The OLD FARMER'S ALMANAC THIS WEEK WITH

MAY 8-14, 2000

THREE CHILLY SAINTS, MAY 11, 12, 13.

JAMESTOWN SETTLED

May 14, 1607, marked the arrival of the Virginia Company charter settlement in Jamestown, Virginia. A group of 500 or so followed Captain John Smith to the New World. Smith stayed two years to help establish the British settlement. By 1609, however, he had moved along to other explorations and, by winter's end, the Jamestown crew had dwindled to 60. Winters were hard, supplies scarce, relations with the Algonquians unstable. By one account, at least, the "idle aristocrats and ne'er-do-wells" that came to settle Jamestown didn't have what it took without Smith's leadership.

Who comes earliest leads the way.

TIP OF THE WEEK

☞ Troubled by congestion? Take a hot shower or bath for relief.

SCALLOP CASSEROLE

1 pint fresh scallops, rinsed and trimmed
1 bay leaf
1 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon thyme
1/4 teaspoon pepper
2 tablespoons butter
2 tablespoons flour
2 tablespoons grated Parmesan
1/2 cup heavy cream
1/2 cup bread crumbs
1/4 cup grated Parmesan

In a shallow saucepan, cover scallops with water, add seasonings, and boil gently until scallops begin to shrivel, 3 to 5 minutes. Drain, saving the water, and set scallops aside In the same pan, melt butter and blend in flour to make a roux Stir in 1 cup scallop liquid, then the 2 tablespoons of cheese and the cream Add scallops and pour into a buttered dish. Top with bread crumbs and the ¼ cup cheese, and bake at 350°F for 15 minutes.

Makes 4 servings.

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The OLD FARMER'S WEATHER PROVERBS

Set sage in May and it will grow alway.

May 14 is called Cuckoo Day, and the cuckoo's song is generally heard about this time.

He that is in town in May loses his spring.

A cold May and a windy/ makes a barn full and findy.

Westminster Livestock

Hagerstown, Maryland
Report Supplied by Auction
Tuesday, May 2, 2000

SLAUGHTER COWS: 77 HEAD, STEADY.

UTILITY 39.75-44.75; HIGH DRESSING 45.00-46.50, CANNERS 36.00-41.00; SHELLY 36.00 DOWN.

BULLS: 6 HEAD. YG#1 1600-2200 LBS. 51.00-56.00; YG#2 1200-1550 LBS. 45.50-49.75; 1 2358 LBS. AT 44.00.

FED STEERS: 27 HEAD, ACTIVE. HIGH CHOICE TO PRIME 1100-1475 LBS. 74.00-76.00, 2 HEAD TO 78.50; CHOICE #2-3 70.50-73.25; OVER 1500 LBS. TO 72.00; SELECT 1000-1200 LBS. 65.00-68.25; 2 HIGH CHOICE HOLSTEINS 1700 LBS. 60.00-63.25; LOW CHOICE HOLSTEINS 1200-1400 LBS. 60.00-62.00.

FED HEIFERS: 30 HEAD, 2.00 HIGHER. HIGH CHOICE TO PRIME 1200-1400 LBS. 75.00-77.75; CHOICE #2-4 900-1150 LBS. 65.00-72.25; 3 HEAD 850 LBS. AT 60.00.

VEAL CALVES: 112 HEAD. 1 PRIME 306 LBS. AT 107.00; CULLS 60-80 LBS. 27.00-39.00.

FARM CALVES: HOLSTEIN BULLS #1 94-120 LBS. 180.00207.00, COUPLE 210.00-215.00, 80-92 LBS. 145.00-185.00; #2 95-120 LBS. 122.00-185.00, 75-90 LBS. 70.00-125.00; HOLSTEIN HEIFERS #2 85-120 LBS. 195.00-280.00; JERSEYS 80.00-150.00; BEEF X BULLS OVER 95 LBS. TO 140.00; BEEF X HEIFERS OVER 95 LBS. TO 157.00.

BUTCHER HOGS: 53 HEAD, 1.00-2.00 HIGHER. #1 AND 2 240-265 LBS. 46.00-47.00; #1 AND 3 225-280 LBS. 44.00-45.50; #2 AND 3 240-280 LBS. 43.00.

SOWS: 7 HEAD, 3.00-4.00 HIGHER. 300-400 LBS. TO 33.00; 400-500 LBS. 38.00-39.25; 500-600 LBS. 44.00-45.00.

