



JUNE 10-16, 2002
NEW MOON, JUNE 10

PRAYING FOR RAIN

With severe drought in parts of the Northeast and other areas of the United States this spring ("below normal precipitation" predicted by *The Old Farmer's Almanac* New England forecast), we are reminded of a drought the Plymouth Colony in Massachusetts experienced in 1623, which started in late May. In the middle of July, Governor Bradford wrote that the colonists "set apart a solemn day of humiliation, to seek the Lord by humble and fervent prayer in this great distress." That same evening, there were "such sweet and gentle showers as gave them cause of rejoicing and blessing God."

It never clouds up in a June night for a rain.



THE OLD FARMER'S WEATHER PROVERBS

*A summer fog for fair,
A winter fog for rain;
A fact most everywhere,
In valley and on plain.*

TIP OF THE WEEK

For maximum efficiency, water gardens very early in the morning.

WATERCRESS-AND-APPLE SALAD

Dressing:
1/2 cup plain yogurt
1/2 small red onion, chopped
1 clove garlic, minced
1 teaspoon Dijon mustard
1 teaspoon vinegar

Salad:
2 bunches watercress
1 'Granny Smith' apple
1/4 cup bleu cheese salt and pepper, to taste

Whisk together the dressing ingredients in a small bowl. Combine the salad ingredients in a large bowl. Pour dressing over salad, toss, and season to taste with salt and pepper.

Makes 4 servings



ATTENTION, GARDENERS!

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Carlisle Livestock

Carlisle, Pa.
Report Supplied by Auction
Tuesday, June 4, 2002

SLAUGHTER CATTLE: ACTIVE!
STEERS, NO HIGH CHOICE OR PRIME OFFERED! CHOICE 1050-1500 LBS. 67.00-70.00, 1550-1650 LBS. 63.75-67.00, SELECT AND LOW CHOICE 62.75-66.75, HOLSTEINS HIGH CHOICE AND PRIME 64.00-66.00, CHOICE 59.00-61.50, SELECT 51.25-55.00; HEIFERS CHOICE 1100-1450 LBS. 66.75-68.75, SELECT AND LOW CHOICE 65.00-66.50; COWS, STRONG DEMAND! BREAKERS MOSTLY 44.00-47.75, BONERS 42.00-46.50, LEAN 40.50-47.50, BIG MIDDLE, LOW DRESSING LIGHTS 35.00-40.00; BULLS YG+N1 1400-1600 LBS. 59.50-60.50; YG+N2 1175 LBS. 53.50.

FEEDER CATTLE: STEERS, HOSL-TEINS, DAIRY TYPES 600-900 LBS. 59.00-60.00; HEIFERS 600-850 LBS. 64.00-70.00.

CALVES: RETURNING TO THE FARM, HOLSTEIN BULLS +N1 90-125 LBS. 156.00-170.00, HOLSTEIN BULLS +N2 80-135 LBS. 100.00-140.00, HOLSTEIN HEIFERS +N1 90-120 LBS. 500.00-600.00, HOLSTEIN HEIFERS +N2 85-120 LBS. 270.00-350.00.

SWINE: HOGS US+N1-3 220-270 LBS. 31.00-33.75, 280-320 LBS. 24.00-29.00; SOWS US+N1-3, NONE OFFERED, THIN, WEAK, ROUGH 12.00-18.00; BOARS OVER 300 LBS. 1 HEAD 12.00; FEEDER PIGS BY THE LB. 17-28 LBS. 110.00-150.00.

GOATS: BY THE HEAD, MEDIUM TO LARGE NANNIES AND BILLIES 59.00-133.00, FANCY KIDS 50.00-72.00, FLESHY KIDS 35.00-45.00, SMALL AND THIN 14.0-34.00.

LAMBS: GOOD AND CHOICE 45-80 LBS. 80.00-87.00, 80-130 LBS. 67.00-85.00.

SHEEP: ALL WEIGHTS FAT 19.00-26.00.

SALE EVERY TUES., 5 P.M. FOR DAY FOR RABBITS, POULTRY, AND EGGS, 6 P.M. FOR LIVESTOCK, STARTING WITH CALVES; SPECIAL FAT CATTLE SALE TUES., JUNE 18; SPECIAL FEEDER CATTLE SALE TUES., JUNE 18; STATE GRADED FEEDER PIG SALE FRIDAY, JUNE 14, RECEIVING 7 A.M.-10:30 A.M. SALE 1:00 P.M.; RED CARPET TACK AND HORSE SALE FRIDAY, JUNE 14. SALE STARTING AT 7 P.M. WITH TACK. RECEIVING 5 P.M..

SMALL ANIMAL SALE
June 4, 2002

RABBITS AND BUNNIES: .85-10.75.
CHICKENS: 1.00-5.00.
BANTIES: 1.00-2.75.
PIGEONS: 2.50-3.40.
PHEASANTS: 3.25-12.00.
DUCKS 4.50-5.00.
GEESE 3.75-4.75.
SALE STARTS AT 5 P.M.
ALL SOLD BY THE HEAD. SALE STARTS 5 P.M.

