. Roll fillets, cover dish with wax paper, and cook on high for 4 minutes. Sprinkle almonds on fish, cover, and cook on high for 2 minutes or until fish flakes easily.

Makes 4 servings.



THE OLD FARMER'S WEATHER FORECAST



NORTHEAST: Very cold then seasonable and snowy, some rain south; turning severely cold

SOUTHEAST: Sunny and cold, flurries north, seasonable and showers then clear and cold

MIDWEST: Very cold, rain and snow, warming briefly then very cold

NORTHWEST: Cold, rain coast, snow mountains, sunny and milder then heavy rain coast, snow mountains

SOUTHWEST: Clear and mild, then rain, heavy desert, becoming seasonable

Westminster Livestock

Hagerstown, Md.
Feb. 23, 1993

Report supplied by auction
SLAUGHTER COWS: UTILITY 47.00-51.00; HIGH DRESSING 51.50-54.25; CANNERS 43.00-47.00; SHELLY 43.00 DOWN.
BULLS: YG#2 1200-1800 LBS. 56.00-59.00; LOW DRESSING 52.00-55.00.
FED STEERS: HIGH CHOICE 1200-1400 LBS. 81.00-82.50; LOW CHOICE 76.00-78.00; 1 HIGH CHOICE 1600 LBS. 76.25; FEW LOW CHOICE TO LOW DRESSING 900-1000 LBS. 62.00-67.00.
FED HEIFERS: FEW OFFERED; DAIRY CULLS 52.00-56.00.
VEAL CALVES: CHOICE 200-250 LBS. 91.00-103.00; CULLS 85-110 LBS. 50.00-57.00; 50-80 LBS. 47.00-54.00; WEAK/ROUGH 45.00 DOWN.
FARM CALVES: HOLSTEIN BULLS #1 95-120 LBS. 150.00-170.00; 80-90 LBS. 110.00-140.00; SMALL FRAME 75.00-100.00; HOLSTEIN HEIFERS FEW 95-120 LBS. TO 190.00; BEEF X BULLS TO 177.00; HEIFERS TO 125.00.
BUTCHER HOGS: US#1&3 215-260 LBS. 44.00-44.85; #2&3 TO 43.50; 190-210 LBS. 40.00-43.00; #1&3 280-350 LBS. 43.00-46.50; #2&3 36.00-39.00.
SOWS: 300-600 LBS. #1&3 38.00-43.50; #2&3 34.00-38.00; THIN 30.00-34.00.
STOCK CATTLE: STEERS 200-400 LBS. 84.00-96.00; 400-600 LBS. 80.00-92.00; 600-800 LBS. 72.00-80.00; 800-950 LBS. FEW TO 67.00.
HEIFERS: 200-400 LBS. 73.00-83.00, FEW TO 90.00; 400-600 LBS. 72.00-81.00; HOLSTEIN X TO 69.00.
BULLS: 200-400 LBS. 80.00-95.00; 400-500 LBS. FEW TO 90.00; 600-800 LBS. 60.00-67.00.
LAMBS: HIGH CHOICE TO PRIME 90-110 LBS. 73.00-80.00; FEW 70-80 LBS. TO 84.00; NEW CROP 30-50 LBS. 107.00-122.00.
SHEEP: UNDER 200 LBS. 25.00-40.00; OVER 200 LBS. TO 30.00.
GOATS: LARGE, NONE; MEDIUM 40.00-60.00; SMALL 30.00-40.00.
PIGS AND SHOATS: NO TESTED PIGS OFFERED.
BOARS: 400-700 LBS. 30.50-32.00; 220-260 LBS. 34.50; 275-300 LBS. 29.00-31.00.

