



JULY 7-13, 1997

BEWARE CORNSCATEOUS AIR.

BIRTHDAY OF THE BLIMP

July 8, 1838, was the birthday of German Count Ferdinand von Zeppelin, inventor of the airship called the zeppelin, or dirigible. It is also known as a blimp, a word that comes from its airship classification as a "Type B-limp." Von Zeppelin put an engine on his airship in 1900, three years before the Wright brothers designed their engine, but the zeppelin was lighter than air, which distinguished it from heavier-than-air craft such as planes. The British used blimps in World War I to scout for submarines. Today, blimps proudly float above most major sporting events, offering televised broadcasts.

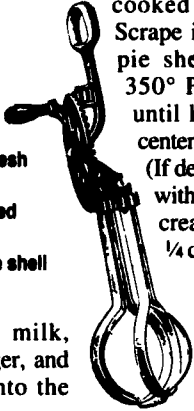
Ingenious contrivances to facilitate motion, and unite levity with strength.

- Samuel Johnson ("On the Art of Flying")

TIP OF THE WEEK When flying, chew gum or drink a little juice to clear the ears on take-off and landing.

SWEET-POTATO CUSTARD PIE

- 1-1/2 cups sugar
1-2/3 cups milk
3 eggs
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/8 teaspoon ground ginger
1 teaspoon grated fresh orange rind
1 cup mashed, cooked sweet potato
1 unbaked 9-inch pie shell



cooked sweet potato. Scrape into the unbaked pie shell and bake at 350° F for 1 hour, or until knife inserted in center comes out clean. (If desired, serve warm with 1 cup of heavy cream whipped with 1/4 cup of brandy.)

Makes 8 servings.

Mix the sugar, milk, eggs, salt, ginger, and orange rind into the

The Old Farmer's WEATHER PROVERBS



When dishes sweat and ditches stink, rain is near.

When the birds nest low, all the year the wind will blow.

If woolly fleeces spread the heavenly way, be sure no rain disturb's the summer's day.

Yellow streaks in the sunset sky, wind, and daylong rain are nigh.

Westminster Livestock Auction

Hagerstown, Md. July 1, 1997

Report supplied by auction
SLAUGHTER COWS: 1.00-2.00 HIGHER! UTILITY 40.00-45.00; HIGH DRESSING 46.00-47.00; CANNERS 35.00-39.50; SHELLY 34.00 DOWN.
BULLS: 6 HEAD 1100-1600 LBS. YG#1 49.00-51.00; YG#2 44.00-48.00.
FED STEERS: 45 HEAD. NO HIGH CHOICE OR PRIME. AVG. CHOICE 1100-1400 LBS. 62.00-63.00; 2 HIGH CHOICE 1000-1075 LBS. 64.50; HIGH CHOICE HOLSTEINS 1300-1500 LBS. 57.00-61.00.
FED HEIFERS: 15 HEAD. 1 HIGH CHOICE 1050 LBS. AT 64.00; LOW CHOICE 1000-1300 LBSW. 56.00-58.50.
VEAL CALVES: CULLS 85-110 LBS. 20.00-28.00; 50-80 LBS. 16.00-24.00.
FARM CALVES: HOLSTEIN BULLS 20.00-25.00 LOWER. #1 95-120 LBS. 65.00-79.00; FEW 80.00-88.00; #2 40.00-65.00; FEW 90-95 LBS. 35.00-50.00; HOLSTEIN HEIFERS FEW 95-120 LBS. TO 107.00; 80-90 LBS. 50.00-75.00; BEEF X BULLS 70.00-105.00; HEIFERS 25.00-41.00.
BUTCHER HOGS: 75 HEAD, 1.00 HIGHER. US#1-2 220-245 LBS. 59.50; #1-3 220-265 LBS. 58.50; 270-290 LBS. 51.00-54.00; 300-330 LBS. 44.00-50.50.
SOWS: 300-450 LBS. TO 40.00; 500-650 LBS. TO 45.25.
STOCK CATTLE: STEERS MEDIUM AND LARGE FRAME 200-400 LBS. 67.00-81.00; 400-600 LBS. 65.00-81.00; 600-800 LBS. 58.00-70.00; 800-1000 LBS. 54.00-63.00.
HEIFERS: 300-500 LBS. 56.00-68.00; 500-700 LBS. 55.00-68.00; 700-900 LBS. 60.00-65.00.
BULLS: 200-400 LBS. 70.00-86.00; 400-600 LBS. 58.00-70.00; 600-800 LBS. 55.00-63.00; 800-1000 LBS. 48.00-56.00.
LAMBS: 40 HEAD, STEADY PRICES. CHOICED 100-120 LBS. 75.00-85.00; 80-100 LBS. 77.00-88.00; 50-80 LBS. 80.00-90.00; YEARLING TO 43.00.
SHEEP 25.00-41.00.
GOATS: LARGE 60.00-100.00; MEDIUM 35.00-75.00; SMALL FLESHY TO 36.00.
PIGS AND SHOATS: BY THE HEAD, FEW 20-25 LBS. TO 23.00; BY THE LB., 160 HEAD IN GRADED SALE. 29 HEAD 17-30 LBS. 112.00-113.00; 15 HEAD 35-45 LBS. 81.00-105.00; 24 HEAD 45-50 LBS. 76.00-93.00; 42 HEAD 50-60 LBS. 86.00-107.00; 30 HEAD 60-70 LBS. 72.00-98.00; 3 HEAD 90-95 LBS. 75.00-76.00.
BOARS: 300-400 LBS. TO 38.50.

