Broilers Continue Drop; Average 17.38 Cents at Lancaster Thursday

broilers drifted lower at the Oct. parenthesis; number and breed, 3 auction of the Lancaster Poul- age in weeks and days; buyer and try Exchange. A total of 152,300 price. broilers in 34 lots averaged 17.38 cents with a spread of from 15% to 1814 cents.

A year ago 159,650 broilers averaged about .40 cents higher with the average being 17.76 cents and the top was 20 cents.

At the recent sale 2 lot of 400 heavy fowl brought 161/4 cents; three lots, 1,550 head, of Leg-horns went at 13% and 14 cents; a lot of 1,000 heavy pullets sold for 251/2 cents; two lots, 2,450 head, of cockerel capettes sold for 271/4 and 271/2 cents cents; and a lot of 3,000 capettes went at 22

Here is the Oct. 3 sale by lot

LANCASTER-The price for number, seller with grower in

1. Farm Bureau (James Mc-Dowell Jr.), 9,100 White Vantress, 10, Victor F. Weaver Inc., 17½ cents. 2. Samuel Kolb, 7,500 White Vantress, 9-3, Victor F. Weaver Inc., 17 cents. 3. Samuel Kolb, 7,500. White Vantress, 9-3, H. W. Longacre Inc., 17 cents. 4. Samuel Kolb, 4,500 White Vantress,9-3, H. W. Longacre Inc., 171/4 cents. 5. Charles G. Myer, 3,000 White Vantress, 11, College Hill Poultry, 17 cents.

6. Paul Z. Martin, 2,300 White Vantress, 10-1, Leola Poultry, 171/2 cents. 7. Clayton S. Zimmerman, 1,000 White Vantress, 10,

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Midwest Markets

CHICAGO, Oct. 8 - Estimated salable receipts cattle, 8,000, calves. 200, hogs: 9,500, sheep

CATTLE: Slaughter cattle slow fed steers 50 lower, heifers weak to 25 lower; cows and bull steady to weak; vealers 1.00 higher, stockers and feeders about steady. Load prime 1225 lb. fed steers 27.75, high-choice and mix ed choice and prime steers 24 75-25.75, good to low-choice 21.00-23.25; average-good to highchoice heifers 20.50-23.25, two loads mostly choice 790 lbs lbs 22.25; utility and commercial cows 13.25-15.50, canners and outters 11.50-13.50; utility and commercial buils 15.75-17.50; good

HOGS: Slow, 25-50 lower on 25 lower; 200-20 lbs. 17.50-1775, 65 head Lot No. 1 and 2 220 lbs. 18.00, 180-190 lbs. 16.75-17.50, 200-240 lbs. butchers predominated; 325-525 lb. sows 16.50-17.25, few around 300 lbs. and lighter to

SHEEP: Good and choice lambs bulk good and low-choice wooled yearling bulls to \$22.00. lambs 21.00-22 75, utility and lowgood 17.00-20.50; light culls down good and choice lambs 21.00

Choice Steers Take Most of Drop At Lancaster Market; Hogs Steady

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LANCASTER—CATTLE Three lays 4,153, week ago 3,837. Slaughter steers and heifers steady to 25 cents lower than last Wednesday, most of the decline centered on steers grading average to high choice Cows 25 cents high, bulls fully steady. Fully 40 per cent of receipts stockers and feeders and 15 per cent cows. Around 45 loads fed steers on sale Most fed steers graded good to high choice.

Bulk choice fed steers 1,000-1,300 fbs. \$23.25-25.25, high choice and mixed high choice and prime \$25.50-26.25. A few loads prime and choice vealers 25.00-27.000, 1,200-1,398 lbs. \$26.50-26.90; a standard vealers selling down to part load 1,089 lb. prime steers \$27.15. Bulk good and low choice fed steers \$21.50-23.00 and standbarrows and gilts, sows weak to ard to low good \$18-21. including two loads lb. 1,220 lb. grass steers \$21 and load 1,073 lb. grassers grading standard and good \$19.

Good and choice heifers 700-857 lbs. \$19.50-22.80. Bulk utility and commercial cows \$14.50-16.50, canners and cutters largely \$10.50-15, few high yielding cutsteady, cull and utility weak to ters to \$15.50. Utility and com-1.00 lower; yearlings fully steady; mercial bulls \$16.50-20; good fed

and feeder steers and light year- in the Farm Real Estate Market, to 14.00; deck 100 lb. No. 1 pelt lings 632.994 lbs. \$18.50-21.50, released Oct. 7 by the Agriculcommon stock steers \$15.50-17.50. tural Research Service.

Several loads and lots good and choice stock steer calves 357-575 lbs \$22.50-25.50.

CALVES. 844, week ago 977. Veal calves moderately active fully steady with last Wednesday. Bulk good and choice vealers 140-220 lbs. \$23-29, high choice and prime \$29.50-32. Utility and standard grades \$15-22.50.

HOGS: 1,135, week ago 1,273. Barrows and gilts fully steady with last Wednesday. Sows in small supply fully steady. Bulk barrows and gilts mixed US 2 and 3, 200-240 lbs. in Wednesday's trade at \$19.75, a few head \$19.50, small lots No. 1 and 2, \$20-20.50. Bulk of supply this week went to local small killers. Weights 160-190 lbs. \$18.75-19.50. Sows mixed US 1-3, 270-550 lbs. \$13.50-18.

SHEEP: 441, week ago, 316. Slaughter lambs fully steady with last Wednesday. Most good and choice native wooled lambs 70-90 lbs. \$22-25, utility and low good \$16-21.50, culls down to \$13. Aged sheep scarce.

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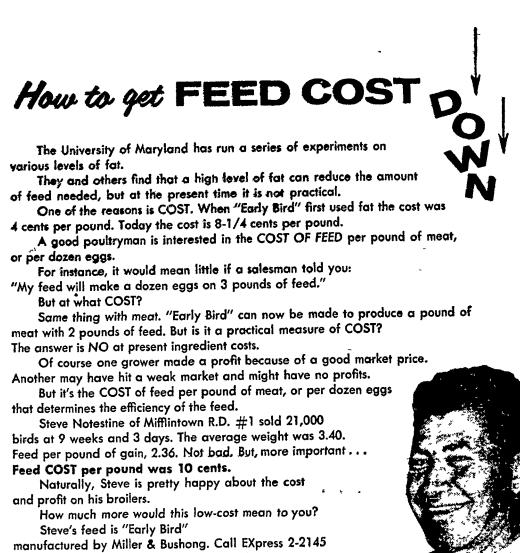
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