

## At Lancaster Yards Snow Keeps Receipts Light

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**CATTLE:** Due to the accumulation of eight to ten inches of drifting snow, roads were very hazardous with several county roads closed, but all major highways were open. The receipts were below normal with 2450 head this week compared with 4309 last week. The supply included 35 percent slaughter steers and 60 percent stockers and feeders. Trading was active on slaughter steers. All other classes were moderately active.

Compared with last week's close, slaughter steers were steady to strong, cows 25 higher. Bulls were strong. Stockers and feeders steady. Two loads mixed Choice & Prime 1125 lb. slaughter steers sold at 29.00, several loads Choice 27.00-28.50, few mixed Good and Choice 25-27, and a load Standard and low-Good 24.50.

Cutter and Utility cows ranged from 15.25-17.00, Canners and low-Cutters 13.50-15.25. Utility and Commercial bulls brought 18.50-21.50, Good grade bulls 22-25.00.

Good and Choice 650-950 lb feeder steers sold for 24.50-27.00, Medium and Good, same weight, 21.50-25.00.

**CALVES:** 400 compared

with 590 last week. Vealers were 1.00 higher. Good and Choice vealers sold at 27.00-33.00, Choice and Prime 33-39.00, a few 40.00, Standard and low-Good 19-27, Utility down to 16.00.

**HOGS:** 1000 compared with 1018 last week. Barrows and gilts were 50 higher. Sows were steady. U. S. 1-2 195-230 lb barrows were 20.50-21.50, several lots mostly No. 1 200-230 lbs 21.50-22.50 and about 16 head 22-50 1-3 190-240 lb. butchers brought 19.50-20.25. 240-260 lb hogs sold at 19.25-19.75. U. S. 1-3 300-600 lb sows brought 12.00-15.00.

**SHEEP:** 250 compared with 448 last week. Woolled slaughter lambs were fully steady. Good and Choice 75-100 lb. woolled slaughter lambs made 17.00-19.00, Choice and Prime 19.50-20.00 and a few 75-87 lb Prime lambs sold at 21.00, with Utility down to 15.

### Chicago Cattle Receipts Largest Since September

Receipts increased fully five per cent and were the largest since late September.

Consist of receipts about

## Vintage Livestock Sale Curtailed By Bad Weather

**CATTLE:** 261. Demand poor due to the absence of some buyers and inability to move dressed beef from the plants to the retail stores in some locations because of severe road conditions. Slaughter steers steady to 50 lower. Not enough cows and bulls on sale to establish a market. Few lots. Good to low-Choice slaughter steers 24.50-26.50, several lots low to average - Choice 26.60-27.60, few Canners and low-Cutter cows 14.00-15.50.

**CALVES:** 25. Not enough on sale to fully establish a market. A few sales 100 higher. Good and Choice vealers 29.00-37.00, odd head Prime 40.00-41.00, Standard and low-Good 23.00-29.00.

**HOGS:** 9. Not enough on sale to establish a market.

**SHEEP:** 0. Nothing on offer.

70 per cent slaughter steers, 20 per cent heifers and five per cent cows. Vealers and stockers and feeders in light supply.

Percentage prime in the run was 15 per cent. Choice about 57 per cent and good about 20 per cent. Average weight of steers about 1163 pounds.

Average price of slaughter steers dropped to the lowest point since mid November. Choice steer yearlings 1150 pounds down were 50.

Lower wgt's and grades of slaughter steers 1 to 150 lower. Slaughter heifers were steady to 1 lower. Bulls were weak, vealers stockers and feeders steady.

The bulk of the choice and prime 900 to 1,400 lb steers made 25 to 28.25. The bulk of the choice steers 25-26.50 late. Mixed good and choice 900-1,300 lbs 24.50-26.50. Most good grades at

## New Holland Top Steers Are Steady

Cattle receipts included 33 per cent cows in the run of 1020 head at the December 15 auction at New Holland.

Compared with last week's market, slaughter steers grading high choice and prime were steady. All other grades were 50 lower. Cows and bulls were 50 higher.

A few lots of mixed choice and prime 1,000 to 1,200 pound slaughter steers made 27.85 to 28.75, with odd head prime going to 28.85 and 29. The bulk of the choice steers were 26 to 27.75. Good to low choice steers made 24.50-26.50, with standard down to 22.50.

A few good and choice 800 to 1,010 pound heifers brought 23.60 to 25.60. Utility and standard made 18-22-50.

Cutters and utility cows were 15.50 to 16.85. Canners and low cutters were 14-15-50 with shelly cannery down to 12. Utility and commercial bulls 20-23. Good grade bulls 23-25-50.

A few lots of medium and good 760-872 pound feeder steers 23.25 to 25.35.

Calves. 430. High choice and prime grade vealers

23.50-24.50. Bulk of the choice heifers were 24.75-26.00.

Good and choice vealers made 21-25. Few prime vealers to 27. Load of 450 lb stock steer calves good with a choice end 26.75. Part load of choice 1,050 lb feeder steers 25. Load mixed good and choice 850 lb feeding steers 25.

were 100-lower while other grades sold steady. Good and choice vealers made 30 to 39. Standard and low good brought 22 to 29 and utility sold down to 20.

The snowstorm cut activity at the December 14 sale of dairy cattle. Both receipts and buyers were scarce. There were 109 cows and stock bulls in the run. The market was very draggy except for top fresh cows.

Fresh cows, Holstein \$350-470, Guernsey - \$225-275, other breeds - \$225-300. Stock bulls - \$90-170.

Snow cancelled the Dec. 12 horse sale. No auction was held but a few horses were sold privately and prices are available.

### Delmarva-Geo.

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at farms during the 24 hour period ending 10:30 P.M. Friday morning.

Estimated slaughter Georgia processors for the weekend is 1,192,000 head compared to the 1,734,000 head last week end.

Roaring Maples Dairy Lucy 3595894 produced 067 lbs milk and 607 lbs butterfat in 362 days twice daily milking as a year-old, roaring Maples H. mac Echo 4077289: 13,57 lbs. milk and 670 lbs butterfat in 308 days on two day milking as a 4 year old. Both are owned by Harold K Books, Ronks.

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