



OCTOBER 19-25, 1998

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS, OCT. 25.

ST. LUKE'S LITTLE SUMMER

St. Luke's Little Summer is an early version of unseasonably warm weather, a next-to-last gasp of the summer's warm breath before the real Indian Summer arrives in November. St. Luke was the patron saint of painters and physicians. He's described as a physician himself, who painted a portrait of the Virgin Mary. He's usually depicted with an ox (for sacrifice) and artist's tools. The French call St. Luke's Little Summer *l'ete de S. Martin* or speak of *l'ete de la S. Denis a la S. Martin*, which spans the period between October 9 and November 11.

On St. Luke's Day, the oxen have leave to play.



The OLD FARMER'S WEATHER PROVERBS



If the first snow falls on moist, soft earth, it indicates a small harvest for the following year; if upon hard ground, a good harvest.

For every fog in October, a snow in the winter, heavy or light, as with the fog.

First Sunday in the month rain, and it will rain every Sunday of the month.

TIP OF THE WEEK

Be sure your perennials and herbs are well-mulched now.

CRAN-APPLE CRISP

- 2 cups fresh cranberries
- 3 cups coarsely diced, peeled apples ('Granny Smith', 'Braeburn', or other)
- 1 cup white sugar
- 1-1/2 cups rolled oats
- 1/2 cup (1 stick) butter
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 3/4 cup maple syrup
- freshly grated nutmeg

together the oats, butter, and salt. Stir in the maple syrup and pour the oat mixture over the fruit.



Grate nutmeg over the top and bake at 350° F for 1 hour, or until fruit is tender.

Makes 4 to 6 servings.

Butter a 2-quart baking dish and pour into it the cranberries, apples, and sugar, mixing well. In a separate bowl, mix

Westminster Livestock Auction

Hagerstown, Md.
October 13, 1998

Report supplied by auction
SLAUGHTER COWS: 145 HEAD, 1.00 LOWER, UTILITY 32.00-36.00; LOW DRESSING 30.00-32.00; CANNERS 26.00-30.00; SHELLY 26.00 DOWN.
BULLS: 10 HEAD 2.00 LOWER YG#1 1500-1800 LBS. 41.00-42.00; YG #2 1300-2100 LBS. 35.00-39.00.
FED STEERS: FEW OFFERED.
FED HEIFERS: NO GRAIN FED.
VEAL CALVES: 138 HEAD, CULLS 4.00-5.00 HIGHER; 85-110 LBS. 24.00-30.00; 65-85 LBS. 18.00-27.00.
FARM CALVES: HOLSTEIN BULLS \$8.00-10.00 HIGHER; #1 95-120 LBS. 72.00-87.00; #2 40.00-70.00; 88-94 LBS. 30.00-55.00.
HOLSTEIN HEIFERS #1 95-120 LBS. 125.00-155.00; #2 75-80 LBS. TO 45.00; BEEF X BULLS & HEIFERS 75-90 LBS. 30.00-60.00.
BUTCHER HOGS: 26 HEAD 2.00 HIGHER #1&2 235-265 LBS. 29.00-29.75; #1 210-260 LBS. 27.00-28.00, #2&3 200-220 LBS. AT 25.00, 1 LOT 300 LBS AT 22.00.
SOWS: 450-600 LBS. 15.00-19.50.
BOARS: 350-650 LBS. 8.00-9.50.
STOCK CATTLE: 263 HEAD. PRICES HIGHER MAINLY BLACKS. STEERS M & L FRAME 300-500 LBS. 59.00-73.00, 3 HEAD 74.00-84.00, 500-700 LBS. 57.00-66.00; 700-900 LBS. 50.00-55.50.
HEIFERS: M & L FRAME. 300-500 LBS. 55.00-65.00; 500-700 LBS. 57.00-63.50; 700-900 LBS. 49.00-54.00.
BULLS: M & L FRAME. 200-400 LBS. 59.00-65.00, 1 AT 81.00; 400-600 LBS. 55.00-67.00, 600-800 LBS. 45.00-56.00, 1 AT 66.00.

