

## Barrows, Gilts Steady; Cattle Supplies Small

WEDNESDAY TO WEDNESDAY REVIEW

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Lancaster, Pa. — (Wednesday to Wednesday Livestock Market Review)—Cattle: 1647, week ago 3236. Compared with last Wednesday: Slaughter steers 1200 lbs and lighter and grading average choice and better steady, others slow weak to 50c lower. Most decline on good averaging 1250 lbs and over. Heifers scarce, slow steady to weak. Canner, cutter and utility cows fully 25c higher. Commercial steady. Bulls in small supply, mostly steady. Stockers and feeders slow, about steady. Supplies smallest for a three-day period this year. Around 65 per cent were stockers and feeders, approximately 10 percent cows. Bulk choice fed steers 1200 lbs and lighter \$20.00-21.50, a few head to \$22.50. Good 950-1300-lb steers \$17.50-19.00, some commercial \$15.00-17.00. Commercial and good heifers \$14.50-17.50. Utility and commercial cows mostly \$11.50-13.00; canners and cutters \$8.50-11.50 a few high yielding cutters to \$12.00. Utility and commercial bulls \$14.50-17.50; cutters \$13.50-14.00. Numberous loads medium and good 600-900-lb stocker and feeder steers \$15.00-18.00. Good 980-lb good and choice feeder steers \$18.50. Part loads 575-875 lb good and choice feeder steers \$19.50-20.00. Several loads common 600-750

lbs \$12.00-14.00. Load good and choice 483-lb stock steer calves \$19.50.  
Calves: 972 week ago 757. Vealers around \$2.00 lower than last Wednesday. Most decline on good and low choice. Late sales good and choice vealers \$22.00-27.00, a few to \$28.00. Prime early from \$30.00-34.00, a few to \$35.00. Utility and commercial \$14.00-21.00 cull down to \$12.00.  
Hogs: 1164, week ago 1612. Compared with last Wednesday: Barrows and gilts mostly steady, sows scarce all week, unchanged. Wednesday's sales barrows and gilts U. S. 1-3, 180-250 lbs \$12.50-13.00. A few lots mostly U. S. 1 and 2 to local small killers, 180-220 lbs \$13.25-13.50. A few around 270 lb down to \$12.25. Sows this week \$11.00-11.50 for weights 400 lbs and lighter, over 400 lbs \$10.00-10.75.  
Sheep: 257, week ago 226. Compared with last Wednesday: Slaughter lambs mostly steady. Bulk good and choice wooled slaughter lambs \$18.00-20.00, a few high choice to low prime \$20.50; utility and low good \$14.00-17.00; cull down to \$10.00.

### Can't Resist Posters.

Louisville, Ky.—Capt. John S. Bromley admits he never could resist a recruiting poster. At 17, he saw a poster urging him to "Join the Navy." He did, after four years with the Navy and Marine Corps, he was discharged. The next year, he joined the Air Force, ending his hitch in Japan in 1949. Before being discharged, however, Bromley saw another poster, which urged, "Join the Army." His transfer was arranged and after officer-candidate school, he was sent to Korea for eighteen months. Now, he's at Fort Knox, test-flying wrecked airplanes—after they've been rebuilt.

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## Thursday Sale Of Poultry at Seasonal Lows

Lancaster Poultry Exchange—Rohrerstown, Pa. — Sales Report: Sale 108, Thursday, Dec. 15, 1955) — Prices moved to seasonal lows in the Thursday auction of poultry here, with a low of 17% and a high of 19%. Twenty-two lots of 37,125 birds were listed 21 lots of 33,725 offered and 14 lots of 23,725 sold. Thirteen lots of broilers totaling 23,524 averaged 19.111. One lot of 300 heavy fowl sold at 28 cents.

A year ago on the corresponding day, Thursday, Dec. 16, 1954, 12 lots of 42,275 including two lots of 75 turkeys, were offered. Eight lots of 25,075 birds sold at 18 1/2 to 19%, averaging 18.9.