BOARS: 2 HEAD. 500 LBS. TO 14.00; 1 316 LB. AT 24.00.

STOCK CATTLE: 165 HEAD, ACTIVE BIDDING, STEADY PRICES. STEERS MED. AND LARGE FRAME 200-400 LBS. 89.00-115.00, 400-500 LBS. 86.00-109.00, 500-700 LBS. 88.00-95.00, 700-900 LBS. 74.00-79.00, 900-1050 LBS. 64.00-77.00.

HEIFERS: MED. AND LARGE FRAME 180-400 LBS. 90.00-109.00, 2 TO 119.00; 400-600 LBS. 86.00-97.00; 600-700 LBS. 75.00-85.00; 700-800 LBS. 66.00-77.00; 800-1000 LBS. 59.00-66.00.

BULLS: MED. AND LARGE FRAME 200-400 LBS. 90.00-117.00; 140-195 LBS. 130.00-145.00; 400-500 LBS. 93.00-110.00; 500-700 LBS. 77.00-86.00; 700-800 LBS. 70.00-78.00; 800-1000 LBS. 60.00-68.00.

SHEEP: 31 HEAD 35.00-48.00; OVER 200 LBS. 22.00-33.00.

LAMBS: 53 HEAD, 15.00-30.00 HIGHER. CHOICE SPRING 20-40 LBS. 130.00-175.00, 40-65 LBS. 110.00-140.00, 65-80 LBS. 107.00-112.00, 80-110 LBS. 92.00-106.00; WOOLED 110-135 LBS. 75.00-88.00, 150-170 LBS. 45.00-67.00.

GOATS: 90 HEAD. LARGE 65.00-97.00, 1 AT 114.00; MEDIUM 30.00-60.00; SMALL FLESHY 25.00-35.00; KIDS 11.00-30.00.

PIGS AND SHOATS: 101 HEAD, STRONG DEMAND. BY THE HEAD, 15-30 LBS. 16.00-36.00; BY THE LB. 20-30 LBS. 145.00-150.00, 35-45 LBS. 109.00-119.00, 50-60 LBS. 100.00-105.00, 60-75 LBS. 80.00-83.00, 1 LOT 98 LBS. AT 76.00.

Friend's Stockyard, Inc.

Accident, Md.
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Monday, May 1, 2000

STOCK STEERS AND BULLS 200-500 LBS. 50.00-116.00.

STOCK HEIFERS 36.00-102.00.

SLAUGHTER STEERS GOOD TO CHOICE 66.00-75.00, MEDIUM TO GOOD 52.00-65.50, HEAVY CHOICE OVER 1450 LBS. 61.00-66.00.

HOLSTEIN STEERS HEAVY CHOICE 56.00-64.00, LIGHT 45.00-55.50.

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS GOOD TO CHOICE 68.00-74.30, MEDIUM TO GOOD 45.00-66.50.

BULLS HEAVY 45.00-52.00, LIGHT 40.00-55.50.

COWS UTILITY (HOLSTEINS) 38.00-47.00, COMMERCIAL TO GOOD 32.50-39.00, CULL COWS 32.00 AND DOWN.

VEALS GOOD TO CHOICE 50.00-80.00, MEDIUM TO GOOD 20.00-47.00.

BOB CALVES 30.00 AND DOWN.

HOLSTEIN BULL CALVES RETURN TO FARM 90-120 LBS. UP TO 205.00.

HOLSTEIN HEIFER CALVES RETURN TO FARM 90-120 LBS. UP TO 355.00.

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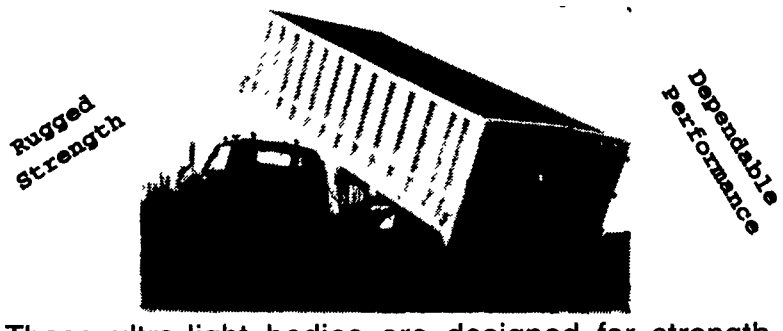

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