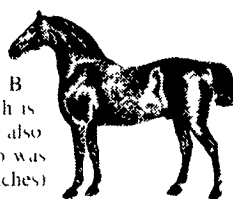


**THE OLD FARMER'S**  
THIS WEEK WITH  
**ALMANAC**  
FEBRUARY 11-17, 2002  
SHROVE TUESDAY, FEB. 12

**CHINESE NEW YEAR**

This week starts the Chinese New Year. In the Chinese zodiac 2002 is the year of the horse, as were 1990, 1978, 1966, 1954, 1942, 1930, and 1918. Those born in the year of the horse (which begins three to seven weeks into the Western year) are independent, hard working, popular, and sociable. Most of 2001 and up until Tuesday this week were part of the year of the snake. This week also includes Shrove Tuesday and the new Moon on the 12th, Ash Wednesday on the 13th, and St. Valentine's Day on the 14th. The 15th is Susan B. Anthony's birthday, the 17th is the first Sunday in Lent and also the day that Geronimo (who was leader of the Chiricahua Apaches) died in 1909.



*We tolerate shapes in human beings that would horrify us if we saw them in a horse.*

-William Ralph Inge, English religious leader and author (1860-1954)

**THE OLD FARMER'S**  
**WEATHER**  
**PROVERBS**



*When the north wind does not blow in February, it will surely come in March.*

*Winter's back breaks about the middle of February.*



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**TIP OF THE WEEK**

Tap maple trees now.

**BISCUITS AND MAPLE BUTTER**

- 1/2 cup (1 stick) butter
- 1/2 cup maple syrup
- 2 cups flour
- 4 teaspoons baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 2 teaspoons sugar
- 1/2 cup Crisco shortening
- 2/3 cup half-and-half

mash. Set aside. Biscuits: Sift dry ingredients and cut in Crisco. Add half and half and stir with fork. Pat or roll dough 1/2 inch thick and cut with a biscuit cutter. Bake for 10 minutes on ungreased baking sheet. Serve with maple butter. Makes 15 biscuits.



Preheat oven to 450°F. Maple butter: Warm up stick of butter, add maple syrup, and then

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**Carlisle Livestock**

Carlisle, Pa.

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Tuesday, February 5, 2002

SLAUGHTER CATTLE: STEERS, NO HIGH CHOICE AND PRIME OFFERED CHOICE 1075-1450 LBS 70.00-74.00, 1475-1700 LBS 64.00-71.00, SELECT AND LOW CHOICE 1100-1600 LBS 66.00-69.75, 1625-1750 LBS 58.00-64.75, HEIFERS CHOICE 1100-1430 LBS 70.50-74.00, SELECT AND LOW CHOICE 950-1400 LBS 66.00-70.00, COWS, STRONG DEMAND! BREAKERS 40.50-45.00, BONERS 39.50-44.75, LEAN 40.00-44.50, BIG MIDDLE, LOW DRESSING, LIGHTS 35.25-39.75, SHELLEY TO 34.75, BULLS 1 AT 965 LBS 55.00  
FEEDER CATTLE: TOO FEW TO TEST

CALVES RETURNING TO THE FARM, HOLSTEIN BULLS #1 90-130 LBS 140.00-154.00, #2 85-130 LBS 85.00-135.00, HOLSTEIN HEIFERS #1 85-130 LBS 410.00-525.00  
SWINE: HOGS US#1-3 210-220 LBS 38.00-40.00, 230-290 LBS 45.00-55.50, SOWS US#1-3 350-600 LBS 27.00-34.50, THIN, WEAK, ROUGH TO 23.00, FEEDER PIGS BY THE LB. 15-25 LBS 135.00-155.00, 27-38 LBS 150.00-156.00; ROASTERS 160-175 LBS 35.00-40.00.

GOATS: BY THE HEAD, LARGE NANNIES AND BILLIES 72.00-135.00, FANCY KIDS 58.00-70.00, FLESHY 40.00-55.00

LAMBS: CHOICE 35-60 LBS 137.50-150.00, GOOD AND CHOICE 65-100 LBS 87.00-95.00  
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SMALL ANIMAL SALE  
February 5, 2002  
RABBITS AND BUNNIES 1 10-14 50  
CHICKENS 4 00-6 50  
BANTIES 3 00-3 75  
PIGEONS 2 10-6 50  
GEESE 3 25-4 25  
DUCKS 2 50-9 00  
GUINEAS 6 75  
ALL ANIMALS SOLD BY THE HEAD SALE STARTS AT 5 P.M.

