



JULY 10-16, 2000

FULL THUNDER MOON, JULY 16.

THUNDER AND LIGHTNING!

Think of thunderstorms as Mother Earth's air-conditioning. Heat from Earth's surface is pumped upward into the atmosphere where it is released, cooling the air. Meanwhile, the rains cleanse the air and distribute much-needed water to dry areas. Imagine how different our climate would be without these storms. It's estimated that approximately 16 million thunderstorms occur worldwide every year. The more violent ones can carry hail, cause lightning fires, or even turn into raging tornadoes. The Norse god Thor, Chinese Lei Kung, and Native American Thunderbird were all blamed for creating thunder, but the rains were generally welcomed.



Thunder and lightning in the summer show, The point from which the freshening breeze will blow.

-Aratus

TIP OF THE WEEK

Get away from the water when thunderstorms threaten.

TOMATO ASPIC

- 4 cups tomato juice, divided
- 1 teaspoon minced onion
- 2 bay leaves
- 4 whole peppercorns
- 4 cardamom seeds (or 1/8 teaspoon nutmeg)
- pinch of cayenne pepper
- 2 packages (3 ounces each) plain or lemon gelatin
- watercress or lettuce, as garnish

juice to gelatin, and stir to dissolve. Add remaining juice, and pour into a 1-quart mold or 8x8-inch pan. Chill until firm (at least 2 hours), then unmold. Serve over greens, plain, or with a blue cheese or other dressing. **Makes 8 servings.**



Heat half the tomato juice to a boil and add seasonings. Simmer for 5 minutes and strain. Add strained

THE OLD FARMER'S WEATHER PROVERBS



Lightning without thunder after a clear day, there will be a continuance of fair weather.

If it rains on July 10, it will rain for seven weeks.

If there be sheet lightning with a clear sky on spring, summer, and autumn evenings, expect heavy rains.

Greencastle Livestock

Greencastle, Pa.
Report Supplied By USDA
Monday, July 5, 2000

Cattle	Calves	Hogs	Sheep	Goats
230	512	21	32	63

MONDAY
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LAST MONDAY
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CATTLE: Compared with last Monday's auction, slaughter cows sold mostly steady, instances 1.00 lower. Other classes were not well tested.

SLAUGHTER STEERS: Choice 2-3 few 1265-1355 lbs 68.00-70.00. Select 1-3 few 64.25-67.25.

HOLSTEIN STEERS: Choice 2-3 1250-1540 lbs 59.50-64.25. Select 1-2 55.25- 59.00. Standard 1-2 few 46.75-50.25.

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: Select 2 individual 64.50. Standard 2 individual 57.25.

SLAUGHTER COWS: Breakers 75-80 pct lean 40.75-47.00, individual 51.75, few low dressing down to 39.75. Boners 80-85 38.00-45.00. Lean 85-90 pct lean 34.50-42.00. Shells down to 25.25.

SLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield Grade 1 individual 1470 lbs 56.00. *Yield Grade 2 995- 1330 lbs 50.00-54.00.

FEEDER STEERS: Medium and Large 2 few 475-565 lbs 59.00-66.00.

FEEDER HEIFERS: Large 1 individual 250 lbs 102.00. Medium and Large 2 few 335-555 lbs 74.00-80.00; individual 990 lbs 46.00.

FEEDER BULLS: Medium 1 450 lbs 98.00.

CALVES: Compared to last week's auction; Holstein bulls returning to the farm sold 10.00 higher, while Holstein heifers were steady.

VEALERS: Standard and Good 75-125 lbs 25.00-44.00. Utility 55-100 lbs 12.00- 23.00.

RETURNED TO FARM: Holstein bulls Number 1 95-120 lbs 100.00-128.00;

80-90 lbs 90.00-115.00. Number 2 80-120 lbs 40.00-97.50; 70-80 lbs 35.00-47.50. Holstein heifers 80-100 lbs 300.00-350.00. Number 2 70-90 lbs 100.00-270.00; 60-70 lbs 55.00-85.00. Beef type bulls and heifers 80-100 lbs 105.00-155.00.

BARROWS AND GILTS: 40-45 pct lean Few 235-260 lbs 43.50-45.50.

SOWS: Prices were 2.50 lower than last Monday. US 1-3 315-495 lbs 25.00-36.50, few 515-555 lbs 37.00-38.50.

FEEDER PIGS: No market test.

SLAUGHTER LAMBS: Choice 40-55 lbs 112.50-127.50; 60-80 lbs 95.00-102.50; 85- 105 lbs 80.00-93.00. Good and Choice couple 60-65 lbs 58.00-65.00.

