

Lancaster Livestock: Market Slow; Prices Tend Steady to Lower in Week

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WEDNESDAY REVIEW

LANCASTER, Dec. 20 — (Wednesday to Wednesday review) (USDA) — CATTLE: 2,247, week ago 2,347. Compared with Wednesday slaughter steers slow, 50-75 cents lower, some sales \$1.00 off. Heifers in small supply steady to weak. Cows fully 25 cents higher. Bulls fully steady. Stockers and feeders mostly steady. Supplies for the week comprised about 27 loads slaughter steers, 36 loads stockers and feeders. Cows made up around 12 per cent of the total and heifer and bull offerings were moderate. Slaughter steers graded mostly good to average choice. Bulk choice fed steers \$21.50-22.50, a few lots 1100-1240 lb average choice steers to 23-00. Most good and low choice \$18.50-21.00 with standard down to 517.00. A few small lots standard good heifers \$15.00-19.00. Utility and commercial cows \$11-25-13.00, canners and cutters \$8.50-12.00. Utility and commercial bulls \$14.50-17.00, good fed bulls 1000 lbs and under to

\$20.50. Cutter grade bulls \$12.50-14.00. Bulk medium and good stock steers 750 lbs and lighter \$15.00-17.50, common stockers \$12.00-14.50. Several loads and lots medium and good 800-1000 feeding steers \$16.00-18.00, a few lots and loads 850-1073 lbs partly fattened good grade steers \$19-00-19.50, a few choice 820-lb feeders to \$20.00. Scattered sales good and choice stock steer calves 450-525 lbs. \$18.00-20.00.

CALVES: 968, week ago 811. Veal calves around \$1.00 lower than last Wednesday with most decline on utility to good grades. Bulk good and choice vealers \$21.50-27.50, high choice and prime \$28.00-33.00, individual head to \$35.00. Utility and standard grades mostly \$14.00-20.50, culls down to \$12.00.

HOGS: 1791, 1642. Demand for hogs narrowed after Monday, barrows and gilts around 50 cents lower than last Wednesday, sows fully steady. Bulk barrows and gilts U. S. mixed 1-3 180-250 lbs in Wednesday's trade \$18.00-18.50, a few mostly No. 1. to \$19.00. In Monday's trade small lots No. 1 sold up to 19.50, a few touched \$20.00. Weights 250-270 lbs \$17.50-18.00 and some around

TURKEYS

PHILADELPHIA Dec 19 — (USDA) Frozen, Ready-To-Cook unsettled. Offerings were in excess of the relatively higher de-

mand for most sizes Hens and Toms. Ice packed fresh New York dressed Hens were in buyer preference in some quarters. Large retail outlets advertised as follows on Ready-To-Cook Turkeys, Beltsville Young Hens 4-10 lb 48-49 cents. Young Hens 10-16 lb 46-49 cents, Turkeys 19 lb and over 43-47 cents.

Wholesale selling prices: Grade A and U. S. grade A quality.

Fryer-Roasters 4-8 lb 45½-46½, Young Hens 8-10 lb 43½-44, 10-14 lb 43½-44, 14-16 lb 44½-45½, Young Toms 16-20 lb 43½-45, 20-22 lb 43½-45, 22-26 lb 44-46, 26-28 lb 46-47, 28 lb up 48-49½.

Egg Prices Lower; \$44 Market Top

PHILADELPHIA Dec. 19 — (USDA) Unsettled. Prices moved lower on most grades. More than adequate supplies were available for the current fair demand.

Wholesale selling prices: minimum 10 per cent AA quality Large 45-48 lb White 42-44, Brown 38-39, Medium White 31-32, Brown 30-31.

Extra, Min. 60 per cent A quality. Large 45-50 -lb White 36½-37, Mixed 34½-36, Medium White 30-31, Mixed 29-30. Standards 33-34, Checks 28-30.

Receipts Dec. 18 - 5,100 cases all by truck.

Let not happen which I wish, but that which is right. — Menander.

