

Hog Prices

Lancaster Auction

Wednesday, February 9
Barrows and Gilts 50-75 higher.
BARROWS AND GILTS — US 1 220-225 lbs. 29.35-29.75; US 1-2 210-240 lbs. 28.50-28.60; US 2-3 195-255 lbs. 27.85-28.35.

Lancaster Market

Monday, February 7
Barrows and Gilts generally steady.
BARROWS AND GILTS — US 1 200-240 lbs. 28.00-28.25; US 1-3 195-255 lbs. 27.00-27.50.

New Holland Auction

Monday, February 7
HOGS 739 Barrows & Gilts: \$1.50 to \$1.75 lower. US No. 1-2 205-240 lbs. 27.75-29.50; US No. 1-3 190-250 lbs. 27.00-27.75. US No. 2-4 240-280 lbs. 26.00-27.00; US No. 3-4 140-185 lbs. 25.00-27.00.
Sows: US No. 1-3 300-500 lbs. 20.00-23.00. Boars: 20.00-22.00.

Vintage Auction

Tuesday, February 8
Barrows and Gilts strong to 25 higher.
BARROWS AND GILTS — US 1 200-235 lbs. 28.75-29.00; US 1-2 200-240 lbs. 28.50-28.75; US 2-3 195-250 lbs. 28.00-28.50, mainly 28.25-28.50.

Saturday, February 5
HOGS 684 Barrows & Gilts: \$2.25 to \$2.50 lower. US No. 1-2 200-220 lbs. 27.50-28.00; US No. 2-3 195-250 lbs. 26.75-27.50; US No. 2-4 195-260 lbs. 26.10-26.60; US No. 3-4 245-280 lbs. 25.00-26.50; US No. 2-4 100-180 lbs. 20.60-23.00.
Sows: US No., 1-3 310-630 lbs. 18.00-22.00. Boars: 19.00-20.25.

Peoria Auction

HOGS: 3500. Moderately active, opening steady to weak, instances 25 lower. US 1-2 200-235 lbs. 27.50-28.00; about 100 head 28.00; 1-3 200-260 lbs. 27.00-27.50.

Lebanon Valley Auction

Tuesday, February 8
225 Barrows and gilts, steady. US No. 2-3 200-235 lbs. barrows and gilts 27.60-28.10, lot at 28.50. No. 2-4 140-185 lbs. 25.50-26.50. US

Lebanon Valley Livestock Market, Inc.

1 mile east of Fredericksburg along Route 222

Phone Jonestown 865-2881

Sale every Tuesday at 1:30 P.M. starting with feeder cattle and pigs

Omaha Cattle

Thursday, February 10
Compared with last week's close, closing prices on slaughter steers and heifers were 50-75c higher. Cows closed 1.00-1.50 higher, bulls were strong to 50c higher and feeder cattle strong to 50c higher.

Four day receipts 19,300 as compared 18,700 previous week and 19,800 a year ago.

Slaughter steers approximately 37 per cent, fairly liberal percentage choice, moderate volume high-choice and prime. Heifers 38 per cent, supply predominantly good to average-choice. Cows 9 per cent, feeders 11 per cent.

The upward spiral in fed cattle prices was resumed and the downturns enforced the previous week were largely offset. An upward trend on carcass beef coupled with moderate marketings were stimulating factors. The ratio between live prices and carcass realizations are still not considered favorable to packers and some buyers were rather cautious on late rounds.

Average cost slaughter steers first three days 36.23, average weight 1128 lbs. as compared 36.10 and 1131 lbs. previous week and 31.74 and 1150 lbs. a year ago.

Market Steers

Steers - High-Choice and Prime, part load, 1086 lbs., 3-4, 38.10; 1012-1441 lbs., 2-4, 37.25-38.00. Choice, 975-1275 lbs., 2-4, 36.25-37.25. Load mostly choice, 1350 lbs., 4, 36.00. Mixed Good and Choice, 950-1250 lbs., 35.50-36.25. Good, 32.50-35.50. Standard and low-good, 31.00-32.50.

Heifers high-choice and prime, part load, 954 lbs., 3-4 37.00; 925-1158 lbs., 3-4 36.50-36.75. 825-1025 lbs., 2-4, 35.50-36.50. Mixed Good and choice, 800-1000 lbs., 34.50-35.50. Good, 30.00-34.50. Standard and low-good, 28.00-30.00.

Cows utility and commercial, 23.00-35.00. Utility dairybreds, 25.25-25.50. Canner and cutter, 20.50-23.50. Mixed cutter and low-utility, 23.75-24.00.

Bulls - utility, commercial and

No. 2-3 300-500 lbs. sows 19.85-22.60. Few Boars 19.50-19.85.

FEEDER PIGS 35 Lot US No. 1-3 20 lbs. feeder pigs 10 per head, lot No. 1-3 40 lbs. 18 per head.

Indianapolis Auction

HOGS: 2500. 25 lower, active. US 1-2 200-230 lbs. 28.00; 70 head 28.25; 1-3 200-250 lbs. 27.50-28.00.

St. Louis Auction

HOGS: 7000. Moderately active, 25 to mostly 50 lower. US 1-3 200-240 lbs. 27.25-27.75, mostly 27.50; 1-3 240-260 lbs. 26.75-27.50; 2-4 250-280 lbs. 26.00-27.00.

U. S. Inspected Livestock Slaughter

For the week ending Thursday, February 10

	CATTLE	HOGS	SHEEP
Week to date	449,000	1,074,000	159,000
Some period last week	452,000	1,168,000	159,000
Same period last year	444,000	1,277,000	169,000

Estimated daily livestock slaughter under Federal Inspection.

