

ALL SAINTS' DAY

riginally celebrated on May 13, All Saint's Day was a catch-all holiday to honor saints without days of their own. In the 8th century the date was changed to November 1, making All Hallow's Eve October 31st, as an attempt to counteract a pagan holiday traditionally celebrated then. The Celt's celebrated the end of the old year on October 31, their New Year commencing November 1, and bonfires were lit to help the Sun through the dark days of winter. The masquerade elements of the holiday were added in

the 18th and 19th centuries, when "guisers" stepped out in costume to drive away evil.

They are not all saints who use holy water.

> TIP OF THE WEEK

For To combat a sweet tooth, rinse your mouth with a teaspoon of baking soda in a cup of water. Your craving will disappear.

— Anonymous

POPCORN BALLS

1/2 cup light corn syrup 1/2 cup molasses 1 teaspoon vinegar 4 tablespoons melted butter 8 cups popped corn

ring syrup, molasses, and vinegar to boil in a saucepan, stirring, until a candy thermometer reads 270° F. Remove from heat and stir in butter. Pour

over popcorn, tossing gently until well coated. Grease your hands and form popcorn into balls.

Makes 10 to 12 popcorn balls.



snakeskin and it will bring rain.

If the beech acorn is wet on All Saint's Day, (Nov. 1) the winter will be wet.

The swine jerk up their heads before a

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OK Citv Feeder Cattle

OKLAHOMA CITY, OK **OCTOBER 25, 1995**

Compared to last Monday: Feeder steers and heifers steady to 2.00 lower. Demand moderate for feeder steers, fairly light for small supply of feeder heifers. Steer and heifer calves 2.00-4.00 lower with moderate demand. Yearling cattle carried medium flesh and average to full weighups. Calf flesh is improving for buyers and is medium to moderately fleshy. Wheat planting is basically completed with most fields germinated. A general rain is needed but pastures would still be late. Slaughter cows 1.00-2.00 lower, with exception of fleshy cows steady. Slaughter buils steady to 1.00 lower. Packer demand moderate. Bred cow buyers fairly active at this level. 65 percent of cows and bulls bought by packers. 730 cows and bulls sold. Receipts this week 11,475; last week 11,005; last ycar 14,327. Supply consisted of 46 percent yearlings and calves over 600 lbs; 48 percent calves under 600 lbs; 6 percent cows and bulls. Prices follow with weighted average weight and price in parenthesis. Feeder Steers: Medium and Large 1 350-400 lbs (371 lbs) 66.00-74.00 (70.52); 400-450 lbs (417 lbs) 64.50-69.00 (66.36); 450-500 lbs (474 lbs) 60.75-66.00 (63.51); 500-600 lbs (550 lbs) 58.50-66.00 (61.89); 600-700 lb calves (650 lbs) 57.50-63.50 (59.32); 600-700 lb yearlings and few thin calves (650 lbs) 64.00-69.50 (66.95); 700-800 lbs (750 lbs) 64.75-69.00 (66.52); 800-850 lbs (827 lbs) 65.00-67.85 (66.08); 850-900 lbs (878 lbs) 62.75-66.00 (64.11). Feeder Heifers: Medium and Large 1 300-350 lbs (331 lbs) 65.00-67.00 (65.75); 350-400 lbs (385 lbs) 54.50-61.00 (58.03); 400-450 lbs (425 lbs) 54.00-61.00 (56.26); 450-500 lbs (484 lbs) 51.00-56.25 (53.83); 500-600 lb calves (550 lbs) 52.00-57.50 (54.03); 550-600 lb yearlings (569 lbs) 56.00-60.00 (57.34); 600-700 lb calves (650 lbs) 52.50-56.50 (54.39); 600-700 lb yearlings (650 lbs) 57.25-62.00 (60.43); 700-800 lbs (750 lbs) 58.00-64.75 (60.80). Slaughter Cows: Cutter, boning and breaking Utility average dressing 31.00-33.50; high dressing 32.00-35.50, high dressing/ high boning 36.00-37.50; low dressing 27.00-31.25, mostly 28.00-30.50. Canner and low Cutter 21.50-26.00. Estimated dressed cost at Oklahoma National Stockyards: Cutter 67.50; Boning Utility 63.00; Breaking Utility 61.30. Slaughter Bulls: Yield Grade 1 1400-2000 lbs average dressing 42.50-47.00; high dressing 47.00-47.50, indiv high dressing/high boning 48.00; low dressing or fleshy 38.00-43.00. Estimated dressed cost at Oklahoma National Stockyards: Bulls

78.90. Replacement Cows: Pretested for bangs, prognancy, and age Medium and Large 1 Average quality single head sales: Heifers 775-900 lbs 3-4 months bred 432.00-450.00; 6 year old 1050-1300 lbs 4-8 months bred 440.00-485.00; 8-9 yr old 900-1225 lbs 4-6 months bred 340.00-405.00.

Four States Livestock Hagerstown, Md. October 25, 1995

Report supplied by Auction

SLAUGHTER COWS: 2.00 LOWER. UTILITY 31.50-35.00; HIGH DRESSING 35.50-37.75, 1 AT 40.50; CANNERS 27.00-32.50; SHELLY 27.00 DOWN. BULLS: 8 HEAD, STEADY TO 1.00 LOWER. YG#1 1200-1950 LBS. 42.00-45.00; YG#2 37.00-41.00; LOW DRESSING 35.00.

