

Barrows, Gilts Lose 25 Cents; Few Bring \$16.50

WEDNESDAY TO WEDNESDAY
REVIEW

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LANCASTER, April 19 — (Wednesday to Wednesday Review) — CATTLE: Three days, 4,043; week ago, 5,242. Compared with last Wednesday: Slaughter steers and heifers steady to weak, cows around 25c lower, bulls mostly steady. Stockers and feeders fully steady to strong. Receipts included around 40 per cent stocker and feeder steers and 10 per cent cows. Bulk choice fed steers 1000-1300 lbs \$19.00-21.00, a few loads high choice and mixed choice and prime \$21.25-22.50, one load prime 1120-lb prime steers \$23.00; good and low choice steers \$17.00-19.00. Most good and choice heifers \$16.00-18.00; part load 1,009-lb high choice to prime heifers \$19.35. Commer-

cial heifers down to \$14.00. Most utility and commercial cows \$12.25-13.75; canners and cutters largely \$9.00-12.25, high yielding weighty Holstein cutters \$12.75. Utility and commercial bulls \$16.00-17.50; good fed bulls \$17.50-18.50, cutters down to \$13.50. Numerous loads medium and good 500-700 lb stock steers and short yearlings \$18.00-20.50; a few loads good and low choice \$20.50-21.50, one load choice 500-lb stock steer calves \$23.00. Common 500-700 lb stock steers \$13.50-16.00. A few short loads good and low choice 800-1,000-lb feeder steers \$18.50-19.50.

CALVES: Three days, 918; week ago, 1,244. Veal calves fully \$1.00 higher than last Wednesday, some good to prime grades \$2.00 higher. In Wednesday's trade good and choice vealers 140-210 lbs \$24.50-26.50; high choice and prime \$27.00-30.00; utility and commercial \$14.00-21.50 with culls down to \$8.00.

HOGS: 1,799, week ago 2,366. Barrows and gilts steady to 25c lower than last Wednesday. Sows in small supply, mostly steady. Wednesday's sales barrows and gilts U. S. mixed 1-3, 190-240 lbs \$15.50-16.00, several small lots

No. 1 and 2 to local small killers at \$16.50. Weights 160-180 lbs \$14.50-15.75. Sows, all weights, \$9.50-12.00.

SHEEP: Supply mainly native spring lambs. Lambs fully steady with last Wednesday. Bulk good to prime native spring lambs this week \$24.00-27.00 for weights 55-80 lbs. Utility and low good \$18.00-23.00. Aged sheep too scarce for adequate market test.

Poultry

'Lancaster Poultry' Exchange (Rohrerstown, Pa.) (Sales Report, sale 142, Thursday, April 12, 1956) — Prices moved a half cent higher in the Thursday auction of broilers at the Lancaster Poultry Exchange, with sharply increased receipts. There were 43 lots totaling 148,340 birds listed and offered, 40 lots totaling 131,490 sold.

Thirty-five lots, including 128,900 broilers sold from 20 to 23¢ cents, averaging 21.09. Two lots, a total of 1500 heavy fowl, sold at 25½¢; one lot, 975 birds 18 weeks old, went at 25¢.

For the corresponding day a year ago, Thursday, April 14, 1955, sale 46, there were 12 lots, 29,250 broilers, six lots totaling 10,440 lponized and capettes offered and sold with broilers ranging from 26½¢ to 29½¢ cents, averaging 28.32.

Top to Harold Keener

Top Thursday went to Harold Keener, R2 Mount Joy—for 700 White Vantress crosses, 9 wks, 6 days, that sold to Walter Mellinger at 23½¢.

