



MAY 29-JUNE 4, 1995

MEMORIAL DAY, MAY 29.

**OLD LORE, NEW MOON**

The new Moon this month falls on Memorial Day. Folklore regards the new Moon as a time to shear sheep, cut lumber for bridges, cure whooping cough, and go fishing. Weather lore says that if the old Moon is seen in the arms of the new (or the faint outline of the full disk is illuminated by the bright crescent), a storm is coming. Likewise, if you can't hang your hat on the lower point of the crescent, rain is predicted. To see a new Moon in your dreams signifies increasing fortune and a compatible marriage.



In some cultures, new Moon festivals celebrate the returning of the night's illumination.  
 "... the moon ... apparent queen ... o'er the dark, her silver mantle threw." — John Milton

**TIP OF THE WEEK**

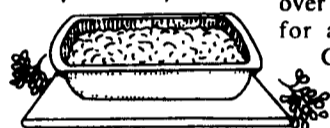
Flag etiquette for Memorial Day places the flag at half-staff until noon, then raised to the peak until it is lowered at sunset.

**MAGIC FINGERS**

- 1 1/2 cups graham cracker crumbs
- 1/2 cup melted butter
- 2 cups (12 ounces) chocolate chips
- 1 cup shredded coconut
- 1 cup chopped walnuts
- 1 14-ounce can sweetened condensed milk (not evaporated milk)

Mix crumbs and melted butter together and press into the bottom of a 9x13-inch baking pan. Layer the chips over the crumbs, then layer on the coconut and the walnuts. Pour the sweetened condensed milk evenly over all. Bake at 350° F for about 25 minutes. Cool slightly and cut into long bars.

Makes about 24.



**The OLD FARMER'S WEATHER PROVERBS**



*If the crescent of the Moon holds water, We will have a dry spell.*

*Expect rain when dogs' tails straighten.*

*The early appearance of butterflies is said to indicate fine weather.*

**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.

**OK City Feeder Cattle**

OKLAHOMA CITY, OK  
MAY 24, 1995

**Weekly Cattle Summary**

Compared to last Monday: Feeder steers firm to 2.00 higher with full advance over 800 lbs.; feeder heifers steady to 1.00 higher. Few stockers and calves near steady. Demand good for feeders, stockers, and thin calves; demand light to moderate for balance of calves. Flesh condition and quality of supply was improved for buyers but weigh-ups were on sellers side. Flesh condition of feeder cattle was light-medium thru moderate-flesh with less cattle in heavy flesh than last week. Many feeders were in desirable flesh. Quality average thru attractive, moderate end plain. Weigh-ups average to many full. Wheat is playing out and cattle are making the transition to grass pasture which will complete the change from heavy to light flesh come early June.

Slaughter cows and bulls steady to 1.00 higher. Demand from packers remains fairly good. Total of 496 cows and bulls sold with about 30 percent returning to the country.

Receipts this week 14,350; last week 10,740; last year 13,833.

Supply consisted of 86 percent yearlings over 600 lbs; 11 percent calves under 600 lbs; 3 percent cows and bulls.

Prices follow with weighted average weight and price in parenthesis.

Feeder Steers: Medium and Large 1 350-400 lbs (381 lbs) 85.25-95.00 (87.77); 400-500 lbs (450 lbs) 79.00-85.50 (82.54); 500-600 lb (550 lbs) thin calves and yearlings 74.00-79.50, medium flesh calves 70.00-74.00 (74.70); 600-700 lb (650 lbs) stockers 68.25-77.00 (72.78); 650-700 lb (678 lbs) feeders 66.50-72.75 (69.04); 700-750 lb (730 lbs) stockers 69.00-71.75 (70.32); 700-750 lbs (731 lbs) 64.75-68.50 (66.41); 750-800 lbs (777 lbs) 62.75-67.60 (65.52); 800-900 lbs (850 lbs) 59.25-65.75 (62.69); 900-950 lbs (922 lbs) 58.00-61.25

(59.54); 950-1000 lbs (959 lbs) 56.75-59.75 (58.37); 1000-1050 lbs (1011 lbs) 54.00-56.50 (55.08).

Holstein: Large 2 475 lbs 58.50; 600-700 lbs 53.50-55.50; 725-800 lbs 50.25-53.00; 850 lbs 47.25; 925-1000 lbs 45.50-46.50.

Feeder Heifers: Medium and Large 1 400-500 lbs (450 lbs) 68.50-75.25 (72.88); 500-600 lbs (550 lbs) 63.75-69.00 (65.64); 600-700 lbs (650 lbs) 62.00-66.75 (64.33); 700-800 lbs (750 lbs) 57.75-64.25, mostly 58.75-62.50 (61.12); 800-850 lbs (815 lbs) 58.00-60.75 (59.61); 850-900 lbs (871 lbs) 55.75-59.25 (57.25).

