

Poultry Market Reports

Eastern Pa. and N.J. Live Hens

Wednesday, September 6

Prices held steady though firm on light type hens. Demand good for fair but limited offerings. Processors working only part time for lack of available supplies. Offerings of heavy hens short of a fair but unaggressive interest at steady prices. Prices paid at farm: light type hens 6-9½ mostly 9½-9¾ in Pa., mostly 8½-9½ in N.J.; heavy type hens 14-15c

Delmarva

Wednesday, September 6

Ready to cook movement continues very good with demand generally exceeding available supplies as most plants unable to reach desired production for varied reasons. Advance interest generally good though negotiations too limited to report prices. Less than trucklot prices held unchanged on both Plant and U.S. Grade A Live supplies adequate though most weights within desirable ranged. Under-ton fully steady. Pool trucklot prices for Thursday arrival.

U.S. Grade A 31-34½ Mostly 31; Plant Grade 30-32½ Mostly 30.

New York Dressed Meats

Thursday, September 7

Compared with Wednesday, prices generally weak for steer and heifer beef. Veal and calf steady, spring lamb weak. Quotations unchanged for listed pork cuts.

Beef wholesalers confronting poor marginal cutout. Beef rounds meeting broad demand while outlet for chucks moderately broad this session. Ribs, loins and rough cuts under pressure. Veal and calf moving fair but lamb and pork slow. Lamb chucks accumulated in spots.

Steer Beef

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Weekly New York Egg Market

(From Monday, September 4th to Friday, September 8th)

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
WHITE					
Fcy. Ex. Large		43	43	43	43
Large	HOLIDAY	40	40	40	40
Mediums		35	35	35	35
Pullets		24	24	24	24
Peewees		13	13	13	13
BROWN					
Fcy. Large		45	45	45	45
Mediums	Unquoted				
Pullets	Unquoted				
Peewees	Unquoted				
Standards	HOLIDAY	34½	34½	34½	34½
Checks		16	16	16	16

Long Tone - Large whites steady, Mediums continue irregular.

Fogelsville

Tuesday, September 5

(Prices paid dock weights cents per pound, except where noted).

Hens, heavy type 6-22, mostly 8-16, Pullets 26-31; Roasters 15-28, mostly 25-28; Ducks 26-37; Drakes 29; Rabbits 15-45, mostly 38-40; Guineas 51-60; Pigeons (per pr.) 1.21-3.61.

Total coops sold 305.

Auction every Tuesday. Poultry received Monday 7 P.M. to 10:30 P.M., Tuesday 7 A.M. to 12 Noon. Sale at 11:30 A.M.

Prime 600-900 pounds 57.00-58.50; Choice 600-700 56.50-57.50; 700-800 56.00-57.00; 800-900 56.00-57.00; Good 500-800 53.50-54.50.

Heifer Beef

Choice 500-700 pounds 55.50-56.75.

Calf (Skin Off)

150-350 Pounds

Choice 78.50-82.50; Good 77.50-81.50; Standard 68.50-72.50.

Veal (Skin Off)

Choice 90-150 pounds 93.00-101.00; Good 60-90 85.00-90.00; Standard 60-120 72.00-75.00.

Spring Lamb

Choice 30-65 pounds 67.00-70.00.

Choice Beef Cuts

Hinds (Steer) 145-190 pounds 67.00-70.50, Arm Chunks 90-105 48.00-50.00; Ribs (7-rib) 34-40 69.00-75.00; Loins (Trmd) 50-70 88.00-90.00; Rounds (Steer) 70-95 65.00-66.50, Full Plates 30.50-31.00, Hinds (Heifer) 120-170 65.00-67.00.

Fresh Pork Cuts

Loins (regular) 8-14 pounds

New York Eggs

Wednesday, September 6

Prices barely steady on large, balance unchanged. Local demand light on large, fair on extra large, irregularly slow on mediums with occasional volume lots freely offered and left unsold. Floor stocks are building on large and mediums with additional supplies available from nearby and southern production areas. Supplies of extra large about adequate with smalls slowly clearing.

