

Livestock market and auction news

Omaha Cattle

March 30, 1978

Compared with the previous week's close: Choice and Prime 1100-1300 lb. slaughter steers closed 1.50-2.00 higher, others 1.00-1.50 higher. Heifers were 1.50-2.00 higher, instances 2.25 higher on high-choice and prime. Cows were 1.00-1.50 higher, instances 2.00 higher and bulls firm to 1.00 higher.

Four day receipts 14,900 as compared 16,500 previous week and 14,400 a year ago. The upward spiral in fed cattle prices continued under a broad demand by most buying interests with best outlet for choice and prime 1100-1300 lb. Steers and 950-1100 lb. heifers in reflection of the price differential on carcass beef. Closing price levels on slaughter steers were 7.25-8.50 above the first week in January and heifer prices were 6.75-7.50 higher; only three times since the first of the year has the weekly trend been downward, and these declines were of very modest proportions. The overall finish of the steer and heifer supply showed some slight improvement over more recent weeks with an increasing percentage of choice. Supplies were quite well distributed over the trading period. Steers made up approximately 39 per cent and heifers 32 per cent. Cows comprised 12 per cent and feeders 13 per cent, including modest volume fleshy two-way steers and heifers.

STEERS: Load and part load choice and prime 3-4 1182-1222 lbs. 53.75-54.00, twelve loads choice with end prime 3-4 1150-1313 lbs. 53.25-53.50. Choice 2-4 975-1325 lbs. 51.50-53.00. Mixed Good and choice 2-3 950-1250 lbs. 49.50-

51.00. Occasionally 51.25. Good 2-3 46.00-49.25, Holsteins 45.50-47.00. Standard and Good 2-3 43.50-45.00.

Average of LS-214, detailed quotations, for choice 900-1100 lb. steers this week 52.00; choice 1100-1300 lbs. 52.28. Average weight steers first three days 1127 lbs. as compared 1120 lbs. previous week. Average weight heifers first three days 967 lbs. as compared 969 lbs. previous week.

HEIFERS: Three loads choice and prime 3-4 995-1041 lbs. 51.25, modest showing same grade 3-4 984-1116 lbs. 50.50-51.00. Choice 2-4 875-1050 lbs. 48.00-50.00, few loads 50.25-50.50. Mixed Good and choice 2-3 850-1000 lbs. 46.50-48.25. Good 2-3 42.00-46.00. Small lots standard and good 2-3 40.00-42.00.

COWS: Utility and commercial 2-4 34.50-36.50, few 36.75-37.25. Canner and Cutter 31.50-34.50, mixed cutter and utility 34.75-35.00.

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

FEEDERS: Several loads choice 975-1075 lb. two-way steers 50.00-51.00. Few choice 850-900 lb. heifers 45.00-46.50.

Pa. Auction Summary

March 31, 1978

CATTLE 8272. Compared with 8321 last week, and 7986 a year ago. Compared to last week, slaughter steers 75 cents to \$2.50 higher. Slaughter heifers and Slaughter cows \$1-3 higher. Slaughter bullocks \$1-2 higher. Slaughter bulls steady to \$1 higher. High Choice & Prime YG slaughter steers 52.00-55.00, Choice YG 48.50-55.00, Good 43.50-51.00, Standard 38.00-46.00, few Utility 34.00-39.00.

FEEDER PIGS 1263. Compared to 1226 last week and 1260 a year ago. Unevenly steady to strong. US No. 1-3 25-35 lbs. feeder pigs 16.00-35.00 per head, No. 1-3 35-50 lbs. 30.00-50.00 per head.

Choice 46 lbs. slaughter heifers 43.00-50.50, Good 38.00-45.50 Standard 32.00-38.75, few Utility 29.00-34.00. Utility commercial Cutter slaughter cows 33.00-38.50, Cutters 31.00-36.50, Canners & low cutters 28.00-34.00, Shells down to 22.00. Few Choice slaughter bullocks 44.00-49.50, Good 39.50-46.00, few Standard 36.50-42.00. Yield Grade No. 1 1100-2100 lbs. slaughter bulls 40.00-46.00, Yield Grade No. 2 800-1500 lbs. 37.00-42.00.