Keister's Middleburg Auction

MIDDLEBURG, PA
February 23, 1993

CATTLE 342... PDA . STEERS: Choice 1075/1450 lbs. 78.00-83.50, Select 72.00-76.00, couple to 79.00. HOLSTEINS: few Low Choice 72.00-75.25, few Select 65.00-70.00. HEIFERS: Choice 73.00-77.50, one 81.50, few Select 66.00-70.00, few Choice Holstein 64.25-68.00. COWS: Breaking Utility and Commercial 50.75-54.50, few to 57.28, Cutter & Bon. Utility 49.00-58.00, few high dressing to 60.00, Canner and Low Cutter 44.75-48.50. Shells down to 40.25. BULLS: few Yield Grade No. 1 1250/1980 lbs. 65.25-71.50. FEEDER CATTLE: few Medium No. 1 480/850 lbs. steers 72.00-85.00, two head 400 lbs. 88.00.
 CALVES 268... VEALERS: few Utility and Low Standard 60/85 lbs. 50.00-60.00. RETURNED TO FARM: Holstein bulls No. 1 90/135 lbs. 140.00-180.00, couple to 187.50, No. 2 80/125 lbs. 75.00-130.00. Holstein heifers No. 1 85/115 lbs. 130.00-180.00, few down to 85.00.
 HOGS 359... (02/22 & 23/93)... BARROWS AND GILTS: No. 1 225/250 lbs. 46.75-47.75, US 1-2 220/250 lbs. 45.00-46.50, 1-3 215/285 lbs. 43.00-44.75. SOWS: 1-3 500/650 lbs. 35.50-40.50, 300/500 lbs. 33.00-35.00. BOARS: 30.00-32.00.
 FEEDER PIGS 103... Few lots US 1-3 30/50 lbs. 30.00-38.00. - all per head.
 SHEEP 55... one lot Choice 110 lbs. Fall Lambs 79.00, Good and Choice 25/45 lbs. New Crop lambs 102.50-130.00, couple down to 90.00. SLAUGHTER SHEEP: 30.00-32.00.
 GOATS 10... few Large 53.00-92.00. all per head.

Morrison Cove Livestock

Martinsburg, Pa.
Feb. 22, 1993

Report supplied by auction
CATTLE 164. STEERS CHOICE 77.00-81.00; GOOD 74.00-76.75.
HEIFERS: CHOICE 76.50-80.50; GOOD 70.00-75.50.
COWS: UTILITY & COMMERCIAL 47.50-57.00; CANNER & LOW CUTTER 38.50-53.50.
BULLOCKS: GOOD & CHOICE 61.00-69.00.
BULLS: YIELD GRADE NO. 1

59.50-69.00.

FEEDER CATTLE: STEERS 75.00-99.00; BULLS 66.00-82.00; HEIFERS 59.00-77.00.
CALVES 227. PRIME, NO MKT. TEST; CHOICE 95.00-103.00; GOOD, 78.00-93.00; STANDARD 40.00-65.00; HOLSTEIN BULLS 90-130 LBS. 130.00-176.00; HOLSTEIN HEIFERS 90-130 LBS. 135.00-175.00.
HOGS: 88. US NO. 1-2 44.00-45.50; US NO. 1-3 42.50-43.50.
SOWS: US NO. 1-3 30.00-39.00.
BOARS 29.00-35.00.
FEEDER PIGS: 6 HEAD. US#1-3 20-50 LBS. 12.00-26.00 PER HEAD.
SHEEP: 18 HEAD. CHOICE 95.00-109.00; GOOD 75.00-88.00; SLAUGHTER EWES 21.00-33.00.
GOATS: 26.00-70.00.
22 LOADS OF HAY. TIMOTHY 70.00-98.00; ALFALFA 96.00-120.00; 7 LOADS OF STRAW 67.00-79.00.

Grantsville Livestock

Grantsville, Maryland
Sat., Feb. 20, 1993

HOGS: TOP BARROWS & GILTS 42.50-45.50, A FEW TO 47.00; HEAVY BUTCHER 42.00-45.00; LIGHT BUTCHER 35.00-41.50; BUTCHER SOWS 35.00-40.50; FEEDER SHOATS 5.00-42.00.
VEAL: GOOD 75.00-95.00; STANDARD 60.00-70.00; UTILITY 20.00-50.00; BULL CALVES 105.00-166.00.
SHEEP & LAMBS: GOOD 75.00-90.00; UTILITY 65.00-70.00; SLAUGHTER EWES 20.00-28.00.
SLAUGHTER CATTLE: GOOD, 70.00-71.50; STANDARD 68.00-69.00; UTILITY 60.50-65.00.
HEIFERS: GOOD, 68.50-70.00; STANDARD 62.50-65.00; UTILITY 55.00-60.00.
COWS: COMMERCIAL 46.50-54.00; UTILITY 42.00-44.00; CANNER & CUTTER 40.00 TO DOWN.
BULLS: COMM. & GOOD 55.00-62.00; CUTTER AND UTILITY 50.00-52.50.
STOCK-FEEDER CATTLE: GOOD 70.00-78.00; MEDIUM 60.00-65.00.
STEER CALVES: GOOD 75.00-85.00; MEDIUM 65.00-70.00.
HEIFER CALVES: GOOD 70.00-82.50; MEDIUM 60.00-68.50.
EGGS: LARGE .50-.65; MEDIUM .42-.62.

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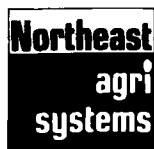
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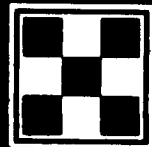


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