

Prices Up On Small Supply

Broiler prices improved slightly on the light pre-sale at the Lancaster Poultry Center this week corresponding sale last was cancelled because of insufficient listings.

But two of the listed lots of birds were sold at December 22 auction. Lot of 2,000 silver crosses was withdrawn at a bid of 28.5 and one lot of bronze tom turkeys was withdrawn when no bid offered.

A total of 34,600 broilers were brought 16.1 to 27.6, and nine lots of 8800 pullets made 26.1 to 27.6, and lots of roasters brought 26.3.

The complete sale offered 58,875 birds in 32 lots sold 51,875 head in 30 lots.

Following is the complete results with lot number, seller, grower in parenthesis, amount and breed, in weeks and days, buy price.

DE: WV - white vantage, X - cross, P - pullets, cockerels, IRP - indian pullets, SXP - silver pullets, HW - hubbard, BTT - bronze tom turkeys.

D. E. Horn & Co. (St. Shurey) 4000 WV, 9-1, 16.1; 2. Stanley Barkdoll (Stanley Barkdoll) 4000 WV, 9-1, 16.1; 3. Daniel K. Good, 16.1; 4. Glenn H. Herr, 900 IRP, 17-2, 27.6; 5. Roy E. Ream, 27; 6. Bill Miller, 2000 SXP, NO SALE, 28.5 bid; 7. Carl B. Miller & Bushong, Inc. (James Meyer) 12000 HW, 9-1, 16.2; 8. Daniel K. Good, 16.2; 9. James R. Barley 44-1, 17-2, 27.6.

WVXP, 15-2, 10. Garden Spot Broilers (Melvin Barge) 5400 WV, 9, Crown Poultry, 16.5.

11. Same, 3200 WV, 9-2; 12. Same, 2800 WV, 9-2, to Daniel K. Good, 16.8; 13. C. A. Smith, 800 SXC, 8-6, Daniel K. Good, 13; 14. Garden Spot Broilers (John L. Herr) 1150 WVC, 14-2, W. C. Mellinger & Son, 25.7.

15. Same, 1200 WVP, 14-2, Daniel K. Good, 26.2; 16. Same, (Jacob C. Herr) 1000 WVC, 14-1, W. C. Mellinger & Son, 25.4; 17. Same, 1000 WVP, 14-1, W. C. Mellinger & Son, 27.1; 18. Same, 475 WVC, 14-2, Carl B. Risser, 26.3; 19. Same, 400 WVC, 14-2, Carl B. Risser, 25.1; 20. Same, 1100 WVP, 14-2, W. C. Mellinger & Son, 26.4.

21. Same 450 WVC, 14-1, Marvin Sweigart, 25.3; 22. Same, 400 WVC, 14-1, Daniel K. Good, 25; 23. Same, 850 WVP, 14-1, Marvin Sweigart, 26.1; 24. John L. Hershey, 400 WVC, 13-6, John N. Thomas, 26.2; 25. Same, 120 WVC, 13-6, W. C. Mellinger & Son, 24.6.

26. Same, 1200 WVP, 13-6, W. C. Mellinger & Son, 26.4; 27. Same, 26; 28. 900 WVC, 13-6, W. C. Mellinger & Son, 25; 29. Same, 850 WVP, 13-6, Daniel K. Good, 26.5; 30. Donald H. Groff, 200 BTT, NO BID; 31. J. W. Eshelman & Son (Red Rose Research Center) 2000 WVX, 9-2, W. C. Mellinger & Son, 16.4; 32. John L. Hershey, 800 WVC 13-6, W. C. Mellinger & Son, 25.5.

Homemakers now pay about \$4½ billion a year more than in 1939 for the convenience of having some of the work of food preparation transferred from the kitchen to the factory.

Prices Are Slightly Higher

Broiler-fryer prices in the Delmarva area ranged approximately ½ cent higher during the 24 hour period ending 10:30 Friday morning. Prices reported and number of head purchased at farms ranged from 14.50 to 16.70 for 649,000 head. Offerings were somewhat less than adequate.

Estimated slaughter by eastern shore processors this week end is 564,100 head compared to the 655,000 head last weekend.

The Delmarva broiler-feed ratio for the week ending on December 16 was steady with the previous week at 3.7 when broilers averaged 16-17 cents per pound and mash cost \$86.30 per ton. The ratio for the comparable week a year ago was 4.4 when broilers were 20.32 and mash cost \$93.25 per ton.

Fluid Milk Production Is Unchanged

At markets other than Atlanta production was unchanged to slightly higher. Bottling demand was good with surplus moved to cheese production and separators.

At Atlanta, production re-

Weekly New York Egg Mkt.

From Monday, December 19th to Friday, December 23rd

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
Whites					
Ex. Fcy.					
Hywts	53	53	54	55	55
Fcy					
Hywts	49	50	51	52	52
Fcy					
Med.	42	42	42	42	42
#1 Med	39½	39½	39½	39½	39½
Pullts	-36	-36½	36	-36½	36
P-wees	31	31	31	31	31
Browns					
Ex. Fcy.					
Hywts	47½-48	50½	51½	52½	52½
Fcy					
Hywts	47½	49	50	51	51
Fcy					
Med.	41	41	41	37½	37½
Pullts	-36	-36½	36	-36½	36
P-wees	31	31	31	31	31
Mixed					
Fcy.					
Hywts	47½	48½	49½	50½	50½
#1 Med	39	39	38	38	38
Pullts	-36	-36½	36	-36½	36
Stds.	44½-45½	46½	46½	47½	47½
Checks	41	42	41	42	41

Mediums still a bit irregular but extremely firm and closely cleared.

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ported decreased and demand lighter due to schools closing. Some surplus going into cheese production.

Wholesale prices at New York ranged \$5.60 to \$5.70 per 40 quart unit for bottling quality milk.

Dr. Samuel B. Guss, extension veterinarian, urges prompt vaccination of breeding swine to protect them against leptospirosis.

KEEP HENS LAYING

So long as layers get plenty of food there's less danger of a winter slump in egg production. F. H. Leuschner, Penn State extension poultry specialist, says housing, weather, health or a combination of these may affect feed consumption, but feed management is always important.

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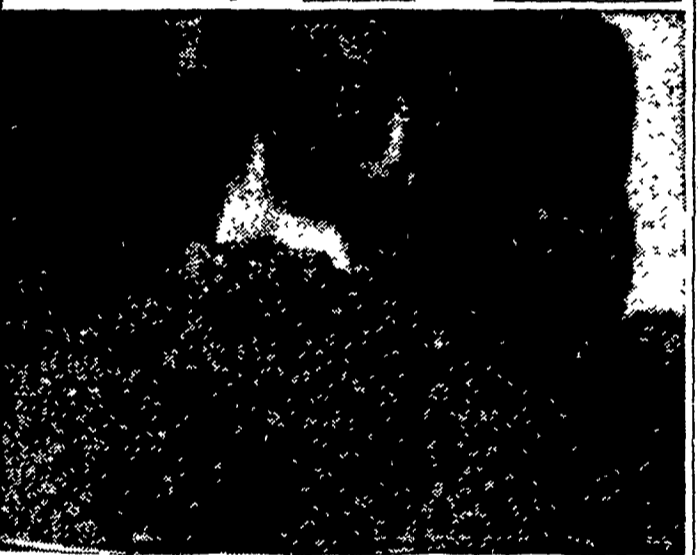
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