

Prime Steers At Lancaster Score \$22.50

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WEDNESDAY TO WEDNESDAY REVIEW

Lancaster—April 5 (Wednesday to Wednesday Review)—CATTLE: 3,557, week ago 2,955. Compared with last Wednesday, slaughter steers and heifers 25-50c higher, cows and bulls mostly steady. Stockers and feeders slow, largely steady. Supply comprised around 45 per cent stockers and feeders and 10 per cent cows. Bulk choice fed steers

Goldfus Shipping To Beirut Firm

From funds raised by Lancaster County Brethren Churches, a total of 330 dozen hatching eggs have been consigned by Goldfus Hatcheries, Litzitz, to Musa Alami, Beirut, Lebanon, to rehabilitate a hatchery destroyed in a recent Jordan riot.

Taken to New York by truck, the eggs were loaded aboard a KLM Dutch Airlines plane for shipment under supervision of the United Nations World Relief Association.

Another order for 4,000 eggs will leave later this month for the same destination.

\$18.00-21.00 for weights 1000-1300 lbs. Several loads and lots high choice \$21.50; odd loads prime 1100-1250 lbs \$22.00-22.50. Good and low choice \$17.00-18.25. A few small lots commercial and good heifers \$14.00-16.50. Most utility and commercial cows \$12.50-13.50; canners and cutters \$9.00-12.75. Utility and commercial bulls \$16.00-17.50, good 800-1100-lb bulls \$17.50-18.50, cutters down to \$14.00. Most medium and good 500-750 lb yearling and short yearling stocker and feeders \$17.00-19.50 mixed good and low choice \$19.00-21.00. Good and choice 450-550 lb stock steer calves and short yearlings \$20.00-21.50, a few steer calves \$21.75-22.00. Common and medium stockers \$13.00-17.00.

CALVES 987, week ago 1,409. Demand narrow on veal calves steady to 50c lower than last Wednesday. Bulk good to prime vealers 140-210 lbs \$20.00-24.00, high choice and prime \$24.50-26.00, a few to \$28.00. Utility and commercial vealers \$15.00-19.00, culls down to \$8.00.

HOGS 1917, week ago 2,492. Compared with last Wednesday. Barrows and gilts 75c-\$1.00 higher. Sows strong to 50c up.

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Lancaster Poultry Exchange Total Head Sold

Comparison of Sales		
Week Ending	Birds Sold	Avg. Price
3- 5-55	63,700	31.40
3- 1-56	71,000	23.25
3-12-55	90,480	32.80
3-10-56	100,010	23.56
3-19-55	68,385	32.30
3-17-56	115,925	23.07
3-26-55	64,875	32.10
3-24-56	103,915	22.39
4- 2-55	110,725	32.30
3-31-56	83,730	21.32
1955 Total	398,165	
1956 Total	474,580	
Difference	76,415	

Three-Month Comparison		
January 1955 —	390,415	January 1956 — 619,816
February 1955 —	324,900	February 1956 — 489,570
March 1955 —	398,165	March 1956 — 474,580
Total —	1,113,480	Total — 1,583,966
Difference —		470,486

Bulk barrows and gilts Wednesday, 190-240 lbs grading U. S. mixed 1-3, \$16.00-16.50; weights 160-180 lbs \$14.50-16.00, some 140-160 lb weights \$12.00-14.00. Sows, all weights, \$9.00-12.00. SHEEP 216, week ago 1,016. Supply mainly native spring lambs a few plain quality old crop lambs. Woolled lambs \$16.00-21.00, native spring lambs good to prime 60 to 83 lbs \$23.00 to 26.00. Aged sheep scarce.

Prices Higher Thursday for Broilers Here

Lancaster Poultry Exchange (Rohrerstown, Pa.) (Sales Report sale 138, Thursday, March 29, 1956)—Prices moved fractionally higher Thursday compared to the preceding trading session at the Lancaster Poultry Exchange on broilers, with an average of 21.36. A total of 97,005 birds in 23 lots were listed, 22 lots totaling 95,006 offered and 18 lots totaling 78,505 sold, five lots totaling 18,500 not sold.