FED STEERS: HIGH CHOICE 1100-1450 LBS. 62.00-64.75; SELECT TO 55.00; STANDARD 45.00-50.00.

FED HEIFERS: 1 CHOICE 1100 LBS. AT 62.00.

VEAL CALVES: CHOICE, NONE; GOOD 200-300 LBS. TO 60.00; CULLS 85-110 LBS. 30.00-40.00; 50-80 LBS. 25.00-33.00.

FARM CALVES: HOLSTEIN BULLS #1 95-120 LBS. \$2.00-103.00; #2 \$0-100 LBS. 45.00-60.00; HOLSTEIN HEIFERS #1 90-120 LBS. 100.00-120.00; BEEF X BULLS AND HEIFERS TO 62.50.

BUTCHER HOGS: US#1&3 220-260 LBS. 42.00-42.50; FEW 350 LBS. TO 39.00

SOWS: 400-500 LBS. TO 34.50; 500-700 LBS. 37.00-38.50. BOARS: 500 LBS. TO 30.00.

STOCK CATTLE: STEERS MEDIUM AND LARGE FRAME 300-500 LBS. 53.00-64.50; 500-700 LBS. 50.00-62.00; 700-900 LBS. 50.00-57.00; 900-1050 LBS. 51.00-59.00.

HEIFERS: MEDIUM AND LARGE FRAME 300-500 LBS. 40.00-50.00; 500-700 LBS. 43.00-52.00; 700-900 LBS. 39.00-47.00.

BULLS: MEDIUM AND LARGE FRAME 200-400 LBS. 50.00-60.00; 400-600 LBS. 48.00-56.00; ST BULLS 2 SIMI X 1000 LBS. TO 45.00; 1 HERE-FORD TO 41.75; 1 ANGUS AT 485.00.

DAIRY REPLACEMENTS: GOOD DEMAND. LARGE SPRINGER \$50.00 UP, 1 AT 1125.00; FEW SMALL TO 650.00; OPEN HEIFERS 700 LBS. 475.00. SHEEP: 28.00-37.00.

LAMBS: CHOICE 90-110 LBS. 72.00-76.00.

PIGS AND SHOATS: BY THE HEAD, 7 HEAD 25 LBS. AT 12.00.

Carlisle Livestock Market Carline, Pa. Iny, October 24, 1995

Report Supplied by Auction SLAUGHTER CATTLE: SLAUGH-TER STEERS SELECT HOLSTEINS 50.50-55.50; SLAUGHTER HEIFERS, HOLSTEINS UP TO 50.00; SLAUGH-TER COWS BREAKING UTILITY AND COMMERCIAL 37.00-41.00; CUTTER AND BONING UTILITY 35.00-38.00 CANNER AND LOW CUTTER 30.00-35.50; BIG MIDDLE 33.00-36.75; SHELLY 29.00 DOWN.

BULLS: YG #1 38.00-43.75.

FEEDER CATTLE: FEEDER STEERS MEDIUM #1 400-850 LBS. 52.00-68.00, HOLSTEIN/DAIRY TYPES 38.00-58.00; FEEDER HEIFERS MEDIUM #1 200-850 LBS. 38.00-65.00, DAIRY TYPES 33.00-50.00; FERDER BULLS 450-850 LBS. HOLSTEIN/DAIRY TYPES 39.00-52.00

CALVES: VEALERS STANDARD AND GOOD 30.00-60.00; CALVES RETURNING TO FARM, HOLSTEIN BULLS #1 95-120 LBS. 87.50-105.00, #2 90-135 LBS. 62.50-85.00; HOLSTEIN HEIFERS #1 70-120 LBS. 130.00-180.00.

SWINE: HOGS US#1-3 220-270 LBS. 42.50-43.00, 300-410 LBS. 40.00-51.00; US#2-4 220-270 LBS. 37.50-41.50, 300-410 LBS. 28.00-37.00; SOWS US#1-3 300-675 LBS. 34.00-40.00, THIN/WEAK/ ROUGH TO 33.50; BOARS 610-630 LBS. 28.00-28.25; FEEDER PIGS BY THE HEAD, 15-35 LBS. 9.00-23.00, 30-50 LBS. 24.00-32.50.

GOATS: BY THE HEAD, MEDIUM 60.00-75.00, FLESHY KIDS 35.00-57.00, SMALL KIDS 18.00-32.50.

LAMBS: CHOICE 45-75 LBS. 89.00-115.00, GOOD 80.00-87.00, GOOD AND CHOICE 80-120 LBS. 78.00-83.00. SHEEP: ALL WEIGHTS, 17.00-30.00.

SALE EVERY TUES. 5:55 P.M. FOR PRODUCE, RABBITS, POULTRY AND

EGGS; 7 P.M. FOR LIVESTOCK. NEXT STATE GRADED FEEDER PIG SALE FRI., OCT. 27.

NEXT SPECIAL FEEDER CATTLE SALE TUES., OCT. 31 (PEN LOTS OF CATTLE WILL BE SOLD IN ORDER **RECEIVED.)**

NEXT SPECIAL MONTHLY FED CATTLE SALE TUES., NOV. 14 (PEN LOTS OF CATTLE WILL BE SOLD IN ORDER RECEIVED.)

EARLYBIRD PENS CLOSE EVERY TUES. AT 2 P.M.

ESTIMATED HOG BASE PRICE AT THE PLANT FOR WED., OCT. 25 WAS 42.50.



big wind.

