

Prime Steers Reach \$25.00, Top Hogs \$17

WEDNESDAY TO WEDNESDAY REVIEW

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LANCASTER, April 26 — Wednesday to Wednesday Review) — CATTLE: Three days 4087 week ago 4043. Compared with last Wednesday: Slaughter steers weak to 25c lower, heifers in small supply mostly steady. Cows active around 25c higher, bulls mostly steady. Stockers and feeders slow all week prices fully steady. Receipts included around 35 per cent stock steers and 13 per cent cows, balance mainly slaughter steers and heifers. Bulk choice steers 1000-1300 lbs \$19.25-21.00; high choice and mixed choice and prime 21.50-22.50. Around three loads 1085-1190 lb average to high prime ordered in direct to packers \$24.50-25.00, load prime 1450 lbs \$23.75. Most Good to low choice steers and yearlings \$17.50-19.00. A few small lots good heifers \$16.00-17.50; commercial down to \$14.00. Most utility and Commercial cows \$12.75-14.00, individual head commercial to \$14.50; cutters largely \$10.75-13.00, high yielding cutters to \$13.25. Canners \$9.50-10.75. Most utility and commercial bulls \$16.00-17.50; good fed bulls 800-1100 lbs \$17.50-18.50, cutters down to \$13.50. Bulk medium and good 500-650 lb stock steers \$18.00-20.50, a few lots 600-735 lb good to low choice stock steers \$20.50-21.50. Good and choice 450-550 lb stock steer calves \$21.00-22.75.

Chicago Hogs \$16, Cattle Run Heavy

Chicago received 46,000 head of cattle the first three days of this week, with 24,000 Monday, 5,000 Tuesday and 17,000 Wednesday. Steers held steady to 25 cents lower despite the increased volume, some prime steers were steady to 50 lower. A \$27 top was recorded Wednesday on 1250 lb prime, equally the high set three weeks ago which matched the May 1955 high. Bulk prime cattle went at \$23 to \$25, choice \$19.50 to \$21.00. Chicago's hog top reached \$16 on sorted small lots, the bulk bringing \$15.25 to \$15.50.

Odd lots good and choice 800-900 lb feeder steers \$19.00-20.75. CALVES: 1003, week ago 918, vealers around \$1.00 higher than last week's close. Bulk good and choice 140-210 lb vealers \$24.50-26.00; high choice and prime \$26.50-29.00 a few individual head to \$30.00 and \$31.00. Utility and commercial vealers \$16.00-23.00; culls down to \$10.00.

HOGS: 1930 week ago 1799. Barrows and gilts 25-50c higher than last Wednesday, sows fully steady to strong. In Wednesday's trade barrows and gilts U. S. mixed 1-3, 190-240 lbs \$16.00-16.50. Several small lots mostly No 1 to local small killers \$16.75-17.00. Weights 160-180 lbs \$15.00-16.00. Sows all weights \$9.50-12.00.

SHEEP: 311 week ago 326. Compared with last Wednesday, native spring lambs fully steady. Old crop lambs too scarce for an adequate market test. Bulk good to prime 5-75 lb native spring lambs \$24.00-28.00 a few head Monday up to \$30.00, utility and low good \$19.00-23.00.

Broilers Gain Fractionally Here Thursday

Lancaster Poultry Exchange (Rohrerstown, Pa. — Sales Report, sale 143, Thursday, April 19, 1956) — Prices, advanced fractionally to average 22.19 in a range of 21 to 23 1/4 cents per pound in the Thursday auction of 123,675 broilers here. Forty-two lots of a total 127,275 were offered and listed, 41 lots sold. Thirty-seven lots of broilers, 122,025 birds, were sold. Two lots of capettes, 1,250 head, brought 28 1/4 to 29 1/4 cents. One lot of 200 heavy fowl sold at 28 1/4 and one lot of leghorn cockerels at 10.