Grantsville Livestock

Grantsville, Maryland Report supplied by Auction Sat., June 28, 1997

STOCK BULLS AND STEERS 200-500 LBS. 60.00-81.00.
STOCK HEIFERS 45.00-69.00.
SLAUGHTER STEERS GOOD TO CHOICE, NONE AVAILABLE; MEDIUM TO GOOD 52.50-62.00.
HOLSTEIN STEERS GOOD 41.50-49.00; LIGHT 40.00-47.00.
SLAUGHTER HEIFERS GOOD TO CHOICE, NONE AVAILABLE; MEDIUM TO GOOD 42.00-58.00.
BULLS HEAVY 42.00-49.50, LIGHT 40.00-62.00.
COWS UTILITY HOLSTEINS 35.00-43.50, CANNERS 30.00-35.00, CULLS 28.00 AND DOWN.
VEALS GOOD TO CHOICE UP TO 98.00, MEDIUM TO GOOD 35.00-55.00.
BOB CALVES: 30.00 AND DOWN.
HOLSTEIN BULL CALVES RETURN TO FARM 90-120 LBS. 60.00-99.00.
HOLSTEIN HEIFER CALVES RETURN TO FARM UP TO 75.00; BEEF X CALVES RETURN TO FARM UP TO 95.00.
HOGS: TOP QUALITY 54.00-60.00, HEAVY 45.00-55.50, LIGHT 43.00-66.00, FEEDER PIGS BY THE HEAD, UP TO 55.00.
SOWS: UP TO 45.00.
MALE HOGS: UP TO 37.00.
LAMBS: 70-85 LBS. UP TO 88.00; 85-125 LBS. UP TO 82.00; 30-60 LBS. UP TO 90.00; CULLS 60.00 AND DOWN.
SHEEP: UP TO 30.00.
GOATS: ALL BY THE HEAD, LARGE 50.00-90.00; MEDIUM 20.00-47.00; SMALL 8.00-34.00.

Friend's Stockyard Inc.

Accident, Md. 21520 Report supplied by Auction June 30, 1997

STOCK BULLS AND STEERS (200-500 LBS.) 57.00-82.50.
STOCK HEIFERS: 40.00-76.00.
SLAUGHTER STEERS: GOOD TO CHOICE 62.00-64.30; MEDIUM TO GOOD 50.00-61.50, HEAVY CHOICE OVER 1450 LB. 55.00-63.50.
HOLSTEIN STEERS: HEAVY CHOICE 40.00-52.00, LIGHT 34.00-44.00.
SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: GOOD TO CHOICE 61.00-63.60; MEDIUM TO GOOD 47.00-58.00.
BULLS: HEAVY 41.00-51.10, LIGHT 35.00-54.00.
COWS: UTILITY (HOLSTEIN) 36.00-45.00, COMMERCIAL TO GOOD 30.00-35.50, CULL COWS 30.00 AND DOWN.
VEALS: GOOD TO CHOICE 50.00-88.00, MEDIUM TO GOOD 20.00-46.00.
BOB CALVES: 30.00 AND DOWN.
HOLSTEIN BULL CALVES - RETURN TO FARM (90 TO 120 LB.) - 60.00-103.00.
HOLSTEIN HEIFER CALVES - RETURN TO FARM (90 TO 120 LB.) - UP TO 110.00.
BEEF CROSS CALVES - RETURN TO FARM UP TO 75.00.
HOGS: TOP QUALITY UP TO 57.50, HEAVY UP TO 54.50, LIGHT 30.00-45.00.
SOWS: 35.00-45.00.

