

Steady On Light Volume Prices Higher, Heavy Volume

Broiler prices dropped fractionally on light volume at the March 14 auction at the Lancaster Poultry Center.

Only 30,300 broilers in seven lots were sold. Prices ranged from 16.8 to 18.7 for a sale average of 17.22. The previous week's average was 17.37.

Seven lots including 7,905 pullets brought 26.5 to 27.5 while two lots of crossbred pullets brought 28.4 for the 2,200 head. A lot of 1,500 heavy fowl brought 20.6 and two lots of roasters changed hands at 25 to 25.1.

The complete sale offered 51,525 head in 22 lots and sold 44,025 head in 19 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: WV-White Vantress, P-Pullets, C-Cockerels, IR-Indian River, H-F-Heavy Fowl, X-Cross.

1. Miller & Bushong (Moses Zimmerman), 940 WVP, 14-0, Carl B. Risser, 27.5; 2. Irvin B. Gingrich, 1100 SXP, 15-0, W. C. Mellinger & Son, 28.4; 3. Same, 1100 SXP, 15-0. W. C. Mellinger & Son, 28.4; 4. Mayerseld Farms, 2000 H-F, 16 mo., NO SALE, 18.1 BID; 5. M&B (John Olesh, Jr.),

1550 WVP, 14-2, Carl B. Risser, 27.5.

6. Same, 1550 WVP, 14-2, Carl B. Risser, 26.5; 7. Same, (Dorothy Miller), 3000 IR, 8-6, Carl B. Risser, 17.3; 8. Same, (Christ L. Herr), 1400 WVP, 17-0, W. C. Mellinger & Son, 26.6; 9. Same, 1000 WVP, 17-0, Carl B. Risser, 26.7; 10. Same (John L. Herr), 1000 WVC, 12-2, Daniel K. Good, 25.1.

11. Same, 1000 WVC, 12-2, W. C. Mellinger & Son, 25.0; 12. Robert W. Keller, 1500 H-F, 13 mo, Carl B. Risser, 20.6; 120 Males, Carl B. Risser, 9.4; 13. F. M. Brown's Sons (Leon Weber), 5000 WVX, 8-5, Daniel K. Good, 17.3; 14. Same, 5000 WVX, 8-5, Daniel K. Good, 16.8; 15. Kenneth Noll, 1500 WV, 9-2, Carl B. Risser, 18.7.

16. Same, 1500 WV, 9-2, Martin Brendle, 18.5; 17. M&B (Frank Bradley), 9500 WV, 8-6, Starr Poultry, 17.1; 18. Parke Herr, 500 WVC, 14-2, NO SALE, 24.5 BID; 19. M&B (Moses Zimmerman), 940 WVP, 14-0, Carl B. Risser, 27.0; 20. Same, 525 WVP, 14-0, Daniel K. Good, 27.2.

21. A. L. Harnish, 4800 VAA, 8-3, Daniel K. Good, 16.9; 22. D. E. Horn & Co. (John Munro), 5000 WMT, 8-2, NO SALE, 17.2 BID.

Delmarva reported live broiler prices were slightly higher with a fair demand for the heavy offerings. Ready to cook demand was spotty and ranged slow to fair.

Reported prices and purchases during the 24 hour period ending 10:30 Friday morning ranged 16.2 to 17.1 at farms for 932,100 head. Prices include 589,400 head sold at Thursday's auction at the Eastern Shore Poultry Growers Exchange.

Estimated slaughter for the week end was 680,200 head compared to the 606,100 head last week end.

The Delmarva broiler-feed ratio for the week ending March 8 was steady with the previous week at 3.4. Broilers averaged 16.97 and mash cost the grower \$99.03 per ton.

Grow Healthy Vegetables

Many home gardeners have trouble raising certain vegetables because of disease-infested soil. Allen Bauer, Penn State extension plant pathologist, suggests that a rotation help control short-lived organisms, but in many cases resistant varieties must be used.

We can break the atom, fly faster than sound, but still have trouble raising children.

Weekly New York Egg Mkt.

From Monday, March 11th to Friday, March 15th

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
WHITE					
Ex.					
Fcy. Hywts	39 1/2-40	40 1/2	40 1/2	40 1/2	39 1/2
Fcy. Hywts	38 1/2-39	39 1/2	39 1/2	39 1/2	38 1/2
Fcy. Med	37 1/2	37 1/2	38	38	37
No 1 Med.	37	37	37 1/2	37 1/2	37
Pullets	32	32	32	32	31
Peewees	26	26	26	26	24
BROWN					
Ex.					
Fcy. Hywts.	41 1/2	43	43	43	43
Fcy. Hywts	40 1/2	41 1/2	41 1/2	41 1/2	41 1/2
Fcy. Med.	38	38	38	38	37
Pullets	32 1/2	32 1/2	32 1/2	32 1/2	31
Peewees	26	26	26	26	24
MIXED					
Fcy. Hywts.	38 1/2	39	39	39	38
No 1 Med.	37	37	37-37 1/2	37 1/2	37
Pullets	32	32	32	32	31
Standards	37 1/2	38	38	38	37
Checks	33	33	33	34	34

TREND Market quite unsettled and though supplies are relatively light, demand is generally disappointing.

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Cattle Numbers

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were fairly consistent in all herd size categories as follows: Farmers with 10-19 cows (20 per cent of total), 28 per cent will add 1 to 20 cows, 20-29 cow herds (35 per cent of total), 27.4 per cent will add 1 to 20, 30-49 cow herds (32 per cent of total), 20 per cent plan to add 1 to 10, 50 cows and over (13 per cent of total), 30 per cent plan to add up to 20 and more cows to their herds.

Herd disposals were planned, by size groups, as follows: 10-19, 4 per cent, 20-29, 2 per cent, 30-49, 1 per cent, 50 and over, 3 per cent.

Nine per cent of those in the 50 and over cow class indicated they planned to reduce herd size. Reductions planned in the other classes, negligible in number, were not listed.

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Mr. Caleb Wenger, distributor for specialized feeding equipment, will show pictures and discuss automatic feeding and shelter designs at Lititz on Thursday afternoon. A Van Dale silo unloader will be on display.

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