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## At Lancaster Yards

Federal - State Market News Service

Friday, April 27

**CATTLE:** 3400. Compared with 3834 head last week. Supply includes 50 percent slaughter steers, 35 percent stockers and feeders. Trading moderately active. Slaughter steers fully steady. Cows 25 lower. Bulls and stockers and feeders steady.

Slaughter steers load high Choice and Prime 1308 lbs. 30.25, 2 loads high Choice and Prime 1244 lbs. 30.25, Choice 950-1350 lbs. 27.00-30.00, Good and low Choice 24.50-27.00.

Cows Cutter and Utility 16.25-17.75, Canner and low Cutter 15.00-16.25, Shelly canner down to 13.00.

Bulls Utility and Commercial 19.75-22.50, Good grade 22.00-24.00

Stockers and feeders Good and Choice 700-1000 lb. feeder steers 23.50-29.00, Good and Choice 500-700 lb stock steers 26.00-31.00, few low Good at 23.00-25.00.

**CALVES:** 550. Compared with 572 head last week. Trading moderately active. Vealers strong to 1.00 higher. Good and Choice 30.00-36.00, Choice and Prime 36.00-41.00, few 42.00, Standard and low Good 27.00-30.00, Utility 23.00-27.00

**HOGS:** 1250. Compared with 1480 head last week. Barrows and gilts steady to 50 higher. Sows steady. Trading moderately active.

Barrows and gilts U.S. 1-2

190-220 lbs. 18.00-18.75, No 1 190-220 lbs. 18.75-19.50, 1-3 190-230 lbs. 17.50-18.00, 2-3 230-250 lbs. 17.00-17.50.

Sows 1-3 mostly 2-3 300-600 lbs. 12.00-14.00.

**SHEEP:** 275. Compared with 1676 last week. Supply mainly Spring slaughter lambs. Spring slaughter lambs steady with last weeks close, 50-80 lbs. Spring slaughter lambs grading Choice and Prime 18.00-25.00, lot Choice 35 lbs. 21.00, Good and Choice 15.00-18.00.

## Chicago Cattle

Weekly Review.

**CATTLE:** A two way trend prevailed on slaughter steers as high Choice and Prime worked lower for the third straight week, however, lower grades were in good demand and this continued to narrow the price spread on all steers.

Slaughter steers average Choice and below steady to strong, high choice and prime mostly 50-75 lower slaughter heifers mostly steady, instances 25 higher. Cows steady to 25 lower. Other classes steady. In the Chicago wholesale carlot carcass meat trade, steer steady to 50 lower with good grade holding steady. Heifers steady to 25 lower. Cow beef steady to 50 lower.

On Wednesday, load prime 1276 lb. slaughter steer 31.25, mostly prime 1175-1325 lbs. 30.00-30.50, half dozen loads

## Vintage Sale

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Tuesday, April 24

**CATTLE:** 597. Compared with last Tuesday's market slaughter steers 25-50 higher. Cows steady to 50 lower. Bulls steady.

Choice 925-1300 lb. slaughter steers 27.00-29.10, Good to low Choice 24.75-27.00, Standard 22.00-24.50.

Cutter and Utility cows 16.25-17.50, Canner and low Cutter 15.25-16.25, Shelly canner down to 13.00.

Utility and Commercial bulls 19.75-22.50, Good grade 22.00-24.00.

**CALVES:** 272. Vealers steady to strong. Good and Choice vealers 32.00-38.50, Standard and low Good 29.00-32.00, Utility 25.00-29.00

**HOGS:** 119. Barrows and gilts 25 higher

U.S. 1-3 205-235 lb barrows and gilts 17.60-17.85, Lot No 3 259 lbs. 17.10.

**SHEEP:** 10. Not enough on sale to establish a market.

at 30.50 and on Monday, two loads 30.50. High choice and mixed choice and prime 1150-1350 lbs. 28.50-30.00. Choice 965 lbs. 27.00 and part load choice 350 lbs. 26.00. Bulk Choice 950-1050 lbs. on the close 27.00-28.50.

Couple loads mostly prime 1050-1075 lb. slaughter heifers 27.75, few loads choice 1276 lb. slaughter steer 31.25, with prime end 27.25, most choice 26.00-27.00. Utility and

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## New Holland Auction

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Thursday, April 26

**CATTLE:** 1091. Compared with last Thursday's market, slaughter steers grading high Choice steady. Average Choice and below 50 higher. Cows and bulls steady.

Choice grade 950-1300 lb. slaughter steers 27.00-29.35, Good to low Choice 24.50-27.00, Standard 22.00-24.50.

Few lots of Good to low Choice 750-975 lb. Heifers 22.75-25.35.

Cutter and Utility cows 16.50-17.75, a few to 18.00 Canner and low Cutter 15.00-16.50, Shelly canners down to 13.00.

Utility and Commercial bulls 19.75-22.50, Good grade 22.00-24.50.

**CALVES:** 249. Vealers 1.00 higher. Good and Choice vealers 34.00-38.00, Choice and Prime 38.00-41.00, few 43.50, Standard and low Good 29.00-34.00, Utility 26.00-30.00

New Holland reported a very drabby market on dairy cattle at the April 23 auction. Receipts included 81 cows, seven stock bulls and 26 stock

heifers. Fresh Holstein cows brought \$300 to \$350, Guernseys were \$175-225, and other breeds brought \$175-275.

Stock bulls were \$110-195, and stock made \$70-140.

At the April 23 sale of horses, ponies and mules, 213 head sold at steady prices.

Mules by the pair brought \$300-410, while single mules were \$135-165. Mare ponies made \$75-125; geldings were \$40-125. Riding horses sold for \$130-300, and driving horses were \$130-220. Killer horses brought 8 1/2 cents.

Receipts were 460 head at the April 23 hog auction. The market was 50 higher.

Retail hogs to local butchers brought 18 to 20, while number 1 to 3 grades went to the packers at 17.75 to 18.25. Heavy hogs, over 240 pounds brought about 17.

A total of 64 calves sold at steady prices. Choice and prime vealers brought 35-41 good and low choice 30-35 standard to low good 22-30 and cull and common 16-22.

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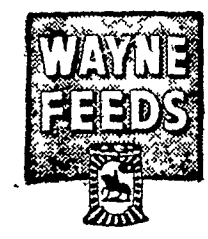
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