



SEPTEMBER 4-10, 2000

LABOR DAY, SEPTEMBER 4.

FIRST LABOR DAY PARADE

It was on a Tuesday, not a Monday, in 1882 when the first Labor Day parade was held in New York City. More a protest march than a holiday celebration, the early parades were really campaign tools for pushing the eight-hour workday. Participants had to give up a day's pay in order to participate, and the speeches were presented by labor activists. Today's Labor Day parades are a far cry from that first event, but the tribute to the American worker and our country's social and economic achievements and contributions remains the same.



It is impossible to enjoy idling unless there is plenty of work to do.

-Jerome K. Jerome

TIP OF THE WEEK

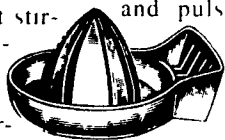
To successfully whip heavy cream, be sure it is cold rather than at room temperature.

LEMON ICE

2 cups sugar
5 cups water
1-1/3 cups fresh lemon juice
2 tablespoons grated lemon zest
mint leaves, for garnish

In a medium saucepan, dissolve the sugar in the water and bring to a boil, stirring. Cook, uncovered, without stirring, for 5 minutes. Pour this into a ceramic bowl and refrigerate for at least 2 hours.

Add the juice and zest and stir. Pour into an ice cream maker and follow the manufacturer's instructions or, if you don't have an ice cream maker, simply freeze in a metal pan for 5 to 7 hours. Just before serving, break into pieces and pulse quickly in a blender or food processor. Add garnish. Makes 4 servings.



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Okla. National Stockyards

Oklahoma City, OK
Wed., Aug. 30, 2000

Report Supplied By USDA

Oklahoma National Stockyards - Weekly Cattle Summary Compared to last week: Feeder steers and heifers 2.00 lower with moderate demand. Steer calves steady. Heifer calves steady to 2.00 higher. Demand good for calves. Quality of supply plain with number 1 cattle in limited numbers. Weigh-ups mostly full as August heat wave continues. No rain in August combined with average high's over 100 degrees has severely lowered nutritional value of pastures.

Feeder cattle in thin to moderate flesh; calves in medium to fleshy condition.

Slaughter cows 1.00-2.00 lower. Slaughter bulls 2.00 lower. Packer demand moderate at best. Demand moderate to good for replacement cows. Total of 485 cows and bulls sold with 55 percent to packers.

Receipts this week 8525; last week 10,482; last year 10760.

Supply consisted of 76% yearlings over 600 lbs; 18% calves under 600 lbs; 6 percent cows and bulls. Heifers comprised 34% of feeder & calf supply.

Prices follow with weighted average weight and price in parenthesis

Feeder Steers: Medium and Large 1 300-400 lbs (350 lb) 119.00-125.50 (119.16); 400-450 lbs (421 lbs) 110.00-114.50 (112.50); 450-500 lbs (465 lbs) 101.00-110.00 (104.54); 500-600 lbs (550 lbs) 91.50-101.50 (96.68); 600-700 lbs (650 lbs) 86.00-94.50 (91.63); 700-750 lbs (729 lb) 83.00-89.00 (85.21); 750-800 lbs (777 lbs) 80.25-88.50 (83.50); 800-850 lbs (821 lbs) 80.00-85.00 (82.68); 850-900 lbs (873 lbs) 77.25- 83.00 (79.66); few 900-950 lbs (934 lbs) 78.00-79.00 (78.61).

Holsteins: Large 2 450-700 lbs 72.00-

74.00; 750-800 lbs 70.25-72.00; 875 lbs 66.00.

Feeder Heifers: Medium and Large 1 300-400 lbs (350 lbs) 101.00- 106.50; 400-450 lbs (430 lbs) 94.00-99.00 (95.71); 450-500 lbs (471 lbs) 91.00-94.00 (92.71); 500-600 lbs (550 lbs) 85.50-90.50 (86.86); 600-650 lbs (626 lbs) 82.75-89.75 (85.92); 650-700 lbs (685 lbs) 82.50- 84.00 (82.86); 700-800 lbs (750 lbs) 77.00-81.25, load fancy blacks 85.00 (79.58); 800-850 lbs (836 lbs) 75.00-79.00 (76.14).