Prices ranged from 20¢ to 22½¢ on 17 lots of a total 78,225 broilers, and one lot of 280 pullets sold at 35 cents.

For the corresponding day a year ago, March 31, 1955, sale 41, some 100,000 broilers, 7,000 turkeys and 2550 capettes were offered, and 89,100 broilers, 1,000 turkeys and 700 capettes were sold in a range of 30 to 35½¢, averaging 32½¢.

Top Reaches 22.25
Roy Ream, New Holland, paid the 22½¢ top Thursday on 2,250 Red Vantress crosses, 10 wks offered by Frank Destafano, R1 Conestoga.

Here are Thursday sales by lot no (each preceded by 29-), seller, grower (in parentheses), amount and breed, age by weeks and days, buyer and price.

1 Herbert Pendleton, 1200 Indian River Cross, 10 wks, to Roy E Ream, 21, 2 Miller & Bushong (Frank Destafano) 2,250 Red Vantress, 10 wks, to Roy E Ream, 22½, 3, John V Erb 4000 Indian River Cross 9 wks, no sale, 20½ bid, (lots 4, 5, 6 sold as 1 lot at 21 cents) 4, Paul Renno 5500 Red Vantress, 9-3 5 4800 Indian River Cross 9-3 6 1300 Indian River and Red Vantress, 9-3, to Pennsylvania Dutch Farms 7, Miller & Bushong (John L Herr), 4300 White Vantress 8 wks, no sale 21½ bid 8 Miller & Bushong (John L Herr) 4202 Red Vantress 0-9 no sale 20½ bid.

9, Miller & Bushong (Fred H Sherick), 3000 White Vantress 9 wks to Harry H Weaver Jr 10, Miller & Bushong (Samuel R Siegrist) 775 White Vantress 0 wks to Carl B Risser 22 11 Miller & Bushong (H Raymond Charles) 6200 White Tail Cornish Cross 9 wks to Victor F Weaver, Inc 20½, 12 Lloyd Winev, 1000 Lechorn fowl yearlings withdrawn prior to sale 13 Miller & Bushong (Harry L Tomlin), 1900 White Vantress 10 wks to Roy E Ream 22 Miller & Bushong (Clair Bombardier), 4300 Meatnackers 10 wks to S F Davis 21 15 Leon W Hess 200 Silver Cross pullets 18-9 to Walter C Mallinger 25 16 William Skathway 6900 White Vantress 0-8 Harry H Weaver Jr 21½, 17 William Skathway 2900 White Vantress 0-3 to Mandata Poultry 21½, 18 Jacob N Ebelman 8000 White Vantress, 9-6, to Mandata

Farm Fires in April Proving Need for Care

Spring cleanup often means burning grass and debris, which in turn can cause more serious blazes. This week several rural fires were reported around Lancaster County, one a brooder house fire, another a farm grass fire.

On the Christ L Fisher farm, R1 Strasburg Sunday, fire destroyed a brooder house and 350 small chickens. A faulty kerosene heater was believed cause of the fire and damage was estimated at \$350.

Two fire companies, White Horse and Honey Brook, responded to a grass fire call on the Eugene Koch farm near Compass Sunday afternoon. Several buildings, including the former Compass school building were endangered.

No 2 quality 15c Turkeys weak. Demand light for excess supplies. Few small lots Beltsville Young Toms 35c with bulk of White Holland and Beltsvilles unsold. Receipts April 3, included Maryland 2,000 lbs, Delaware 8,000 lbs, Virginia 7000 lbs.

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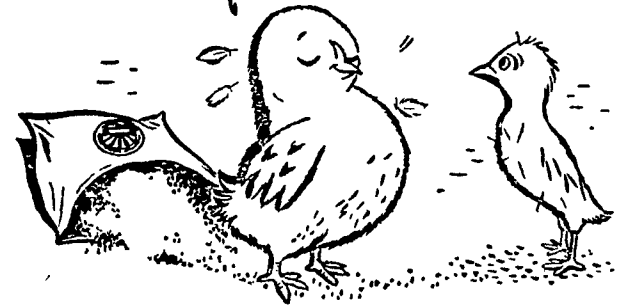
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