

# Weekly Poultry Report

**Eastern Pennsylvania  
And New Jersey**

**Fogelsville**

March 10, 1970

Prices continue unchanged on light type hens. Demand fairly good with occasional over interest; aggressive in effort to keep operating at capacity. Offerings adequate to barely adequate for current needs though advance offerings often heavy for movements following Easter. Demand fair to good on heavy type hens. Offerings locally short of full needs in most quarters. Occasional lots noted moving at 16 1/2-17c FOB Farm. Prices paid at Farm Light Type Hens 8-11 1/4c mostly 11-11 1/2c in Pennsylvania, mostly 9-10c in New Jersey. Heavy Type Hens. Tfewr.

(Prices paid dock weights, cents per lb., except where noted)  
**HENS**, heavy type 11-26 mostly 18-24, **PULLETS** 10-40 mostly 30-33; **ROASTERS** 19 1/2-41 mostly 30-35, **DUCKS** 30 1/2-38 mostly 34-36, **DRAKES** 30-44 mostly 40-44; **TURKEYS**, **HENS** 36 1/2-42 1/2, **RABBITS** 30-62 mostly 48-56, **GUINEAS** 50-60 1/2 mostly 58-60 1/2, **PIGEONS** (per pair) 100-210; **BUNNIES** (per head) 95-230 mostly 200-230  
**TOTAL COOPS SOLD** 445

## New York Eggs

Prices tended higher on large and mediums, unchanged on smalls. Street trading activity is fair. Receipts light to moderate. Supplies are fully ample on fancy large, mediums and standards though irregularly distributed. Offerings of smalls ample. Street sales of best quality European eggs fairly good with heavier weight large whites at 38 1/2-43c, mixed colors or lighter weights at 35-38 1/2c. Distributive trading locally is unsettled. However, floor stocks generally held with confidence where pie Easter business tends to improve. Carton demand fair to good. Movement of mediums is stimulated by some retail ads generally at 49-50c per dozen.

## Delmarva

Ready-to-cook movement remains good with occasional unfilled orders reported. Advance interest fairly good with occasional early trading noted at 29-29 1/2c on Plant Grade. Less-than-trucklot prices generally unchanged though mostly higher within the ranges. Live supplies barely adequate for full needs. Undertone firm.

Pool trucklot (Thursday arrival at terminal markets) US Grade A 29-32 M 29-29 1/2c, Plant Grade 28-30 M 28 1/2-29c. Special packs including 1 3/4-2, 3 1/2 = sizes Tfewr.

## Chicago Exchange Stops Cash Call Egg Trading

United Egg Producers officials were jubilant this week with the announcement that the Chicago Mercantile Exchange has agreed to discontinue trading the cash call on eggs effective March 16. The last trading day will be Friday, March 13.

UEP has long contended that the Chicago egg cash call could easily be misused by commodity futures speculators to the detriment of the public and egg producers alike.

UEP pointed out the weaknesses in the cash call on eggs to the Chicago Mercantile Exchange early in 1969. The CME board of governors has evidently investigated the matter thoroughly and has concluded that the Chicago egg cash call should be discontinued.

Jerry Faulkner, General Manager of UEP, sent the following telegram to Everett Harris, president of the CME:

"We commend the bold ac-

## Chicago

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tion taken by the CME to terminate the cash call on eggs. This action will enhance the image of the CME and, more importantly, it will strengthen the egg industry.

"UEP stands behind you in your progressive steps to upgrade the services offered by the CME. Please extend our thanks to your Board of Governors."

ed with 17 percent Prime and 71 percent Choice last week and 9 percent Prime and 77 percent Choice last year. Average cost slaughter steers estimated at 32.20, compared with 31.56 last week and 29.85 same week last year. The average weight of steers estimated at 1200 lbs, compared with 1210 lbs. last week, the heaviest weekly average in six years and compared with 1134 lbs. last year. Heifer supply mostly High Good to Prime weighing 850-1100 lbs.

**SLAUGHTER STEERS** — On Wednesday, Prime 1200-1450 lbs Yield Grade 3 and 4 34.00-34.50 with four loads at 34.50. Mixed High Choice and Prime 1150-1450 lbs 33.50-34.00. Choice 950-1500 lbs Yield Grade 2 to 4 32.00-33.50. Mixed Good and Choice 30.50-32.00.

**SLAUGHTER HEIFERS** — On Wednesday, High Choice and Prime 950-1100 lbs Yield Grade 3 and 4 31.50-32.00, one load at 32.00. Choice 850-1050 lbs Yield Grade 2 to 4 30.00-31.50. Mixed Good and Choice

## Weekly New York Egg Mkt.

From Monday, March 9th to Friday, March 13th

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
<b>WHITE</b>					
Fcy Ex Large	49	49 1/2	50	50	50 1/2
Fcy Large	48	48 1/2	49	49	49 1/2
Fcy Mediums	40	40 1/2	41 1/2	42	43 1/2
Fcy Pullets	28-29	28-29	28-29	28-29	27-28
Fcy Peewees	23	20-21	20-21	20	18-19
<b>BROWN</b>					
Fcy Large	46-46 1/2	46-46 1/2	46-46 1/2	46-46 1/2	45-45 1/2
Fcy Mediums	38	38	38	38	38
Fcy Pullets	28-29	28-29	28-29	28-29	27-28
Fcy Peewees	23	20-21	20-21	20	18-19
Standards	42-43	42-43	42-43	44	44
Checks	30-30 1/2	29 1/2-30 1/2	29-30	29-29 1/2	28-29

Trend: Large whites adequate, mediums tight, balance ample.

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## Vintage

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25-27 60 US 3-4 210-250 lbs 26-85-27 10

**SHEEP 35** — Woolled Lambs 100-200 higher

**WOOLED LAMBS** — Good and Choice 65-100 lbs 30.00-32.50

**SPRING LAMBS** — Choice 35-55 lbs 46.00-52.00, Good 30-50 lbs 36.00-42.00

## Federally Inspected Livestock Slaughter

(For week starting March 9, 1970)

	Cattle	Hogs	Sheep
Week to date	449,000	1,210,000	154,000
Same period last week	447,000	1,162,000	156,000
Same period last year	438,000	1,320,000	152,000

Estimated daily livestock slaughter under Federal Inspection.

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