Thursday sales by seller & grower, amount and breed, buyer and price follow:

**Wenger's Mill (Joseph Deitz)**  
1500 White Cross to Victor F. Weaver Inc. 18; Ephraim M. Her-nley 300 Cornish Cross fowls to Walter B. Lehman 28; Paul K. Shoemaker 1200 White Vantress to S. E. Davis 19%; James P. Kendig 2300 Red Vantress, no sale, 18 1/4 bid; Jonas K. Fusher 325 Silver Hamps to Roy E. Ream 18%; Rodney Miller 650 Silver Cross Cockerels caponized, no sale, 19 bid;

Robert Bollinger 200 White Rock Cross to Grimes & Hauer 17%; Arlene Funk 500 Meat-packers, no sale, 18 1/4 bid; Roy M. Good, 800 Red and White Vantress, no sale 18 1/4 bid; Steg-menten's Farm 3000 White Cross no sale, 16 1/4 bid; and same con-signor, 2000 Indian River Cross, no sale, 16 1/4 bid; Miller & Bushong (Stanley Carpenter) 4500 Red and White Vantress to Grimes and Hauer 19;

**Miller & Bushong (Stanley Carpenter)** 3400 Red Vantress to Grimes & Hauer 18%; Miller & Bushong - (Joshua King) 2600 White Vantress to Grimes & Hauer 19%; Miller & Bushong (J. Irvin Denlinger) 3400 White Cross, withdrawn prior to sale; Miller & Bushong (Paul Livingood) 1150 Red Vantress to Victor F. Weaver, Inc. 18%; Miller and Bushong (Paul Livingood) 650 Red Vantress to Victor F. Weaver, Inc. 18 1/4 bid; Carl B. Zeager, 500 Red Vantress to Walter C. Mellinger 18 1/4 H. H. Fitz & Son, 1000 White Vantress, to Producers Coop xc. 18 1/2; Miller & Bushong (Walter Kinsey) 3400 White Cross to Mandata Poultry 19%; Miller & Bushong (Glenn Deardorff) 3000 Red and White Vantress to Mandata Poultry 19%.

### LIVE POULTRY

Philadelphia Dec 21—Market unsettled. Most classes were in more than ample supply for the fair but very selective demand. Large white rock caponettes 33-35, hylanes 39-32, crosses 30-32c, reds 30c. Caponnetted cross fryers 25-26, caponnetted reds 27, vantress reds 23-25c. Turkeys steady to firm on heavy type but weak on small type. Supplies of heavy type were short of the very good demand. Bronze young hens 48-50c few lots 52c. young toms 35-38c, few lots higher. White Holland young toms 35c. Without clearing. (Bel'sville) young hens 40-45c with bulk unsold. Receipts Dec. 20 included del 25,800 lbs md. 14,600 lbs va. 7,500 lbs.

Wholesale selling prices No. 1 and fancy quality broilers or fryers heavy type 3-4 lbs 23-27. Hens heavy type 19-28 light type 16-21 old roosters 11 Ducks: Turkeys young hens 40-52, young toms 35-38.

### EGGS

Philadelphia, Dec. 21—Market steady to firm. Demand good for all grades. Supplies were barely sufficient for immediate requirements

Wholesale selling prices: min. 10 pct AA quality. Large 45-50# white 28-59, brown 56-57, medium white 54-55, brown 53-54. Extras, min. 60 pct a qual. Large 45-50# white 56-57, brown none, mixed 55-56, medium white 52-53, brown, none, mixed 50-51. Standard 50-51, current receipts none, checks 85-39.

Receipts Dec. 20—5,280 cases Muscovy none, Pekins 25-32, all by trucks.



