



FEBRUARY 10-16, 1997

VALENTINE'S DAY, FEB. 14.

SHROVE TUESDAY

February 11 is Shrove Tuesday, followed by Ash Wednesday, or the first day of Lent, and both immediately precede the first Sunday in Lent on February 16. In England, Shrove Tuesday was traditionally a day for wild football games, symbolic of the inevitable and seasonal clash between the dark of winter and the light of oncoming summer. Shrivings is a process of confessing one's sins and purifying oneself before Lent. In our country, we are more familiar with the Shrove Tuesday celebration of Mardi Gras, French for "fat Tuesday," and the culmination of the Carnival season in the New Orleans area. Mummung plays, chicken gumbos, and fried pancakes, or deep-fried "Oliebollen," are in order.

Tell the truth and run.

- Yugoslavian proverb



The OLD FARMER'S WEATHER PROVERBS

If the Sun doth smile on St. Eulalie's Day (Feb. 12), it's good for apples and cider, they say.

If snow begins at mid of day, expect a foot of it to lay.

When snow melts off the roof, the next storm will be rain; when the snow blows off, reckon on snow.

TIP OF THE WEEK

The secret to good doughnuts is to keep the fat hot enough so the doughnut cooks through quickly.

OLIEBOLLEN

- 1 package active dry yeast
- 1/4 cup warm water
- 2-1/3 cups sifted flour
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon nutmeg
- 1/4 cup orange juice
- 2 eggs, beaten
- 2 tablespoons chopped, candied orange peel oil for deep frying

dissolved yeast with orange juice, eggs, and orange peel, and stir into flour to make a dough. Knead on a floured board until smooth, then cover and let rise until doubled. Heat oil in an electric skillet or other fryer to 375° F. Drop dough by tablespoons into hot oil.

Makes about 2 dozen.

Stir yeast into warm water and set aside. Mix together flour, salt, sugar, and nutmeg. Mix



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New Wilmington Livestock

NEW WILMINGTON, PA
FEBRUARY 3, 1997

CATTLE 124... PDA ...Compared with last week's sale...cows steady to 2.00 lower.

STEERS: one Select 60.00, few Standard 46.00-49.75.

HEIFERS: one Select 58.00.

COWS: Breaking Utility and Commercial 33.75-38.00, couple 39.75, Cutter and Boning Utility 25.00-34.00, Canner and Low Cutter 21.50-26.00. Shells down to 15.00.

BULLS: few Yield Grade No. 1 1200/1415 lbs. 40.00-41.25, No. 2 1100/1610 lbs. 34.00-39.50.

FEEDER CATTLE: BULLS: few Large Frame No. 1 300/775 lbs. 25.00.

CALVES 156...VEALERS: couple Good 170/205 lbs. 66.00 & 75.00, Standard and Good 80/120 lbs. 20.00-30.00, Utility 50/75 lbs. 5.00-17.00.

FARM CALVES: No. 1 Holstein bulls 90/120 lbs. 60.00-69.00, No. 2 80/120 lbs. 32.00-57.00; few No. 1 Holstein heifers 90/105 lbs. 110.00-127.50, No. 2 95/120 lbs. 55.00-90.00. Beef cross bulls and heifers 70/125 lbs. 37.50-67.50.

HOGS 343...BARROWS and gilts steady to .25 higher.

BARROWS AND GILTS: US 1-2 210/260 lbs. 54.10-56.00, few 58.50, US 1-2 210/270 lbs. 52.00-54.00, 275/290 lbs. 51.85-52.75, US 2-3 210/260 lbs. 51.00-52.10.

SOWS: few US 1-3 340/400 lbs. 42.50-49.00, few 440/535 lbs. 50.00-64.50.

BOARS: couple 530/540 lbs. 39.00 & 39.25, few 200/265 lbs. 36.00-42.50.

FEEDER PIGS 37...US 1-3 30/50 lbs. 29.00-32.50, few 60/65 lbs. 40.00. --- per head.

SHEEP 56...SLAUGHTER LAMBS: Choice 65/100 lbs. 104.00-120.00, Good and Choice 50/100 lbs. 79.00-105.00.

SLAUGHTER SHEEP: 20.00-44.00, few Yearlings 60.00-87.50.

GOATS 7...Couple Large 55.00 & 74.00, few Small 15.00-25.00. --- per head.

Mercer Livestock

MERCER, PA

FEBRUARY 4, 1997

CATTLE 355... PDA ...Compared with last week's sale...steers steady to lower, cows steady to .50 higher.

STEERS: Choice 1075/1375 lbs. 61.75-66.00, Select 56.50-63.00.

HOLSTEINS: few High Choice and

Prime 1250/1500 lbs. 60.50-61.25, Choice 1100/1600 lbs. 55.00-59.25, Standard 40.00-48.75.

HEIFERS: few High Choice and Prime 1200/1475 lbs. 66.00-68.50, Choice 1050/1500 lbs. 62.00-68.00, Select 52.00-60.25, few Standard 38.00-47.00.

COWS: Breaking Utility and Commercial 35.00-40.00, one 42.00, Cutter and Boning Utility 27.25-36.00, Canner and Low Cutter 23.00-27.75. Shells down to 14.00.

BULLOCKS: one Select 1460 lbs. 50.00.

