

# MARKET NEWS REPORT

## At Lancaster Yards

### Weekly Review

February 5, 1970

**CATTLE 1700** — Compared to last weeks close, Slaughter Steers 50 to mostly 100 higher, Cows steady to 50 lower, Bulls mostly steady. Supply included an estimated 53 percent Slaughter Steers 20 percent Cows and Bulls, with the balance mainly Feeder Steers

**SLAUGHTER STEERS** — Mixed Choice and Prime 1050-1250 lbs. 31 25 32 00, couple lots 1300 1350 lbs 30 35 30 50, Choice 950-1200 lbs 30 00-31 25, 1200-1400 lbs 29 50 31 00, high Good and low Choice 28 50 30 35, Good 27 50 29 60 Standard and low-Good 24 00 27 75

**SLAUGHTER HEIFERS** — Choice 750-960 lbs 27 00 28 50, Good 24 50 25 75

**COWS** — Utility and high dressing Cutter 20 00 22 00, few mainly on Monday 22 00 22 50, Cutter 19 25-21 50 Canner and low Cutter 17 75-19 75.

**BULLS** — Choice 23 50 29 00 Good 27 00 28 50 Utility and Commercial 27 75 30 00

**FEEDER STEERS** — Two loads Choice 975 1200 lbs 23 60 29 00

**CALVES 400** — Vealers mostly steady, with Monday's loss being recovered on Wednesday

**VEALERS** — Choice 55 00 58 50 few 59 00 59 50 Good 49 00 55 00 Standard 46 00 51 00 Utility 36-50-44 00 Cull 90-120 lbs 27 00 34 00 65 85 lbs 24 00 29 00

**HOGS 1050** — Barrows and 70-105 lbs 29 00 31 00, few at 31 50 Good 70 100 lbs 27 00 29 50 Utility 25 50-28 00

**SLAUGHTER EWES** — Utility and Good 5 50-10 00

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## New York Eggs

Prices trended lower on mediums and smalls, irregular but mostly unchanged on large. Early A.M. sheet trading dull but improved slightly by midday. Receipts light. Additional country point offerings ample with an occasional load sold out of town at discounted price levels. Local dealer floor stocks burdensome on jumbos, ample on extra large, fancy large about adequate with lower quality plentiful. Mediums and smalls ample but irregularly distributed and attracting limited interest. Imported eggs were freely offered in a wide range of price and quality. Carton orders generally no better than fair.

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## Vintage Auction

February 3, 1970

**CATTLE 608** — Compared to last Tuesday, Slaughter Steers strong to 25 higher; Cows 25 50 higher; Bulls mostly steady. Supply included 39 percent Cows

**SLAUGHTER STEERS** — High Choice and Prime 1000 1350 lbs 30 50 31 75, Choice 950 1250 lbs. 28 85 31 00, 1250 1375 lbs. 28 25-30 25; load Good to mostly Choice 1400-1560 lbs 26 75 28 75; Good 26 50 29 00, Standard and low-Good 25 00 27 25

**SLAUGHTER HEIFERS** — Few Choice 800 950 lbs 27 60 28 85

**COWS** — Utility and high-dressing Cutter 20 75 22 60, few 22 75 23 10, Cutter 20 00-21 75, Canner and low Cutter 18 25-20 00

**BULLS** — Good 27 50-28 60, Utility and Commercial 26 25-29 10

**CALVES** — Vealers 2 00 higher in an active trade

**VEALERS 341** — Choice 54-50 58 50, eight head 59 00 60 00, Good 50 00 54 00, Standard 44-00-50 50, Utility 37 00 45 00, Cull 70 85 lbs 27 00-34 00, bulk of the 90-120 lbs Calves returned to farm at 37 00-43 00

**HOGS 236** — Barrows and Gilts mostly 50 higher

**BARROWS AND GILTS** — US 1-2 200 235 lbs 30 00 30 25, Few US 1 195-230 lbs 30 35 30-50 US 2-3 195-255 lbs 29 50 29-85

**SHEEP 29** — Few Good 75-105 lbs Woolled Lambs steady at 27 00 30 00, few Utility Slaughter Ewes 5 50-9 50

## FUTURES TRADING

(Closing bids as of Thursday, February 5, 1970)

	Chicago Cattle	Chicago Hogs	New York Maine Potatoes	Chicago Fresh Eggs
February	29.60	28.85		47.50
March			3.44	46.20
April	30.52	30.52	3.66	40.95
May			4.24	
June	31.45	31.45		
July		27.60		
August	31.35	26.52		
October	30.60	25.10		37.75
December	30.30			

a-asked b-bid n-nominal

Trend Cattle are lower; Hogs are higher; Potatoes are steady and Eggs are lower.

## New Holland Auction

February 5, 1970

**CATTLE 688** — Compared to last Thursday, Slaughter Steers mostly 100 higher, Cows uneven, Utility steady to weak, instances 25 lower, Canner and Cutter steady to 25 higher, Bulls about steady. Supply included 42 percent Cows.

