

At Lancaster Yards Trading Slow, But Steady

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CATTLE: 3950 compared with 4414 last week. Supply consists of 50 percent slaughter steers, 40 per cent stockers, and feeders. Trading slow compared with last week's close, slaughter steers barely steady. Utility and Commercial cows steady. Cannery & Cutters 25 higher. Bulls and stockers and feeders steady.

Bulk of the Choice grade slaughter steers 950-1300 lbs. brought 27.50-30.00, 2 loads high-choice 1200-1317 pound 30.50-31.00, two loads mixed high-choice and Prime 1198 lbs. sold for 31.25, small lot Prime 1272 lbs. 32.00, Good and low-choice 24.25-27.75. Few lots Good and Choice heifers sold at 23.00-26.00 Utility and Commercial bulls 20.00-23.50, Good grade bulls 23.50-25.50.

Cutter, Utility and Commercial cows brought 16.75-19.25, while Cannery and low cutters sold for 15.00-16.75. Good and Choice 550-800 lb. stock steers 26.50-32.00, Medium and Good 23.50-27.50. Good and Choice 800-1050 lb. feeder steers 25.25-29.00, load Choice 1100 lbs. 26.50, Medium and Good 22.00-26.50.

CALVES: 600, or about 75 head less than a week ago. Trading moderately active. Vealers 1.00 lower. Good and Choice vealers brought 27.00-33.00, Choice and Prime made 33.00-37.00, with a few to 38.00, Standard and low-Good 19.00-26.00, Utility 14.00-19.00.

HOGS: 1800 compared with 2162 last week. Trading active. Barrows and gilts closed steady after Monday's 25-50 higher trend. Sows steady

U. S. 1-2 grade 190-220 lb. barrows and gilts brought 18.00-18.50 but closed at 17.50-18.00, U. S. 1-3 grade 190-230 lbs. closed at 17.00-17.50, few lots no. 3's early 17.25, late 16.75. 230-250 lb. butchers 17.00-17.50 early, but this kind absent after Monday. U. S. 1-3 grade, mostly 2-3 grade, 300-600 lb. sows 11.00-13.00.

SHEEP: 125 compared with last week's 1574 head and small supply consisted mainly of spring slaughter lambs. Spring slaughter lambs steady compared with two weeks ago or unevenly lower than last week's Easter specialty trade.

Chicago Cattle Steer Prices Break Sharply

CATTLE — Receipts fully 50 percent greater than last week when supplies were smallest for any week last year and the largest for any week in 3 months.

Fully 75 percent slaughter steers, fully 15 percent heifers, less than 5 percent cows.

Percentage prime steers about double the 5 percent prime last week.

Average weight of slaughter steers much heavier than last week.

Prices for most grades of slaughter steers and heifers declined sharply. Good to prime steers mostly 1.00-1.50 lower with some high choice and low prime grades off 2.00. This the sharpest price decline for any week since last November.

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CATTLE: 492. Compared with last week, slaughter steers steady to weak, wgt. over 1300 lbs. 25-50 lower. Utility and commercial cows steady, cannery and cutters fully 25 higher. Bulls 1 higher.

Bulk of the choice grade cattle 900-1300 lbs. 26.85-29, several lots 1300-1500 lbs. grading low to average-choice included at 26.85-27, few lots 975-1000 lbs. 29.10-29.60, good to low-choice 24-27.25. Good and choice 770-1000 lb. heifers 23.85-25. Cutter, utility and commercial cows 16.50-19, cannery and low-cutters 15-17.

Utility and commercial bulls 21-23, good grade fed bulls 23-24.35. Few lots good and choice 619-675 lb.

Vealers fully steady. Stockers and feeders fully 50 lower.

Two loads prime 1260 and 1390 lb. slaughter steers early 32.75 and 33.00, Early bulk high choice and prime 1100-1400 lb. slaughter steers 29.50-32.50.

Early bulk choice steers 27.50-29.50. Good steers opened at 24.25-26.50, closed at 23.50-25.25.

Early bulk good & choice heifers 23.50-28.00

Good and choice vealers 27.00-32.00, standard grades 20.00-27.00, good to mostly choice 520-565 lb. stock steers 29-29.50. Few choice 910 lb. feeding steers 26.25. Medium and good 850-950 lb. feeding steers 23-25.25, 90 head string medium 825 lb. cross bred charollais feeding steers 21.00.

New Holland

Only Cows Hold Steady

Steer prices slipped 50 to 75 at New Holland this week. Calves dropped 2 to 3 and bulls tended lower. Only cows were steady to 50 higher. Receipts totaled 1407 head of cattle and 246 calves.

Bulk of the choice grade cattle, 900 to 1275 lbs made 26.50-28.75. A few lots at 1075-1235 lbs. went to 28.85-29.10. Good to low choice made 24-26.75. Standard 21-24.

Good and choice 720-900 lb. heifers brought 22.75-26.50. Standard 18-22.

Cutter and utility cows made 16.25 to 19.25 with cannery and low cutters going at 15-16.75. Utility and commercial bulls were 20-

23.50, and good grade were 23-24.25.

A few lots of good 646-694 lb. stock were 24-25.25, with a lot common stock steers 648 at 20.75. Medium and 369-498 lbs stock steers re 24.25-28.25.

Good and choice were 2 to 3 lower. Standard and below were steady. Good and choice vealers were to 35. High choice and grades were absent. Standard and low good made to 27 with utility at 21.50.

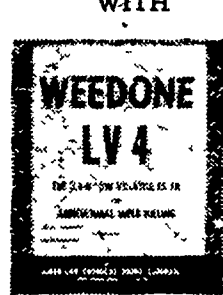
The April 20 dairy sale had receipts of 15 cows, 15 bulls and 86 calves. The cow market was barely steady. Heifer market was active on the large

Fresh Cows, Holstein \$300 to 440, Guernsey \$200-250, others — \$200-305. Stock bulls — \$190, stock heifers — 75.

The mule market continued very slow with horses steady at the April 18 horse sale. Riding horses were in better demand at stronger prices. Horses were steady to strong. Receipts totaled 269 head. Males and draft horses — \$260-325 for teams, single — \$125-190, ponies, mares — \$135-225, geldings — \$65-115. Riding horses — \$115-230, mares — 8 1/2 to 9 cents.

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