



NOVEMBER 13-19, 1995

DISCOVERY DAY, PUERTO RICO, NOV. 19.

PLANETARY PARTY

In another week, we'll be gathering for Thanksgiving, but this week the planets are coming together for a preliminary starlight conjunction. On the 16th, Mars will be just a degree south of Jupiter, and Venus will pass nearly as close to Jupiter on the 19th, pursuing Mars until dusk on the 22nd. By Thanksgiving night next week, the new crescent Moon will join the gathering of Jupiter, Venus, and Mars. In Roman religion, Mars was the god of war, although in earlier times he was associated with agriculture. The seasons on Mars, our closest planet, correspond roughly to those on Earth, but temperatures in the Martian winter go to -90° F.

Art is I. Science, is we.

— Claude Bernard



THE OLD FARMER'S WEATHER PROVERBS



When you take up the teapot and find sparks on the bottom, it is a sign of cold weather.

Where the sun enters, the doctor does not.

Ice in November brings mud in December.

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
NOVEMBER 8, 1995

Compared to last week: Feeder cattle and calves over 600 lbs steady to 2.00 higher. Demand good for cattle destined to feedlots. Steer and heifer calves under 600 lbs steady with fairly good demand. Quality of supply average at best. Weigh condition of yearlings average to full; calves average. Flesh condition of yearlings mostly medium; calf flesh continues highly varied from slightly thin to moderately fleshy. However calf flesh still improving each week for buyers with medium flesh becoming the norm. Wheat pasture prospects are dismal in Oklahoma. A minimal number of calves will go to wheat before February. With \$5.00 wheat it is likely that wheat grazing will be limited in final half of the season also. Slaughter cows steady. Slaughter bulls 50 higher. Packer demand moderate. Utility cows most popular among buyers, however only few to choose from. Near 775 cows and bulls sold with 70 percent going to packers. Receipts this week 10,725; last week 12,489; last year 14,060. Supply consisted of 49 percent yearlings and calves over 600 lbs; 44 percent calves under 600 lbs; 7 percent cows and bulls. Prices follow with weighted average weight and price in parenthesis. Feeder Steers: Medium and Large 1 300-400 lbs (350 lbs) 67.00-75.00 (72.33); 400-450 lbs (423 lbs) 62.50-71.00 (66.99); 450-500 lbs (478 lbs) 62.00-69.50 (65.25); 500-600 lbs (550 lbs) 59.50-63.50 (61.90); 600-700 lb calves (650 lbs) 58.00-65.50 (62.22); 600-700 lb yearlings (650 lbs) 65.00-69.00 (68.13); 700-800 lbs (750 lbs) 65.50-68.75 (67.50); 800-850 lbs (828 lbs) 67.00-68.75 (67.44); 850-900 lbs (872 lbs) 65.25-66.75 (65.80); 900-950 lbs (924 lbs) 62.75-66.75 (64.75). Feeder Heifers: Medium and Large 1 350-400 lbs (381 lbs) 53.00-57.50, Limousin to 61.50 (56.41); 400-500 lbs (473 lbs) 50.00-57.50, Limousine to 60.25 (54.48); 500-600 lb calves (550 lbs) 51.50-58.50 (54.53); 600-700 lb calves (650 lbs) 51.50-58.50 (54.55); 550-600 lb yearlings (590 lbs) 58.25-62.75 (60.05); 600-700 lb yearlings (650 lbs) 61.00-64.75 (62.75); 700-750 lbs (750 lbs) 63.00-64.25 (63.69); 800-850 lbs (824 lbs) 58.00-62.75 (60.25); 900-925 lbs (911 lbs) 53.50-57.00 (55.70). Slaughter Cows: Average dressing Cutter 27.50-30.00, bon-

ing and breaking Utility 28.00-31.50; high dressing 31.00-34.25; low dressing 24.00-27.50. Canner and low Cutter 22.50-25.50. Estimated dressed cost at Oklahoma National Stockyards: Cutter 60.75; Boning Utility 58.95; Breaking Utility 56.35; Bulls 77.35. Slaughter bulls: Yield Grade 1 1300-2000 lbs average dressing 41.00-44.00; high dressing 44.50-48.50; low dressing 38.00-41.50. Replacement Cows: Pretested for bangs, pregnancy, and age Medium and Large 1: High quality ranch fresh groups: Heifers 800-950 lbs 3-6 months bred 415.00-480.00, BWF & Brangus 500.00.

Carlisle Livestock Market

Carlisle, Pa.

Tuesday, November 7, 1995
Report Supplied by Auction

SLAUGHTER CATTLE: SLAUGHTER STEERS, NO CHOICE OFFERED; SELECT 950-1050 LBS. 59.00-62.00; HOLSTEINS 49.00-56.00; FEW COMMERCIAL HOLSTEINS 60.00-62.00.

SLAUGHTER COWS: BREAKING UTILITY AND COMMERCIAL 33.00-36.25, CUTTER AND BONING UTILITY 30.00-34.75; CANNER AND LOW CUTTER 25.00-31.50; BIG MIDDLE 28.75-32.75; SHELLY TO 23.00.

BULLS: YG #1 COUPLE 38.00-40.00. FEEDER CATTLE: FEEDER STEERS 300-900 LBS. 50.00-63.00, HOLSTEIN/DAIRY TYPES 42.00-53.00; FEEDER HEIFERS 200-900 LBS. 40.00-70.00.