Meaders Poultry, Mechanicsburg, Cumberland County, paid the 23 1/4 broiler top for 2100 White Rocks, 10 wks., two days, offered by David Heisey, Jr., R1 Elizabethtown.

For the corresponding day a year ago, Thursday, April 21, 1955, sale 48, 59,700 broilers were offered and sold in a range of 23 1/4 to 27 cents, averaging 25 1/2.

Sales Recorded Thursday

There was no sale Tuesday, April 17. Here are Thursday sales by lot number (each preceded by 19-), seller and grower, amount and breed, age by weeks and days, buyer and price.

1, Benjamin F. Lapp, Jr. 300 Meatpacker capettes, 14 weeks, one day, to Marvin Sweigart, 29 1/4; 2, Robert Neff, 350 White Mountains, 9-5, to J. Robert Charles, 21 1/4; 3, Ralph D. Breneman, 200 Leghorn cockerels, 11 months, to Victor J. Koser, 10; 4, Miller & Bushong (Lester Weaver), 1300 Red Vantress, 9-6, to Daniel K. Good, 22 1/4; 5, Miller & Bushong (Lester Weaver), 3400 Red Vantress, 9-6, to Victor J. Koser, 22 1/4;

6, Dr. C. L. Wertsch, (Ezra Cochran), 4000 White Vantress, 9-2, to Mandata Poultry, 22 1/4; 7, Dr. C. L. Wertsch (Ezra Cochran), 4000 Red Vantress, 9-2, to C. F. Manbeck, Inc., 22 1/4; 8, Dr. C. L. Wertsch (Ezra Cochran), 1800 Barred Cross cockerels, 9-2, to Walter C. Mellinger, 21 1/4; 9, Jacob Hostetter, 500 Meatpackers, 9-6, to John N. Thomas, 21 1/2; 10, Jack Bucher, 4600 White Vantress, 9-2, to Grimes & Hauer, 22 1/4; 11, Jack Bucher, 4650 White Vantress, 9-2, to Grimes & Hauer, 22 1/4; 12, Robert Barr, 1500 Red Vantress, Barr, 2500 White Vantress, 9-6, to Producers Cooperative Exchange, 21 1/4;

14, Wenger's Mill (Beecher Forney), 3600 White Vantress, 9-2, no sale, 18 1/4 bid; 15, Wenger's Mill (David Heisey, Jr.), 2100 White Rocks, 10-2, to Meader's Poultry, 23 1/4; 16, John V. Erb, 4000 Indian River Cross, 9 wks., to Pennsylvania Dutch Farms, 21; 17, John V. Erb, 5000 Indian River Cross, 9 wks., to Harry H. Weaver, Jr., 22; 18, John V. Erb, 5000 Indian River Cross, 9 wks., to C. F. Manbeck, Inc., 21 1/4; 19, John V. Erb, 5000 Indian River Cross, 9 wks., to C. F. Manbeck, Inc., 21 1/4; 20, Daniel L. Fisher, 950 Red Vantress capettes, 12-5, to Walter C. Mellinger, 28 1/4;

21, Daniel G. Forry, 3400 White Vantress, 10-5, to H. W. Longacre, 22 1/2; 22, Daniel G. Forry, 3425 White Vantress, 10-5 H. W. Longacre, 23; 23, Daniel G. Forry, 3475 White Vantress, 10-5, to H. W. Longacre, 23; 24, Miller & Bushong (Charles Boose), 2400 White Vantress, 9-6, to Leola Poultry, 22; 25, Miller & Bushong (Charles Boose), 2450 White Vantress, 9-6, to Mandata Poultry, 22 1/2; 26, Miller & Bushong (Park Herr), 4600 White Vantress, 9-2, to Grimes & Hauer, 22 1/4; 27, C. Richard Landis, 200 New Hampshire fowl yearlings, to Walter

Tuesday Auction Of Broilers Is Cancelled Here

Due to low receipts the second Tuesday in a row, the Tuesday auction of broilers at the Lancaster Poultry Exchange in Rohrerstown was cancelled.