MALE HOGS: 27.00-38.50.
LAMBS, LIGHT AND FEEDER
LAMBS, NONE AVAILABLE.
SHEEP: 15.00-42.00.
LIVESTOCK PRICES ARE ALL GIVEN PER HUNDRED WEIGHT!

Frederick Livestock Auction

Frederick, Md. June 30, 1997

Report supplied by Auction
SLAUGHTER COWS: ACTIVE! 2.00 HIGHER. UTILITY 39.50-45.00; HIGH DRESSING 45.50-48.75; CANNERS 35.00-40.00; SHELLY 35.00 DOWN.
BULLS: 1 YG#2 1475 LBS. AT 49.00.
FED STEERS: FEW SELECT 1350 LBS. TO 55.00; LOW CHOICE HOLSTEINS 1600-1850 LBS. 54.00-56.00; SELECT 1250-1600 LBS. 47.00-53.00.
VEAL CALVES: NO CHOICE OFFERED. GOOD 180-300 LBS. TO 69.00; CULLS 85-110 LBS. 19.00-25.00; 50-80 LBS. 15.00-20.00.
FARM CALVES: HOLSTEIN BULLS 20.00-30.00 LOWER. #1 95-120 LBS. 50.00-77.00; #2 35.00-50.00; FEW 90 LBS. TO 30.00; HOLSTEIN HEIFERS #1 95-120 LBS. 110.00-140.00; #2 80-110 LBS. 50.00-100.00; BEEF X BULLS 50.00-75.00; HEIFERS TO 43.00.
BUTCHER HOGS: 42 HEAD, PRICES HIGHER. US#1-2 230-260 LBS. 59.50-60.00; #1&3 57.00-59.00.
SOWS: MED. 400-440 LBS. 37.00-40.00.
BOARS: 300 LBS. TO 37.50.
STOCK CATTLE: STEERS, 2 HEAD 440 LBS. AT 78.00.
HEIFERS: 400-600 LBS. 58.00-65.00.
BULLS: 1 HOLSTEIN 1055 LBS. AT 51.25.
GOATS: MEDIUM TO 64.00; SMALL 10.00-31.00.
PIGS AND SHOATS: BY THE LB., 2 HEAD 82 LBS. AT 70.00; 2 HEAD 125 LBS. AT 54.00.

Shenandoah Valley Livestock

Harrisonburg, Va. June 28, 1997

Report supplied by auction
300-499 LB. STEERS 55.00, 76.00, 89.00, HEIFERS 60.00-76.00, BULLS 60.00-75.00; 500-699 LB. STEERS 56.00-73.75, HEIFERS 55.00-70.00, BULLS 62.00-70.00; 700-1000 LB. STEERS 60.00-77.50, HEIFERS 40.00-63.50, BULLS 53.00-60.00.
HOLSTEIN STEERS 3-499 71.00; 5-699 52.00; 7-1100 42.00.
STOCK COWS BEEF 300.00-750.00; BABY CALVES 13.00-130.00; SLAUGHTER COWS 30.00-44.50; SLAUGHTER BULLS 49.00.
SLAUGHTER LAMBS CHOICE AND PRIME YG#1-3 BLUE O 78.25-75.00; GOOD AND FEW CHOICE YG#1-2 RED O 75.50.
FEEDER LAMBS MED. AND LGE. 1&2 70-84 LBS. RED SH 78.00; 60-69 LBS. RED BK 80.00, SMALL FRAME 1&2 BL BK 82.00; 50-59 LBS. BL TL 78.00.
SLAUGHTER EWES 31.50-38.00.
HOGS 200-240 LBS. 51.00.
VEALS 65.00-81.00.
SLAUGHTER CALVES 50.00-68.00.

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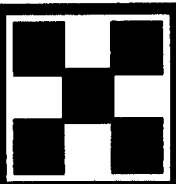
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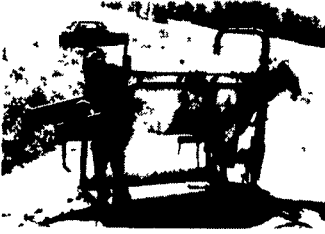


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