



DECEMBER 19-25, 1994

WINTER SOLSTICE, DECEMBER 21.

RUDOLPH

Most youngsters think Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer has been around forever. Just like Santa Claus. Actually, Rudolph was "born" in 1939 in a Chicago department store! The brainchild of Robert May, an ad copywriter for Montgomery Ward, Rudolph started out as an illustrated poem, 2.4 million copies were handed out nationwide that year. In 1947, Johnny Marks set the poem to music, but no one wanted to record it. Then in 1949, Gene Autry recorded the song, which zoomed to the top of the charts. Three hundred different recordings and eighty million records later, Autry's "Rudolph" is second only to Bing Crosby's "White Christmas" as the best-selling record of all time.



Rudolph the red-nosed reindeer, you'll go down in history!

TIP OF THE WEEK

Include the recipe with any homemade goodies you give as gifts.

EARTHWISE

Here's a last-minute gift idea. Give them daylight on a dark winter day! The new super-compact fluorescent light bulbs reduce energy use by 75%, they're smaller, so they fit in most household lamps, and they now come in soft or bright light. The bright light, unlike most fluorescents, delivers more of the full spectrum of light — allowing you great energy savings without that ghostly blue glow. They're available from Seventh Generation catalog at 1-800-456-1177.

SWEET POTATOES AND APPLES

- 6 medium sweet potatoes
- 6 medium cooking apples
- 1/2 cup butter
- 1/2 cup apple cider
- 1/3 cup brown sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon nutmeg
- 1/4 teaspoon allspice

Cook, peel, and slice potatoes. Peel, core, and slice apples. Melt butter over medium heat, add cider, sugar, and spices, and simmer 5 minutes. Alternate layers of potatoes and apples in a greased 2-quart casserole, drizzling cider syrup over each layer.

Cover and bake at 350° F for 20 minutes.
Makes 6 servings.

The OLD FARMER'S WEATHER FORECAST



NORTHEAST: Snowstorm, cold; clearing and very cold; seasonable, snow, rain south.

SOUTHEAST: Cold, snowstorm; rain Florida; sunny and seasonable; cold with freezing rain west and north.

MIDWEST: Snowy and cold; severe cold north and east.

NORTHWEST: Very cold, snow east; freezing rain changing to heavy snow mountains; rain, cold and snowy mountains; sunny and mild.

SOUTHWEST: Clear; hard frost desert and east; rain California and desert; cold, snow mountains; clearing, frosty nights, sunny and mild mountains.

Lebanon Valley Livestock

Fredericksburg, PA
Tuesday, December 13, 1994
Report supplied by Auction

STEERS: 22. COLORED LOW CHOICE 1225-1400 LBS. 63.50-65.75; STANDARD 1160-1345 LBS. 57.50-60.00; HOLSTEINS CHOICE 1135-1320 LBS. 58.50-61.00; SELECT 1190-1390 LBS. 49.00-55.25; STANDARD 1265-1545 LBS. 42.50-48.00.

COWS: 92 HEAD. BREAKING UTILITY AND COMMERCIAL 41.25-44.25; CUTTER AND BONING UTILITY 38.50-40.50; CANNER AND LOW CUTTER 36.50-39.00; SHELLS 35.50 DOWN.

BULLS: 7 HEAD. YG#1 1205-1670 LBS. 45.50-49.00; YG#2 1090-1250 LBS. 42.50-45.00.

HEIFERS: 18 HEAD. CHOICE 1065-1305 LBS. 65.00-68.25; SELECT 1035-1340 LBS. 63.25-64.75; STANDARD 965-975 LBS. 56.50-58.00.

CALVES: 158 HEAD. STANDARD AND GOOD 85-95 LBS. 40.00-47.00; UTILITIES 60-110 LBS. 32.00-42.00; US#1 HOLSTEIN BULL CALVES 105-115 LBS. 125.00-145.00; #2 BULL CALVES 85-95 LBS. 115.00-135.00; #1 HOLSTEIN HEIFER CALVES 95-105 LBS. 185.00-200.00; #2 HOLSTEIN HEIFER CALVES 85-95 LBS. 100.00-135.00; BEEF CROSS BULL AND HEIFER CALVES 65-85 LBS. 60.00-85.00.

