



MARCH 14-20, 1994

VERNAL EQUINOX, MARCH 20.

THE SHAMROCK SAINT

Was there really a St. Patrick? Definitely. Did he really drive the snakes out of Ireland? Probably not. At age 16 (around A.D. 400), Patrick was kidnapped from his home on the west coast of England and carried off to Ireland. After 6 years he escaped, and upon returning home received his call (in a dream) to return to Ireland and preach the Gospel. He spent the next 15 or so years in a monastic life, preparing for his missionary work. Although some Christians lived in Ireland at the time, it was Patrick who spread the Word throughout the land and brought an organized church into existence. We wear a shamrock on St. Patrick's Day because the saint used its three leaves to explain the Trinity. But, as far as we know, he never drank green beer!



*In beginning or in end
March its gifts will send.*

TIP OF THE WEEK

To separate glasses that are stuck together, put cold water in the top one and dip the bottom one in warm water.

EARTHWISE

Last week we raised the issue of using unbleached, recycled toilet paper to reduce toxic waste during manufacturing. But we can go a step further. Soft, high-quality toilet paper made from recycled paper is on the market. If you can't find a good brand locally (many are available), the Seventh Generation company sells excellent 2-ply and 1-ply toilet paper made from unbleached, de-inked, recycled paper. Contact them at 800-456-1177 for more information or to place an order.



WHOLE WHEAT IRISH SODA BREAD

- 3 cups whole wheat flour
- 1 cup unbleached white flour
- 3 teaspoons baking powder
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 2 tablespoons brown sugar
- 1 cup currants
- 1 1/2 cups buttermilk

Combine dry ingredients. Add currants and stir. Coat with flour. Stir in buttermilk. Knead dough on lightly floured board until smooth (about 3 minutes). Form dough into 2 round loaves. Place on greased cookie sheets. Cut a cross on top of each loaf. Bake at 375° F for 35 minutes. Makes 2 loaves.

THE OLD FARMER'S WEATHER FORECAST



NORTHEAST: Cold, rain and snow, clear and mild west, then freezing rain and snow

SOUTHEAST: Clear, showers west, then cold, rain, and snow; clearing and turning milder.

MIDWEST: Cold, snow, heavy storm east, clearing and remaining cold.

NORTHWEST: Mild, flurries, cold mountains, sprinkles coast; seasonable; rain, snow mountains

SOUTHWEST: Cold, showers, snow mountains, clearing and warming

Oklahoma City Feeder Cattle

Wednesday, March 9, 1994

*** ATTENTION DODGE CITY *** OKLAHOMA NATIONAL STOCKYARDS WEEKLY CATTLE SUMMARY: Compared to last week: Feeder steers and heifers steady to \$2.00 lower. Stocker cattle and calves steady. Trade moderately active for feeders with demand reduced to moderate as feedlots have been well supplied with big feeders off wheat during past three weeks. Feeder cattle buyers very selective for best kind and condition. Stocker trade continues very active as is normal just before spring.

Supply mainly feeders off wheat with minor supply of thin stockers. Quality continues average thru attractive with flesh still a major factor to buyers as cattle remain in average thru moderately fleshy condition. Weigh conditions ran full range of gaunt to full and somewhat less attractive than last week. Slaughter cows steady to \$1.00 higher, bulls \$1.00 higher. Receipts this week 17,050; last week 15,950; last year 22,055. Supply consisted of 82 percent yearlings over 600 lbs.; 15 percent calves under 600 lbs.; 3% cows and bulls. Prices follow with weighted average weight and price in parenthesis.

Feeder Steers: Medium and Large Frame 1: 400-500 lbs. (450 lbs.) \$100.00-\$111.00 (\$106.23); 500-550 lbs. (530 lbs.) \$95.00-\$105.50 (\$101.63); 550-600 lbs. (569 lbs.) \$93.00-\$100.00 (\$95.84); 600-700 lb. stockers (650 lbs.) \$86.00-\$94.75 (\$88.60); 650-700 lb. feeders (650 lbs.) \$83.50-\$88.00 (\$86.64); 700-750 lbs. (724 lbs.) \$81.50-\$85.50 (\$83.39); 750-800 lbs. (778 lbs.) \$79.00-\$82.75 (\$80.68); 800-900 lbs. (850 lbs.) \$75.25-\$82.25 (\$78.60); 900-1000

lbs. (950 lbs.) \$73.50-\$77.00 (\$75.14). Holstein Steers: Large Frame 2: 400-500 lbs. \$74.00-\$78.00; 500-600 lbs. \$70.50-\$79.00; 600-650 lbs. \$66.75-\$69.00; 700-775 lbs. \$63.50-\$65.00; 800-900 lbs. \$60.25-\$63.00; 925-950 lbs. \$58.25.

Feeder Heifers: Medium and Large Frame 1: 350-400 lbs. (376 lbs.) \$96.00-\$108.00 (\$102.83); 400-500 lbs. (450 lbs.) \$90.00-\$98.50 (\$93.67); 500-550 lbs. (527 lbs.) \$85.00-\$89.50 (\$87.29); 550-600 lbs. (571 lbs.) \$83.50-\$87.75 (\$85.07); 600-700 lbs. (650 lbs.) \$78.25-\$83.25, thin and gaunt \$84.50-\$86.00 (\$80.41); 700-750 lbs. (722 lbs.) \$76.00-\$82.00 (\$78.93); 750-800 lbs. (774 lbs.) \$75.25-\$78.75 (\$76.87); 800-850 lbs. (822 lbs.) \$75.50-\$77.75 (\$76.57); 850-900 lbs. (861 lbs.) \$73.75-\$75.00 (\$74.52).

Slaughter Cows: Cutter, Boning and Breaking Utility Y.G. 1-4 average dressing \$45.00-\$48.75; high dressing \$48.50-\$54.50.

Slaughter Bulls: Y.G. 1, 1550-2000 lbs. average dressing \$58.25-\$61.50; high dressing \$62.50-\$65.00; few high dressing/high boning \$66.50-\$69.00.

Replacement Cows: Pre-tested for Bangs, pregnancy, and age Medium and Large Frame 1: High Quality: Heifers 700-925 lbs. 6-8 months bred \$600.00-\$700.00/head 850 lb. Brangus 6-8 months bred \$790.00/head 3-6 year old 850-1225 lbs. 4-8 months bred \$650.00-\$750.00/head Average Quality: Heifers 700-900 lbs. 5-7 months bred \$525.00-\$650.00/head 1025-1200 lbs. 7 months bred \$770.00-\$805.00/head 5-6 year old 1025-1250 lbs. 5-8 months bred \$600.00-\$700.00/head 8-10 yr old 950-1200 lbs. 5-8 months bred \$535.00-\$625.00/head.

Pairs: Medium and Large Frame 1, High Quality: Heifers 900-1175 lbs. with

100-125 lb. calves \$875.00-\$975.00/pair; Brindle heifer 935 lbs. with 100 lb. calf \$1000.00/pair; 5-6 year old 975-1275 lb. cows with 75-375 lb. calves \$860.00-\$930.00/pair; 7-10 yr old 875-1050 lb. cows with 75-275 lb. calves \$750.00-\$810.00/pair. Average Quality: 4-7 year old 800-1050 lb. cows with 100-275 lb. calves \$750.00-\$825.00/pair.

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Friday, March 4, 1994

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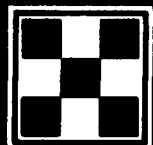
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