

## Broiler Prices Jump 2 Cents As Exchange Begins Wed., Fri. Sales

LANCASTER, March 1 (Lancaster Poultry Exchange, sales report 20) —Prices jumped better than two cents from 20.05 cents to 22.29 cents, at the first Friday auction held at the Lancaster Exchange. It is hoped that the new schedule of Wednesday and Friday auctions will better fit the needs of buyers and processors.

All 23 lots of 97,025 birds listed of the 71,000 broilers listed for the first Wednesday sale at the Lancaster Poultry Exchange, 64,100 were sold at prices ranging from 22 to 23½ cents. Most prices paid were 22 to 22½ cents.

One hundred thousand broil-

ers are listed for the sale Friday were sold.

At the corresponding sales on Tuesday and Thursday a year ago, 111,950 birds were sold at an average price of 23 cents.

Prices paid at today's auction were. Broilers, 21¼ cents to 23¼ cents, average 22.29 cents for 20 lots, 95,200 birds.

Leghorn fowl, 12½ cents for 3 lots, 1,825 birds.

Here are the sales listed by lot number (each preceded by 1-); seller with grower shown in parentheses; amount and breed; age by weeks and days; buyer and price.

1. Lewis Mortensen, 500 Leg-

horn fowl yearlings, Carl B. Risser, 12½ cents. 2. Miller & Bushong (Clair Bomberger), 3,000 White Vantress, 10, Roy E. Ream, 22¼ cents. 3. Indian River Farm (Howard Kreider), 2,100 Indian Rovers, 10, Meader Poultry, 22 cents. 4. Indian River Farm (John W. Wall), 9,000 Indian Rivers, 10, Pennsylvania Dutch Farms, 21¼ cents.

5. Wertsch - Cochran, 2,000 White Vantress, 9, Walter C. Mellinger, 22½ cents. 6. Wertsch-Cochran, 2,000 White Vantress, 9, Mandata Poultry, 22½ cents. 7. Wertsch-Cochran, 2,000 White Vantress, 9, Mandata Poultry, 22½ cents.

8. Wertsch - Cochran, 2,000 White Vantress, 9, Mandata Poultry, 22½ cents. 9. John M. Kauffman, 4,500 Indian Rivers, 9-1, S. E. Davis, 22 cents. 10. William R. Myer, 12,000 White Vantress, 10-2, College Hill Poultry, 23¼ cents. 11. William R. Myer, 12,000 White Vantress, 10-2, College Hill Poultry, 23 cents.

12. Miller & Bushong (Harry F. Hess), 8,200 Indian Rivers, 9-4, Victor F. Weaver, Inc., 22 cents. 13. Miller & Bushong (Harry F. Hess), 8,800 Indian Rivers, 9-4, Victor F. Weaver, Inc., 22 cents. 14. Isaac B. Hoover, 2,300 White Vantress, 10-2, Walter B. Lehman, 22¼ cents.

15. Indian River Farm (Harry Boyer), 5,500 Indian River, 9-3, Mandata Poultry, 22 cents. 16. Indian River Farm (Evan S. Kohl), 8,000 Indian River, 9-3, Harry H. Weaver, Jr., 21¼ cents. 17. Indian River Farm (John Newcomer), 5,000 Indian Rivers, 9-3, Carl B. Risser, 22 cents. 18. Glenn H. Herr, 1,600 Indian Rivers, 10, Mandata Poultry, 22¼ cents.

19. Glenn H. Herr, 1,700 Indian Rivers, 10, Mandata Poultry, 22¼ cents. 20. Glenn H. Herr, 1,900 Indian Rivers, 10, John N. Thomas, 23¼ cents. 21. Glenn H. Herr, 1,700 Indian Rivers, 10, Mandata Poultry, 22¼ cents. 22. Mervin E. Peifer, 500 Leghorn fowl yearlings, Marvin Sweigart, 12½ cents. 23. Aaron J. Brubaker, 825 Leghorn fowl yearlings, Carl B. Risser, 12½ cents.

February sales over a three year period have been as follows. 1955, 7 sales; 105 lots, 390,800 birds listed; offered, 103 lots, 381,300 birds; sold, 87 lots, 324,900 birds; price range, 25-31¼ cents.

1956, 8 sales; listed, 165 lots, 542,430 birds; offered, 164 lots, 506,970 birds, sold, 155 lots, 489,570 birds, price range, 21-26¼ cents.

1957 including the March 1 sale, 4 sales; listed, 120 lots, 463,600 birds; offered, 125 lots, 486,100 birds; sold, 117 lots, 468,520 birds, price range, 19¼-23¼ cents.

