

# Livestock market and auction news

## Omaha Cattle

March 16, 1978

Cattle - compared with the previous weeks close - closing prices on slaughter steers and heifers were 1.00-1.50 higher cows were mostly steady and bulls firm to 1.00 higher.

Four day receipts 14,600 as compared 14,100 previous week and 13,500 a year ago. The upward spiral in feed cattle prices extended into the third successive week, and only once in six weeks has a lower trend prevailed for the weekly trading period. Over the past eight weeks steer prices have advanced some 5.00-5.50 and heifers 4.00-4.50 with closing levels the highest since October 1975. Demand was generally good as most interests entered the period with modest live inventories on hand and the upturns were again supported to some extent by higher carcass prices. Best inquiry still centered on choice and prime relatively clean 1100-1300 lb. steers and 950-1100 lb. heifers. Mud was a continuing problem often resulting in 50-1.00 per cwt. discounts in reflection of lowered dressing percentages. Steers made up approximately 39 per cent, heifers 40 per cent, cows 10 per cent and feeders 10 per cent.

**STEERS:** At high time late, load choice with few prime 1232 lbs. 3 with few 4 50.25, three loads and part

loads choice and prime 1162-1327 lbs. 50.00, three loads choice with end prime and load choice and prime 3-4 1085 lbs. carrying moderate amount of mud 49.75. Choice 2-4 975-1275 lbs. closed 48.50-49.65, some carrying heavy coating of mud 47.75-48.25. Mixed good and choice 2-3 950-1250 lbs. 47.00-48.25, part load Holsteins 45.00. Good 2-3 44.50-47.00, holsteins 43.50. Standard and Good 2-3 41.50-42.50.

Average of LS-214, detailed quotations, for choice 900-1100 lb. steers this week 48.30; choice 1100-1300 lbs. 48.70. Average weight steers first three days 1131 lbs. as compared 1131 lbs. previous week. Average weight heifers first three days 970 lbs. as compared 981 lbs. previous week.

**HEIFERS:** Load choice and prime 3-4 1045 lbs. 47.15, six loads same grade 3-4 988-1088 lbs. 47.00. Choice 2-4 900-1100 lbs. 45.25-46.75, some muddy 850-900 lbs. 44.75-45.00. Mixed good and choice 2-3 825-1000 lbs. 43.75-45.25. Good 2-3 40.50-43.00. Small lots standard and good 2-3 37.50-40.00.

**COWS:** Utility and commercial 2-4 31.00-34.00, few 34.50-35.00. Canner and Cutter 28.00-31.00, some mixed cutter and utility 31.25-31.50.

**BULLS:** 1-2 1300-2000 lbs. 38.00-42.00, individual 1 43.00-44.00.

**FEEDERS:** Moderate volume choice 950-1075 lb. steers 46.50-48.25;

## Oklahoma Cattle

March 16, 1978

Thursday feeder cattle auction.

Estimated Receipts 12,500 Same Day Last Week 8430

Fairly active; feeder calves under 500 lb. .50-1.00 higher; feeder cattle over 500 lb. steady to firm; majority of receipts choice 400-800 lb. feeder steers and 400-650 lb. feeder heifers; with moderate amount of offerings arriving from wheat pasture; moderate attendance of buyers.

**FEEDER STEERS:** Choice 300-500 lb. 59.50-64.00, few small lots 386-428 lb. 65.00-68.00; 500-600 lb. 54.00-58.50, two part loads 500-511 lb. 59.75-60.00; 600-700 lb. 51.75-55.00, few part loads 602-611 lbs. 55.90-57.25, part load fleshy 672 lb. at 50.90; 700-800 lb. 51.00-53.25, part load fleshy 762 lb. at 50.60; 800-935 lb. 48.25-50.50, small lot fleshy 983 lb. 47.50; mixed good and choice 400-500 lb. 58.00-59.25; 500-700 lb. 51.00-52.00; 700-800 lb. 49.00-50.75; few 800-997 lb. 45.75-48.75; few good 500-700 lb. 47.50-48.50, part load 843 lb. at 45.00; few good 600-900 lb. holstein steers 44.00-46.75.

**FEEDER HEIFERS:** Choice 300-500 lb. 48.25-53.00, two part loads 377-407 lb. 54.20-54.30; 500-600 lb. 46.50-49.75, two part loads 516-546 lb. 50.00-50.95; 600-700 lb. 46.75-47.50, part load 716 lb. at 46.50; mixed good and choice 300-500 lb. 45.50-48.00; 500-700 lb. 43.50-46.00; small

lot 741 lb. at 44.00; few good 500-700 lb. 39.50-42.50.

## FOR THE WEEK

Compared to late last week feeder calves under 500 lb. closed \$1.00-2.00 higher, feeder cattle over 500 lb. steady .50 higher; slaughter cows closed steady to firm, late sales utility and commercial 2-3 32.50-36.00, cutter 1-3 30.00-32.50; closed .50-1.00 higher, instance 1.50 higher, late sales yield grade 1-2 1000-1800 lb. 36.25-46.00; salable receipts near 27,900 head, compared to 17,770 head last week and 25,893 head the same week a year ago. Cows and bulls near 8 per cent of cattle receipts, feeders near 92 per cent of the total.

