

Poultry Market Reports

Delmarva

Wednesday, February 14
BROILER-FRYER MARKET
 Ready to cook movement continues very good. Slaughter schedules reduced slightly for lack of adequate supplies. Less than trucklot prices for new business generally 2 cents higher on both plant and US Grade A. Advance interest active with a trading noted ranging 38-39 cents on plant grade. Live supplies short with weights much lighter than desired in most quarters. Undertone very firm. Negotiated trucklot prices 2-3 lb. ready to cook broiler-fryers for delivery next week: Plant Grade 38-39; Pool trucklot prices for Thursday arrival, US Grade A 38-41, mostly 39, Plant Grade 37-39, mostly 38.

Eastern Pa. and N. J.

Wednesday, February 14
LIVE POULTRY
 Prices unchanged. Demand good for lighter offerings of light type hens. Advance bookings good for next few weeks. Offerings of heavy hens barely adequate for a fair call. Prices paid at farm: Light type hens 6-9½, mostly 9-9½ in Pa., mostly 8-9 in N.J. Heavy type hens TFEWR

Weekly New York Egg Market

(From Monday, February 12th to Friday, February 16th)

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
WHITE					
Fcy. Ex. Large	45	46½	46½	46½	46½
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Mediums	42	41½	41½	41½	41½
Pullets	39	38	38	38	38
Peeweese	29	28	28	28	28
BROWN					
Fcy. Large	47	47	47	47	47
Mediums	Unquoted				
Pullets	Unquoted				
Peeweese	Unquoted				
Standards	39	39	39	40	40
Checks	31½	31	29	29	29

Long Tone - Large steadier, Extra Large improved, Jumbos fair, mediums still irregular.

Egg Market

Tuesday, February 13
NATIONAL EGG MARKET
 AT A GLANCE

Prices irregularly higher and lower in East, occasionally South; steady rest of country. Undertone was generally un-

settled with some improvement noted in the Chicago area. Supplies are fully adequate to ample with mediums in longest position. Buying activity for both bulk and cartoned eggs ranged all the way from slow to occasionally good, mostly fair. Diversions to breakers continue light.

NORTH ATLANTIC: Mediums and smalls frequently ½-1c lower, other sizes unchanged to fractionally higher. Cartoned orders fair for extra large and large, dull for small sizes. Jumbos closely cleared, resulting in some wholesale inquiry. Despite delayed receipts from the South, offerings of all other sizes are ample with mediums often excessive following fairly widespread retail promotions of large

BALTIMORE — Cartoned Eggs, Prices to Retailers, State Graded - Minimum One Case Sale Large-54-58; Medium- 51-55.

Fogelsville

Tuesday, February 13
 Heavy type hens 8-23, mostly 12-20; Pullets 30-33½; Roasters 30-33, Capons 32-34; Ducks 37; Drakes 47½-53; Rabbits 55-71, mostly 70-79½; Guineas 55-60; Pigeons (per pair) 1.61-2.51.
 Total coops sold 396.
 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.
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Omaha Cattle

Thursday, February 15

Compared with last weeks close, closing prices slaughter steers and heifers 75-1.00 higher with most of the advance coming on abbreviated midweek supply in a rather forced trade. Cows 1.00-1.50 higher and bulls fully steady. Small feeder supply strong to 50c higher.

Four day receipts 14,000 as compared with 19,700 previous week and 18,600 a year ago. Slaughter steers approximately 42 percent, heifers 35 percent, cows 10 percent, feeders 11 percent. Predominance High-Good to Average-Choice steer and heifers with moderate volume High-Choice and Prime steers. Upward spiral on fed cattle prices continued under a fairly aggressive demand to secure numbers for minimum slaughter quotas, as slaughter under federal inspection was of moderate proportions. Over past five week period average cost of steers at Omaha advanced 3.35 per cwt. Mud a major price determining factor making for uncertain dressing percentages and loadlots carrying a considerable coating mud often sold 50c to as much as 1.00 lower than loadlots which were relatively clean. Fairly good demand for cattle to be slaughtered outside immediate Omaha area.

STEERS: Two loads High-Choice and Prime 1075-1157 pounds 3-4 45.25 at midweek, others same grade 1092-1282 3-4 44.50-45.00 Choice 975-1275 2-4 relatively clean closed 43.00-

44.25, mostly Choice but quite muddy 100-1300 42.00-42.75. Mixed Good and Choice 950-1250 42.25-43.00. Good 39.00-42.50, load 1350 pound Holsteins 2-3 39.50. Standard and Low-Good 37.50-39.00.

