

Volume Drops Sharply

Last week's lowered market coupled with reluctance to sell on the pre-Easter auction pulled listings way down at the April 19 sale at the Lancaster Poultry Center.

Only four lots containing 16,800 head of broilers were on offer at the sale. These sold at prices of 157 to 174 for a sale average of 1627. The average price is up almost a cent a pound from last week when \$5,000 head averaged 153.

Other listings were light also as the pre-Easter closing of some dressing plants made growers cautious about listing birds. Two lots of 1,300 pullets brought 24 cents per pound. Four lots of roasters closed the block at prices of 235 to 213 for the 3,450 head. Two lots of leghorn fowl containing a total of 5,400 birds ranged from 105 to 107. One lot of 350 heavy fowl brought 159, and one lot of 950 heavy fowl failed to sell at the 152 bid.

The eight year summary showed broilers averaged lower in March of 1962 than in any year in the history of the Poultry Exchange, however prices did not drop as low as in March of 1961 as 1957, but

a greater percentage sold at the low end of the range.

The April 19 sale offered a total of 28,400 birds in 14 lots and sold 27,300 head in 13 lots.

Following is the complete sale report with lot number, seller, grower in parenthesis, amount and breed, age in weeks and days, buyer and price.

CODE HV-Hubbard Vantress, WMX-White Mountain Cross, H-F-Heavy Fowl, HLF-Honneger's Leghorn Fowl, GP-Ghostley Pearl, WV-White Vantress.

1 Miller & Bushong (John McMichael) 5000 HV 8-0 Daniel K Good 157 2 M&B (Harold Hollinger) 1800 WV, 8-6 Carl B Risser, 174 3 Curvin F Kopp 5000 WMX, 8-4 Daniel K Good, 159 4 Greider Leghorn Farm, 950 H-F, NO SALE 152, BID 5 Same, 350 H-F, Daniel K Good, 159

6 D E Horn & Co Inc (Joseph Myers) 5000 WV 9-2, Daniel K Good, 168 7 George Weaver, 2900 HLF, 20 mo, W C Mellinger & Son, 105 8 Same, 2500 GPLF, 17 mo, W C Mellinger & Son 107, 9 M&B (Benjamin Brubaker) 900 WVC, 13-2, H W

Delmarva-Georgia Prices About 1/2 Cent Lower

Delmarva reported prices approximately 1/2 cent lower during the 24 hour period ending 10:30 Friday Morning. Demand was fair for the light supply.

Prices ranged 139 to 155 at farms for 683,600 head during the period.

Estimated slaughter by Eastern Shore processors for the week end was 659,000 head compared to the 739,000 head last week end.

The Delmarva broiler-feed ratio for the week ending April 13 was steady with the previous week at 34.

Broilers averaged 1546 per pound and mash cost the grower \$91.91 per ton. The previous week broilers averaged 1615 and mash cost \$93.85.

Chicago

(Continued from Page 2) 100 higher Heifers 25-50 higher Cow beef mostly 50 lower.

Monday, three loads Prime 1148-1392 lb slaughter steers reached 3200 but only three loads above 3125 and on Wednesday, only three loads sold above 3100. For the week

Longacre, Inc 235, 10 M&B (Same), 800 WVC, 13-2, W C Mellinger & Son, 239

11 M&B (Same) 650 WVC, 13-2, Daniel K Good 245, 12 M&B (Same), 1100 WVC 13-2 W C Mellinger & Son 236 13 M&B (Same), 650 WVP 13-2 W C Mellinger & Son 246 14 M & B (Same) 650 WVP 13-2 W C Mellinger & Son 240

Weekly New York Egg Mkt.

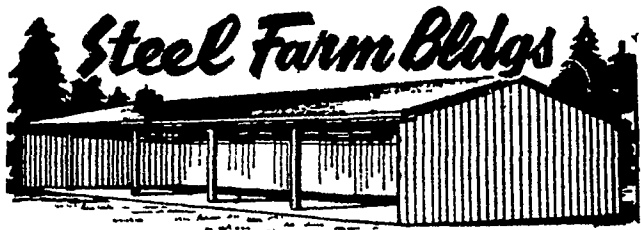
From Monday April 16th to Friday April 20th

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
Whites					
EX					
Fcv Hwts	38 1/2	38 1/2	38 1/2	38 1/2	38 1/2
Fcv Hywts	37	37	37	37	37
Fcv Med	29 1/2	30	30	30	30
No 1 Med	29	29 1/2	29 1/2	29 1/2	29 1/2
Pullets	22	22	22	22	22
Peewees	17 1/2	17 1/2	17 1/2	17 1/2	17 1/2
Browns					
EX					
Fcv Hwts	36	36	36	36	36
Fcv Hywts	35 1/2	35 1/2	35 1/2	35 1/2	35 1/2
Fcv Med	28 1/2	30	30	30	30
Pullets	22	22	22	22	22
Peewees	17 1/2	17 1/2	17 1/2	17 1/2	17 1/2
Mixed					
Fcv Hwts	35 1/2	35 1/2	35 1/2	35 1/2	35 1/2
No 1 Med	28	28 1/2	28 1/2	28 1/2	28 1/2
Pullets	22	22	22	22	22
Stds	34	34	34	34	34
Checks	30-30 1/2	30-30 1/2	30-30 1/2	30-30 1/2	30-30 1/2

TREND Spot shell egg market closes the week extremely short in supply and closely cleared at sustained prices. Outlook for next week indicates well maintained early week prices.

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