

Efficiency in Livestock Breeding Sought

An all-out effort by farmers and stockmen for "marked improvement of breeding efficiency in farm and ranch livestock" was called for today by spokesmen for the American Foundation for Animal Health.

"Sterility and delayed breeding have been estimated to cost dairymen in the United States in excess of \$200 million dollars each year," the Foundation said. "Approximately five per cent of all milking cows have to be sold each year because they fail to breed. About another 30 per cent fail to conceive easily, resulting in additional losses in income, time, and value of the stock.

Broilers Fractionally Lower During Thursday, July 19 Sale; Avg. 20.99

Lancaster Poultry Exchange, (Rohrerstown, Pa.) (Sales Report, Sale 164, Thursday, July 19, 1956) — Losing another .75 of a cent, broiler prices on the Lancaster Poultry Exchange Thursday averaged 20.99 cents, with 142,675 selling from 20 1-4 to 23 1-4 cents. Listed were 56 lots, 153,885 birds; offered were 56 lots, 168,285 birds, and sold were 49 lots, 149,785 birds. Two lots totaling 2,000 were withdrawn and not sold were seven lots totaling 21,500.

Two thousand Leghorn fowl sold at 17 and 17 1-2 cents, and two thousand Leghorn broilers brought 17.

One lot of 100 heavy bronze turkeys, consigned by Martin H. Weaver, were withdrawn after bids reached 32 1-2 cents. They were 20 1-2 weeks old.

For last week, 70 lots, 207,435 birds were listed, 62 lots, 194,735 were sold. For the corresponding week last year, 46 lots were listed, totaling 126,765 birds, and 45 lots, 126,190 birds were sold in a range of 27 to 33 cents, averaging 29.

Topping Thursday's market was Gern Haldeman, R1 Hershey, on 1000 nine-week, five-day White Vantress selling to Daniel Good, R1 Columbia.

Here are sales for Thursday last week, listed by lot number (each preceded by 19-), seller and grower, amount and breed, age by weeks and days, buyer, price and.

1, Farmers Supply Co. (Kenneth Forrey), 1000 Indian Rivers, 9 wks, to Meader's Poultry, 21c, 2, Ivan N Good, 850 White Vantress capettes, 10-3, to Daniel K Good, 21 3-4c; -3, Miller & Bushong, (Richard Blessing), 2800 White Vantress, 9-2, to H. W Longacre, 21, 4, Thomas Stoltzfoos, 110 White Arbor capettes, 15 wks, to Carl B Risser, 26 1-4, 5, Indian River Poultry Farm (John Geil), 2600 Leghorn pullets, 9-6, to Victor F Weaver, Inc, 20 3-4,

6, Indian River Poultry Farms (John Geil), 3000 Indian Rivers, 9 wks, to Victor F Weaver, Inc, 21, 7, Indian River Poultry Farms, (John Geil), 4700 Leghorn pullets, 9-3, to Victor F.

Rev. Merkey Speaker At Four-H Field Day

Rev. H. A Merkey, pastor of the Fairview Church of the Brethren, Manheim, will address the annual field day of the Lancaster County Four-H Clubs today at Long Park.

Originally scheduled as speaker was the Rev. Wallace Fisher, pastor of Trinity Lutheran.

Weaver, Inc, 21; 8, Indian River Poultry Farms (John Geil), 4700 Leghorn pullets, 9-3, to H W Longacre, 21; 9, Miller & Bushong, (R. C. Garman), 4800 White Vantress, 9-2, to Daniel K Good, 20 1-4, 10, Miller & Bushong (R. C. Garman), 3200 White Cross, 9-2, to Victor F. Weaver, Inc., 20 3-4;

11, Miller & Bushong (Moses Zimmerman), 3000 White Vantress, 9-2, to H W Longacre, 21 1-2, 12, Miller & Bushong (Lester Weaver), 3400 Red Vantress, 9-1, to H W Longacre, 20 3-4, 13, Miller & Bushong (Lester Weaver), 1300 Red Vantress, 9-1, to Ray W. Gible, 21 1-4, 14, Miller & Bushong (Lester Weaver), 1000 White Vantress, 9-1, to Roy E Ream, 21; 15, Martin H Weaver, 2700 Red Vantress, 9-6, to Roy E Ream, 21;

16, Martin H Weaver, 2700 Red Vantress, 9-6, to Grimes & Hauer, 20 3-4, 17, Martin H Weaver, 3100 Red Vantress, 9-6, to Walter B Lehman, 21 1-4, 18, Elam W Weaver, 1475 Indian Rivers, 10 wks, to Producers Co-operative Exchange, 21 1-4, 19, Elam W. Weaver, 1475 Indian

Rivers, 10 wks, to Producers Co-operative Exchange, 21 1-2; 20, A. K. King, 1100 Red and White Vantress, 9-2, to Daniel K. Good, 21;

21, John S. Beiler, 600 White Rocks, 9-2, to Martin M. Brendle, 21 1-4, 22, John E. King, 1000 White Rocks, 10-1, withdrawn prior to sale, 23; W. A. Wagner, 5000 Indian Rivers, 9 wks, to Grimes & Hauer, 20 3-4; 24, W. A. Wagner, 5000 White Vantress, 9 wks, no sale, 20 3-4 bid; 25, W. A. Wagner, 600 Indian Rivers, no sale, 20 3-4 bid;

26, James G. Noll, 2300 White Vantress, 10 wks, to Victor F. Weaver, Inc, 21; 27, Melvin E. Hess, 3000 Indian Rivers, 9 wks, to Harry H. Weaver, Jr, 21, 28, Melvin E. Hess, 4000 White Mountains, 9 wks, to Victor F. Weaver, Inc, 21; 29, Miller & Bushong (Lloyd Hooper, 6000 White Vantress, 9 wks, to C. F. Manbeck, Inc, 20 3-4;

