

Broilers Hit Year's Low, 15.76, At Lancaster Exchange Thursday

LANCASTER — Broilers hit the bottom in prices paid at the Lancaster Poultry Exchange Dec 12 when the average for 83,750 birds was only 15.76 cents. Capettes, 14,300 of them, fared somewhat better with a price range of from 20 to 26 cents. A lot of heavy fowl sold for 19 cents.

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The range for the broilers was from 14 to 16 cents.

One of the reasons for the abrupt drop was that birds sold at the Dec. 12 auction would hit the retail stores during Christmas week when many stores are closed and when demand is down.

Last year the average for 74,025 broilers was 18.88 cents.

Here is the Dec 12 sale by lot number, seller with grower in parenthesis, number and breed, age in weeks and days, buyer and price per pound

1 Aberdeen Mills, 6,500 White Vantress, 9-6, H W. Longacre, 16 cents, 2. Charles G Myer, 1,000 White Vantress, 11, no sale, 14 1/2 cents bid 3 Millport Mills (Norman Forney), 1,500 Silver Cross cockerel lipons, 10-2, no sale, 12 cents bid. 4 Abraham B Ghe-man., 600 White Vantress capettes, 15-6, no sale, 23 1/4 cents bid 5 Carl R Wagner, 3,500 White Rock cockerel capettes, 12-5, H W Longacre, Inc., 22 1/4 cents 6 Carl R Wagner, 3,500 White Rock cockerel capettes, 12-5, no sale, 16 1/4 cents bid 7 Graybill Miller, 2,100 White Rock capettes, 14-6, C F Manbeck Inc., 23 cents 8 Graybill Miller, 4,500 White Rock capettes, 14-6, Harry H Weaver Jr., 20 cents 9 Mark Merkey, 1,200

Top Grades Up, Market Steady At Chicago

CHICAGO, Dec. 17 — Estimated salable receipts Cattle, 7,500; calves, 200; hogs, 10,000, sheep, 3,000.

High choice and prime steers 25 cents higher, other grades of steers and all grades of heifers steady. Cows and bulls 25 higher, the advance on cows mainly canner and cutter grades. Vealers, stockers and feeders steady.

Prime fed steers, 1,100 to 1,350 pounds, 27.25-28, choice, 25-26 50, bulk god steers, 22 50-24 50; utility and commercial, 14.50-16 50, bulk canners and cutters, 12-14 75.

Utility and commercial bulls, 18-20; good and choice vealers 25-29; standard down to 20

Barrows and gilts about steady, sows steady, 190-230 lbs. 18 75-19.35; few lots No 1 to 3 of these weights 19.50 to 19.60 including 125 head at the latter price 240-260 lbs 17 75-18 50, 240-250 lbs to 18 75, 270-290 lbs 17 25-17 75; 325-375 lb sows 15.50-16, 375-550 lb 14 25-15.50.

Sheep trade was slow, lambs weak, slaughter ewes steady. Good to prime woolled lambs, 21-23 50, utility and low-good 17 50-20 50, choice and prime 98-103 lb shorn lambs 21 75-22 50.

White Vantress, 10-6, College Hill Poultry, 16 cents. 10 Amos M Herr, 275 Leghorn fowl, 18 months, Carl B Risser, 19 1/2 cents

11 Miller & Bushong (Lloyd Ream), 4,600 White Vantress, 9-2, no sale, 15 1/4 cents bid 12 M&B (Richard Thompson) 7,500 White Vantress, 10, Meader's 16 cents 13 M&B (Richard Thompson), 7,500 White Vantress, 10, S E David, 16 cents

14 M&B (Herbert Fisher), 2-950 Indian River Whites, 9-6 College Hill, 16 cents 15 M&B (John Mowery), 4,500 White Vantress, 9-2, Meader's 16 cents

16 M&B (Harold Hollinger), 1,800 White Vantress, 9-6, S E Davis, 16 cents 17 Fruitville Farms-Manor-Chester Murry, 5,400 White Vantress, 9-6, Victor F Weaver Inc., 15 1/2 cents 18 Fruitville-Chester Murry, 6,600 White Vantress, 9-6, College Hill, 16 cents 19 Fruitville-Murry, 5,000 Indian River Whites, 9-6, no sale, 15 1/2 cents bid 20 Fruitville-Murry, 5,000 Indian River Whites, 9-6 no sale, 15 1/2 cents bid