SHEEP: 28 HEAD 23.00-35.00, FEW TO 40.00.
LAMBS: 40 HEAD STEADY, HIGH CHOICE 100-120 LBS. 61.00-67.00, 80-100 LBS. 62.00-70.00, 68-80 LBS. 63.00-75.00, 2 HEAD 148 AND 176 LBS. 45.00 AND 50.00.
GOATS: 25 HEAD. LARGE 60.00-86.00; MEDIUM 40.00-60.00; SMALL 12.00-25.00.
PIGS AND SHOATS: SMALL RUN BY THE HEAD, 5 HEAD 10 LBS. 3.00-6.00; 8 HEAD 40-50 LBS. 14.00-15.00, 3 HEAD 95 LBS. 35.00; BY THE LB. ST. BOARS 210 AT 19.00, 310 LBS AT 12.00.

Four States Livestock

Hagerstown, Md.
October 14, 1998

Report supplied by Auction
SLAUGHTER COWS: 84 HEAD, 1.00 HIGHER, UTILITY 32.50-35.75; HIGH DRESSING 36.00-37.75, 1 AT 39.50; CANNERS 27.00-31.00; SHELLY 26.00 DOWN.
BULLS: 9 HEAD, YG#1 1283 AT 44.50; YG#2 ALL WEIGHTS 35.00-41.00.
FED STEERS: BETTER QUALITY. H CH&PR 1100-1400 LBS. 61.00-63.00, CH 2&3 58.00-61.00, OVER 56.00-60.00, L CH 1000-1150 LBS. 54.00-56.50.
FED HEIFERS: CH 3&4 53.00-57.00, L CH 1000-1150 LBS. 48.00-52.00.
VEAL CALVES: 122 HEAD, CULLS 85-110 LBS. 24.00-31.00; 60-85 LBS. 17.00-25.00.
FARM CALVES: STEADY PRICES.

HOLSTEIN BULLS #1 95-120 LBS. 70.00-85.00; 90-95 LBS. 35.00-55.00; HOLSTEIN HEIFERS #1 95-120 LBS. 150.00-175.00, #2 75-110 LBS. 50.00-120.00; BEEF X HEIFERS TO 50.00.
BUTCHER HOGS: GOOD DEMAND FROM COUNTRY BUTCHERS. 1&3 240-300 LBS. 28.00-35.00.
SOWS: 8 HEAD. 300-450 LBS. 17.00-21.00; 450-600 LBS. 25.00-30.00.
BOARS: 400 LBS. 8.00-9.50.
STOCK CATTLE: 274 HEAD MORE BUYERS PRESENT. STEERS M AND L FRAME 400-600 LBS. 59.00-70.00, FEW TO 75.00; 600-700 LBS. 60.00-68.00, 1 AT 75.00; 700-800 LBS. 60.00-64.00; 800-900 LBS. 53.00-60.00.
HEIFERS: M AND L FRAME 300-500 LBS. 52.00-62.00; 500-700 LBS. 50.00-61.00; 700-900 LBS. 48.00-55.00.
BULLS: M AND L FRAME 200-400 LBS. 59.00-67.00; 400-600 LBS. 59.00-64.00, FEW TO 68.00-71.00, 600-700 LBS. 54.00-61.50.
DAIRY REPLACEMENTS: LARGE SPRINGERS 900.00-1100.00; 1 SHORT BRED SWISS AT 540.00, 1 OPEN 800 LBS. HOL AT 67.00. SMALL HEIFERS 240.00-330.00.
SHEEP: HEAVY WEIGHTS 23.00.
LAMBS: CHOICE 110-130 LBS. 61.00-65.00; 90-110 LBS. TO 69.00; 70-90 LBS. TO 76.00.
GOATS: MEDIUM 40.00-54.00.
PIGS AND SHOATS: 27 HEAD. BY THE HEAD, 30-45 LBS. 10.00-15.00.
NEXT WED. OCT. 21, SPECIAL DAIRY CATTLE CONSIGNMENT SALE AT 7:00 PM. ALREADY PROMISED A 22 MO. OLD REG. HOL. BULL OUT OF BLACK STAR SUN RECORDS OF 35,000 LBS. MILK. PROVEN BREEDER.

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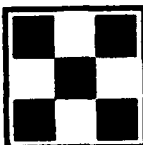
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