

Broilers Average About 18 Cents At Lancaster Exchange Thursday

LANCASTER — Jan 2 — At the first sale in the new year most broilers sold at a price of 18 cents a pound at the Lancaster Poultry Exchange. The range in price for the 77,150 birds sold was from 17½ to 18¾ cents.

Four hundred capettes sold for 26¼ cents and two lots of Leghorn fowl moved at 13¾ cents.

A year ago the average for 89,760 broilers was 18 58 cents with the range being from 18¼ to 19 cents.

The Exchange also reports that in December 329,300 birds were sold, 307,025 of them being broilers. The average price was 16 40 cents. This compares with 222,265 broilers in 1956 when the average was 19 28 cents.

Here is the Jan 2 sale by lot number, seller with grower in parenthesis, number and breed, age in weeks and days, buyer and price per pound.

1 Elias Frey, 500 White Van-

truss, 9-6, Marvin Sweigart, 18 cents 2 Roy B Martin, 3,000 Indian River Whites, 10, College Hill Poultry, 18 cents 3 James High (Daniel W Leaman), 4,000 White Vantress, 9-6, Roy E Ream, 18½ cents 4 Glenn H Herr, 400 White Vantress cockerel capettes, 13 John N Thomas, 26¼ cents, 5 Vernon R Snyder, 6,000 White Vantress, 10, College Hill, 18½ cents

6 Vernon R Snyder, 6,000 White Vantress, 10, College Hill, 18¼ cents 7. Vernon R Snyder, 6,000 White Vantress, 10, College Hill, 18¼ cents 8 J. Fred Whiteside (John K Grebinger), 3,200 White Vantress, 9-3, Victor F. Weaver Inc, 18 cents. 9 J. Fred Whiteside (John K Grebinger), 3,200 White Vantress, 9-3, College Hill 17¾ cents 10 Paul Z Martin, 1,500 Indian River Whites, 10 2, John N Thomas, 18 cents

11 Paul Z Martin, 1,350 White Vantress, 9 6, John N. Thomas, (Continued on page three)

Cattle Weaker, Hogs Strong At Chicago

CHICAGO, Jan. 6 — HOGS Fairly active, generally strong to 25 cents higher than Friday's uneven trade. Butchers over 240 lbs still uneven and these weights up more than 25 cents in instances. Sows strong to mostly 25 cents higher. Around 4,500 hogs sold on shipping account and all local interests in trade. U. S No 2 and 3 190-225 lb barrows and gilts \$19.25-19.65 Several lots mostly No. 1 and 2 these weights \$19.75-20.00. Around 200 head at \$20.00, but such hogs scarce. No 2 and 3 230-250 lbs \$18.50-19.25. No. 2 and 3, 260-280 \$18.00-18.50. Few lots No 3 up to 300 lbs down to around \$17.50. Larger lots 400-525 lb sows \$15.00-16.00 and bulk 325-375 lbs \$16.25-16.50.

CATTLE Fully 70 per cent of the supply slaughter steers, around 15 per cent heifers and about 5 per cent cows. High choice and prime steers in relatively good supply and considerably showing good to low choice grades but average choice steers relatively scarce. Slaughter steers slow, steady to weak compared last weeks close. Heifers steady. Cows and bulls quite active, fully steady. Vealers and stockers and feeders steady, both classes very scarce. Around a dozen loads average prime to high prime 1125-1300 lb slaughter steers \$29.50-30.50, three loads \$30.50. Bulk choice and prime steers \$25.75-29.25. High choice steers \$27.25-28.00, load lots mixed good and choice steers \$24.25-25.50. Load lots mostly good grade steers \$22.00-24.00.

SHEEP Bulk of salable receipts wooled slaughter lambs, three decks fall shorn slaughter lambs and some slaughter ewes also included. Yearlings absent. Trade very active, all represented classes fully steady. Choice and prime wooled lambs 110 lbs and down \$23.00-24.10, around five decks included at latter price. Deck 103 lb prime lambs \$24.50 and short deck mostly prime 96 lb averages \$24.25. Utility and low good \$21.50-23.00, culls down to \$15.00. Double deck 108 lb fall shorn choice lambs \$23.50 and part deck fall shorn choice lambs around 100 lbs \$23.25. Good and choice slaughter ewes \$8.00-10.00, individuals to \$10.50. Cull and utility \$6.50-8.00.

Slaughter Cattle Steady, Stockers Gain at Lancaster Stock Yards

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LANCASTER Jan 8 — CATTLE Three days 3,502, week ago including holiday 3,229. Slaughter steers and heifers mostly steady with a week ago. Cows and bulls fully steady, stockers and feeders strong to 50 cents higher. Receipts comprised around 45 per cent stocker and feeder steers and 15 per cent cows and bulls. Fewer slaughter steers than a week ago. Most slaughter steers graded good and choice.

