Livestock market and auction news

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SEMI BONELESS HAMS: 14-17 lbs. 109.00. PICNICS: 5-7 lbs. 64.00-

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-NO.º 1 SLICED BACON VACUUM PACK: 115.00, weak.

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Hunter's Sale Barn "FORTY-NINER" February 20, 1978

Rising Sun, Md. Hunters Sale Barn, Inc. held their weekly sale February 20 at Rising Sun, Maryland.

BOLOGNA: 70 beef, 30

pork no. 1 pack 79.00, steady.

BONELESS BEEF

fresh 94.00 load.

90 per cent chemical lean,

FEEDER HEIFERS: High Choice 31.50-34.00, Good to Choice 28.50-30.25. BULLS: 1280 lb. 39.00; 1100

lb. 37.00. COWS: High Choice to Prime 33.25-34.25; Good to Standard 31.50-33.00; Utility 29.75-31.00; Cutters 27.50-29.50; Canners 20.50-26.75.

CALVES: Prime 180-240 lb. 70.00-74.00; High to Choice 140-180 lb. 68.00-70.00; Good to Choice 120-140 lb. 48.00-59.00; Standard to Good 90-110 lb. 32.00-38.00; few 40.00-43.00; Utility 70-85 lb. 32.00-37.00; Low Utility 65-75 lb. 22.00-28.00, few 30.00-

FEEDER PIGS: 30 lb. \$35 to \$36.

HOGS: 200-245 lb. 46.00-48.50. SOWS: 33.50-35.50.

BOARS: 36.00-38.00. GOATS: \$25 to \$28 by hd.; Kids \$18 to \$24 by hd.

St. Louis Cattle

National Stockyards February 23, 1978 Receipts this week:

Week Ago: Year Ago: 7,800 Compared to the previous

weeks close, slaughter steers fully .50-1.00 lower. Slaughter heifers .50 to mostly 1.00 lower. Cows 2.00-2.50 lower. Bulls steady. Supply mainly choice and mixed choice and prime 1025-1200 lb. steers early in the week, however late week supply mainly mixed good and choice slaughter steers and heifers, around 30 per cent heifers and 10 per cent

SLAUGHTER STEERS: Mixed choice and prime 2-4

1025-1250 lbs. 45.50-46.00, part Thursday auction.) Feeder load 46.50 on Monday. Choice 2-4 950-1250 lbs. 43.50-45.50. Mixed good and choice 2-4 900-1225 lbs. 42.50-44.25. Mixed good and choice 2-3 1150-1300 lb. holsteins at 40.00. Good 2-3 900-1250 lbs. 39.50-42.50. Standard to good 2-3 1050-1325 lb. holsteins 35.50-39.00.

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: Mixed choice and prime 2-4 875-1025 lbs. 43.50-44.75, load 1146 lbs. Monday at 45.00. Closing sales 43.50-44.00. Choice 2-4 800-1050 lbs. 42.00-44.25, closing week sales 42.00-43.50. Mixed good and choice 2-4 700-1000 lbs. 40.50-43.00, closing 40.50-42.50. Good 2-3 700-975 lbs. 36.00-40.50.

COWS: Utility and commercial 2-4 30.00-34.00, closing mostly 30.00-33.00. Boning utility 1-2 33.50-35.00, mostly closing sales 33.50-34.00. Cutter 1-2 28.00-33.00, closing 28.00-31.50. Canner and low cutter 1-2 24.00-30.00, closing 24.00-28.00.

BULLS: Yield Grade 1-2 1050-1800 lbs. 34.00-39.06. Yield grade 1 1400-1800 lbs. at 40.00.

FEEDERS: (Including around 1,800 at regular

Steers and Heifers 1.00-2.00 higher. Demand good for moderate supply. Receipts mainly choice and mixed good and choice 400-800 lb. steers and 350-600 lb. heifers.

FEEDER STEERS: Choice 325-500 lbs. 52.00-54.00; 500-600 lbs. 49.00-53.50; 600-700 lbs. 48.00-50.50; 700-800 lbs. 45.00-48.75. Few lots 800-950 lbs. 42.50-46.50. Mixed good and choice and some choice compact 300-500 lbs. 48.00-52.00; 500-600 lbs. 47.00-49.00.

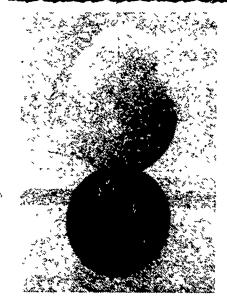
FEEDER HEIFERS: Choice 300-500 lbs. 41.50-44.25; 500-600 lbs. 41.00-43.75. Few lots 600-825 lbs. 40.50-43.00. Mixed good and choice, some choice compact 400-600 lbs. 39.25-41.25.

Peoria Auction

Peoria, Illinois February 23, 1978

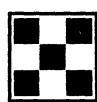
CATTLE: Receipts this week: 5000; last week: 5000; year ago: 6100: compared with last week's close, slaughter steers and heifers .50-1.00 lower. Cows 2.00-3.00

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STAYING COMPETITIVE WILL BE THE ANSWER.

REPEAT — STAY COMPETITIVE. ALL INDICATIONS ARE THAT THINGS WILL BE TIGHT THE NEXT 24 MONTHS, WITH EGG PRICES HOVERING AROUND THE BREAK EVEN POINT FOR PRODUCERS.



- 1. Good sanitation, insect control, treatment of infection and disease, worming and rodent control all have to be carried on continuously for healthy birds and healthy profits.
- 2. Simply stated, good pullets peak high; poor ones do
- 3. The move from the pullet house to the layer house can be in some cases a severe stress and depress that potential.
- 4. A few chickens saved or lost certainly influences the potential return of the house.
- 5. Since feed intake is a poor guide for pre-peak layers we must seek a substitute and the best substitute is in house temperature.
- 6. Feed intake and performance fortification levels -The Purina Laying Chow Bio-Rating gives the relative fortification of amino acid, vitamins and minerals. Bio Layena 100 is the base product. For example, Bio Layena 114 contains 7% more

fortification than Bio Layena 107 and 14% more than Bio Layena 100. Each of the above feed intake ranges represent approximately 7% less feed consumption than the previous range. Thus a drop of 7% in feed intake (approximately 11/2 pounds/100 hens/day) is compensated for by an increase of 7% in ration fortification.

In this way daily intake of amino acids, vitamins and minerals remain constant. The correct level of fortification is exactly matched to the hen's feed intakes. If during stress conditions a more highly fortified ration is desired, just choose the amount of extra fortification by checking the Bio-Rating of each Purina Laying Chow. Always use local judgement on whether to change the ration, since feed intakes will vary due to wastage, strain,

7. Failure to reach the highest level of production and to maintain high levels many times is due to disease. Therefore it is essential that prior to this time the flocks should have received sufficient vaccination properly administered to provide full and complete resistance.

CONCLUSION:

Nutritional programs and management practices during housing through 36 weeks of age can have considerable effect on peak and subsequent performance. It is our challenge to start with a quality pullet and do nothing that harms its "performance potential". But too we must be concerned about not feeding excesses of nutrients that are costly and hurt income potential.



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