Lancaster Broilers Lower Thursday By Fractions; Annual Meet Jan. 24

Lancaster Poultry Exchange (Rohrerstown, Pa.) (Sales Report, Sale 192; Thursday, Dec. 13, 1956) — Averaging .22 of a cent below the average for the corresponding week a year ago, and declining fractionally from the previous Thursday's sale, 18 lots of a total 74,025 broilers sold Dec. 13 at an average of 18.88 cents in a range of 18½ to 20½ cents. Total offerings included 29 lots, 97,025 birds, offered were 28 lots totaling 90,025 and sold were 22 lots, 78,625. Two lots, 2500 Leghorns, sold at 13 cents, one lot of 500 capettes at 26, and one lot of 1600 capettes at 19 cents.

For the corresponding sales year ago, Dec. 13 and 15, 1955, offered were 30 lots, 50,955 birds, sold were 21 lots, 39,425, in a range of 17½ to 19½ cents, averaging 19.4 cents on that Tuesday, 19.1 cents on Thursday.

Announcement was made of the third annual meeting of the Lancaster Poultry Exchange members Thursday evening, Jan. 24, in the New Poultry Center at 340 Roseville Road, Lancaster.

Here are Thursday, Dec. 13, 1956 sales, listed by lot number (each preceded by 13-), seller, with grower shown in parentheses, amount and breed, age by weeks and days, buyer and price:

1, Robert H. Barr, 5000 White Vantress, 9-2, to Roy E. Ream, 18½¢; 2, Miller & Bushong (Joseph Olesh), 2000 Red Vantress, 9 wks, to Walter C. Mellinger, 20½¢; 3, Miller & Bushong (Lloyd Ream), 4500 White Vantress, 10-2, to Roy E. Ream, 19½¢; 4, Wenger's Mill (Paris Ober), 1000 Leghorn fowl yearlings, to Walter C. Mellinger, 13¢; 5, William A. Bitting, 450 Silver Cross cockerel capettes, 13-6, no sale, 18¢ bid;

6, William A. Bitting, 750 Silver Cross capettes, 13-6, no sale, 20½¢ bid; 7, Norman M. Herr, 700 White Vantress, capettes, 12-2, no sale, 22½¢ bid; Paul Rowe, 500 White Vantress cockerel capettes, 15-2, to Daniel K. Good, 26¢; 9, Marlin Longenecker, 500 Indian Rivers, 10-2, to Roy E. Ream, 19¢; 10, Titus Hoover, 650 Red Vantress, 11-6, to Roy E. Ream, 18½¢;

11, Benjamin F. Lapp, 375 Red Vantress, 11-5, to John N. Thomas, 20½¢; 12, John L. Landis, 5000 White Vantress, 9-6, to S. E. Davis, 18½¢; 13, John L. Landis, 5000 White Cross, 9-1, to Mandata Poultry, 18½¢; 14, Fruitville Farms (Abram Shenk), 5000 White Vantress, 9-6, to C. F. Manbeck, Inc., 19¢; 15, Fruitville Farms (Abram Shenk), 5000 Indian Rivers, 9-6, to Victor F. Weaver, 19¢;

16, Charles D. Warfel, 5000 Indian Rivers, 10-2, to College Hill Poultry, Inc., 18½¢; 17, Charles D. Warfel, 5000 Indian Rivers, 9-6, to Victor F. Weaver, Inc., 18½¢; 18, Charles D. Warfel, 5000 Indian Rivers, 9-6, to College Hill Poultry, 18½¢; 19, Roy Heckenluber, 1500 Leghorn fowl yearlings, 10 months, to Walter C. Mellinger, 13¢; 20, Indian River Poultry Farms (John Geil), 2400 Indian Rivers, pullets, 10-2, to Grimes & Haver, 18½¢;

21, Indian River Poultry Farms (John Geil), 2600 Indian River pullets, 10-2, to Victor F. Weaver, 18½¢; 22, Henry Longenecker, 1600 White Vantress capettes, 13 wks, to Linn Poultry, 19¢; 23, Miller & Bushong (John L. Herr), 1000 White Vantress, 10 wks, to Linn Poultry, 19½¢; 24, Gleason Ritchie, 4500 White Vantress, 9 wks, no sale, 18½¢ bid; 25, Gleason Ritchie, 4500 Indian Rivers, 9 wks, no sale, 18½¢ bid; 26, Irvin Yoder, 15000 White Mountains, 10-2, to Pennsylvania Dutch Farms, 19¢; 27, Paul W. Martin, 5000 White Vantress, 9 wks, to Pennsylvania Dutch Farms, 19¢; 28, Paul W. Martin, 5000 White Vantress, 9 wks, withdrawn prior to sale; 29, Roy Heckenluber, 2500 White turkeys withdrawn prior to sale; 29A, Roy Heckenluber, 500 White turkeys, no sale, 26¢ bid.

