

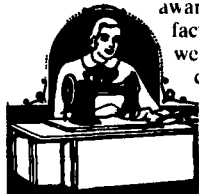


AUGUST 8-14 1994

DOG DAYS END, AUG. 11.

TO SEW A FINE SEAM

On August 12, 1851, Isaac Singer obtained a patent on his rocking-treadle sewing machine. Singer's invention had many improvements over previous, unsuccessful machines. It had a straight needle that went up and down, it could sew a straight or curved seam, and it had a foot-operated treadle to run the mechanism. Unfortunately, it also had the special lock-stitch that had been previously patented by Elias Howe. Singer refused to negotiate an agreement with Howe, and a legal battle ensued. Finally, in 1854, Howe was awarded a royalty on every machine manufactured. Howe and Singer both did quite well financially and the public got a practical, affordable sewing machine.



Late resounds what early sounded. — Goethe

TIP OF THE WEEK

The nitrogen-rich tops of potatoes, beets, carrots, and parsnips are good additions to your compost heap.

EARTHWISE

Long before "the environment" became such a hot topic, Buckminster Fuller said, "Pollution is nothing but the resources we are not harvesting. We allow them to disperse because we've been ignorant of their value." To successfully conquer the problems of pollution and waste, we need to change not only our habits, but our attitudes as well. We can think of recycling as a pain-in-the-neck imposed on us or a savvy business investment in this business of living on earth.

POLISH BEETS AND SOUR CREAM

- 2 tablespoons butter
- 4 cups shredded, cooked beets (8 medium)
- 1 tablespoon flour
- 1 tablespoon sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 cup sour cream
- 1 tablespoon vinegar

Melt butter in saucepan. Stir in beets and heat gently. Stir in flour, sugar, and salt. Add sour cream and vinegar. Heat thoroughly, stirring frequently, but do not boil.

Makes 6 to 8 servings.

OLD FARMER'S WEATHER FORECAST



NORTHEAST: Rainy and cool; clearing and very cool; then sunny and warm, some showers.

SOUTHEAST: Hot, showers, thundershowers Florida; partial clearing.

MIDWEST: Clear and hot, cool and rainy north and east.

NORTHWEST: Cool and rainy; then sunny and warming, few showers.

SOUTHWEST: Rainy and cool, then sunny and hot; warm California, cool and foggy coast.

Mercer Livestock Auction

Mercer, Pa.
Tuesday, August 2, 1994
Report Supplied by PDA

CATTLE 205.. PDA ..Compared to last Tuesday's market..al steers uneven, .50 lower to 1.00 higher, cows .75 to 1.25 lower. STEERS: few High Choice and Prime 1060/1220 lbs. 65.00-66.85, Choice 1000/1225 lbs. 63.85-68.10, couple 70.00, Select 53.00-61.75. HOLSTEINS: few Choice 1100/1375 lbs. 59.00-60.75, few Select 52.00-57.00. HEIFERS: few Choice 1060/1290 lbs. 60.00-67.35, Select 55.00-57.50. COWS: few Breaking Utility and Commercial 42.00-44.75, Cutter and Bon. Utility 41.00-44.75, few 48.25, Canner and Low Cutter 37.25-41.00. Shells down to 33.25. BULLOCKS: one Choice 1240 lbs. 60.50. BULLS: few Yield Grade No. 1 1100/1710 lbs. 57.00-62.60, few No. 2 1410/2200 lbs. 48.00-55.60. FEEDER CATTLE: Steers: Medium Frame No. 1 410/750 lbs. 60.00-68.00; Heifers: Medium Frame No. 1 260/600 lbs. 60.00-67.00, one 72.00, few Large Frame No. 2 300/480 lbs. 60.00-69.00; Bulls: Large Frame No. 1 600/700 lbs. 64.00, one 1060 lbs. 75.00, few Medium Frame No. 1 300/700 lbs. 51.00-70.00, few 250/265 lbs. 66.00-92.00. CALVES 92..VEALERS: Standard and

Good 75/95 lbs. 42.00-55.00. RETURNED TO FARM: No. 1 Holstein bulls 90/120 lbs. 90.00-110.00, couple 117.50, No. 2 85/125 lbs. 60.00-100.00; few No. 2 90/105 lbs. 170.00-180.00, few No. 2 65/100 lbs. 50.00-155.00. Few Beef cross bulls and heifers 80/115 lbs. 105.00-175.00. HOGS 78..Barrows and gilts 1.50 to 2.00 lower. BARROWS AND GILTS: US No. 1-2 240/260 lbs. 42.75-43.00, US 1-3 240/270 lbs. 40.25-42.25, few US 2-3 240/260 lbs. 38.00. SOWS: few US 1-3 375/470 lbs. 32.50-35.50. BOARS: couple 355 & 705 lbs. 22.50 & 24.00. FEEDER PIGS 0...NO MARKET TEST! SHEEP 14..Slaughter Lambs: Choice 70/80 lbs. 65.00-75.00. Slaughter sheep: few 22.50. GOATS 7...Couple Large 38.00, one Small 11.00, few Large Kids 8.00-22.50. -- per head.

Morrison Cove Livestock Auction

Martinsburg, Pa.
Monday, Aug. 1, 1994
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