

## Easter Lambs Score \$35 Top In Local Trade

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### WEDNESDAC TO WEDNESDAY REVIEW

Lancaster Cattle 2,955, week ago 3732 Compared with last Wednesday slaughter steers and heifers fully steady to 25c higher. Cow around 25c higher, bulls mostly steady. Stockers and feeders slow, mostly steady. Bulk choice fed steers at Lancaster \$18.00-20.00, a few lots and loads high choice and prime \$20.50-21.25, one load 1,040-lb prime steers \$23.00. Good and choice heifers scarce, mostly commercial and good \$14.50-16.00, a few low choice to \$17.25. Commercial heifers down to \$14.00 Utility and commercial cows by Wednesday were bringing \$12.50-13.75; Cannery and cutters \$9.25-13.25. Utility and commercial bulls \$16.00-17.50, good 800-1100-lb butcher bulls \$17.50-18.00, a few to \$18.50 or slightly higher. Most good and

## New Director For Farm Museum Sought

A highly qualified expert is being sought as director of the Landis Valley Pennsylvania Farm Museum to fill the vacancy created by the death of Carl W. Drepperd, at was announced last weekend in Harrisburg.

Several are under consideration, and work continues as usual at the Museum.

choice 500-650-lb short yearling and yearling feeder steers \$19.00-21.00, some stock steer calves 500 lbs to \$22.00. A few loads medium and good 680-1,000 lb feeder steers \$15.00-18.00; common holstein feeders \$12.50-14.00.

CALVES 1409, week ago 859. Liberal supplies of veal calves and limited demand, attributed to the non-slaughtering Jewish Holidays March 27 and 28, pushed veal calf prices sharply lower after Monday, and compared with last Wednesday prices were down \$2.00 to \$4.00 or more. In Wednesday's trade good and choice veal calves brought \$20.00-24.00, high choice and prime \$24.50-26.00, some prime Monday up to \$30.00 and \$31.00. Late sales utility and commercial \$14.00-19.00, Culls down to \$8.00.

HOGS: 2,492, week ago 1,755. Liberal supplies of hogs locally were pretty largely cleaned up by Wednesday at prices 75c-\$1.00 higher than a week ago. Sows strong to 50c up Wednesday's sales barrows and gilts U S mixed 1-3, 190-250 lbs \$15.00-15.50, several lots mostly No 1 and 2 brought \$15.75-16.00, a few sales Monday to \$16.50. Weights 160-180 lbs, \$13.00-14.75. Sows all weights \$9.00-11.00.



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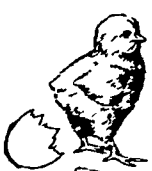
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## EGGS

Philadelphia March 28 — (USDA)—Market barely steady. More than ample supplies were available. Demand good. Into storage movement moderate in volume. Small lots of current receipts sold at 38½-39c.

Wholesale selling prices: Minimum 10 per cent AA quality large 45-48# white 46-47, brown 44-47, brown- 44-45, medium White 43½-44, brown 41½-42. Extras minimum 60 per cent A quality large 45-50# white 42½-43, brown none, mixed 40-41, medium white 41-41½, brown none, mixed 39½-40. Standards Receipts March 27 - 6,600 cases, all by truck.

SHEEP: 1,016, week ago 171. A liberal supply of new crop 30-60 lb native spring lambs were offered this week for the Easter trade. Old crop lambs scarce, mostly steady with last Wednesday. A few lots woolled lambs utility and good \$18.00-22.00, Bulk good to prime 30-60 lb new-crop native spring lambs \$26.00-32.00, numerous sales up to \$35.00, some utility grades 50-70 lbs down to \$20.00.

## Thursday Sale Of Broilers Somewhat Up

Lancaster Poultry Exchange (Rohrerstown, Pa.) (Sales Report, Sale 136, Thursday, March 22, 1956)—On the Lancaster Poultry Exchange Thursday, broiler prices gained slightly, moving a quarter cent higher than the preceding Tuesday's sale. Topping the broiler market was Mary Forry, R1 Lancaster, who received 24½ cents for 700 White Vantress crosses, 10 wks, one day, on the bid of Martin M. Brendle, R1 Strasburg.

There were 28 lots of a total 82,815 birds offered and listed, 26 lots totaling 71,740 sold, with 21 lots of broilers totaling 68,525 selling in a range of 21¼ to 24¼, averaging 22.51.

Three lots of capettes, 1665 birds, sold from 29 to 31 cents; one lot of 1100 capons brought 26, and one lot of 14 week old broilers, 450 birds, sold for 25½ cents.

Price Last Year—30 to 34 For the corresponding sale a year ago, Sale 40, Thursday, March 24, 1955, 22 lots totaling 59,100 broilers were offered, plus two lots totaling 3,000 turkeys. The same number of broilers were sold, as well as two lots, 2200 Leghorns, going from 30 to 34 cents, averaging 32.13.