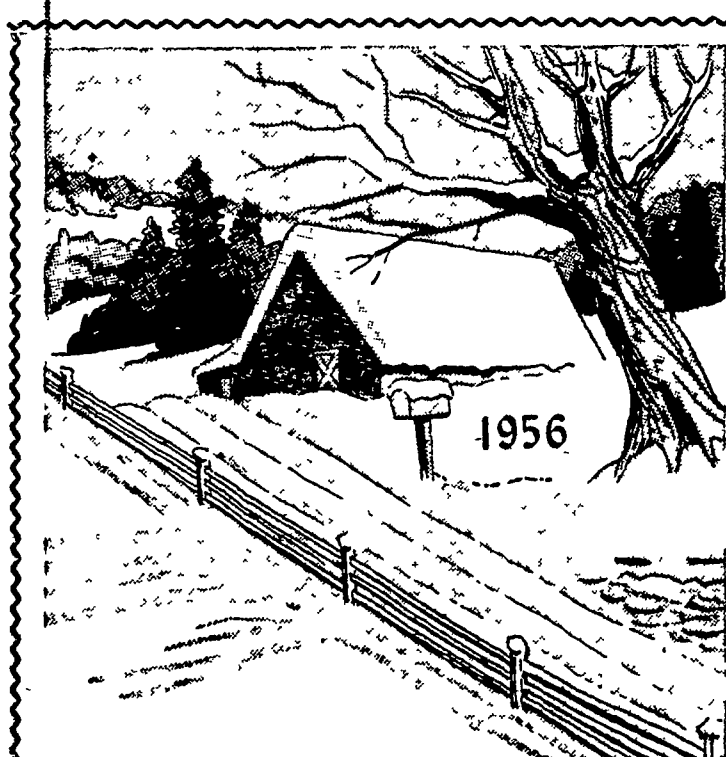
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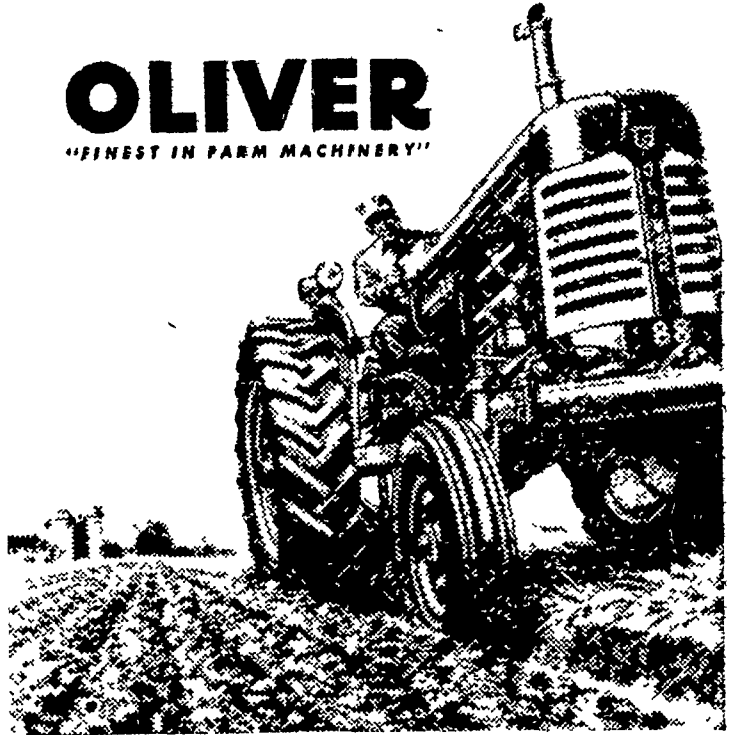
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