BULLS: few Yield Grade No. 1 1200/2135 lbs. 37.50-42.50, few No. 2 1050/1745 lbs. 37.50-39.50.

FEEDER CATTLE: STEERS: few Medium Frame No. 1 600/700 lbs. 64.00; HEIFERS: Medium Frame No. 1 300/575 lbs. 52.00-60.00, few 67.00, Medium Frame No. 2 250/575 lbs. 40.00-54.00; BULLS: Medium Frame No. 1 250/675 lbs. 57.00-68.00, few 76.00, Medium Frame No. 2 220/550 lbs. 43.00-58.00.

CALVES 146...VEALERS: Standard and Good 75/110 lbs. 25.00-33.00, few Utility 45/80 lbs. 10.00-18.00.

FARM CALVES: few No. 1 Holstein bulls 120/130 lbs. 52.50-67.00, 90/115 lbs. 57.50-72.50, couple 76.00, No. 2 80/125 lbs. 33.00-56.00; few No. 1 Holstein heifers 95/130 lbs. 97.50-120.00, few No. 2 75/125 lbs. 27.00-85.00. Few beef cross bulls and heifers 70/110 lbs. 35.00-67.50.

HOGS 18...BARROWS AND GILTS: few US 1-3 250/280 lbs. 53.00-55.25.

BOARS: one 390 lbs. 34.00.

FEEDER PIGS 0...NO MARKET TEST!

SHEEP 12...SLAUGHTER LAMBS: few Choice 70/85 lbs. 108.00-110.00.

NEW CROP LAMBS: Choice 30/45 lbs. 31.00-43.00.

GOATS 0...NO MARKET TEST!

Eighty Four Livestock

EIGHTY FOUR, PA

FEBRUARY 3, 1997

CATTLE 205... PDA ...Compared with last week's sale...cows steady to 1.50 higher.

STEERS: few Select 54.00-57.00.

HOLSTEINS: Standard 32.50-41.50.

HEIFERS: Standard 35.50-50.50.

COWS: Breaking Utility and Commercial 35.25-42.75, Cutter and Boning Utility 30.50-35.00, Canner and Low Cutter 24.00-30.00. Shells down to 16.00.

BULLOCKS: few Choice 50.00-54.50.

BULLS: few Yield Grade No. 1 920/1250 lbs. 40.00-48.00, few No. 2 990/1400 lbs. 35.00-39.00.

FEEDER CATTLE: STEERS: Medium & Large Frame No. 1 480/800 lbs. 52.00-69.00, Medium & Large Frame No. 2 260/600 lbs. 40.00-50.00; HEIFERS: Medium & Large Frame No. 1 355/750 lbs. 49.00-60.00, Medium & Large Frame No. 2 250/885 lbs. 28.00-43.00; BULLS: Medium & Large Frame No. 1 300/865 lbs. 54.00-70.00, few 75.00, Medium & Large Frame No. 2 600/900 lbs. 40.00-50.00.

CALVES 149...Farm calves steady to 25.00 lower.

VEALERS: few Choice 130/220 lbs. 57.50-62.00, Good 135/250 lbs. 31.00-50.00, Standard and Good 90/105 lbs. 20.00-25.00, 60/85 lbs. 17.00-26.00, Utility 55/60 lbs. 13.00-18.50.

FARM CALVES: No. 1 Holstein bulls 90/125 lbs. 61.00-80.00, No. 2 85/120 lbs. 27.00-57.50; No. 1 Holstein heifers 110/120 lbs. 115.00-147.50, No. 2 70/100 lbs. 25.00-85.00. Beef cross bulls and heifers 70/110 lbs. 31.00-63.00.

HOGS 30...Barrows and gilts steady.

BARROWS AND GILTS: US 1-3 220/260 lbs. 50.50-54/25, lot 135 lbs. 42.50.

SOWS: US 1-3 525/760 lbs. 49.00-51.50.

BOARS: 165/530 lbs. 30.00-39.50.

FEEDER PIGS 1...One US 1-3 75 lbs. 40.00. --- per head.

SHEEP 121...Slaughter lambs steady to 10.00 lower.

SLAUGHTER LAMBS: High Choice and Prime 100/115 lbs. 114.00-116.00, Choice 80/95 lbs. 94.00-112.00, 55/75 lbs. 98.00-117.00, Good and Choice 95/110 lbs. 79.00-90.00.

SLAUGHTER SHEEP: 18.00-47.00, few 58.00.

GOATS 43...Large 105/170 lbs. 50.00-90.00. --- per cwt. Medium 35.00-69.00, Small 23.00-31.00, Small Kids 2.00-10.00. --- per head.

Dewart Livestock

Dewart, Pa.

Monday, February 3, 1997

Report Supplied by Auction

STEERS: 50.00-69.25.

HEIFERS: 50.00-62.00.

GOOD COWS: 30.00-40.00.

CANNERS AND CUTTERS 20.00-30.00.

BULLS: 42.00.

VEAL 90-190 LBS. 80.00-160/00, 70-90 LBS. 25.00-80.00.

HOGS 48.00-52.50.

SOWS 40.00-49.25.

FEEDER PIGS: 12.00-45.00 PER HEAD.



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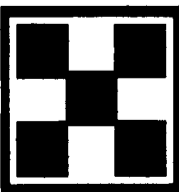
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