CALVES: VEALERS STANDARD AND GOOD 70-150 LBS. 28.00-63.00; CALVES RETURNING TO FARM, ACTIVE HOLSTEIN BULLS #1 95-130 LBS. 90.00-106.00, #2 80-140 LBS. 47.50-89.00; HOLSTEIN HEIFERS #1 75-110 LBS. 100.00-140.00.

SWINE: HOGS US#1-3 220-270 LBS. 40.00-41.50; US#2-3 220-270 CBS. 38.00-39.75, 280-350 LBS. 36.00-44.00, 180-210 LBS. 36.50-43.00; SOWS US#1-3 300-740 LBS. 32.00-38.00; THIN/WEAK/ROUGH, ALL WEIGHTS, TO 31.00; BOARS 300-655 LBS. 27.50-29.25, ONE AT 23.50; FEEDER PIGS BY THE HEAD, 15-25 LBS. 15.00-25.00, 30-50 LBS. 24.00-32.00.

GOATS: BY THE HEAD, LARGE BILLIES AND NANNIES 58.00-117.50; FLESHY KIDS 35.00-52.00; SMALL

KIDS 16.00-33.00.

LAMBS: GOOD AND CHOICE 50-110 LBS. 70.00-88.00.

SHEEP: ALL WEIGHTS, 19.00-39.00. SALE EVERY TUES. 5:35 P.M. FOR PRODUCE, RABBITS, POULTRY AND EGGS; 7 P.M. FOR LIVESTOCK.

THE NEXT STATE GRADED FEEDER PIG SALES WILL BE ON FRIDAY, NOV. 10 & 24.

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

NEXT SPECIAL FEEDER CATTLE SALE TUES., NOV. 21. (PEN LOTS OF CATTLE WILL BE SOLD IN ORDER RECEIVED).

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

THE HOG BASE PRICE AT THE PLANT FOR WED., NOV. 8 WAS 40.50.

Valley Stockyards

Athens, Pa.

November 6, 1995

Report supplied by auction

HOLSTEIN HEIFER CALVES TO 150.00.

VEAL CALVES, NO GOOD ONES. VEALER BULL CALVES TO 97.50. SLAUGHTER CALVES 40.00 AND DOWN.

GRASSERS & FEEDERS 21.00-55.00. LAMBS 68.00-94.00.

SHEEP TO 29.00.

HOGS 200-250, NO GOOD ONES.

SOWS 25.00-31.50.

BOARS TO 27.00.

PIGS EACH, 13.00-31.50.

HEIFERS 26.50-31.50.

STEERS 31.00-32.50.

FEEDER STEERS 31.00-47.50.

BULLS 35.50-39.75.

GOOD COWS 28.50-32.50.

COWS MEDIUM 23.00-27.00.

COWS POOR OR SMALL 22.00 AND DOWN.

CATTLE MARKET EASIER.

CALF MARKET EASIER.

HORSES, NONE.

PONIES, NONE.

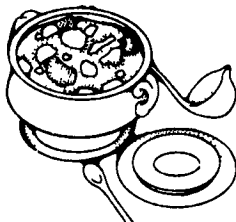
GOATS 47.00-62.50.

DAIRY SALE NOV. 16, 7:30 P.M.

BAKED BEEF AND BARLEY

- 1-1/2 pounds stew beef
- 1 medium onion, chopped
- 3 tablespoons vegetable oil
- 5 cups beef stock
- 1/2 teaspoon thyme
- 1/2 teaspoon marjoram
- 1/4 teaspoon rosemary
- 1 cup barley
- 1 tablespoon chopped parsley

Trim away fat, and cut the beef into 1/2-inch cubes. In a skillet, sauté the onion in the oil, then add beef to brown. Place onion and beef in a 3-quart ungreased casserole. Combine stock, herbs, and barley in the skillet and bring to a boil. Pour this over the beef, cover, and bake at 350° F for an hour. Garnish with parsley and serve with French bread. Makes 4 servings.



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- New Construction

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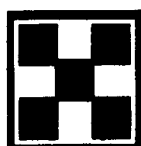
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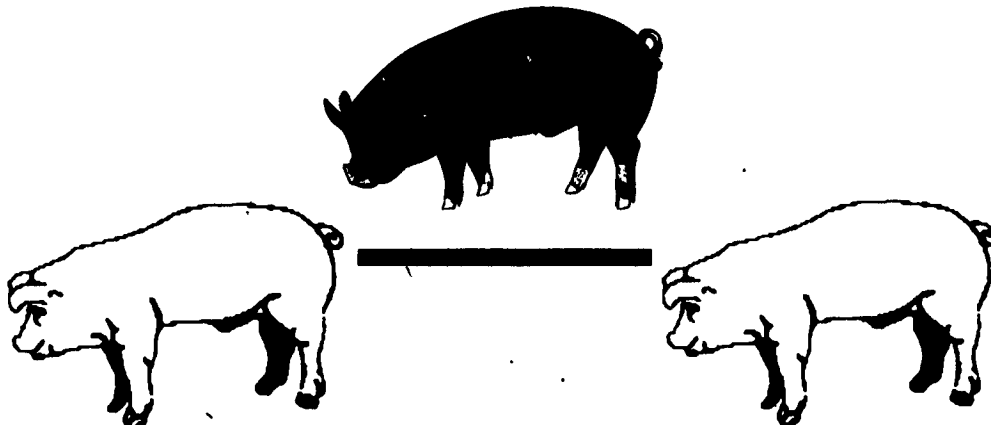
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