**Morrison's Cove Livestock**

Martinsburg, Pa.

Report Supplied by Auction  
Monday, February 4, 2002

CATTLE: 75 HEAD.  
STEERS: CHOICE 69.00-73.50, GOOD 65.00-69.00  
HEIFERS: CHOICE 68.00-73.00, GOOD 58.00-67.00  
COWS: UTILITY AND COMMERCIAL 37.50-42.50, CANNER AND LOW CUTTER 27.00-38.00  
BULLOCKS: GOOD & CHOICE 55.00-63.00  
BULLS: YG#1 50.00-53.00  
FEEDER CATTLE: STEERS 65.00-72.00, BULLS 62.00-69.00, HEIFERS 65.00-73.00  
CALVES: 53. PRIME, NO MKT TEST, CHOICE 88.00-98.00, GOOD 75.00-88.00, STANDARD 25.00-55.00, HOLSTEIN BULLS 90-130 LBS 95.00-135.00, HOLSTEIN HEIFERS 90-130 LBS 250.00-450.00  
HOGS: 82 US#1-2, 40.00-41.50; US #1-3, 36.00-39.00  
SOWS US#1-3 24.00-32.00  
BOARS: 13.00-22.00  
FEEDER PIGS: 42. US #1-3 20-50 LBS 11.00-31.00  
SHEEP: 7 HEAD. CHOICE AND GOOD LAMBS, NO MARKET TEST, SLAUGHTER EWES 40.00-48.00  
GOATS: 23.00-81.00 EACH.

**New Holland Dairy Sale**

New Holland Sales Stables  
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Wednesday, February 6, 2002  
104 DAIRY COWS, 218 HEIFERS, 15 BULLS. MARKET STEADY Prices per head.  
LOCAL FRESH COWS 500.00-1610.00, FEW 1700.00-1975.00  
LOCAL SPRINGER 1085.00-1510.00, 1 AT 1875.00  
BETTER FRESH COWS 1675.00-1975.00  
LARGE HEIFERS 1635.00-1800.00, 1 AT 1900.00  
SHORT BRED HEIFERS 885.00-

1485.00.  
OPEN BREEDING AGE HEIFERS 1010.00-1310.00.  
BULLS: 235.00-725.00, PURE-BREDS 475.00-960.00.  
UPSTATE LOADS FRESH 1450.00-1875.00  
FRESH HEIFERS 850.00-1675.00, 1 AT 1825.00.  
REGISTERED HEIFERS 1350.00-1925.00.  
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WED	MAR 20 (?)	QUILT & CRAFT	9:00 AM

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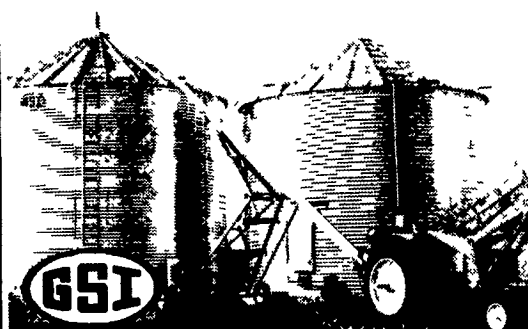
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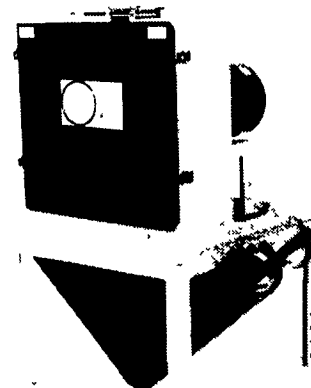
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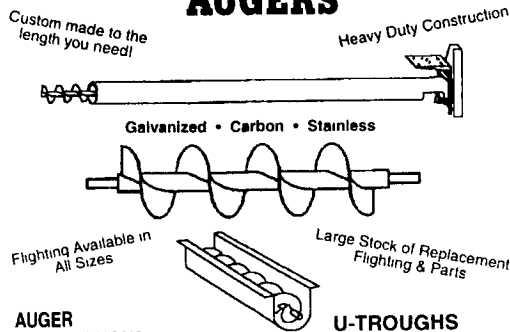
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