SLAUGHTER SHEEP: Utility 1-3 30.00-43.00.

GOATS: All sold per head. Billies: Large 85.00-120.00. Medium 40.00-72.50. Nannies: Large 57.00-90.00. Medium few 50.00-57.50. Kids: Large 35.00-55.00, few up to 65.00. Small 16.00-30.00.

GOOD 32.50-40.00, CULL COWS 32.00 AND DOWN.

VEALS GOOD TO CHOICE 50.00-75.00, MED. TO GOOD 50.00-67.00.

BOB CALVES 40.00 AND DOWN.

HOLSTEIN BULL CALVES RETURN TO FARM 90-120 LBS. UP TO 134.00; HOLSTEIN HEIFER CALVES RETURN TO FARM 90-120 LBS. UP TO 315.00; BEEF X CALVES RETURN TO FARM UP TO 125.00.

HOGS, TOP QUALITY, UP TO 48.00.

SOWS UP TO 32.00.

LAMBS, CHOICE, UP TO 84.00.

LIVESTOCK PRICES ARE ALL GIVEN PER HUNDRED WEIGHTS.

New Holland Dairy

New Holland Sales Stables
Report Supplied by Auction
Wednesday, July 5, 2000

89 DAIRY COWS, 144 HEIFERS, 10 BULLS. MARKET STEADY.

LOCAL FRESH COWS 585.00-1550.00.

LOCAL SPRINGERS 850.00-1450.00.

BETTER FRESH COWS 1575.00-1700.00.

LARGE HEIFERS 1285.00-1375.00, FEW 1425.00-1450.00, SMALL 725.00-1210.00.

SHORTBRED HEIFERS 560.-1110.00, few 1250.00-1285.00.

OPEN BREEDING AGE HEIFERS 750.00-900.00.

BULLS 625.00-760.00, PUREBREDS 600.00-825.00.

UPSTATE LOADS FRESH 1125.00-1700.00.

CANADIAN LOAD FRESH 800.00-1300.00.

FRESH HEIFERS 625.00-1450.00.

REGISTERED HEIFERS 950.00-1510.00.

SMALL OPEN HEIFERS 675.00-725.00, SMALLER 435.00-570.00.

Friend's Stockyard, Inc.

Accident, Md.
Report Supplied by Auction
Monday, July 3, 2000

STOCK STEERS AND BULLS 200-500 LBS. 50.00-109.00.

STOCK HEIFERS 36.00-98.00.

SLAUGHTER STEERS GOOD TO CHOICE 66.00-73.50, MEDIUM TO GOOD 52.00-65.50, HEAVY CHOICE OVER 1450 LBS. 61.00-69.00.

HOLSTEIN STEERS HEAVY CHOICE 56.00-62.00, LIGHT 45.00-55.50.

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS GOOD TO CHOICE 68.00-72.50, MEDIUM TO GOOD 45.00-66.50.

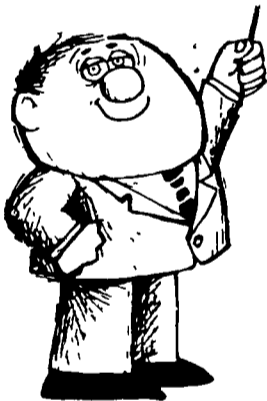
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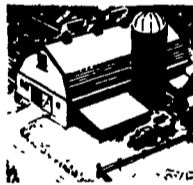
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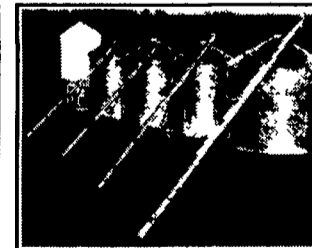
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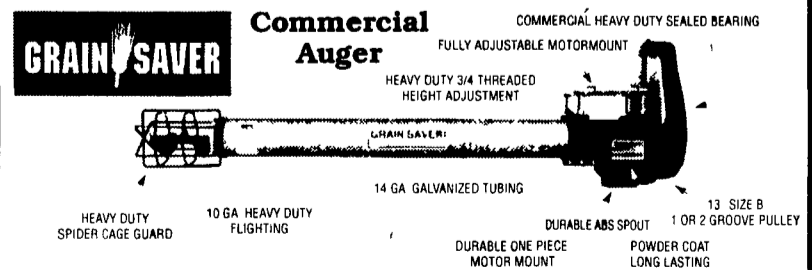
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