Bulk choice fed steers 1,000-1,250 lbs. \$25-27, a few lots high choice and mixed high choice and prime \$27.25-27.50, load, 1,335 lb mostly prime steers \$28.50. Bulk good grade steers \$23-24.75 and a few lots mixed standard and good \$22-23. Small lots good and choice heifers \$21-25.25. Bulk cutter and utility cows \$13.75-17, canners and low cutters \$11.50-13.75. Utility and commercial bulls \$19.22, good fed yearling bulls to \$24.

Bulk medium and good stocker and feeder steers \$22.24, several loads and lots high good and choice 750-900 lb. stocker and feeding steers \$24.50-25.50, one load 805 lb choice feeders \$25.80. A few common and medium stock steers \$19.21-50. Small lots good and choice stock steer calves 450-525 lbs \$23.50-26, a few to \$28.

CALVES: 892, week ago including holiday, 805. Vealers steady to \$1.00 lower than last Thursday. Bulk good and choice vealers 140-210 lbs \$26.50-31.50, high choice

and prime \$32. Standard grade vealers \$20.50-26, some utility down to \$16.

HOGS: 1,615, week ago including holiday, 1,212. Supply mainly barrows and gilts mixed US 1-3, averaging 180-250 lbs. Sows scarce. Barrows and gilts mostly steady with last Thursday. Sows weak to 50 cents lower. Bulk barrows and gilts mixed US 1-3, 190-230 lbs \$20.50-21, numerous small

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Baltimore Cattle Prices Steady, Hogs Active

BALTIMORE, Jan 6 — Estimated cattle receipts were approximately 10 per cent greater than a week ago and around 18 per cent more than the same day a year ago. Slaughter steers and heifers made up around 70 per cent of the receipts with good and choice predominating. Cows comprised bulk of the remainder. Trading on steers and heifers was fairly active, cows moderately active. Prices for slaughter steers and heifers compared with late last week were fully steady, spots strong to 50 cents higher on lots grading good and below. Cows and bulls unchanged. Vealers and slaughter calves showed little change. Stockers and feeders were in limited numbers and failed to fully test the market, however, few sales steady.

STEERS & HEIFERS High good and choice slaughter steers brought \$24.50-26.00, several lots choice 1050-1250 lb at \$26.00-26.50 and 12 head 1100 lb weights at \$27.00. Lots grading mostly good, but including same choice \$23.50-25.00, standard and good \$22.00-24.00. Good and choice heifers sold at \$23.00-24.00 including a 23 head lot at the latter price standard and good \$21.50-23.50.

COWS & BULLS Utility and commercial cows brought \$16.00-18.00, a few commercial and standard up to \$19.00. Cutter and utility cows sold from \$13.50-16.50, canners and cutters \$12.00-15.00. Utility and commercial bulls brought \$20.50-22.00, a limited number to \$22.50.

VEALERS & CALVES Sales of vealers and slaughter calves were

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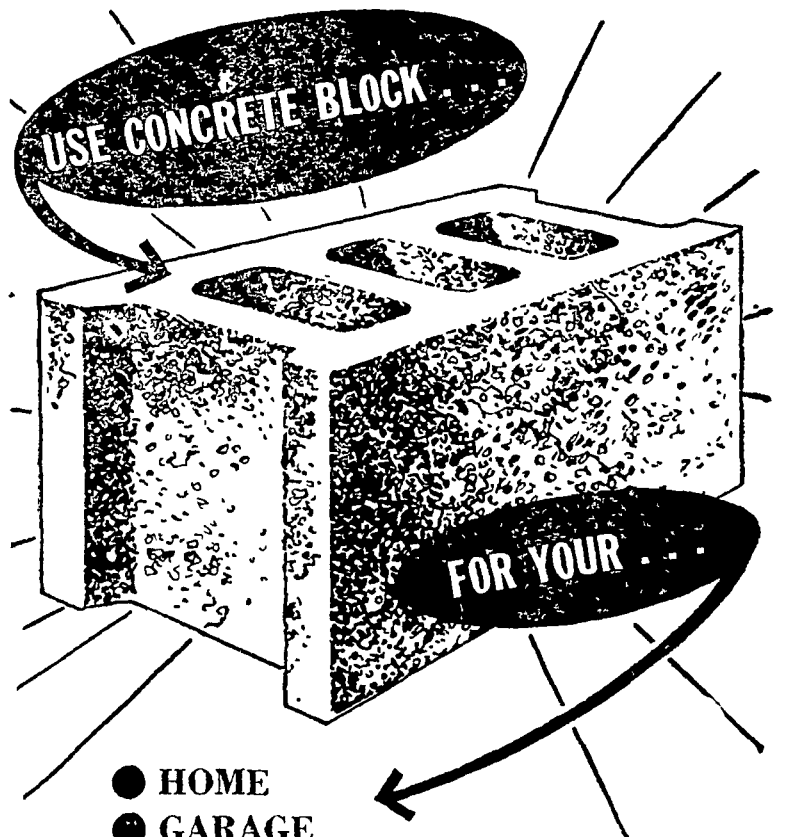
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