

Omaha

July 10

Weekly 51 — Cattle — compared with the previous week's close slaughter steers closed 2.50-3.00 lower, some good and low-choice 925-1000 lbs. 3.50 off. Heifers 2.00-2.50 lower. Cows closed weak to 1.00 lower. Bulls steady, instances 1.00 higher.

Four day receipts 17,200 as compared 13,200 previous holiday week and 22,700 a year ago. Slaughter steers little more than 55 pct, heifers 28 percent, cows 13 pct. The fed cattle trade came under severe downward pressure in reflection of a sharply declining carcass trade. Live trading generally a slow deliberate process with buyers cautious and selective and a bearish atmosphere prevailed. There was moderate seller pressure to move cattle which was further encouraged by continued hot humid weather. The overall finish not attractive most days with majority steers and heifers good to average-choice and including many good and low-choice 925-1050 lb. steers and 750-850 lb. heifers. In view of unstable carcass trade, most buyers competitive only for sufficient time.

STEERS: The forepart of week, a dozen loads choice and prime 1081-1342 lbs. yield grade 3-4 53.50-55.00. At

midweek, four loads choice and prime 1131-1270 lbs. yield grade 3-4 52.50. Choice 1125-1308 lbs. yield grade 2-4 closed 50.00-52.00. Choice 975-1125 lbs. yield grade 2-4 mainly yield grade 3 47.50-51.00. Mixed good and choice 925-1225 lbs. 46.50-49.00, occasionally 49.25-49.50. Good 40.00-46.00, load 1250 lbs. Holsteins yield grade 2-3 41.50. Standard and low-good 36.00-40.00.

The average of LS-214, detailed quotations, for choice 900-1100 lb. steers this week was 50.05; choice 1100-1300 lbs. 51.05.

HEIFERS: Two loads choice with end prime 975 lbs. yield grade 3-4 53.50 early, few loads and part loads same grade 993-1063 lbs. yield grade 3-4 51.50-52.50. At the close choice 850-1025 lbs. yield grade 2-4 47.00-50.00, some 800-850 lbs. yield grade 3 46.00-46.50. Mixed good and choice 750-975 lbs. 44.50-47.50. Good 37.50-44.00. Small lots standard and good 34.00-37.00.

COWS: Utility and commercial 22.00-24.00, a few 24.25-24.50. Canner and cutter 16.50-22.00, mixed cutter and low-utility 22.25-22.50.

BULLS: Yield grade 1&2 1400-2000 lbs. 23.00-27.00, few yield grade 1 28.00-29.00, an individual 30.00.

Oklahoma Cattle

July 10

Thursday Feeder Cattle Auction

Estimated receipts 11,000. Same day last week 5,830.

Trade fairly active, feeder steers steady to 50c lower, feeder heifers mostly steady. Majority receipts mixed good and choice and choice 500-800 lb. Feeder steers, 400-700 lb. Feeder Heifers. Moderate attendance of buyers.

FEEDER STEERS: Choice 375-500 lb. 33.00-36.00, 500-600 lb. 33.25-35.00, 600-700 lb. 33.75-37.00, 700-900 lb. 35.50-38.00. Mixed Good and Choice 450-500 lb. 28.25-29.50, 500-600 lb. 28.50-33.50, largely 30.00-33.00, 600-800 lb. 30.75-34.50. Good 400-500 lb. 22.00-27.25, bulk 23.00-25.75, 500-700 lb. 23.50-27.50.

FEEDER HEIFERS: Choice 400-500 lb. 26.00-28.75, 500-700 lb. 29.00-31.50, lot 607 lb. 32.70, Good and Choice

350-500 lb. 22.00-26.50, mostly 23.00-25.00, 500-600 lb. 24.25-27.75 Good 400-600 lb. 19.00-22.50.