30, John V. Erb, 5000 Indian Rivers, 9 wks, to Roy E. Ream, 21, 31, John V. Erb, 5000 Indian Rivers, 9 wks, to Walter C. Mellinger, 21, 32, John V. Erb, 5000 Indian Rivers, 9 wks, to Walter C. Mellinger, 20 3-4, 33, John V. Erb, 5000 Indian Rivers, 9 wks, no sale, 20 3-4, bid, 34, Charles Snader, 3700 Indian Rivers, 9 wks, to Victor F. Weaver, Inc, 20 3-4, 35, Charles Snader, 3600 White Vantress, 9 wks, to Victor F. Weaver, Inc, 21;

36, Clarence L. Hershey, 9000 Indian Rivers, 9-6, to Harry H.

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WEDNESDAY TO WEDNESDAY REVIEW

LANCASTER, July 25 — CATTLE This week 4,087, week ago 3532 Fed steers \$1.00-2.00 higher, most advance on weights over 1200 lbs and high-choice and prime steers, heifers 50-\$1.00 higher, cows firm to 25 cents higher, bulls 50 cents higher, stockers and feeders 25-50 cents higher Trading Monday on fed steers was very active as percentage of fed steers on offer was smallest of the year, load lots of heifers absent all week, cows making up about 10-15 per cent of the run. Around 60 per cent of the run daily common-good stockers and feeders. Two loads and two part loads high-prime 1100-1496-lb fed steers reached \$26.00 Monday and package made \$26.00 Wednesday, highest on load lots since last September; most prime 991-1409 lb steers sold from \$24.50-25.50, mixed choice-prime 961-1209 lb made \$24.00-24.50, bulk choice 867-1362 lb fed steers cleared from \$22.75-23.75, good-choice steers \$21.75-22.75, and standard-good 1180 lb steers went from \$19.50-21.50. One prime 1080 lb heifer and package choice 900 lb heifers 636-1420 lb heifers \$16.00-18.00 \$22.00, few odd sales standard Utility and commercial cows \$12.50-14.50, a few standard up to \$15.00, canner and cutter cows \$9.75-13.75 and odd shelly-canners down to \$8.00. Utility-commercial bulls \$16.50-18.50 and good fed bulls \$19.00-19.50 Good and choice stocker and feeder steers sold from \$18.50-20.00 with two load good-choice 947-1110 lb feeder steers at \$20.50 and package 550 lb stockers at \$21.00; most common-medium 694-968 lb stocker and feeder steers \$15.00-16.50, a few Holstein stock steers \$13.50-14.50 and stock bulls sold from \$15.00-17.00.

CALVES: This week 779, last week 795 Trading on vealers moderately active to active this week, prices \$1.00 higher, spots up \$2.00 High-choice and prime vealers sold from \$24.00-27.00, a

few prime up to \$28.00-29.00, bulk good-choice vealers \$20.00-23.50, utility and commercial \$15.00-19.00 and culls down to \$11.00

HOGS This week 1,625, week ago 1,442 Sows were scarce each day Bulk of the runs were U. S. No 1 to 3 180-240 lb barrows and gilts. Trading on Monday was active, mostly to small butcher trade early and bulk to these outlets. Barrows and gilts and sows 50 cents higher Bulk mixed lots U. S. No 1 to 3 180-240 lb barrows and gilts \$17.75-18.50, a few No. 1 & 2 grades up to \$19.00 Weights 240-270 and 160-180 lb butchers \$16.50-17.75. Sows \$11.50-13.50 for all weights.

SHEEP This week 308, week ago 529 Supply mainly native spring lambs Ewes too scarce to quote Trading moderately active, \$1.00 higher Bulk good and choice spring lambs \$18.50-23.00, a few odd lots high-choice and prime \$23.50-25.00 Utility lambs down to \$16.00 and culls downward to \$12.00.

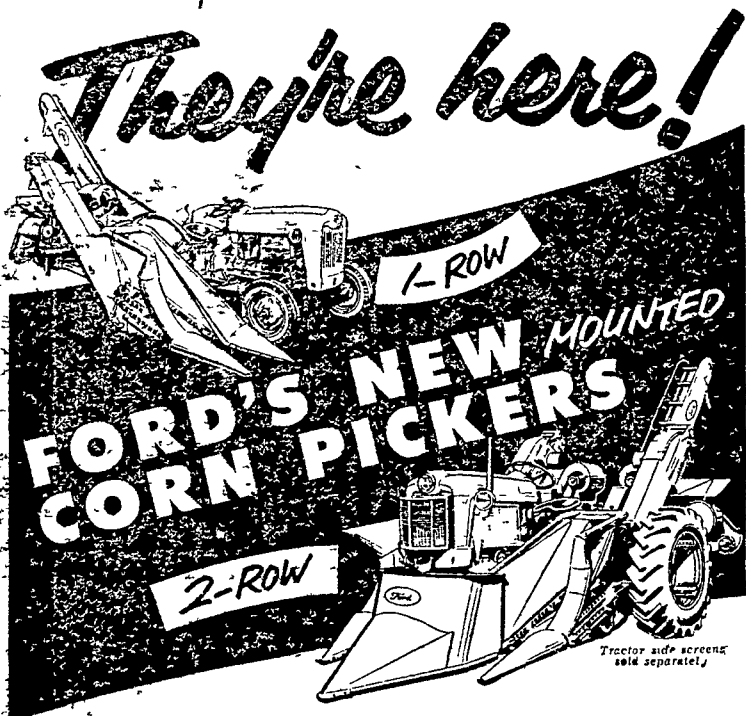


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