**SLAUGHTER STEERS** — Small supply high-Choice and Prime 1050-1300 lbs 31 00 31 75, Choice 950 1350 lbs 30 00 31 25, few 1250 1400 lbs 29 75 30 00, high-Good and low-Choice 29 00 30 25, Good 27 00 29 75, Standard and low-Good 25 00-27 75

**COWS** — Utility and high-dressing Cutter 20 00-22 35, few 22 50-23 35, Cutter 19 75-21 25, Canner and low-Cutter 17 50 19 75

**BULLS** — Choice 28 50-29 85, Good 26 50 28 75, Utility and Commercial 27 00-29 60

**CALVES 367** — Vealers uneven, Standard to Choice steady to 100 lower, Cull and Utility strong to 100 higher

**VEALERS** — Choice 54 00-56 50, few 57 50 58 00 Good 50-00-54 00, Standard 45 00-50 00, Utility 36 00-44 00 Cull 90-120 lbs 29 00 35 00, 65 85 lbs 25 00-29 00

**SHEEP 3** — No market test

**COWS**

**February 4, 1970**  
Receipts of 61 cows sold strong-er. Holstein 425 710, Other breeds 300-375

**HORSES**

**February 2, 1970**  
Receipts of 307 horses sold steady. Work horses (single) 165-275 (pairs) 435-500, Mules (single) 145-225, (pairs) 255-500, Riding horses 90-260, Driving horses 90-210; Ponies 10-25; Killers 7-8.

**HOGS**

**February 2, 1970**  
Receipts of 1069 hogs sold steady.

## Local Grain Prices

The local grain prices report was started last week on Lancaster Farming's market pages. It is made up of the average prices quoted by six participating local feed and grain concerns. It should be noted, however, that not every dealer handles each commodity. All prices are per bushel, except for ear corn which is per ton.

The average local grain prices quoted Thursday, February 5, 1970 are as follows.

	Bid	Offered
Corn (ear)	37 50	41 00
Corn (shelled)	1 45	1 57
Oats	.73	83
Barley	1 10	1 07
Wheat	1 44	1 65

Bid is the price the dealer will buy from the farmer delivered to the mill. Offered is the price the dealer will sell for at his mill.

dy to 25 higher. Retail 29 50-31-50; Wholesale 29-29.50; Heavy-weights 26 50-28; Sows 21-23.50; Boars 19-21.

## CALVES

February 2, 1970

Receipts of 67 calves sold steady; to 100 higher. Choice and prime 52 56 50, Good and L. Choice 47-51 50; Standard 38.50-46 50, Common 25-38.

## HAY

February 2, 1970

Thirteen loads of hay sold as follows: Mixed hay \$30-\$34; Clover 35 50 38 50, Straw \$35-\$43

## Chicago Cattle Weekly Review

**CATTLE** — Compared with last weeks close, Slaughter Steers 25-50 higher, Slaughter Heifers steady to 25 higher, Cows steady to weak. Bulls steady.

Receipts included 71 percent Slaughter Steers and 25 percent Heifers with balance mostly cows. Overall finish Slaughter Steers more attractive than last week with 25 percent Prime and 65 percent Choice, compared with 19 percent Prime and 74 percent Choice last week and 11 percent Prime and 74 percent Choice last year. Average cost

Slaughter Steers estimated at 30 00, highest in 5 months, compared with 29 23 last week and 28 84 last year. Average weight estimated at 1180 lbs. last week 1181 lbs and last year 1152 lbs. Heifer supply mostly High Good to Prime weighing 850-1050 lbs.

**SLAUGHTER STEERS** — On Wednesday, Prime 1200-1400 lbs, Yield Grade 3 and 4 30.75-31 25, two loads at 31 25, High Choice and Prime 1150-1425 lbs. 30 25-31.00 Choice 950-1150 lbs. Yield 2 to 4 30 00-31 00 Choice 1150-1250 lbs 29 50-30 50, Choice 1250-1400 lbs. Yield Grade 3 and 4 29 00-30 00 Mixed Good and Choice 950 1250 lbs 29 00-30 00.

**SLAUGHTER HEIFERS** — On Wednesday, High Choice and Prime 950-1050 lbs. Yield Grade 3 and 4 29 75 30 25, one load at 30.25 the highest top since August. Choice 850-1025 lbs. Yield Grade 2 to 4 28 50-29.75. Mixed Good and Choice 28.00-28.50.

## Meat Shipped In Is Inspected

Meat is generally shipped to the U.S. in special refrigerated holds on freighters where it is held in solid frozen form at 0-to-20 degrees. At each point of entry the meat is sampled and re-inspected by inspectors of the U.S. DA's Consumer and Marketing Service, says H. Louis Moore, Extension agricultural economist at The Pennsylvania State University. Imported meats, therefore, must meet the same strict requirements for wholesomeness that is required of domestically produced meats.

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