Here are Thursday sales by lot number (each preceded by 12-), seller, with grower indicated in parentheses, amount and breed, age by weeks and days, buyer and price:

Lot 1: Brown Bros, 6000 White Vantress, 9 wks, to Grimes & Hauer, 21 cents, 2, Brown Bros, 4000 White Vantress, 9 wks, to Mandata Poultry, 21½¢; 3, Jack Bucher, 4400 Red Vantress, 9-2, to Meader's Poultry, 21½¢; 4, Jack Bucher, 4400 White Vantress, 9-2, to Victor F. Weaver, 21, 5, Miller & Bushong (Richard Weaver), 6300 White Vantress, 9-2, no sale, 20½¢ bid; 6, Miller & Bushong (Richard Weaver), 1950 Meatpackers, 9-2, no sale, 19 bid;

7, Kermet Noll, 2300 Indian River Cross, 9-6, to Roy E. Ream, 21½¢, 8, Grubb Supply (Clarence Hilsner), 1800 White Vantress and 1250 Red Vantress, 9-6, sold as one lot, to Walter C. Mellinger, 21; 9, Harold Hollinger, 800 Red Vantress, 9-6, to Meader's Poultry, 21; 10, Wenger's Mill, (Daniel Lehman), 7000 White Vantress, 10 wks, to Harry H. Weaver, Jr., 21½¢; 11, Harold Keener, 700 White Vantress, 9-6, to Walter C. Mellinger, 23½¢; 12, Miller & Bushong (Lloyd Wenger), 6000 Meatpackers, 9-6, to C. F. Manbeck, Inc., 20½¢; 13, Oliver Mast, 4500 White Vantress, 9-3, to Victor F. Weaver, Inc., 21;

Lots 12-14 through 12-16 were consigned by Oliver Mast and sold to H. W. Longacre. All were 9-wk, 3-day White Vantress: 14, 3000, at 21½¢; 15, 3000 at 21½¢; 16, 3100 at 21;

White Vantress at 21

Eli N. Martin, consigned lots 12-17 and 12-18, each being 4000 White Vantress, 9 wks, 2 days, that sold to Pennsylvania Dutch Farms at 21 cents;

19, Harold Folkman, 6700 Indian River Cross, 10 wks, to Producers Cooperative Exchange 21; 20, Paul M. Martin & Son, 3000 White Vantress, 10-1, to Victor F. Weaver, Inc., 21½¢; 21, Miller & Bushong (Paul Wertz), 1800 White Vantress, 10-6, to John N. Thomas, 21½¢; 22, Charles Nassley, 2500 White Vantress, 10 wks, to Producers Cooperative Exchange, 20½¢; 23, John F. Eshleman, 400 Indian River Cross, 11-2, to Marvin Sweigart, 21; 24, Leon M. Martin, 600 Red Vantress, 10 wks, to Daniel K. Good, 21½¢; 25, William H. Zierdt, 975 White Arbor, 18-3, to Carl B. Risser, 25½¢;

26, Frank Amey, 2500 Indian River Cross, 9-2, to Pennsylvania Dutch Farms, 20; 27, Lea Pett-

coffer, 4500 Indian River Cross, 9-6, to Roy E. Ream, 21½¢; 28, Lea Pettcoffer, 8600 Indian River Cross, 9-6, no sale, 18½¢ bid; 29, Norman Kready, 2,000 Indian River Cross, 10-2, to Grimes & Hauer, 21; 30, Florin Farms (Norman Shelly), 950 New Hampshire fowl, 13 months, to Carl B. Risser, 25½¢; 30A, Florin Farms (Norman Shelly), 75 White Vantress males, 13 months, to Roy E. Ream, 20½¢; 31, Florin Farms (C. Elvin Landis), 550 New Hampshire fowl, 13 months, to Roy E. Ream, 25½¢; 31A, Florin Farms (C. Elvin Landis), 40 White Vantress males, 13 months, to Leola Poultry, 10;