## Carlisle Auction

March 14, 1978

**CATTLE 148.** Compared with last Tuesday's market; Choice slaughter steers 45.75-46.00, Good 43.50-44.10, Standard 37.50-40.00. Good slaughter heifers 38.75-39.75, Standard 36.60-36.75, 31.50-33.50. Utility & Commercial slaughter cows 34.60-37.75, Cutters 30.50-35.00, Canner & Low Cutter 28.25-32.00, Shells down to 25.25. Good slaughter bullocks 44.75-45.85, Standard 37.25-41.60.

**CALVES 146.** Choice vealers 61.00-77.00, Good 50.00-64.00, Standard & Good 110-130 lbs. 40.00-50.00, 90-115 lbs. 30.00-38.00.

**HOGS 269.** US No. 1-2 200-240 lbs. barrows & gilts 49.25-50.35, No. 1-3 200-250 lbs. 47.50-49.00, No. 2-3 200-260 lbs. 44.00-46.75. US No. 1-3 300-500 lbs. sows 42.00-46.00,

No. 2-3 300-600 lbs. 38.00-42.00. Few Boars 29.00.

**FEEDER PIGS 111.** US No. 1-3 20-40 lbs. feeder pigs 16.00-24.00 per head, No. 1-3 35-60 lbs. 33.00-37.00 per head.

**SHEEP 11.** Couple Good 40 and 60 lbs. spring slaughter lambs 89.00 and 97.00.

## Chambersburg Auction

Chambersburg, Pa. March 16, 1978

Supply included 350 head of slaughter cows.

**CATTLE 492.** Compared with last Thursday market, slaughter steers grading good and choice 50 cents to \$1.50 higher. Slaughter cows steady to 50 cents lower. A few high choice & prime slaughter steers 48.75-49.60. Choice YG 2-4, 975-1250 lb. 47.25-49.00. Good 41.50-45.25 a

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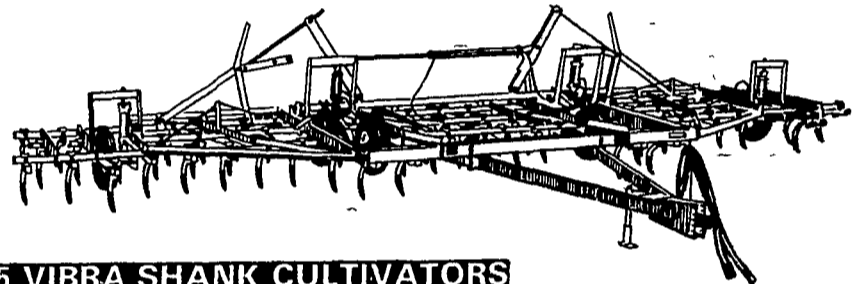


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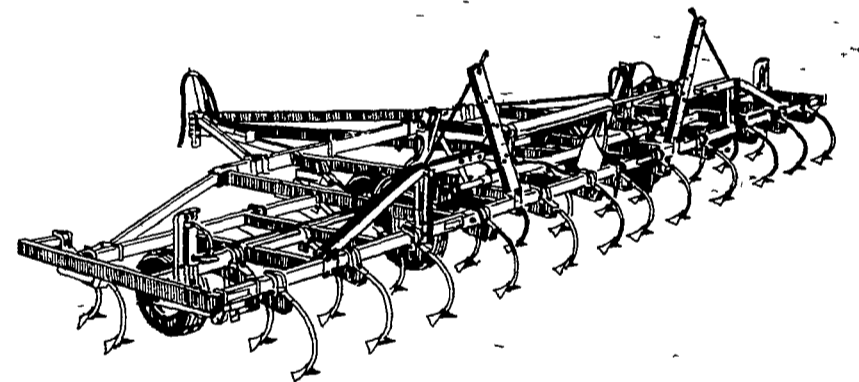
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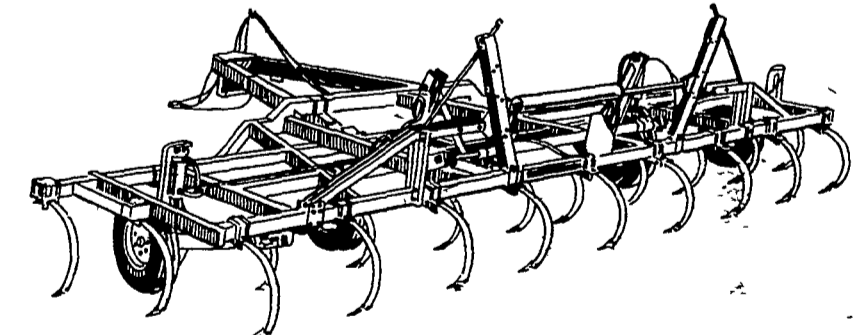
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