

Price, Volume Are Down

Live broiler prices dropped nearly a cent a pound and volume sold was off almost 30 per cent from the previous week at the Lancaster Poultry Center.

Prices at the August 29 auction ranged from 15.2 to 16.7 for a sale average of 15.53 compared to the 16.50 last week. Ten lots including 49,900 head sold Thursday compared with the 72,700 head last week.

Only one lot on offer failed to sell at the offered bid of 15.3; this was a lot of 3,000 Indian Rivers at eight weeks, six days, consigned by Miller and Bushong and Dorothy Miller.

The top lot was 1,500 White Vantress at nine weeks consigned by Kenneth Noll and purchased by Marvin Sweigart.

One lot of 2,200 leghorn fowl brought 9.2 cents while 200 males sold for 8.3. One lot of 500 turkey hens failed to sell at the 22.0 bid.

The complete sale offered 55,800 birds in 13 lots and sold 52,300 birds in 11 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, WMt - White Mountain, IR - Indian River, L-F - Leghorn Fowl.

1. Warren Seibel, 500 Turkey hens, 5 mo., NO SALE, 22.0 BID; 2. D. E. Horn & Co. (Glenn B. Gockley), 4200 WV, 9-5, Starr Poultry Co., 15.2; 3. Same (John Munro), 6000 WMt., 9-0, Daniel Good, 15.3; 4. Same (Walter Weibley), 10,000 WV, 9-5, Daniel Good, 15.5; 5. Robert H. Barr, 2200 L-F, 16 mo., V. J. Koser Co. Inc., 9.2; 200 Males, V. J. Koser Co. Inc., 8.3.

6 Miller & Bushong (Clarence Shenk, Jr.), 5000 WV, 8-2, Starr Poultry Co., 15.3; 7. Same, 5000 WV, 8-2, Starr Poultry Co., 15.3; 8. Same (Melvin Groff), 4000 WV, 8-2, Daniel Good, 15.2; 9. Same (Robert Harnish), 8800 WV, 8-6, Starr Poultry Co., 15.2; 10. Same (Dorothy Miller), 3000 IR, 8-6, NO SALE, 15.3 BID.

11. Same, (Lester Weaver), 6900 WMt, 8-0, Daniel Good, 15.3; 12. Kenneth Noll, 1500

Delmarva

Price Declines A Half Cent

Delmarva reported live broiler prices declined approximately a half cent during the 24 hour period ending 10 30 Friday morning. Demand was light for the relatively light auction offerings.

Many eastern shore processing plants did not plan to operate Saturday or Monday. Estimated slaughter for the weekend was 778,400 head compared to the 898,100 head last weekend.

Prices at farms ranged 14.5 to 15.4 for reported purchases of 972,300 head including 413,200 head sold at Thursday's auction in Selbyville, Del.

The Delmarva broiler-feed ratio for the week ending Aug. 23 was steady with the previous week at 3.2. Broilers averaged 16.04 per pound and 20 per cent mash cost the grower \$101.51 per ton. During the comparable week a year ago the ratio stood at 3.7 when broilers averaged 17.19 and mash cost \$94.11.

WV, 9-0, Marvin Sweigart, 16.7, 13 Same, 1500 WV, 9-0, John Thomas, 16.3.

Weekly New York Egg Mkt.

From Monday, August 26th to Friday, August 30th

| | Mon. | Tues. | Wed. | Thurs. | Fri. |
|--------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| WHITE | | | | | |
| Ex. | | | | | |
| Fcy. Hywts. | 43 | 45 | 44½-45 | 44 | 44 |
| Fcy. Hywts. | 39½ | 42 | 42 | 41 | 41 |
| Fcy. Med. | 29½ | 31½ | 31½ | 31½ | 32½ |
| No. 1 Med. | 28 | 30 | 30 | 30 | 31 |
| Pullets | 21 | 22½ | 22½ | 21½ | 21½ |
| Peewees | 16½ | 17½ | 17½ | 17½ | 17½ |
| BROWN | | | | | |
| Ex. | | | | | |
| Fcy. Hywts. | 43 | 45 | 45 | 45 | 45 |
| Fcy. Hywts. | 40 | 42 | 42 | 42 | 42 |
| Fcy. Med. | 28½ | 30½ | 30½ | 30½ | 31½ |
| Pullets | 21½ | 23 | 23 | 21½ | 21½ |
| Peewees | 16½ | 17½ | 17½ | 17½ | 17½ |
| MIXED | | | | | |
| Fcy. Hywts. | 39 | 41 | 41 | 40 | 40 |
| No. 1 Med. | 28 | 30 | 29-29½ | 29-29½ | 30-30½ |
| Pullets | 21 | 22½ | 22½ | 21½ | 21½ |
| Standards | 33-34 | 32-35 | 31½-33 | 31 | 31 |
| Checks | 24-24½ | 25-25½ | 25-25½ | 25 | 25 |

TREND: Market steadier at the moment with a better clearance and prices sustained on large, and advancing on mediums.

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