SOWS: 9 HEAD. US#1&3 420-560 LBS. 18.50-20.50.

BOARS: 71 HEAD. 1 AT 400 LBS. AT 16.50; 6 AT 235-260 LBS. 19.50.

HOGS: 76 HEAD. #1&3 220-267 LBS. 29.50-31.25; #2&3 300-310 LBS.

26.50-28.50.

SHEEP: 3 HEAD 29.00-33.00.

FEEDER CATTLE: 6 HEAD. 47.00-52.00.

Mercer Livestock Auction

Mercer, Pa.

Tuesday, Dec. 13, 1994

Report Supplied by PDA

CATTLE 238... PDA ..Compared with last Tuesday's market...sl. steers & cows steady to 1.00 higher. **STEERS:** few High Choice and Prime 1200/1425 lbs. 65.00-71.25, Choice 1040/1475 lbs. 64.00-69.00, Select 58.00-64.00, Standard 53.75-59.00. **HOLSTEINS:** Select and Choice 1240/1430 lbs. 56.00-60.00. **HEIFERS:** one Choice 1280 lbs. 62.50. **COWS:** few Breaking Utility and Commercial 38.75-43.85, Cutter and Boning Utility 36.75-44.00, one 44.85, Canner and Low Cutter 35.00-39.50. Shells down to 30.00. **BULLS:** couple Yield Grade No. 1 1280 & 1450 lbs. 46.75 & 48.25, few No. 2 1135/1460 lbs. 40.00-42.50. **FEEDER CATTLE:** Steers: Medium Frame No. 1 735/885 lbs. 58.00-61.50; Heifers: few Medium Frame No. 1 320/460 lbs. 41.00-47.00, few Large Frame No. 2 820/860 lbs. 36.00-41.00; Bulls: few Medium Frame No. 1 400/600 lbs. 57.00-61.50.

CALVES 85...VEALERS: Standard and Good 75/95 lbs. 35.00-50.00, Utility 55/105 lbs. 16.00-30.00. **FARM CALVES:** No. 1 Holstein bulls 85/120 lbs. 110.00-130.00, No. 2 85/120 lbs. 65.00-100.00; couple No. 1 Holstein heifers 105 & 110 lbs. 185.00 & 195.00, couple No. 2 75 & 95 lbs. 100.00 & 150.00. Beef cross bulls and heifers 75/105 lbs. 60.00-145.00.

HOGS 85...Barrows and gilts 5.00 to 6.00 higher. **BARROWS AND GILTS:** US 1-2 230/260 lbs. 33.25-34.75, few 35.60, US 1-3 210/260 lbs. 30.35-32.60, 110/155 lbs. 31.00-35.00. **SOWS:** few US 1-3 335/435 lbs. 25.00-29.00. **BOARS:** one 335 lbs. 16.00.

FEEDER PIGS 0..NO MARKET TEST!

SHEEP 8...Slaughter lambs: Choice 70/85 lbs. 65.00-70.00.

GOATS 0..NO MARKET TEST!

New Holland Dairy

New Holland Sales Stables
Wednesday, December 13, 1994

Report supplied by auction

DAIRY COWS 180; HEIFERS 120; BULLS 2. MARKET STEADY.

LOCAL FRESH COWS 410.00-850.00. FRESH HEIFERS 635.00-1300.00. PUREBREDS 1135.00-1275.00.

LOCAL SPRINGERS 400.00-1250.00. UPSTATE LOADS FRESH 825.00-1450.00, SPRINGERS 825.00-1275.00.

BETTER FRESH COWS 1150.00-1275.00.

2 HERDS 73 HEAD ALL STAGES 370.00-1035.00, BETTER COWS 1225.00-1400.00.

SPRINGING HEIFERS LARGE 1075.00-1235.00, SMALL 550.00-985.00. SHORT BRED HEIFERS 525.00-950.00.

REGISTERED HEIFERS 1075.00-1260.00.

OPEN BREEDING AGE HEIFERS 600.00-800.00.

SMALL OPEN HEIFERS 210.00-470.00.

BULLS 460.00-510.00, PUREBREDS 800.00-1000.00.

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