### Eggs

PHILADELPHIA Mar. 6 — Unsettled. Demand remained fair with most buying on a day-to-day basis. Supplies were more than adequate for immediate requirements. Out of storage movement was moderate in volume.

Wholesale selling prices: minimum 10 per cent AA quality large 45-48 lb. Minimum 60 per cent A quality large 45-50 lb. White 32-33, mixed color 31½-32, medium white 31-31½, mixed color 30-31, standards 30-30½, checks 27-29.

Receipts March 5 — 3,000 cases all by truck.

### Broilers

PHILADELPHIA Mar. 6 — Processed poultry, ready-to-cook (ice packed) young chicken - steady. Demand good. Supplies were no more than adequate for current needs, with instances of shipping orders cut down in volume. Prices paid delivered warehouse, Philadelphia (cents per lb) Grade A and U.S. Grade A 2-3 lb. 34-35 mostly 34-34½.

Hens: ready-to-cook (ice packed) steady. Supplies were about ample for the good demand. Prices paid delivered warehouse, Philadelphia (cents per lb) grade A & U. S. grade A 4-5½ lb. 32-33.

Receipts March 5 included other than turkeys: Maryland-55,000 lb., Delaware 100,000 lb.,

## Lancaster Markets: In Larger Number; Steady

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CATTLE: Three days, 3,154, week ago 2,775. Compared with last Wednesday, slaughter steers and heifers were fully steady to strong, cows around 25 cents higher, bulls steady to 50 cents lower with the decline on commercial beef-type bulls. Stockers and feeders steady to 50 cents higher.

Supplies included around 44 loads slaughter steers, three loads heifers and about 12 per cent of receipts was cows. Balance mainly medium and good stocker and feeder steers. Bulk choice, fed steers 1,000-1,250 lbs. \$20.50-21.50, several loads high choice and mixed high choice and prime \$22-23.75. Good and low choice yearlings 1,000 lbs. and lighter \$19.50-21, most good grade mature steers \$18.50-19.50, some standard down to \$17.

Standard and low choice heifers \$15-19.25. Most utility cows \$12.25-13.50, canners and cutters largely \$9.50-13. Utility and commercial bulls \$15-18, good fed yearling bull \$19.50. Bulk medium and good 540-950 lb. stocker and feeder steers \$17.50-20, a few loads and lots mixed good and

Virginia 12,000 lb., Georgia 22,000 lb., South Carolina 22,000 lb., North Carolina, 22,000 lb.

### Poultry

PHILADELPHIA Mar 6 — Unsettled. Demand good for top quality poultry and only fair for lesser quality. Supplies, including liberal carried-over stocks were more than ample. Few lots White Rock pullets including caponnetted 33-35. No. 2 quality 27, carried-over crosses 23 without clearing. Large White Rock ENA Hyline caponettes 30-31, few lots 32-33, small sizes 30 cents. Few lots 9-11 lb cross capons 38. Caponnetted cross fryers 26, other carried over crosses 20 without clearing. White Rocks 20-24. Vantress Red brought 24-25, cross broiler under 3 lb. 24. Turkeys: unsettled. Demand fair for more than adequate supplies. Few lots heavy type young hens 33-35.

Total receipts March 5: 95,000 lb. Including Maryland 6,000 lb., Delaware 16,000 lb.

Wholesale selling prices No. 1 and fancy quality broilers or fryers, heavy type under 3 lb. 24, 3-4 lb. 24-26. Pullets 4½ lb. and over 33-35. Hens, heavy type 19-25, light type 11-15. Old roosters 12-14, Ducks, Muscovy 25-26, Pekin 30-32. Turkeys: Young Hens 33-35.

choice yearlings \$20.50-21.50. Slaughter steers \$15-16.50.

CALVES: 892, week ago 892. Veal calves slow ear 1.50 lower. Bulk good vealers \$23-30, a few utility and standard.

HOGS: 2,018, week ago 2,018. Compared with last Wednesday's trade bulk and gilts mixed grade No. 3, 190-230 lbs. \$18-18.25, choice 750-950 lb. feeding steers \$20-20.50 and a few good sales at \$17.75.

Scattered small lots 200-220 lbs. No. 1 and 2 \$18.50-19. Weights 240-270 lbs. \$16.75-18. Weights 160-180 lbs. \$16.50-17.75 some around 150 lbs. down to \$16. Sows mixed U. S. 1-3, 270-550 lbs. \$13 50-16.

SHEEP: 153, week ago 137. Slaughter lambs mostly steady with last Wednesday. Bulk good and choice woolled slaughter lambs \$19-23, utility and low good \$14-18.50.

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