Belleville Livestock Auction

Belleville, Pa.
June 5, 2002

Report Supplied by USDA

CATTLE 377...(PDA)..(Supply included 272 cows and heifers in the Dairy sale)..cows 1.00-2.00 lower.

STEERS: one Choice 1-3 1225 lbs 66.00.

HOLSTEIN STEERS: few Standard 1-2 45.25-46.75

COWS: Breakers 75-80% lean 42.00-45.50, few low dressing down to 39.25, Boners 80-85% lean 39.00-43.75, Lean 85-90% lean 36.00-41.25. Shells 30.00 and down.

BULLS: one Yield Grade 1 1605 lbs 55.00, couple Yield Grade 2 1180 & 1300 lbs 52.25 & 54.25.

FEEDER CATTLE: STEERS: one Large 3 Holstein 235 lbs 75.00, one 880 lbs 55.00; HEIFERS: Medium 1 590-735 lbs 57.00-61.00, few Medium and Large 3 505-670 lbs 42.50-50.00

CALVES 78...VEALERS: Standard and Good 70-85 lbs 40.00-52.50, few Utility 50-70 lbs 10.00-32.00. FARM CALVES: Holstein bulls 30.00-40.00 lower..No 1 Holstein bulls 90-130 lbs 130.00-160.00, 80-85 lbs 125.00-130.00, No 2 80-125 lbs 80.00-130.00, weaker calves down to 65.00; one No 1 Holstein heifer 85 lbs at 530.00, No 2 70-85 lbs 175.00-300.00.

Beef type bulls and heifers 95-100 lbs 150.00-157.50

HOGS 11...BARROWS AND GILTS: one 45-50% lean 215 lbs at 30.50, 40-45% lean 295-340 lbs 20.00-27.50.

BOARS: one 300 lbs at 7.00
FEEDER PIGS 34...1-3 30-50 lbs 25.00-40.00. — per head.

SHEEP 89...SLAUGHTER LAMBS: Steady.. Hi Choice & Prime 60-85 lbs 84.00-99.00, Choice 30-45 lbs 83.00-103.00, 50-85 lbs 64.00-83.00, 90-110 lbs 60.00-77.00, Good and Choice 35-65 lbs 60.00-70.00.

SLAUGHTER SHEEP: 23.00-54.00 mostly 30.00-48.00.

GOATS 33...(All sold by the head with weights estimated). Kids: Selection 1 under 20 lbs couple 36.00, 20-40 lbs 27.00-33.00, Selection 2 under 20 lbs 15.00-31.00, 20-40 lbs 28.00-30.00 Selection 3 under 20 lbs 6.00-7.00. Yearlings: Selection 2 40-60 lbs 36.00-56.00, 60-80 lbs 67.00. Nannies: 50-70 lbs 40.00-68.00, 70-100 lbs 52.00-75.00.

DAIRY COWS: 800.00-1850.00. — per head.

New Holland Horses

New Holland Sales Stables

Report Supplied by Auction

Monday, June 3, 2002

214 HEAD, MARKET STEADY.
WORK HORSES 835.00-1700.00.
DRIVING HORSES 635.00-1000.00.
RIDING HORSES 475.00-1225.00.
REGISTERED RIDING 1200.00-1725.00, 1' AT 2700.00.
BETTER RIDING 1325.00-1510.00.
PONIES 210.00-500.00.
LARGE PONIES 600.00-835.00.
COLTS 150.00-435.00.

New Holland Dairy Sale

New Holland Sales Stables

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Wednesday, June 5, 2002

196 DAIRY COWS, 148 HEIFERS, 18 BULLS. MARKET STEADY.
LOCAL FRESH COWS 460.00-1600.00, FEW 1700.00-2250.00.
LOCAL SPRINGER 660.00-1575.00, FEW 1600.00-1625.00.
BETTER FRESH COWS 1800.00-2250.00.
LARGE HEIFERS 1650.00-1785.00.
SHORT BRED HEIFERS

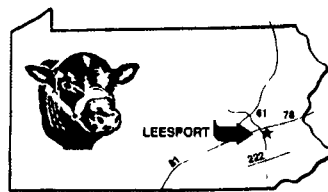
1250.00-1485.00.
OPEN BREEDING AGE HEIFERS 1160.00-1375.00.
BULLS: 700.00-785.00, PUREBREDS 600.00-850.00.
PUREBREDS OPEN 1210.00-1425.00.
UPSTATE LOADS FRESH 850.00-1650.00, FEW 1700.00-1900.00.
CANADIAN LOADS FRESH 1025.00-1750.00.
REGISTERED HEIFERS 1500.00-1725.00.
FRESH HEIFERS 410.00-1450.00.
SMALL HEIFERS 660.00-1200.00.
SMALL OPEN HEIFERS 685.00-1035.00.

SMALLER OPEN HEIFERS 275.00-410.00.
2 CANADIAN HERDS 425.00-1650.00.

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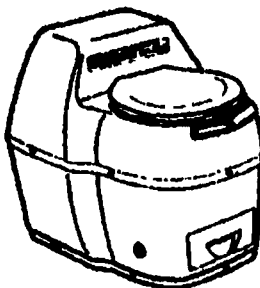
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