CATTLE FOR THE WEEK: Feeder Steers closed 1.00-3.00 lower, with most decline noted on good and mixed Good and Choice steers under 600 lb. Feeder Heifers 1.00-2.00 lower. Record number of Slaughter cows of near 5,000 head sold uneven from day to day with closing sales steady with week ago. Slaughter bulls finished steady to 1.00 higher, while slaughter steers and heifers closed 1.00-2.00 lower. Salable receipts this week numbered near 27,800, compared to 22,400 last week and 39,999 same period a year ago. Cows comprised near 17 percent, feeder cattle 79 percent total.

New Holland Horse Auction

Monday, July 7

Reported receipts of 447 horses, mules and ponies. Market lower.

Load of Pa. driving horses 350-590; load of Kansas riding horses 160-390; load of Tennessee riding horses 185-525 and a load of Tennessee riding horses 205-300.

Local work horses 350-400; mules 180-350; better horses 260-500; riding horses 155-700; riding horses 160-235; lightweight killers 16-18; heavyweight killers 22-24; mares 15-40; colts 5-20; geldings 15-30 and larger ponies 50-110.

Leesport Livestock

Leesport, PA
July 9, 1975

Supply included 81 head feeder cattle.

CATTLE 346. High Choice & Prime slaughter steers 49.00-52.00, Good & Choice 42.00-49.00, Utility & Standard 28.00-42.00. Good & Choice slaughter heifers 36.00-44.00. Utility & High Dressing Cutter slaughter cows 23.50-26.50, Cutters 22.00-24.00, Canner & Low Cutters 19.00-22.00, Shells down to 12.00-18.00. Choice feeder steers 25.00-35.00, Medium holsteins 22.00-25.00.

CALVES 176. Good vealers 42.00-46.00, Standard 30.00-40.00, few Utility 110-130 lbs. 25.00-28.00, 90-110 lbs. 19.50-22.50, 65-85 lbs. 16.00-18.00. Farm calves, few holstein bulls 100-120 lbs.

20.00-25.00; beef cross bulls & Heifers 100-135 lbs. 22.00-53.00.

HOGS 371. US No. 1-2 200-235 lbs. barrows & gilts 56.50-58.00, No. 1-3 235-300 lbs. 52.50-55.00, No. 2-3 200-250 lbs. 55.00-57.00, No. 2-4 200-250 lbs. 54.00-56.00, Lot No. 1-3 160 lbs. 50.25. US No. 1-3 300-500 lbs. sows 42.00-47.00. Boars, light weights 37.00-42.00, heavy weights 32.00-35.00.

FEEDER PIGS 233. US No. 1-2 35-60 lbs. feeder pigs 41.00-49.00 per head, No. 1-3 20-35 lbs. 25.00-33.00, (lot 15 lbs. 21.50), No. 1-3 35-50 lbs. 31.00-38.00 per head.

SHEEP 10. One Choice 60 lbs. spring slaughter lamb at 41.00, few Good 55-70 lbs. 36.00-39.00, two Utility 30 lbs. 20.00 and 26.00.

Belleville City

Belleville, Pa.
July 9, 1975

CATTLE 155. Compared with last Wednesday's market, slaughter cows 75 cents to \$2.50 higher. One Choice slaughter steer at 40.10, few Standard 32.75-39.25. Couple Good slaughter heifers 35.50 and 37.50. Utility & High Dressing Cutter slaughter cows 24.80-27.40, Cutters 23.00-24.90, Canners 18.85-22.90, Shells down to 15.00. Yield Grade No. 1 1300-2100 lbs. slaughter bulls 29.70-36.80.

CALVES 221. Vealers steady to \$1 lower. Few Good vealers 34.00-45.00, few Standard 25.00-30.00, Utility 90-110 lbs. 23.00-27.00, 70-85

lbs. 18.00-22.50. Farm calves, holstein bulls 90-120 lbs. 24.00-31.50.

HOGS 231. Barrows & Gilts \$2 to \$3.50 higher. US No. 1-3 195-235 lbs. barrows & gilts 57.50-58.20, No. 2-3 210-260 lbs. 50.00-56.80. US No. 1-3 300-400 lbs. sows 43.00-48.50. Few Boars 28.00-40.00.

