



APRIL 3-9, 1995

WORLD HEALTH DAY, APRIL 7.

THE PONY EXPRESS

On April 3, 1860, the first Pony Express rider left St. Joseph, Missouri, and headed west. Although he would travel only 75 to 100 miles (changing horses six to eight times), the mail in his leather bags could be going much farther. For \$5.10, a half-ounce letter could travel the entire 1,838-mile route to Sacramento, California. (The goal of ten-day service was actually achieved, sometimes!) After a rest period, each rider would jump back on a horse and carry a new batch of mail in the other direction. The transcontinental telegraph ended all need for the Pony Express and the service ended in October 1861. But the romance and the legends live on.



Once uttered, words run faster than horses.

TIP OF THE WEEK

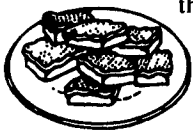
Suction cups will stick better if dampened with soapy bubbles.

MAPLE BROWNIES

- 2 eggs
- 3/4 cup sugar
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 1/2 cup maple-flavored syrup
- 6 tablespoons butter or margarine
- 2 ounces unsweetened baking chocolate
- 3/4 cup flour
- 1/2 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 cup chopped walnuts
- sifted powdered sugar

Beat together eggs, sugar, and vanilla. Add syrup and mix well. Melt butter and chocolate over low heat. Remove from heat and blend in egg mixture. Combine flour, baking powder, and salt; stir into chocolate mixture. Stir in nuts. Spread in a greased 9-inch square pan. Bake at 350° F for 25 to 30 minutes. Cool, then dust with powdered sugar.

Makes 24 brownies.



THE OLD FARMER'S WEATHER PROVERBS



April weather: Rain and sunshine, both together.

If the weather is not clear on Palm Sunday, it means a bad year.

Bubbles over calm beds of water mean rain is coming.

The hooting of the owl brings rain.

Special Offer. Handy chart full of interesting weather proverbs. Send \$3 to Weather Chart, Dept UF, The Old Farmer's Almanac, Box 520, Dublin, NH 03444.

Leesport Livestock Auction

LEESPORT, PA
March 29, 1995

CATTLE 259... PDA ... Supply included 97 sl. steers & heifers and 33 feeder cattle ...sl. steers .50 to 1.00 lower, cows steady to 1.00 lower, bulls 1.00 to 2.00 lower. STEERS: few Choice 1105/1255 lbs. 63.50-64.50, few Yield Grade 4-5 1080/1350 lbs. 62.25-62.75, Select 58.75-63.50, few Standard 57.75-58.00. HOLSTEINS: Choice 1275/1565 lbs. 57.00-60.75, Select 53.00-57.00, Standard 46.75-52.00. HEIFERS: few Choice 1200/1300 lbs. 62.75-64.00, Select 56.00-62.50, few Standard 44.00-55.00. COWS: Breaking Utility and Commercial 38.00-42.25, Cutter and Boning Utility 37.00-40.75, Canner and Low Cutter 35.00-38.75. Shells down to 19.00. BULLS: Yield Grade No. 1 1210/2250 lbs. 46.00-50.50, one 52.75, No. 2 1000/2340 lbs. 42.00-46.25. FEEDER CATTLE: HEIFERS: Medium Frame No. 1 355/625 lbs. 61.00, few Large Frame No. 2 455/560 lbs. 64.00-70.00; BULLS: few Medium & Large Frame No. 1 470/750 lbs. 77.00-80.00, Large Frame No. 2 460/770 lbs. 47.00-59.00.

CALVES 116...Holstein bulls 5.00 to 25.00 higher, heifers 10.00 higher. VEALERS: one Good 185 lbs. 81.00, Standard and Good 80/115 lbs. 45.00-50.00, Utility 60/75 lbs. 30.00-37.50. FARM CALVES: No. 1 Holstein bulls 90/120 lbs. 105.00-116.00,

few 120.00, No. 2 80/120 lbs. 65.00-100.00; few No. 1 Holstein heifers 90/115 lbs. 160.00-197.50, few No. 2 80/90 lbs. 70.00-140.00. Beef cross bulls and heifers 85/120 lbs. 60.00-120.00, few 165.00.

HOGS 97...Barrows and gilts mostly 1.00 higher, sows uneven. BARROWS AND GILTS: US 1-2 225/270 lbs. 36.50-37.25, lot 38.00, US 1-3 210/270 lbs. 34.00-36.00, few US 2-3 240/270 lbs. 29.00-34.00. SOWS: US 1-3 325/490 lbs. 26.00-28.75, few 510/550 lbs. 29.50-31.00. BOARS: couple 205 lbs. 22.50.

FEEDER PIGS 102...US 1-3 35/50 lbs. 57.50-77.50, lot 22 lbs. 90.00. --- per cwt. SHEEP 37...Slaughter lambs 5.00 higher. SLAUGHTER LAMBS: Choice 20/45 lbs. 97.50-130.00, 45/65 lbs. 85.00-92.50, couple 100 lbs. 80.00. SLAUGHTER SHEEP: 22.00-40.00, few Yearlings 62.00.

GOATS 10...One Large 77.00, few Medium 40.00-66.00, few Small Kids 17.50-22.00. --- per head.

Grantsville Livestock

Grantsville, Maryland

Report Supplied by Auction

Sat., March 25, 1995

STOCK BULLS AND STEERS 200-500 LBS. 55.00-82.00.

STOCK HEIFERS: 55.00-72.50.

SLAUGHTER STEERS GOOD TO

CHOICE, NONE AVAILABLE; MEDIUM TO GOOD 50.00-62.00.

HOLSTEIN STEERS GOOD 60.00-67.00; LIGHT 44.50-51.00.

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS GOOD TO CHOICE 60.00-62.50; MEDIUM TO GOOD 48.00-59.00.

BULLS HEAVY 44.00-56.50, LIGHT 45.00-55.00.

COWS FEW HIGH DRESSING UP TO 44.00, UTILITY HOLSTEIN 39.25-42.50, CANNERS 30.00-38.00, CULLS 30.00 AND DOWN.

VEALS GOOD TO CHOICE 70.00-115.00, MEDIUM TO GOOD 55.00-68.00.

BOB CALVES: 45.00 AND DOWN. HOLSTEIN BULL CALVES RETURN TO FARM 90-120 LBS. 90.00-114.00.

HOLSTEIN HEIFER CALVES RETURN TO FARM 100-120 LBS. UP TO 120.00.

BEEF CROSS CALVES RETURN TO FARM UP TO 125.00.

HOGS: TOP QUALITY 35.00-37.00; HEAVY 35.00-36.50, LIGHT 28.00-35.00, FEEDER PIGS BY THE HEAD 15.00-60.00.

SOWS: UP TO 27.00.

MALE HOGS: 18.00-20.00.

LAMBS: 70.00-100.00; CULLS 65.00 AND DOWN.

SHEEP: 22.00-35.00.

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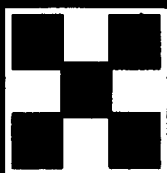
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