Carton demand light to fair with extra large attracting most interest.

Regional Hay Prices

Monday, Sept. 5, 1972

(All hay No. 2 and better, prices paid by dealers at the farm price per ton.)

Hay and straw steady to strong.

Alfalfa	40.00-55.00
Mixed hay	32.00-45.00
Timothy hay	25.00-35.00
Straw	20.00-25.00
Mulch	10.00-16.00

65.00-68.00; 14-17 63.00-66.00; Picnics (regular) 4-8 39.00-41.00; Boston Butts 4-8 53.50-55.00; Spareribs 3 pounds down 71.00-73.00; Hams (skinned) 14 pounds down 57.00-59.50; 14-17 52.00-54.50; 17-20 52.00-54.00.

Kosher Beef and Lamb

Prices strong for both classes with free holiday trade active

FFA

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"Vo-ag has been broadened. For one thing, Congress passed laws forcing vo-ag into areas other than production agriculture. Today, less than four percent of the population is involved in farming, but 40 percent of the people are involved some way with agribusiness. Vo-ag programs today reflect those facts, but FFA doesn't.

"I think FFA can be updated to provide an umbrella for all vocational agriculture students. I think it has to be updated if the organization is going to survive."

Operation Update actually started in March of this year at a meeting of the national FFA board of directors and officers. Also at that meeting were one state staff member and one teacher educator from each state. They hammered out guidelines for updating the FFA, drafted constitutional changes, and decided on ways and means of implementing the changes.

Meetings with state officers are being held all over the country. This program of meetings, according to Sargent, is about two-thirds completed. The meetings are not being held to make any changes or to approve any of the actions taken by the national FFA. The meetings are being held to make any changes or to approve any of the actions taken by the national FFA. The meetings are being held to discuss the proposed changes with all state delegations in advance of the national FFA convention in October in Kansas City.

Changes in the constitution will be proposed at the national convention and voted upon by the entire body of delegates. Passage of all the changes, or even some of them, is by no means assured, Sargent said. "There are a lot of members strictly opposed to any changes at all," he pointed out. "Some states, like Texas, are still 100 percent production agriculture oriented, and they might put up a fight at the national convention."

The impetus for change originated in the Eastern part of the U.S., where non-production courses were introduced into vo-ag curriculums fairly early. Pennsylvania has been a leader

in that movement.

In fact, the country's largest FFA chapter is in Pennsylvania, and it's in the center of Philadelphia. Production agriculture is taught at the W. B. Saul High School of Agricultural Sciences, but so are a lot of other things like agribusiness sales and service, meat inspection, floriculture and dog grooming. Nearly 500 W.B. Saul students are in FFA, and one member is a state officer.

Sargent said there were four main objectives to Operation Update. One is to see that every vo-ag teacher is prepared to use FFA as an integral part of the educational program. "We feel that a lot of the teachers today just don't know about FFA. Some have never taken vocational agriculture in school, some are coming out of industry, and some just don't take it seriously. We want to change that."

Another objective is to get every vo-ag student enrolled in FFA. Presently, only about 75 percent of the vo-ag students across the country participate in FFA programs. They don't participate, Sargent feels, because FFA isn't relevant to their career development. By broadening the scope of the organization, it's hoped that more vo-ag students will join FFA. The stated goal of the national organization is to get all vo-ag students into FFA.

Another goal of Operation Update is to make every chapter a superior chapter. Sargent explained that there are non-ranked chapters, standard chapters, superior, and state and national winners. "Not every chapter can be a state or national winner," he said, "but we think they can all strive for superior status. It'll mean getting more commitment, and overcoming the apathy of our present membership. We think it's worth it, though, because the more you put into FFA, the more you get out."

The final objective of Operation Update is to strengthen the FFA alumni association, which was begun about a year ago. Local alumni chapters, it's hoped, would work hand-in-hand with vo-ag programs in community service and educational development. "Agricultural education is being threatened in a lot of places," Sargent pointed out, "and that's another reason for having an alumni association."

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