Here are Thursday sales by lot number (22 precedes each lot no), seller and grower, amount and breed, age by weeks and days, buyer and price:

1, Miller & Bushong (Lester Shirk), 1700 Meatpackers, 9-3, to Harry H. Weaver, Jr., 22¼; 2, Miller & Bushong (Lester Shirk), 4200 White Vantress, 9-3 to Tilley's Poultry 22½; 3, Robert H. Barr (Walter B. Groff), 1500 White Vantress, 9-4, to Victor J. Koser, 23; 4, Fruitville Farms, Inc. (Abram Shenk), 4850 Indian River Cross, 9 wks, to Grimes & Haver, 22½; 5, Amos Wade, 1100 White Vantress capettes 10-6, to Walter C. Mellinger, 26; 6, Richard Trostel, 900 #12 Cockerels, 10-2, to Roy E. Ream, 21¼; 7, Miller & Bushong (Roy N. Hess), 3900 White Vantress, 9-2, to Victor F. Weaver, Inc., 22¼; 8, Clayton S. Zimmerman 1000 Red Vantress, 10-1 to Daniel K. Good 23¼; 9, Caleb K. Hershey, 475 Red Vantress, 10-2, to Meader's Poultry 22¼; 10, Leroy Horst 975 Indian River Cross Cockerel Capettes, 13-2, to Marvin Sweigart, 31;

11, Willis Bowman, 1200 White Vantress, Capettes, 14 wks, to Walter C. Mellinger, 20 12; I. Jacob Brenneeman 450 Red and White Vantress 14 wks to John N. Thomas 25½; 13, Daniel G. Forry, 1475 White Vantress 10-1 no sale 22 bid; 14, Mary E. Forry, 700 White Vantress, 10-1 to Martin M. Brendle 24¼; 15, Paul W. Martin 4400 White Mountains, 10-2, Tilley's Poultry 22¾; 16, Paul W. Martin 4400 Indian River Cross, 10-2 to Roy E. Ream 22¼; 17, Paul F. Osborn 4000 White Vantress 10 wks to Pennsylvania Dutch Farms 22¼; 18, Paul F. Osborn 4000 White Vantress 10 wks to Mandata Poultry 22¼; 19, Paul F. Osborn 4000 White Vantress 10 wks to Pennsylvania Dutch Farms 22¼; 20, Paul F. Osborn, 5000 White

## Broiler Prices Tuesday Tumble On Pre-Holiday

Lancaster Poultry Exchange (Rohrerstown, Pa.) (Sales Report, Sale 137, Tuesday, March 27, 1956)—Broiler prices declined 1.25 cents in the Tuesday auction compared to the previous Thursday as buyers eyed the coming Easter Holiday. More than 15,000 birds did not sell. A total of 5,225 birds, from 10 lots of 21,625 offered, sold in a range of 20 to 22¼, averaging 21.28. Five lots were sold, five were not sold.

For the corresponding day a year ago, Tuesday, March 29,

Vantress, 10 wks, to Pennsylvania Dutch Farms, 22¼; 21, Paul F. Osborn, 5000 White Vantress, 10 wks, to Pennsylvania Dutch Farms, 22¼; 22, Kenneth McCracken, 2500 White Vantress, 9-2, to Victor F. Weaver, Inc., 22; 23, Tifus Martin, 190 Meatpacker capettes, 13-2, to Martin M. Brendle, 31; 24, Leroy M. Sensenig, 4900 White Vantress, 10 wks, to Mandata Poultry, 22¼; 25, Leroy M. Sensenig, 4900 Red Vantress, 10 wks, to Harry H. Weaver, Jr., 21¼; 26, Erwin E. Myers, 4800 Indian River Cross, 9-2, no sale, 21¼ bid; 27, Erwin E. Myers, 4800 White Vantress, 9-2, no sale, 22¼ bid; 28, J. J. Hess II (Isaac Glick), 1200 Red Vantress, 9-5, to Leola Poultry, 23¼; 29, Moore Farms (Jonestown Farms), 5000 White Rock cockerels, 9-2, to Mandata Poultry, 22¼.

## LICENSE DEADLINE

Midnight March 31—that's Saturday night—is the deadline when new passenger car license plates must be displayed in Pennsylvania. Trucks owners and owners of other vehicles in the commercial classification have until May 31 to renew registrations.

1955, sale 41, six lots totaling 19,500 broilers and six lots totaling 3,725 turkeys were offered, with broilers selling from 31½ to 33¼, averaging 32.5.

Pennsylvania placements, 9, 10, 11 wks earlier, totaled 588,000.

Here are Tuesday sales by lot number (each preceded by 27-), amount and breed, age by weeks and days, buyer and price:

1, Shanaman Inc. (J. Edward Stouff), 1000 White Mountains, 10 wks, to Roy E. Ream, 20c; 2, Kenneth McCracken (Mervin Hess), 750 White Vantress, 9-2, to John E. Rettinger, 21c; 3, Philip F. Foster, 10,000 White Vantress, 9-3, no sale, 20¼c bid; 4, Paul Kreider, 300 Meatpackers, 10 wks to Roy E. Ream, 21c; 5, J. Harold Eby, 1500 Meatpackers, 9-4, to Victor F. Weaver, Inc., 21¼c; 6, Harvey Hostetter, 1675 Red Vantress, 9-4, to Carl B. Risser, 22¼c; 7, A. L. Harnish, 1,000 White Mountain Pullet capettes, 17 wks, no sale, 27c bid; 8, Glenn H. Herr, (James R. Barley), 3900 Indian River pullets, 10 wks no sale, 21¼ bid; 9, Herman Blume, 500 White Vantress capettes, 16 wks, no sale, 25c bid; 10, Herman Blume, 1000 White Vantress pullets, 16 wks, no sale, 25c bid.

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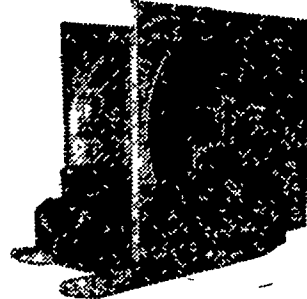
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