Average cost slaughter steers first three days 42.44 average weight 1121 pounds as compared 42.19 and 1132 pounds previous week and 35.50 and 1118 pounds a year ago.

HEIFER: Two loads High-Choice and Prime 980-1094 pounds 3-4 43.75, other Choice and Prime 909-1131 3-4 43.25-43.60. Choice 850-1050 2-4 closed 42.00-43.25. Mixed Good and Choice 750-975 41.00-42.00. Good 36.50-41.00. Standard and Low-Good 35.00-36.50.

COWS: Utility and Commercial 31.00-33.00, Utility Dairybreds 33.25-33.50. Canner and Cutter 27.50-31.00. Mixed Cutter and Low-Utility 31.25-31.50.

BULLS: Utility, Commercial and Good 32.50-36.00, Commercial 1-2 36.50-37.00. Cutter and Low-Utility 29.00-33.50.

Green Dragon Hay Prices

Friday, February 9

74 loads hay including: Alfalfa 71.00-93.00, one load 58.00; Timothy 39.00-45.00, one load 55.00; Mixed hay 35.00-69.00, few loads 85.00; few loads Clover 47.00-69.00; few loads Orchard Grass 36.50-57.00.
 32 loads straw 35.00-41.00.
 7 loads corn 38.50-50.00.



FEB. 19-25

A month for good excuses — too cold, too snowy.

Review seed catalogs now . . . Washington's Day Feb. 19 . . . Last quarter of the Moon Feb 24 . . . Feed the birds now . . . Average length of days for the week, 10 hours, 56 minutes . . . Famous Iwo Jima photo Feb 23, 1945 . . . Women admitted to Bar Feb 20, 1879 . . . Marathon dancing the rage 1928 . . . Colt patented 6-shooter Feb 25, 1836 . . . Shrimps or any raw fish for breakfast will help that bad "morning after."
Old Farmer's Riddle: What's the difference between a watchmaker and a prison warden? (Answer below.)



Ask the Old Farmer: I have heard that yellowjackets never make their home in the same place twice. But I have had a nest of them three years in a row in the back of my woodshed. How can I get rid of them when they return this year? C T., Boone, N.C.

Give it both barrels of a ten-gauge shotgun loaded with duck charges and then go visiting for about a week.

Home Hint: For those in the warmer climes of our country remember common mud is the best remedy for bee stings, and sunburn is relieved by bathing the affected area in buttermilk . . . **Riddle answer:** One sells watches and the other watches cells

OLD FARMER'S WEATHER FORECASTS

New England: Generally clear and cold most of week; weekend brings rain mixed with snow on coast, 30-40" snow in mountains.

Greater New York-New Jersey: Clear and cold throughout week; heavy rain mixed with snow for weekend.

Middle Atlantic Coastal: Cloudy to start, then cooler by midweek; rain latter part, heavy for weekend

Southeast Coastal-Piedmont: Rain to start, heavy and colder latter part; weekend clear and warm.

Florida: Week begins clear and warm; rain latter part then clear and cool.

Upstate & Western N.Y.-Toronto & Montreal: Unseasonably cold at first, then partial clearing; snow end of week, 9-12" in east

Greater Ohio Valley: Cloudy and cool to start, then rain by midweek; light snow and cold latter part.

Deep South: Rain, heavy by midweek, then cold; end of week rainy and cold, 1-2" snow in north.

Chicago and Southern Great Lakes: Cloudy and seasonably cold all week; some flurries for weekend.

Northern Great Plains-Great Lakes: Light snow and cold at first, then snow; 10" accumulation by end of week

Central Great Plains: Rain to start, then mixed with snow and colder; cloudy and warmer latter part, then flurries changing to rain

Texas-Oklahoma: Week begins clear and hot, then cloudy and cool by midweek; rain in north latter part, then partial clearing and warm

Rocky Mountain Region: Snow, 8-10" at first, then clear and cold; snow and mild rest of week

Southwest Desert: Showers to start, then clear and cool with lows near freezing; end of week cloudy and warmer.

Pacific Northwest: Light rain, then mixed with snow; light snow latter part, seasonably cold.

California: Week begins clear and cool, then light rain continuing through end of week.

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