



JANUARY 10-16, 1994

PLOUGH MONDAY, JAN. 10.

PLOUGH MONDAY

Plough Monday (the first Monday after Epiphany) was the traditional day for menfolk to return to work after the holidays, although no work was actually done that day! Dressed in clean white smocks decorated with ribbons, the men dragged a plough through the village and collected money, originally for the "plough-light" kept burning in the church all year. Often, men from several farms would join together to pull the plough through all their villages. The merry men sang and danced their way from village to village to the accompaniment of musicians. In the evening, each farmer gave a Plough Monday Supper for his men, with plentiful beef and ale for all.



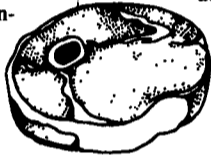
All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy.

TIP OF THE WEEK

When the plastic tip of shoe laces breaks, wrap the end tightly with transparent tape or dip in clear nail polish.

EARWISE

Motor oil never really wears out — it just gets dirty, picking up toxic sludge from your car's engine. Although used oil can be re-refined and rendered as good as new, Americans throw away more than 120 million gallons of dirty oil every year. To find out where to recycle oil locally, call the EPA at 202-382-7932; or to set up your own recycling program, contact Project ROSE (Recycled Oil Saves Energy), P.O. Box 870203, Tuscaloosa, AL 35487-0203.



CRANBERRY HAM STEAK

- 2 ham steaks, 1/2 inch thick, each
- 2 tablespoons whole cloves
- 3 cups cranberries
- 1 1/2 cups honey

Slash fat surrounding ham to prevent curling during cooking. Insert cloves in fat. Mix cranberries and honey. Place 1 slice ham in buttered baking dish and cover with half cranberry mixture. Top with second slice and cover with remaining cranberry mixture. Bake at 350° F for 1 1/2 hours or until done, basting occasionally.

Make 6 to 8 servings.

THE OLD FARMER'S WEATHER FORECAST



NORTHEAST: Snow, rain and freezing rain, then clearing and cold; sunny and seasonable west; snow, then clear and mild.

SOUTHEAST: Clear and mild; rain, snow north, frost Florida.

MIDWEST: Mild, some rain; cold snap, flurries, and freezing rain north.

NORTHWEST: Sunny and mild, some showers coast, snow mountains.

SOUTHWEST: Seasonable; rain, snow mountains; sunny California then cold and rainy.

Central U.S. Carlot

Pork Report

Wednesday, January 5, 1994

Report supplied by USDA

CENTRAL U.S. CARLOT PORK REPORT FOB OMAHA BASIS INCLUDES MAJOR PRODUCTION AREAS IN MIDWEST AS OF 11:15 A.M. COMPARED TUESDAY'S 3:00 P.M. CLOSE: FRESH RETAIL CUTS AND SDLS. BELLIES NOT ESTABLISHED, BUT WEAK UNDERTONE NOTED; SKND. HAMS 17-20# NOT WELL TESTED, 20-26# \$1.50 HIGHER. TRADING OF RETAIL ITEMS SLOW; GREEN MEATS ACTIVE. DEMAND LIGHT TO MODERATE; MODERATE TO HEAVY OFFERINGS.

CORRECTION: ON TUES. 01-4-94, TENDERLOIN 1.25/DN# SHOULD HAVE READ 1 LD. AT \$262.00-354.00; WGTD. AVG. OF \$308.00.

44.5 LOADS PORK CUTS - RANGE 49.00, WGHTD. AVG. 49.00.
 40.0 LOADS TRIM/PROCESS PORK/ PORK CUTS
 LOINS, REGULAR, FRESH 14-18 LBS., 1.0 LOAD, RANGE 85.00, WGHTD. AVG. 85.00.
 1/4" TRIM 14-18 LBS. 1.0 LOAD, RANGE 103.00, WGHTD. AVG. 103.00.
 18-22 LBS. 2.0 LOADS, RANGE 85.00, WGHTD. AVG. 85.00.
 1/4" TRIM 18-22# 2.0 LOADS, RANGE 103.00, WGHTD. AVG. 103.00.
 HAM, SKINNED, SELECTED FRESH 17-20 LBS., 4.0 LOADS, RANGE 52.50, WGHTD. AVG. 52.50.
 FRESH 20-26 LBS., 13.0 LOADS, RANGE 51.00-54.00, WGHTD. AVG. 52.08.
 HAM, SKINNED, COMMODITY FRESH 20-26 LBS. 17.0 LOADS, RANGE 51.00-51.50, WGHTD. AVG. 51.24.
 BELLY, SDLS, SKIN-ON, FRESH FRESH 12-14 LBS., 4.5 LOADS, RANGE 49.00, WGHTD. AVG. 49.00.
 FRESH 14-16 LBS., 2.0 LOADS,

RANGE 49.00, WGHTD. AVG. 49.00.
 FRESH 18-20 LBS., 0.5 LOAD, RANGE 42.00, WGHTD. AVG. 42.00.
 FRESH 20-25 LBS., 0.5 LOAD, RANGE 40.00, WGHTD. AVG. 40.00.
 PORK TRIMMINGS/ BONELESS PROCESSING PORK (CHEMICAL LEAN)
 COMBO 42% FRESH, 1.5 LOADS, RANGE 22.00-23.00, WGHTD. AVG. 22.67.
 COMBO 72% FRESH, 26.5 LOADS, RANGE 49.00-51.00, WGHTD. AVG. 50.00.
 BONELESS PICNIC MEAT COMBO 72% FRESH, 5.5 LOADS, RANGE 52.00, WGHTD. AVG. 52.00.
 SHANK MEAT FROZEN 3.0 LOADS, RANGE 65.00, WGHTD. AVG. 65.00.
 SKINNED JOWLS COMBO FRESH 3.5 LOADS, RANGE 17.00, WGHTD. AVG. 17.00.
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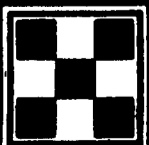
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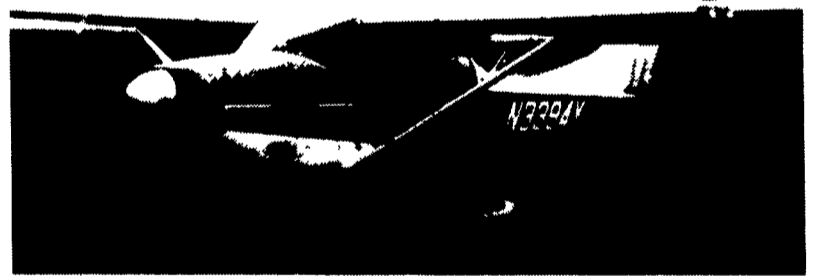
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