Slaughter Cows: Head %Lean Weight Average Dress High Dress Low Dress Breakers 48 75-80% 1000-1650 38.50-41.00 42.00-43.50 36.00-38.50 Boners 95 80-85% 950-1500 38.50-42.00 40.50-43.75 35.50-39.00 Lean 78 85-90% 850-1400 37.00-39.50 40.50-43.50 33.00-37.50 Light 4 85-90% 800-850 28.50-30.50

Slaughter Bulls: Head Weight Average Dress High Dress Low Dress Yield Grade 1-2 21 1250-2200 48.00-49.50 50.00-55.00 42.00-47.00

Estimated dressed cost at Oklahoma National Stockyards: Lean 81 85; Boners 81.35; Breakers 77.15. Bulls 88 10.

Replacement Cows: Pretested for bangs, pregnancy, and age Medium and Large 1 Age Weight Months Bred Quality Price Heifers 1050-1100 5-7 months hi, Blacks 700.00-765.00; 5-8 yr old 1050-1300 4-8 months avg quality 530.00-600.00; 9-10 yr old 1300-1350 4-7 months avg, Blacks 500.00-560.00, 9-10 yr old 1000-1200 4-8 months avg quality 470.00-450.00

Lebanon Valley Livestock

Fredericksburg, Pa.

Report Supplied By USDA

Tuesday, August 29, 2000

TUESDAY CATTLE 154, CALVES 111, HOGS 38, SHEEP 0, GOATS 0. LAST TUESDAY 102, 93, 71, 0, 0.

CATTLE: Compared to the last week's auction, slaughter cows traded 1.00- 3.00 lower, with Lean cows steady to firm. Other classes were not well

tested.

SLAUGHTER STEERS: Choice 3 individual 1295 lbs 64.00. Select 1-3 60.50-64.75, a few returning to feed at 68.50.

HOLSTEIN STEERS: Choice 2-3 1135-1640 lbs 58.25-61.25. Select 1-2 55.75- 58.75. Standard 1-2 48.75-51.25.

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: Choice 2-4 1100-1420 lbs 65.00-66.25. Select 1-3 few 56.00-60.25. Standard 1-2 51.00-55.25.

SLAUGHTER COWS: Breakers 75-80 percent lean 40.50-46.75, few up to 48.00. Boners 80-85 percent lean 35.50-40.00, few up to 42.00. Lean 85-90 percent lean 29.00-39.75, mostly 33.75-37.25. Shells down to 15.00.

SLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield Grade 1 1450-1905 lbs 50.00-54.00. Yield Grade 2 few 1050-1400 lbs 47.00-50.50.

FEEDER STEERS: Large 2 Holsteins 475-535 lbs 68.50-72.00.

FEEDER HEIFERS: Medium and Large 2 300-545 lbs 72.00-78.50, individual up to 81.50.

CALVES: Compared to the last auction; Holstein bulls returning to the farm sold 10.00 lower. VEALERS: Good few 130-185 lbs 73.00-79.00. Standard and Good 70-110 lbs 40.00-50.00. Utility 55-80 lbs 20.00-30.00, few down to 12.00.

RETURNED TO FARM: Holstein bulls Number 1 80-120 lbs 120.00-152.00. Number 2 80-120 lbs 100.00-117.00, few weaker calves down to 60.00. Holstein heifers Number 1 80-120 lbs 260.00-350.00; 80-120 lbs 200.00-215.00; 70-80 lbs 105.00-170.00. Beef type bulls and heifers 80-135 lbs 100.00-162.00.

BARROWS AND GILTS: PERCENT LEAN WEIGHT PRICE 45-50 One lot 230 lbs 33.00

SOWS: US 1-3 350-495 lbs 32.00-34.25 500-650 lbs 34.75-36.25 Medium 350-425 lbs 15.00-20.00

BOARS: Couple 270 lbs 30.00
FEEDER PIGS: No market test.
SHEEP: No market test.
GOATS: No market test.

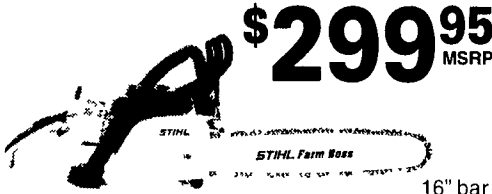
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