## Farm Equipment Dealers Hold Christmas Meet

By Staff Reporter  
In a complete Christmas setting, 160 members family members and guests of the Lancaster County Farm Equipment Dealers met Thursday night last week at Hostetter's Dining Room in Mount Joy for their annual Christmas meeting and Ladies' Night. Chairman of the program committee was Leroy Wenger of Wenger of Buck. Willis Nolt led the group in singing familiar Christmas carols during the meeting that was marked with music. Accompanist was Mrs. Roy Brubaker, Lititz, whose husband is president of the association. Entertainment was also provided by a brass quartet, Howard Erb, Martin Moore, Kenneth Kauffman and Roy Bomberger. Mrs. Howard Erb sang several traditional Christmas solos. Dr. Ernest E. Miller, supervisor of personnel of the Mennonite Central Committee, Akron, was speaker. A former missionary to India, he was in relief service many years in Turkey, served 16 years in India and for 14 years he was in college work. His topic was "The Greatest Christmas Ever Known." At the conclusion of the dinner, a gift exchange was held. Officers of the association are: President, Roy Brubaker, Lititz, Pa.; 1st Vice-President, Leroy Wenger, Buck, Pa., Quarryville, R. D.; 2nd Vice-President, Ivan Nolt, Farmersville, Pa.; Sec'y-Treasurer, Arthur S. Young, Kinzers, Pa.; and Ass't Secretary, Harold Keneagy, Paradise, Pa. Directors are Ben Snively, New Holland; L. B. Herr, Jr., West Willow; Rankin Wiley, Peach Bottom and Robert Brubaker, Salunga.

## Mrs. Reinhold is New President for Farm Society 10

In a Christmas dinner party at the home of Mrs. Charles F. Stauffer, Lime Springs Farm, Rohrerstown, recently, Mrs. C. H. Reinhold was installed as president of Farm Women's Society No. 10.

Two delegates and two alternates to the Jan. 9 state convention in Harrisburg were named. Delegates are the new president and Mrs. Wayne Brubaker. Alternates are Mrs. Harry Shuman and Mrs. Edward Bowser.

Other officers installed at the party included Mrs. Elam Buck-walter, first vice president; Mrs. Cliff C. Shoemaker, second vice president; Mrs. John Habecker, recording secretary; Mrs. Henry Hershey, corresponding secretary and Miss Eliza Esbenshade, treasurer.

Devotions were led by Mrs. C. M. Neff.

A total of \$40 was contributed by the Society, ten dollars going to each of the following: United Community Campaign, Water Street Rescue Mission, Salvation Army and the Lancaster County Tuberculosis Society.

### Sees Family First Time

Columbia Ohio.—As a result of an operation performed on her eyes several weeks ago, Mrs. Ludwina Runkle, blind for 23 years saw her husband and eight children for the first time. A victim of a severe attack of scarlet fever at three years of age and two subsequent automobile accidents, Mrs. Runkle lost her vision.

## Tuesday Broiler Prices Near Low Point for Year

Lancaster Poultry Exchange (Rohrerstown, Pa.) (Sales Report 109, Tuesday, Dec. 20, 1955) —Sales were slow on the Tuesday auction at the Lancaster Poultry Exchange, and prices moved lower to average near the low point for the year.

Purchases paid 17% to 19% on four lots of 8050 birds. There were eight lots of 22,350 birds offered. Average price was 19 cents.

Here are Tuesday sales, listed by seller and grower, amount and breed, buyer and price: Paul F. Miller, 450 White Cornish to Carl B. Risser, 18; Robert M. Mylin, 900 Indian River Cross to Victor F. Weaver, Inc., 17%; O. Kenneth McCracken (Elvin High), 5000 White Cross to Mandata Poultry at 19%; O. Kenneth McCracken (Rudy Forry), 1700 White Cross to Mandata Poultry, 18%; Edwin L. Funk, 3800 White Vantress, no bid, and 4000 Red Vantress, no sale. Arlene Funk, 500 Meat Packers, no sale, 16 1/4 bid, Indian River Poultry (Harry H. Rudy), 6000 Lancaster Pullets, no sale, 18 1/4 bid.

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