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# Livestock market

### **Omaha** Cattle

May 12, 1977

weeks close.

Closing prices on slaughter steers were 25-50 cents lower with mixed 3-4 often showing the most decline. Heifers were 25-75 cents lower instances 1.00 off in dull late trade. Cows were mostly 50 cents lower and bulls 1.00 lower.

Four day receipts 18,500 as compared 20,900 previous week and 16,00 a year ago. Fed cattle prices were forced downward for the second successive week in reflection of lowered carcass prices. Most buyers were selective for cutability as the price differential between yield grade 3 and 4 beef carcasses widened to as much as 6.00 per cwt. Most buying interests were fairly aggressive for numbers the fore part of week, but demand narrowed at midweek and one major heifer buyer withdrew from active participation. The overall finish continued attractive with a fairly liberal percentage choice steers and heifers and a moderate volume mixed choice and prime. steers made up approximately 49 and heifers 35. Cows comprised 10 and feeder cattle less than 5.

STEERS: A moderate compared with the previous volume choice and prime 3-4 1044-1283 lbs. 42.50-43.00 during week, six loads 1137-1253 lbs. 42.75-43.00 late. Choice 2-4 975-1275 lbs. 41.75-42.75, some 1325-1377 lbs. carrying large percentage 4 40.00-41.00. Mixed good and choice 2-3 975-1250 lbs. 41.00-42.00, two loads 1360 lb. Holsteins 39.00. Good 2-3 37.50-40.25. Standard and good 2-3 35.00-36.50.

Average of LS-214, detailed quotations for choice 900-1100 lb. steers this week 42.20; choice 1100-1300 lbs. 42.05, average weight heifers first three days 992 lbs. as compared 987 lbs. previous week.

HEIFERS: Load choice 3 925 lbs. 42.50 early Wednesday. Moderate volume choice and prime 3-4 975-1069 lbs. 41.50-41.75 during week. Choice 2-4 900-1075 lbs. 40.00-41.50 at midweek, few 41.75 and load 42.00. Mixed good and choice 2-3 800-1000 lbs. 38.00-39.75. Good 2-3 34.50-37.50. Standard and good 2-3 32.00-33.50.

COWS: Utility and commercial 2-4 26.00-28.50, some heiferettes 29.50-31.00. Catter and cutter 22.50-26.00.

BULLS: 1-2 1400-2000 lbs. 33.00-37.00, individual 1 37.50-

### Leesport

May 11, 1977

CATTLE 365. Supply included 128 head feeder cattle. Compared with last Wednesday's market; few High Choice and Prime 3-4 1080-1200 lbs. slaughter steers 41.60-42.25, Choice 2-4 950-1390 lbs. 40.00-42.50, High Good to Low Choice 2-3 39.00-40.50, Good 35.00-39.00, Standard 33.85-35.85, few Utility 32.00-34.50. Few Choice slaughter heifers 34.50-38.50, Good 33.75-34.50, few Standard 32.00-33.25, few Utility 26.00-30.25. Utility and High Dressing Cutter slaughter cows 29.00-31.10, Commercial 29.85-31.75, few 32.00-34.50, Cutters 27.00-29.00, Canners 24.00-27.10, few Shells down to 20.00. Few Choice slaughter bullocks 36.85-38.50, few Good 34.00-37.00, few Standard 32.00-1405-1570 lbs. slaughter bulls per head. 32.25-35.85. Good 300-775 lbs. feeder steers 38.50-42.50, Common and Medium 275-785 lbs. 33.00-40.50; Medium and Good 350-750 lbs. feeder heifers 30.25-34.50; Good and Choice 350-900 lbs. feeder bulls 34.00-40.00, Medium 300-700 lbs. 30.00-35.50.

CALVES 183. Few Prime vealers 71.00-76.50, Choice 61.00-72.00, Good 51.00-63.00, Standard and Good 110-130 lbs. 48.50-55.00, 90-110 lbs. 40.00-48.00, Standard 70-90

## Auction

lbs. 35.00-40.50, Utility 55-105 lbs. 20.00-30.00. Farm calves active, holstein bulls 80-120 lbs. 42.00-55.00; beef cross bulls and heifers 85-200 lbs. 47.00-62.00.

HOGS 222. US No. 1-2 200-240 lbs. barrows & gilts 45.25-45.75, No. 1-3 195-235 lbs. 43.60-45.50, No. 2-3 210-250 lbs. 42.00-44.50, No. 2-4 270-290 lbs. 37.50-39.85, few No. 1-3 160-210 lbs. 35.00-40.75. US No. 1-3 240-445 lbs. sows 33.00-34.25, couple 36.75 and 38.25, No. 2-3 355-590 lbs. 26.25-33.50. Few Boars 21.00-25.00, light weights 28.00-32.00, few to 36.00.

FEEDER PIGS 308. US No. 1-3 10-20 lbs. feeder pigs 14.00-21.50 per head, No. 1-3 20-35 lbs. 25.00-32.00, No. 1-3 35-50 lbs. 36.00-42.00, few No. 1-3 50-75 lbs. 42.00-50.00 per head, 90-130 lbs. 39.50-49.00 cwt., lot Utility 30 lbs. 27.00

SHEEP 16. Few Choice 30-60 lbs. spring slaughter lambs 65.00-69.00, one Good 90 lbs. wooled slaughter lambs 36.00. Few Slaughter sheep 18.00-22.00.



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