

# Poultry Market Reports

## Delmarva

### BOILERS

Wednesday, March 22

Ready-to-cook movement light to fair. Slaughter schedules about steady overall though some plants decreased while others increased in line with needs or available live supplies that need killing to prevent a build-up in the field. Less than trucklot prices ranged unchanged to 1 cent lower on Plant Grade to unchanged to 1/2 cent lower on U.S. Grade A. Live supplies ample. Undertone unsettled. Pool trucklot prices for Thursday arrival in the New York area: U.S. Grade A 28-32, Plant Grade 27-30.

## Eastern Pa. and N. J.

Wednesday, March 22

Prices of light type hens tended lower within an unchanged range Offerings ample for a fair demand. Advance bookings heavy for the next three weeks. Offerings of heavy type hens short of a fair call. Prices paid at farm: Light type hens 5-7 mostly 6 1/2-6 3/4 in Pa. mostly 5 1/2-6 in N.J. Heavy type hens 16 1/2-17.

## West Nottingham Auction Rt. 276, Rising Sun, Md.

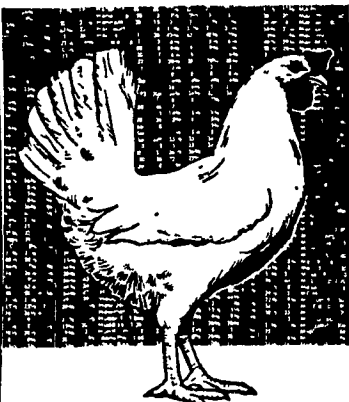
Monday, March 20

Calves: 85 - 115 pounds, 56.00 - 60.50, 115 - 140 pounds, 55.00 - 61.00, 140 - 240 pounds, 55.00 - 63.50.

Cows: Good Commercial, 965 - 1435 pounds, 26.25 - 28.00; Canner and Cutter, 18.75 - 26.00.

Feeder Bulls: 33.00 - 36.00.  
Feeder Heifers: 30.25 - 34.00.

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## Weekly New York Egg Market

(From Monday, March 20th to Friday, March 24th)

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
<b>WHITE</b>					
Fcy. Ex. Large	39	39	39	39	39
Large	38	38	38	38	38
Mediums	36	36	36	36	36
Pullets	26	26	26	26	26
Peewees	17	17	17	17	17
<b>BROWN</b>					
Fcy. Large	39	39	39	39	39
Mediums	Unquoted				
Pullets	Unquoted				
Peewees	Unquoted				
Standards	32 1/2	32 1/2	32 1/2	32 1/2	32 1/2
Checks	17	17	17	17	17

Long Tone - Demand showing a little improvement, but supplies ample and sales forced.

## New York Eggs East Coast

Wednesday, March 22

Prices unchanged to fractionally lower. Undertone highly nervous and unsettled with offerings of large fully ample while mediums were burdensome. Receipts are generally restricted as dealers attempt to work out present inventories however shippers offerings are increasing. Buying activity is fairly good although heavy supplies overshadow any movement at present. Mediums in slowest position while large were held with confidence of possible improved demand prior to Easter. Street sales of large browns were being made at 36 cents extra large whites at 36-38 cents and fancy mediums with borderline weight at 30 1/2 cents. Carton orders are reported slow however delivery schedules to both warehouse and store door for next week are active.

## Farm Calendar

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Friday, March 31

Good Friday.  
Penn Manor Young Farmer Banquet.  
Annual Pennsylvania State Jersey meeting, Treadway Inn, West Chester, March 31 - April 1.

## East Coast Carcass Trade

Thursday, March 23

General conditions: reduced supplies in most classes; slightly expanded, modest demand; fair movement noted in most departments late as buyers reentered closing trade, concentrating on-fores in beef.

### Beef

Steer Beef: Prime 600-800 pounds 56.00-56.75, Ltd 57.00, steady; 800-900 56.00; Choice 600-800 55.50-55.75, strong, spots 25 higher; 800-900 54.50-54.75, steady; Choice 2-3 600-800 56.00-56.25, firm; 800-900 55.00-55.25; Good 500-800 53.50-54.00, Ltd 54.50, 50 lower.

Cow Beef: Utility (breaking) 47.50, steady; Utility (boning) 49.00-49.50, steady; Canner and Cutter 52.00, Ltd 52.50, steady.

Bull Beef: Cutter through Commercial 56.00, Ltd 56.50, generally 50 higher.

Calf Carcass, (skin off): Good 150-350 74.00-78.00, steady.

Veal Carcass, (skin off): Choice 90-130 102.00-103.00, steady; 130-180 92.00-96.00, steady; Good 60-90 82.00-85.00, steady; 90-150 82.00-85.00, steady; Standard 60-120 68.00-72.00, steady.

### Lamb

Choice and Prime, 34-45 64.50-



Young calves enjoy the individual stalls at the John B. Groff Farm, R.D. 1, Mount Joy.

## Dairy Calf

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The calves are individually fed in their stalls.

At the Hershey farm the dairymen saw an open-fronted free-stall swinging gate heifer

65.50, steady; 45-55 64.00-65.00, steady; 55-65 62.00-63.00, steady; 65-75 60.00-61.00, steady.

### Pork

Fresh Pork Cuts: Loins (regular) 8-14 51.00-51.50, steady to 50 lower; 14-17 46.50-47.50, steady; 17-20 44.50-45.00, steady.

Picnics (regular): 4-8 37.00-37.50, Ltd 38.00, steady to 50 higher; 8 pounds and up 39.00-39.50, 50-1.00 higher.

Boston Butts: 4-8 49.50-50.50 mainly 50.00 up, steady.

Hams (skinned): 14 pounds down, 52.50-53.00, 50 lower; 14-17 46.50-47.50, Ltd 48.00, 50 lower; 17-20 43.50-44.50, mainly 44.00 down, 50-1.00 higher; 20-26 42.50-43.00, 1.00 higher.

barn with an automatic feeder. This facility is for the older calves and is designed to be a minimum labor facility.

Hershey estimates that he spends only 30 minutes a day to feed up to 40 head of heifers.

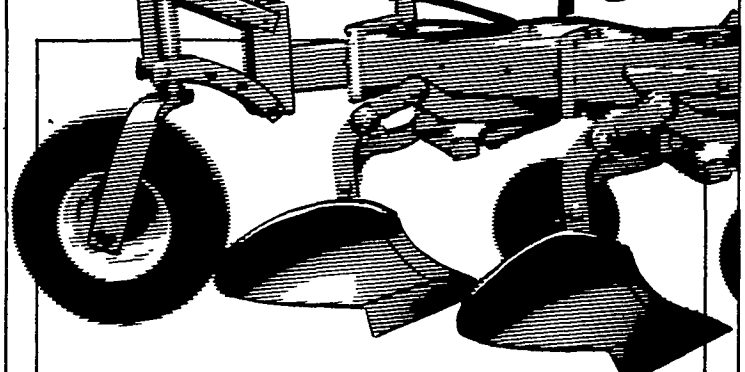
The Penn State experts noted that the cost of a replacement cow averages about \$400. The cost of raising a calf is approximately \$350.

The farmer, therefore, has to weigh the advantages of providing proper facilities for his calves or to accept the mortality rate and buy replacements.

It was pointed out that it should be desirable for a farmer to raise his own calves because he would know the history of the cow which gave birth to the calf and also because when a dairyman buys a cow he really is not 100 per cent sure what he is getting.

County Agent Smith noted that supplemental heat is not needed in the calf area so that the cost would involve only the renovations of the calf raising area.

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