Don't Plant Feed Oats, Official Warns

Farmers using Feed oats for planting, instead of for feed as intended, "are just asking for trouble," warns Gus Day, supervisor, Md. State Seed Inspection Service.

Quackgrass, bindweed and other weed seeds are again showing up in feed oats (sometimes called "grain oats" or "Western oats") examined by the Seed Inspection Service.

"Lower yields more than wipe out any small savings you think you make on the price of the seed. In addition, you are liable to buy a weed or plant disease infestation that will cost you a lot of money, sweat and tears over a period of time trying to control.

"It is sad," he adds, "to see a man fighting over the years against weeds or plant diseases he bought and planted himself.

"Seed is the smallest part of the cost of producing a crop, and trying to save a few cents by using inferior seed just doesn't make sense," he points out.

Only certified seed should be planted, according to Day. "It is of known germination, purity and freedom from weeds. It is treated against diseases. It is labeled and described by regulation to protect you against loss — why take a chance with seed of unknown quality."

good, 26.50-28.50. Commercial, US 2, 29.00-30.00. Cutter and low-utility, 24.50-26.50.

Feeder Steers

Feeder cattle and calves strong to 50c higher under continued good demand. Supplies mainly fleshy two-way steers, moderate showing calves and yearlings.

Steers - Choice load, 452 lbs., 42.50; 604-631 lbs., 38.50-40.00; high-good and choice, 893-1077 lbs., 34.50-36.00. Standard and good load, 688 lbs., 31.75.

Heifers - Choice four loads, 416-507 lbs., 37.50-38.00; 725-855 lbs., 33.50-34.50.

Southeast Poultry Meeting March 21

The Annual Southeast Pennsylvania Poultry meeting will be held at Trainer's Restaurant in Quakertown starting at 6:30 p.m. March 21, reports David L. Kantner, associate Bucks County ag agent.

Both egg processing and marketing will be included in the program. Mark your calendar and save the date, Kantner urges.

FUTURES TRADING

(Closing bids as of Thursday, February 10)

	Chicago Cattle	Chicago Hogs	New York Maine Potatoes	Chicago Fresh Eggs
February	36.75	27.10		
March			3.06	29.40
April	34.70	25.05	3.28	29.10
May			3.94	28.85
June	33.75	26.95		31.80
July		27.10		
August	33.17	26.25		35.00
September				37.90
October	32.60	24.15		
November			2.82	
December	32.40	23.55		38.50
February '73	32.45			
May '73			3.75	

Trend — Cattle are lower, Hogs are lower, Potatoes are steady, and Eggs are lower.

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CORRECTION - The 32.12 Futures Trading on Chicago Fresh Eggs for February '73 in last weeks issue should have been Chicago Cattle for February '73.

Markets provided by Commodity Dept., Reynolds Securities, Inc.

Used Burlap Bags May Be Hazardous

Reusing burlap bags in various industries throughout the Commonwealth is a common practice, but the Department of Environmental Resources warns of potential health hazards such a practice might create.

This was brought to the attention of John W. Knauber, director, Division of Occupational Health, by the U. S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare, as it cited a case in which burlap bags, once used to hold asbestos, created a situation which was extremely hazardous to workmen handling the bags.

It was pointed out in the HEW memorandum that shaking out a single bag, used in a nursery to wrap the roots of rose bushes, for four minutes created over 300 times the allowable limit of contaminants for a full workday.

Knauber said that many industries throughout the State use second hand burlap bags, some of which, at one time or another, may have been used to hold substances which are harmful and which could very easily create a health problem.

Therefore, he suggested that such bags be checked for previous use and, if possible, be cleaned before being reused. Knauber also invited manufacturers who may be in doubt as to what steps should be taken to contact his office for advice.

Calendar

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- Farmers monthly meeting. 7:30 p.m. — Farm and Home Foundation board of directors reorganizational meeting, Farm and Home Center.
- 7:30 p.m. — Central 4-H Tractor Club, Landis Bros., Inc., Manheim Pike, Lancaster.
- Garden Spot Young Farmers officers meeting.
- Drug education seminar for Lancaster County law enforcement personnel, Mount Joy Vo-Tech School, February 15-17
- Southeastern Dairy Conference, Guernsey Breeders Barn. Thursday, February 17
- 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. — Penn State tax records program meeting, Farm and Home Center.
- 10 a.m. - ? — Chester County Extension Dairy Day, Sadsburyville Fire Hall.
- 12 noon — ABC District Two annual membership meeting, Sadsburyville Fire Hall.
- 7 p.m. — Agrico-Geigy crop management meeting, Hostetter's dining Room, Mount Joy.
- 7 30 p.m. — H. Louis Moore's annual agricultural outlook meeting, Farm and Home Center.
- Forage workshop, Kutztown. Clothing Construction Course, Paoli United Methodist Church.
- Friday, February 18
- 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. — Southeastern Pennsylvania Forage Day, Farm and Home Center.
- 6:45 p.m. — Garden Spot Young Farmers Annual banquet, Blue Ball Fire Hall.
- 7 p.m. — Atlantic Breeders Cooperative District Five annual membership meeting, Quarryville.

In the Kitchen

APPLE FRITTERS

- 1 1/2 cups sifted all-purpose flour
- 1 1/2 tsps. baking powder
- 1/4 tsp. salt
- 1 egg
- 2/3 cup milk
- 2 cups finely chopped, pared, cooking apples
- 3 tbsps. butter or margarine

Sift together flour, baking powder and salt. Beat egg with milk in medium bowl; blend in dry ingredients. Stir in apple. Heat butter in blazer pan over medium flame. Drop batter by the spoonful into hot butter. Cook, turning once, until browned on both sides. Makes 6 servings, 2 fritters per serving.

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