

At Lancaster Yards Supplies Down Slightly

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The week's supply included 25 per cent slaughter steers and 70 per cent stockers and feeders. The receipts will total about 5500 head or about 1200 head less than last wk.

Trading was slow throughout the week. A liberal supply of stockers and feeders were on hand throughout the week and indications are that the supply of replacements will continue to be plentiful next wk. Compared with last wk's close, slaughter steers were weak to 25 lower with some sales off 50.

Cows closed steady. Bulls under pressure were 75-150 lower. Stockers and feeders were 25-50 lower. Five loads prime 1240-1295 lb. slaughter steers commanded 30, a load high choice with a prime end 1124 lb made 29.75. The bulk of the choice steers made 28-28.25, a few lots and loads 1025-1150 lb. sold at 29.50. Good to low choice 25.50-28, few loads high standard and low good grade steers 950-1100 lb. made 23.50-25.50.

Lot choice heifers 25.75, lot good grade 1060 lb. heifers selling at 24.50. Cutter and utility cows ranged from 15.50-18.25, with coml. cows selling up to 19.25, while canners and low cutters made 13.50-15.50.

Utility and coml. bulls made 20-25, with good grade fed bulls up to 26.75 early in week.

Good and choice 800-1050 lb. feeder steers sold for 25-50-28, and med. and good at 23.50-25.75. Several lots good grade 900-1100 lb. grass feeder steers 23.75-25. Good and choice 550-800 lb. stock steers made 26.50-30.50, with med. and good at 25-27.25.

Good grade stock calves 29.00-33.00; and Medium and Good sold at 25.50-30.00.

The receipts of 800 head are about 75 head more than last week's count. Vealers were steady throughout the week in active trading. Good and Choice vealers made 27.34, and Choice and Prime brought 34.39, with a few to 40.00 Standard and Low sold to 21.00-27.00, with Utility down to 18, a part load low Good slaughter calves made 21.50.

Barrows and gilts were steady to 25 lower. The supply totaled about 200 head less than last week's 1400 head count. Trading was moderately active. U. S. 1-3 grade 190-230 lb. barrows & gilts made 14.50-15.25, a few Lots No. 3 down to 14.00. Hogs more uniform for weight and grade including 1-2 grade 190-230 lb. hogs at 15.50-16.50. 300-600 lb. sows made 8.00-12.00, odd head to 13.00.

Receipts of about 400 head are 300 head less than last week's total. Trading was

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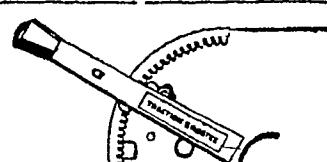
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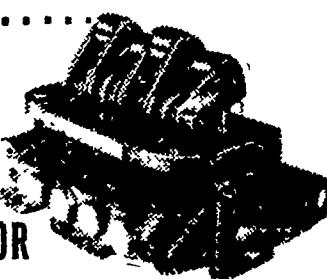
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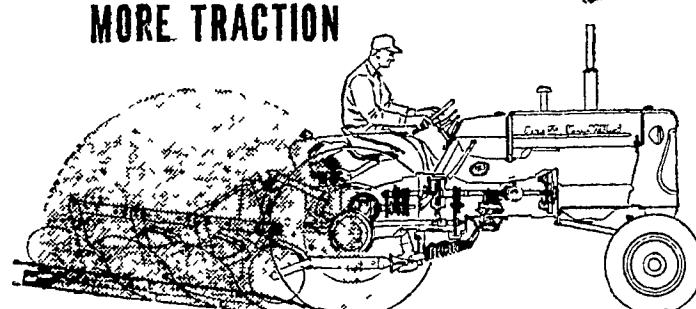
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Slaughter Steers Proportion High

Weekly Summary—Supplies about 20 per cent greater than last week but fully 5 per cent smaller than the corresponding year-ago period. Increased proportion slaughter steers and smaller proportion slaughter heifers and stockers and feeders than last week. Around 13 per cent of the steer supply prime, fully 65 per cent choice and barely 20 per cent good grades with slaughter steers unevenly 25-1.25 lower for the week good and choice yearlings 1050 lbs. down showed least decline with choice and prime over 1150 lb. weights off most.

General trade 50-1. lower and at a new low for the year to date. Cows steady to fully 25 lower.

Vealers fully 1 lower.

Wholesale dressed beef prices 50-1.50 lower. Stockers and feeders steady to 50 lower and at a new low for the year. Weeks top 29.25 paid Monday for around six loads mostly prime 1200-1350 lb. slaughter steers.

On Wednesday just one load prime 1252 lb. wghts. sold at 29, early bulk choice and mixed choice and prime steers 26.50-29, over a dozen loads high choice to mostly prime 1125-1325 lb. steers on the midweek

moderately active. Slaughter lambs were unevenly steady. Good and Choice slaughter lambs 60-95 lb. 19.50-21.50, a few lots of Choice 74-97 lb. sold at 22.00, while Utility sold down to 16.00.

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New Holland

Light Steers Are Stead

Lighter weight steers were to 26.50, stock steer steady on the New Holland 29.31. market this week. Heavier cattle were off to 75. Choice to prime The cow market was bare. 24.30, thins 14-23, calves sold steady but all other kinds were off 2.00.

Receipts: Cattle 805, and calves 350.

Prime butcher steers \$28.00, choice under 1100 lbs. 27-28.50, over 1200 lbs. 26-27, good under 1100 - 23.50-25, over 1200 - 23-24, plain to med. under 1100 - 22-23; over 1200 - 21-23;

Choice butcher heifers - none, good \$20 - 22.50, pl. to med. - 17.19.

Good bulls - \$25-27.85, bologna - 21-24.

Good butcher cows \$17-18; Ponies - \$75-130, med. - 16-17, canners and horses - 80-205, drivers - 75-140, killers -

Stockers and feeders - \$23 mules, none.

Stock bulls - \$85-100.

The October 5 horns was about steady even.

Receipts: horses - 18, ponies - 50.

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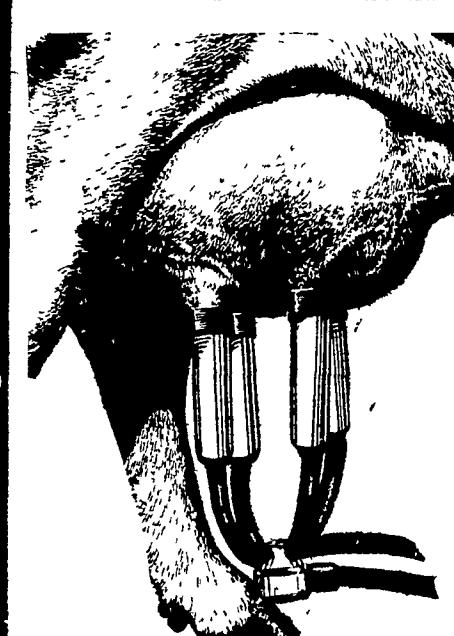
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