A total of 185,000 birds, making the second largest sale in the Exchange history, was listed for Thursday. Top sale was Oct. 20 last year when 187,000 birds in 73 lots were offered, selling at an average of 21 cents.

B. Lehman, 28 1/4; 28, Clarence L. Hershey, 9000 Indian River Cross, 9-6, to Victor F. Weaver, Inc., 22 1/4; 29, Clarence L. Hershey, 3000 White Vantress, 9-6, to H. W. Longacre, 22; 30, Rodet Farms, (Ira Herr), 4250 White Rocks, 10-2, to H. W. Longacre, 22; 31, Rodet Farms (Ira Herr), 3250 White Rocks, 9-5, to Victor F. Weaver, Inc., 21 1/4; 32, Aberdeen Mills-Leslie Miller, 2200 Red Vantress, 9-6, to S. E. Davis, 22 1/4; 33, Aberdeen Mills-Leslie Miller, 2600 White Vantress, 9-6, to S. E. Davis, 22 1/4; 34, Aberdeen Mills-Leslie Miller, 3400 White Vantress, 9-6, to Mandata Poultry, 22 1/4; 35, Aberdeen Mills-Leslie Miller, 3600 White Vantress, 9-6, to Mandata Poultry, 22 1/4;

36, Jonas K. Stoltzfus, 6500 Red Vantress, 9-6, to Roy E. Ream, 22 1/4; 37, Harry W. Hosler, 2000 White Vantress, 10-2, to Carl B. Risser, 22 1/4; 38, Hiestand, Inc., (Carl Martin), 1000 White Vantress, 9-6, to Ray W. Gible, 23; Stegemerten's Farm, 2500 Indian River Cross, 9 wks., to Harry H. Weaver, Jr., 22; 40, Jason M. Eby, 2800 White Mountains and White Vantress, 9-6, to Roy E. Ream, 22; 41, John W. Wall, 6000 White Vantress, 9-3, to Mandata Poultry, 22; 42, Paul Becker, 475 White Vantress, 10 wks., to Carl B. Risser, 23.

Poultry

EGGS

PHILADELPHIA, April 24 — (USDA) — Market unsettled. Supplies were in excess of the fair demand. Into storage movement fairly liberal in volume. Small-lots of current receipts brought 38-39c.

Wholesale selling prices: min. 1 per cent AA quality large 45-48 lb white 42-43, brown 41-42, medium white 40-41, brown 40-41. Extras, min. 60 per cent A 41 1/2-42 1/2, mixed 41-41 1-2.

LIVE POULTRY

PHILADELPHIA, April 25 — (USDA) — Market unsettled. Demand fair for more than adequate supplies. Large White Rock pullets 35-36c, clean-up sales 33c. Large White Rock Caponettes 32-35c, few early sales higher. Small sizes 28-30c. Few lots stags 15c. Cross fryers 24-25c, White Rocks 23 1/2-24c, Vantress Reds 25-26c. Red broilers 22-23c. Mixed 22c.

Receipts April 24 included Del 3100 lbs; Md. 11000 lbs; Va. 3000 lbs.

Wholesale selling prices No. 1 and fancy quality broilers or fryers heavy type under 3 lbs 22-23, 3-4 lbs 23 1/2-26. Pullets 4 1/2 lbs and over 33-36. Hens heavy type 25-30. Light type 16-22. Old roosters 13. Ducks Muscovy 27, Pekin 32.

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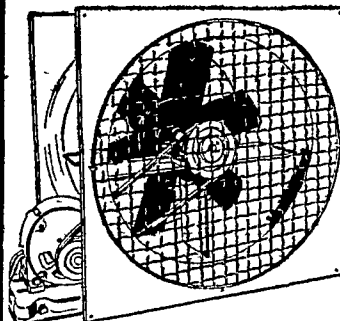
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