21 Fruitville-Abram Shenk, 4,500 Indian River Whites, 9, no sale, 15 1/2 cents bid 22 Fruitville-Abram Shenk, 4,500 Indian River Whites, 9, Victor F Weaver Inc., 15 1/4 cents 21 Elmer Leaman, 2,000 White Vantress, 10 1, no sale, 15 1/4 cents bid 24 M&B, (Roy N Hess), 500 White Vantress capettes, 14-6, Marvin Sweigart, 26 cents 25 M&B (Roy N Hess), 850 White Vantress capettes, 14-6, Risser, 25 1/2 cents

26 M&B (Roy N Hess), 850 White Vantress capettes, 14-6, Carl B Risser, 25 1/2 cents 27 Leroy M Senseng, 1,600 Red Vantress, 10, Roy E Ream, 15 cents 28 Leroy M Senseng, 3,200 White Vantress, 10, no sale, 15 1/4 cents bid 30 Raymond H Weaver 4,000 White Vantress, 9 6, Victor F Weaver Inc., 16 cents

31 Raymond H. Weaver, 1,000 White Vantress, 9-6, Roy E Ream, 16 cents 32 M&B (Jay Eahart), 9,200 White Vantress and Indian River Whites, 10-2, no sale, 14 1/2 cents bid 33 J Earl Martin Jr 3,200 White Vantress, 9 Daniel K Good, 15 1/4 cents 34 John Balsbaugh, 800 White Vantress, 9 6 no sale, 15 1/4 cents bid 35 Glenn H Herr, 1,850 White Rock cockerels 10-2 no sale, 15 1/4 cents bid 36 Glenn H Herr, 1-400 White Vantress pullets, 10-2, no sale 37 Glenn H Herr (J Floyd Kieider), 3,000 White Vantress pullets, 10-2 no sale 38 Glenn H Herr (J Floyd Kieider), 2,000 White Vantress pullets, 10-2, Roy E Ream, 16 cents 39 John V Erb, 5,000 Indian Rivers, 10 2, College Hill, 14 cents 40 John V Erb, 4,500 Indian River Whites, 10-2, Victor F Weaver, 15 1/2 cents

41 John V Erb, 3,600 Indian Rivers 10 2, no sale 42 John V Erb, 4,600 Indian River Whites 10-2, Daniel K Good 15 1/2 cents 43 John V Erb, 4,000 Indian

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\$26.75 Top on Steers. Hogs Show Some Strength at Lancaster Yards.

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good \$20-25, some utility down to (Continued on page Three)

LANCASTER, Dec 18 — CATTLE, three days 3,037, week ago 3,137 Compared with last Wednesday slaughter steers and heifers fully steady except for low choice and below averaging over 1,100 lbs. Those slow, about steady Cows 25 to 50 cents lower than last Wednesday with most decline on high cutter, utility and commercial grades Bulls fully steady Stockers and feeders strong to 50 cents higher than last Wednesday

Bulk choice fed steers, 1,000-1,300 lbs \$24 25-26 50, one load 1,060 lb high choice \$26 75 Good grade steers \$22.50-24, a few standard down to \$21 Small lots good and low choice heifers \$20 50-23 Bulk cutter and utility cows \$12 25-16 25, few commercial to \$16 75, canners \$10-75-12. Utility and commercial bulls \$18-21 50, good fed yearling bulls to \$23 50 Milk medium and good stocker and feeder steers and light yearlings 552 1,140 lbs \$21-23, several lots mostly good 600-900 lb stocker and feeder steers \$23 50 24 50

CALVES 767, week ago, 892 Vealers mostly steady with last Wednesday except for some weakness on standard and good, mostly weights 125 lbs. and lighter Bulk good and choice vealers 140-210 lbs \$25-31, high choice and prime \$31 50-35, standard and low

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EGG SIZE: Excellent First twelve months of lay will usually run 82 to 85% large and extra large. From fourth month of lay on egg size will run 92% to 95% large and extra large. Very few double yolked eggs at anytime

EGG SHAPE: Just about right in our opinion

SHELL COLOR: Chalk White.

SHELL STRENGTH: Good.

BLOOD SPOTS: Low — very satisfactory

ALBUMEN QUALITY: Good.

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