32, Robert Chinault, 3700 Indian River Cross, 9-6, to Grimes & Hauer, 20½¢; 33, Robert Chinault, 3650 Indian River Cross, 9-6, to Grimes & Hauer, 20½¢; 34, Samuel Grubb, 7000 Indian River Cross, 9-2, to Pennsylvania Dutch Farms, 21; 35, Samuel Grubb, 8000 Indian River Cross, 9-2, to Tilley's Poultry, 21; 36, Miller & Bushong (Harold E. Rohrer), 4000 White Vantress, 10 wks, to Walter C. Mellinger, 21½¢; 37, Miller & Bushong (Harold E. Rohrer), 6000 White Vantress, 10 wks, to Mandata Poultry, 21½¢; 38, Miller & Bushong (Harold E. Rohrer), 5900 White Vantress, 10 wks, to Mandata Poultry, 21;

39, Lester M. Hurst, 4200 White Vantress, 10 wks, to Mandata Poultry, 21½¢; 40, Jonathan S. Esh, 1000 Red Vantress, 9-2, to J. Robert Charles, 21½¢, and 41, A. K. King, 700 Red Vantress, 10 wks to Roy E. Ream, 22½¢.

TURKEYS

PHILADELPHIA, April 18 — (USDA) — Turkeys: frozen (ready-to-cook) steady to firm. Supplies were barely adequate for the good demand. In some quarters toms were closely held. Wholesale selling prices (grade A and U. S. grade A quality)

Fryer-roasters 4-10 lbs, 46½-48½¢, young hens 8-10 lbs 50-51, 10-14 lbs 51-53½¢, 14-16 lbs, 52½-53½¢, young toms 14-20 lbs 50-55, 20-22 lbs 57½-58.

Ready-to-cook. Young chickens — barely steady. Supplies were more than sufficient for the fair demand.

Prices paid for ice packed poultry delivered Philadelphia (cents per lb.)

Grade A and U. S. grade A, 2-3 lbs 33-34½¢.

LIVE POULTRY

PHILADELPHIA, April 18 — (USDA) — Market unsettled. Demand good for light supplies of heavy type hens and fair for more than ample supplies of other classes. Large White Rock pullets 36-38c. White Rock caponettes 33-36c, fancy quality, 37-38c. No. 2 quality, 28c. Cross fryers 23-24c. White Rocks 24-26c. Vantress Reds 22-25c, few lots 26c.

Receipts: April 17 included Delaware, 13,000 lbs; Maryland, 16,000 lbs; Virginia, 3000 lbs.

Wholesale selling prices No. 1 and fancy quality. Broilers or fryers heavy type 3-4 lbs 22-26. Pullets 4½ lbs and over 30-38.

Hens heavy type 28-31, light type 15-22. Old roosters 14-15. Ducks Muscovy 23, Pekin 32.

PROCESSED POULTRY

PHILADELPHIA, April 18 — (USDA) — Processed poultry (ice packed): Young chickens barely steady. Offerings of all sizes were more than sufficient for the fair demand.

Hens. Steady. Demand good. No more than adequate supplies were available.

Receipts April 17 included, other than turkeys. Maryland, 65,000 lbs; Delaware, 94,000 lbs; Virginia, 20,000 lbs.

Wholesale selling prices: (grade A quality, including sizeable lots to butchers), cents per lb: Broilers or fryers 1½ lb 29-30, 2 lb 29-30, 2½ lb 27-28, 3 lb 27-28, 3½ lb 26-28, 4 lb 26-28, 4½ lb 28-29, 5 lbs and up 31-32.

Hens, 6½-7 lb heavy type 29-32, 4 lb and over, light type 24-26, under 4 lb, light type 19-22. Ducklings (dressed) 30-32 frozen (ready-to-cook) 42-44.

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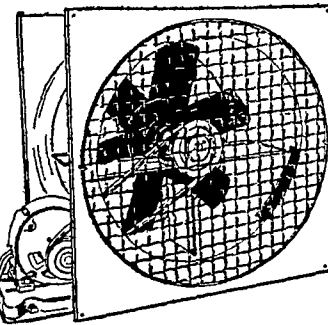
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