

## Prices Up, Volume Slumps

The increasing prices of the past several weeks failed to impress growers sufficiently to cause large marketings at the Lancaster Poultry Center this week. The December 28 auction moved only 13,550 broilers in four lots, even though the price range of 17.5 to 18.0 was up nearly three-quarters of a cent from last week. The sale average was 17.80 cents per pound.

Seven lots of 8,000 pullets crossed the block at 22 and 24 cents while the 2,450 roasters in five lots brought prices of 22 to 22.2. Two lots of leghorn fowl containing 2,450 head sold for 8.4 and 8.5.

Two lots including 1,850 head of Indian River Pullets were withdrawn from sale

at bids of 21 and 21.2. Two lots of 18 week-old roasters went begging for bids and were not sold.

The complete sale offered 36,325 head in 23 lots and sold 30,000 birds in 17 lots. Following is the complete sale with lot number seller, grower in parenthesis amount and breed age in weeks and days, buyer and price.

CODE IR - indian rivers, W Mt - white mountain, WV - white vantage, P - pullets, C - cockerels, L-F - leghorn fowl  
 1 Miller & Bushong Inc (Flynn Street) 1200 WVC  
 13-2 Daniel K. Good, 22.2; 2 W-M-B (Arthur Teaman), 2200 W Mt 8-2 Daniel K. Good 17.5 3 Same 4800  
 W-M-B 22 W C Mellinger & Son 17.9 Charles Shertzer, 1000 L-F, V J Koser Co, Inc 8.4 5 Aaron J Brubaker, 1450 L-F, Roy E Team 8.5.

8 W-M-B (Christ L Herr), 1502 WVP, 17 W C Mellinger & Son 22.00; 7 Same, 3 M-M-B (Benjamin Brubaker) 1200 WVC 13-2 H W Tongacre Inc, 22.0 9 Same 22.2; 10 Same 1200 W Mt., 13-2, W C Mellinger & Son 22.2;

11 Same, 22.0 12 J Wm. Greff, 275 WVC, 18, NO BID, 13 Same, 2200 WVP, (Turn to page 10)

## Prices Steady Demand Fair

Delmarva reported live prices remained about steady during the 24 hour period ending 10:30 Friday morning. A fair demand quickly absorbed the moderate offerings.

Prices ranging from 15.80 to 16.90 on 693,900 head at farms were reported during the period.

Demand is slightly improved ranging from barely fair to good in instances and considered normal for the season. Estimated slaughter for the week end was 726,000 head compared with the 616,000 head last week end.

The Delmarva broiler-feed ratio for the week ending on December 22 was down one point from the previous week and stood at 3.6 Broilers averaged 16.92 and mash cost the grower \$93.71 per ton.

## Fluid Milk Supplies Still Building Up

Reports indicate the production of fluid milk in all areas continued to increase except on the west coast where it was at a seasonal low.

## Weekly New York Egg Mkt

From Tuesday, December 26th to Friday, December 29th

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri
<b>Whites</b>					
Ex. Fcy.					
Hywts		41½-	43 -	45 -	44 -45
Fcy					
Hywts		37 -	38½-	39½-	39½-
Fcy					
Med.		31½-	33 -	33 -	33 -
#1 Med		30½-31½	31½-32½	32½-	32½-
Pullets		27 -	28 -	28 -	28 -
P-wees		22 -23	23 -	23 -	23 -
<b>Browns</b>					
Ex. Fcy.					
Hywts		38 -	40 -	43 -	43 -
Fcy					
Hywts		37 -	38½-	40 -	40 -
Fcy					
Med		31½-	33 -	33 -	33 -
Pullets		27 -	28 -	28 -	23 -
P-wees		22 -23	23 -	23 -	23 -
<b>Mixed</b>					
Fcy.					
Hywts		36½-	38 -	39 -	39 -
#1 Med		30 -30½	31 -	31 -32	32 -
Pullets		26 -27	27 -28	27 -28	28 -
Stds		32½-33½	33½-34½	35½-	35½-
Checks		29½-	29½-	29½-	29½-

TREND—Market continued to clear closely Friday but undertone showing considerable nervousness. Some shipments still delayed and expected to continue so next week. Copyrighted 1962 By Urner-Barry Co.

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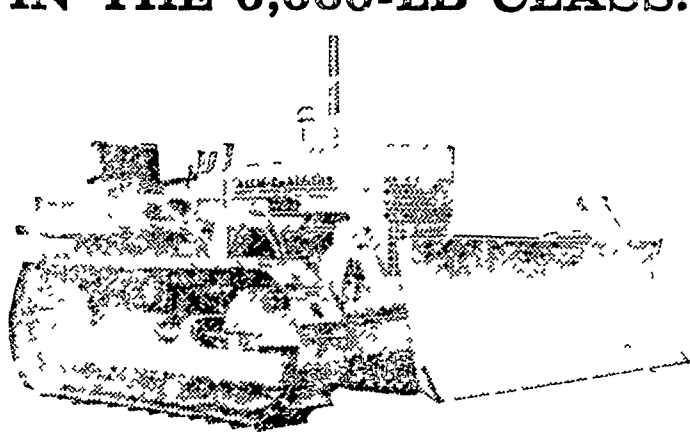
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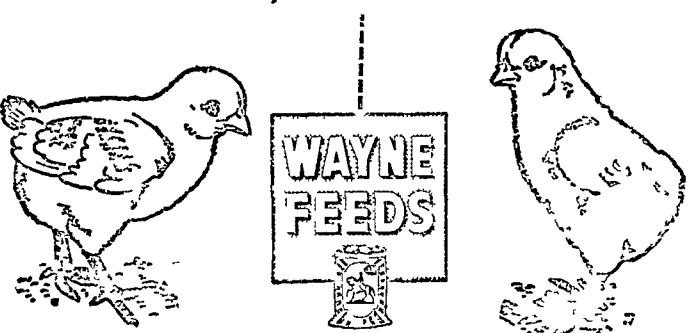
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