Slaughter Cows: Cutter, boning and breaking Utility average dressing 36.00-39.50; high dressing 39.00-41.50, high dressing/high boning 41.50-43.00; low dressing 32.50-35.50. Canner and low Cutters 30.50-32.50.

Slaughter Bulls: Yield Grade 1 1200-2150 lbs average dressing 46.00-49.00; high dressing 50.50-52.75, high dressing/high boning 53.50-55.00; low dressing 42.00-45.50.

Replacement Cows: Pretested for bangs, pregnancy, and age. Medium and Large 1 Average to high quality. Heifers 800-1100 lbs 4-7 months bred 450.00-500.00. 5-7 year olds 1000-1200 lbs 4-7 months bred 425.00-500.00. Limousin Crosses 535.00-560.00. 9-10+ year olds 1000-1275 lbs 4-7 months bred 385.00-485.00

Pairs: Medium and Large 1. 2-5 year old 800-900/100-150 lbs average quality 640.00-675.00. 5-6 year old 900-1000/100-275 lbs high quality 730.00-785.00. 5-8 year old 950-1200/75-200 lbs average quality 570.00-650.00. 9-10+ year old 1000-1200/200-300 lbs high quality 575.00-675.00. 1200-1375/300-400 lbs high quality 725.00-800.00. 800-1050/100-250 lbs average quality 450.00-550.00

Source: USDA-Oklahoma Dept of Ag Market News, Oklahoma City, OK  
Robert Miles - Tina Colby Telephone (405) 232-5425

**Frederick Livestock Auction**

Frederick, Md.  
May 22, 1995

Report Supplied by Auction  
SLAUGHTER COWS: 71 HEAD, 50-1.00 HIGHER. UTILITY 39.00-42.50; HIGH DRESSING FEW 43.00-44.75; CANNERS 35.00-39.00; SHELLY 35.00 DOWN.

BULLS: YG#1 2 HEAD 1990 LBS. 49.00 AND 52.50; 1 1100 LB. AT 48.75; YG#2 42.00-47.00.

FED STEERS: NO CHOICE; SELECT BEEF BREEDS 1050-1200 LBS. 53.00-58.00; LOW CHOICE HOL 1500-1700 LBS. 50.00-53.25.

HEIFERS: FEW DAIRY CULLS TO 46.75.

VEAL CALVES: 185 HEAD. CHOICE, NONE; GOOD 140-180 LBS. TO 69.00; CULLS 85-110 LBS. 44.00-50.00; 50-80 LBS. 40.00-46.00; WEAK/ROUGH 40.00 DOWN.

FARM CALVES: HOLSTEIN BULLS #1 90-120 LBS. 105.00-119.00; 125-135 LBS. 77.00-102.00; #2 80-100 LBS. 65.00-100.00; HOLSTEIN HEIFERS #1 90-120 LBS. 185.00-220.00; #2 80-100 LBS. 110.00-175.00; BEEF X BULLS AND HEIFERS TO 102.00.

STOCK CATTLE: STEERS FEW 350-550 LBS. TO 68.00.

HEIFERS: 500-700 LBS. 52.00-56.00. BULLS: 700-900 LBS. 49.00-53.00.

LAMBS: 45-75 LBS. 94.00-105.00. GOATS: LARGE 64.00-74.00, MEDIUM TO 46.00.

PIGS AND SHOATS: 20 HEAD. BY THE HEAD FROM TESTED HERDS 20-40 LBS. 16.00-20.00.

SOWS: FEW OFFERED. BOARS: NONE.

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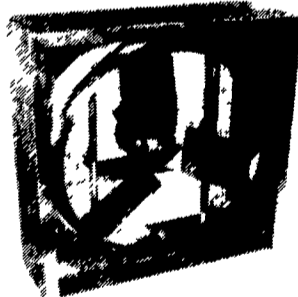
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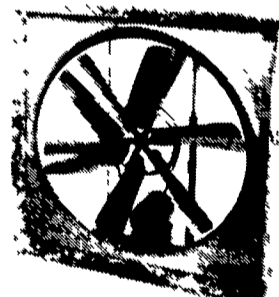
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**FD 48**

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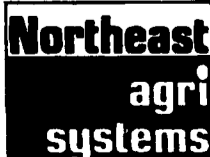
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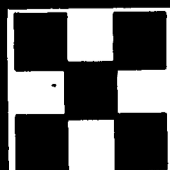
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