FEEDER PIGS 437. US No. 1-3 20-35 lbs. feeder pigs 26.00-40.00 per head, No. 1-3 40-70 lbs. 38.00-49.00, one lot No. 1-3 150 lbs. 70.00 per head.

SHEEP 97. Good & Choice 60-95 lbs. spring slaughter lambs 33.00-40.00, Utility 40-70 lbs. 26.00-32.00. Slaughter ewes 8.50-14.00.

NEPPCO frowns on egg limits

In a series of strongly worded letters to Secretary Butz, Ambassador Dent and a number of key Congressmen, the Northeastern Poultry Producers Council today urged the United States government to take retaliating action against Canada for the imposition of import quotas on U.S. eggs.

"If anything, we expected our Canadian friends might extend good wishes to us at the start of our Bicentennial year," wrote NEPPCO President, John W. Dodge. "What we got, as of midnight, July 4, 1974, was the slapping of import quotas on U.S. eggs.

"If the United States is really committed to a policy of multilateral trade among the nations of the world

based on economic efficiency and comparative advantage through a lowering of tariffs and trade barriers, we must insist that it be permitted to work for us as well as for other nations," Dodge emphasized.

"Trade must be a two-way street," he added. "We want the opportunity to compete with poultry and eggs in Canada, in the Common Market and elsewhere under the same rules and principles which those countries are accorded in marketing their goods in the United States.

"If Canada insists upon enforcing import quotas on U.S. eggs," he concluded, "then the United States should apply similar quotas on Canadian eggs coming into the United States."

Crop outlook

Corn planted for all purposes total 77.5 million acres, virtually unchanged from 1974 but 8 percent above 1973. Acreage for grain, at 67.0 million, is up 3 percent from last year and 8 percent from 1973.

Sorghum plantings of 18.2 million acres are up 3 percent from 1974 but 5 percent below 1973. Producers expect to harvest 14.9 million acres for grain, a 7 percent increase from 1974.

Feed grain planted acreage (corn, sorghum, oats and barley combined) totals 122.7 million acres, nearly equal to the acreage planted last year. Acreage intended for grain harvest is 104.5 million, almost 4 percent larger than 1974.

All wheat seedings total 74.4 million acres, up 5 percent from last year and 26 percent above 1973. Growers seeded 55.8 million acres of winter wheat last fall, the largest acreage since 1953. Durum wheat acreage seeded is 4.6 million, up 13 percent from 1974. Spring wheat other than Durum seedings total 14.0 million acres, down 5 percent from last year but 9 percent above 1973. Acreage for harvest is indicated at 50.9 million acres for winter wheat, 4.5 for Durum and 13.6 for other spring wheat.

Food grain seeded acreage (wheat, rice and rye combined) at 80.4 million acres,

is up 4 percent from 1974. Acreage harvested and to be harvested for grain is indicated at 72.6 million acres, up 5 percent from 1974.

Soybean planted acreage of 54.6 million is up 2 percent from 1974 and the second largest of record. Growers intend to harvest 53.6 million acres for beans.

Cotton planted acreage is placed at 10.2 million, 26 percent below 1974.

Oilseed planted acreage (cotton, flaxseed, peanuts and soybeans combined) is 68.0 million, down nearly 4 percent from 1974 as a result of the sharply lower cotton acreage.

This acreage report, issued in June for the first time in 1975, includes estimates of acres planted or intended to be planted and acres intended for harvest based on surveys conducted about June 1. These estimates were previously issued as part of the July Crop Production Report.

The Crop Production Report to be issued July 10 will include estimates for harvest and forecasts of yield and production for corn, wheat, barley, oats, rye, summer potatoes and flue-cured tobacco as well as production forecasts for selected fruits and nuts. Yield and production will be based on surveys conducted about July 1.

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