



MAY 13-19, 1996

NEW MOON, MAY 17.

THREE CHILLY SAINTS

Mammertus, Pancras, and Gervais (or Gervatius) are the "Three Chilly Saints" whose feast days are May 11, 12, and 13. The three became known in weatherlore for predicting what were, traditionally, the three coldest days of the month. Germans knew them as "Iceman" or the Iceman Days and farmers knew better than to plant vulnerable seedlings before the Icemen had come and gone. The English and French saw the Three Chilly Saints as harbingers of a late spring frost, leading to the weatherlore that "St. Pancras Day (May 12) never passes without frost."

If a cold wind reach you through a hole, say your prayers and mind your soul.



TIP OF THE WEEK

Plant garlic and mint around your rosebushes to keep away aphids.

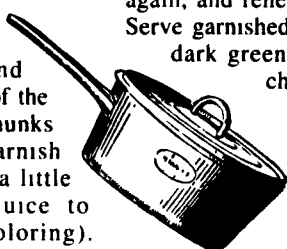
AVOCADO SOUP

- 2 ripe avocados
- 1 teaspoon curry powder
- 1/2 cup heavy cream
- 2 cups chicken broth
- 2 teaspoons lemon juice
- cayenne, black pepper, and salt, to taste
- chopped parsley to garnish

Blend the rest with the spices and cream. Combine the chicken stock and 2 teaspoons lemon juice and bring to a boil. Gradually add the avocado mixture to the hot stock, then blend again, and reheat gently. Serve garnished with the dark green avocado

chunks and parsley. **Makes 4 servings.**

Peel and pit the avocados. Dice and set aside some of the darker green chunks for the final garnish (sprinkle with a little extra lemon juice to prevent discoloring).



THE OLD FARMER'S WEATHER PROVERBS



May never goes out without a wheat ear.

A May cold is a thirty-day cold.

So many mists in March, so many frosts in May.

A May flood never did good.

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OK City Feeder Cattle

OKLAHOMA CITY, OK
MAY 8, 1996

Compared to last Monday: Feeder cattle 3.00-5.00 higher; stocker cattle 1.00-3.00 higher. Demand excellent for all classes and grades with broad buyer participation. Plainier cattle that have taken heavy discounts the past several weeks are up 6.00. Quality and conditions not as attractive as last week. Quality plain through attractive. Weigh-ups average to full, some gaunt. Feeder flesh medium to moderately fleshy; stocker flesh thin to medium. Slaughter cows 2.00-3.00 higher. Slaughter bulls 1.00 higher. Packer demand excellent. Trade active with very good demand. Total of 500 cows and bulls sold with 80 percent to packers. Drought conditions continue thru much of Oklahoma. Haying and grazing conditions are the big worry now. Receipts this week 10,100; last week 8,335; last year 7,537. Supply consisted of 71 percent yearlings over 600 lbs; 24 percent calves and light yearlings under 600 lbs; 5 percent cows and bulls. Prices follow with weighted average weight and price in parenthesis. Feeder Steers: Medium and Large 1 350-400 lbs (364 lbs) 63.50-66.00 (64.10); 400-500 lbs (450 lbs) 60.00-66.00 (63.00), few new crops 58.00-59.00; 500-600 lbs (550 lbs) 57.00-62.25 (60.23); 600-700 lb stockers (650 lbs) 58.00-61.25 (59.50); 600-700 lb feeders (650 lbs) 54.50-58.00 (56.93); 700-800 lbs (750 lbs) 53.00-58.50 (55.42); 800-900 lbs (850 lbs) 51.75-56.00 (53.97); 900-950 lbs (920 lbs) 51.75-53.75 (52.75). Holstein: Large 2 400-500 lbs 25.50-28.85; 550-600 lbs full 28.50-29.50; 725 lbs 31.00; 835 lbs full 33.00. Feeder Heifers: Medium and Large 1 350-400 lbs (373 lbs) 48.00-50.50 (50.05); 400-500 lbs (450 lbs) 48.50-53.25 (49.56); 500-600 lb stockers (550 lbs) 49.50-53.00 (50.80); 500-600 lb feeders

(550 lbs) 47.75-51.00 (49.97); 600-700 lbs (650 lbs) 48.75-53.00 (50.78); 700-800 lbs (750 lbs) 49.00-53.50 (50.83); 800-900 lbs (850 lbs) 46.25-50.00 (47.61). Slaughter Cows: Cutter and boning Utility average dressing 30.50-33.50; high dressing and breaking Utility 33.00-36.50, high dressing/high boning to 37.50; low dressing 26.50-30.00. Canner and Low Cutter 22.25-25.50. Estimated dressed cost at Oklahoma National Stockyards: Cutter 66.20; Boning Utility 64.60; Breaking Utility 62.30; Canner 58.75. Bulls 69.65. Slaughter Bulls: Yield Grade 1 1350-2150 lbs average dressing 37.00-40.25; high dressing 40.00-42.50, high dressing/high boning 44.00; low dressing few 35.00-35.50. Replacement Cows: Pre-tested for bangs, pregnancy, and age Medium and Large 1 Average, few high quality single head sales: Heifers 900-1150 lbs 7-8 months bred 300.00-360.00; 5-7 year olds 1000-1200 lbs 6-8 months bred 350.00-415.00. Pairs: Medium and Large 1 2-4 yr old 700-950 lb cows 100-200 lb calf avg quality 375.00-450.00.

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May 6, 1996

STOCK BULLS AND STEERS (200-500 LBS.) 40.00-56.00.
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HOLSTEIN STEERS: HEAVY CHOICE 40.00-43.50, LIGHT 30.00-40.00.

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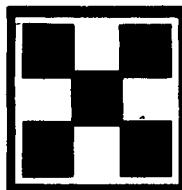
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