FEEDER CATTLE: Trend steady to strong. Choice and good 300-900 lbs. steers 42.00-53.50, Good & choice 300-700 lbs. heifers 37.50-45.00, few Good & Choice 400-750 lbs. bulls 38.75-50.00.

CALVES 4309. Compared to 4495 last week, and 4552 a year ago. Vealers \$1-3 higher. Few Prime vealers 75.00-86.00, choice 62.00-80.00, Good 50.00-66.00, Standard & Good 110-130 lbs. 41.00-52.00, 90-110 lbs. 35.00-47.00, Standard 70-90 lbs. 30.00-39.00, Utility 55-100 lbs. 20.00-34.00.

FARM CALVES: Holstein bulls 90-120 lbs. 38.00-62.00, Holstein heifers 90-120 lbs. 40.00-65.00.

HOGS 8097. Compared to 7791 a week ago and 7942 a year ago. Barrows and gilts steady to \$1 higher. US No. 1-2 200-230 lbs. barrows and gilts 47.00-50.50, No. 1-3 195-250 lbs. 46.00-49.00, No. 2-3 190-260 lbs. 44.00-48.00, a few No. 2-4 260-300 lbs. 40.00-45.00, light No. 1-3 140-185 lbs. 36.00-46.00. SOWS: US No. 1-3 300-550 lbs. sows 36.00-46.00. Few No. 2-3 400-650 lbs. 33.00-39.00. BOARS 25.00-33.00.

FEEDER PIGS 1263. Compared to 1226 last week and 1260 a year ago. Unevenly steady to strong. US No. 1-3 25-35 lbs. feeder pigs 16.00-35.00 per head, No. 1-3 35-50 lbs. 30.00-50.00 per head.

Graded Feeder Pigs 3062. Compared to 1305 last week and 3126 a year ago. Market strong to \$20 higher, spots \$30 higher. All sales per hundred weight.

1-2 30-40 lb. 127.00-150.00; 40-50 lb. 118.00-138.00; 50-60 lb. 93.00-116.00; 65-85 lb. 80.00-97.00.

2-3 25-35 lb. 133.00-151.00; 35-55 lb. 110.00-145.00; 55-85 lb. 86.00-102.00.

SHEEP 274. Compared to 3655 last week and 4288 a year ago. Spring slaughter lambs steady to strong. Choice 50-100 lbs. 66.00-75.00. Slaughter ewes 10.00-20.50.

St. Louis Cattle

March 30, 1978

National Stockyards

Receipts this week 8,100
Week ago 8,700
Year ago 7,700

Compared to last weeks close, slaughter steers and heifers 2.00-2.50, instances 3.00 higher. Cows unevenly 1.00-2.00 higher. Bulls firm to mostly 1.00 higher. Supply mainly Choice 2-4 1025-1200 lb. steers, around 25 percent heifers and 10 per cent cows.

SLAUGHTER STEERS: Mixed Choice and Prime 2-4 1050-1250 lbs. 51.00-52.50,

mostly 51.50-52.50. Load on Monday 53.00. Choice 2-4 975-1250 lbs. 49.50-51.50, mostly 50.00-51.50. Mixed Good and Choice 2-4 900-1225 lbs. 48.00-50.00. Load Mixed good and Choice 2-3 1390 lb. Holsteins 44.50. Good 2-3 900-1200 lbs. 44.50-48.00. Standard to Good 2-3 1075-1350 lb. Holsteins 40.00-44.00.

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: Mixed Choice and Prime 2-4 875-1025 lbs. 48.00-49.75,

mostly 48.50-49.50, load at 50.00. Choice 2-4 800-1050 lbs. 46.00-49.00, mostly 46.50-48.50. Mixed Good and Choice 2-3 700-1000 lbs. 44.50-46.50. Good 2-3 700-975 lbs. 41.00-44.50.

COWS: Utility and Commercial 2-4 33.00-36.50. Boning Utility 1-2 36.00-36.50, few 37.00. Cutter 1-2 30.00-35.50. Canner and low cutter 1-2 26.00-31.00.

(Turn to Page 13)

SNYDERS PLANT FOOD COMPANY
the established manufacturer of quality
Hi-Score brand liquid fertilizer,
is anxious to fill your needs.

We have available any of a variety of formulas
for use as a complete fertilizer, foliar feed or
starter.

Give us a call at 717-626-8909



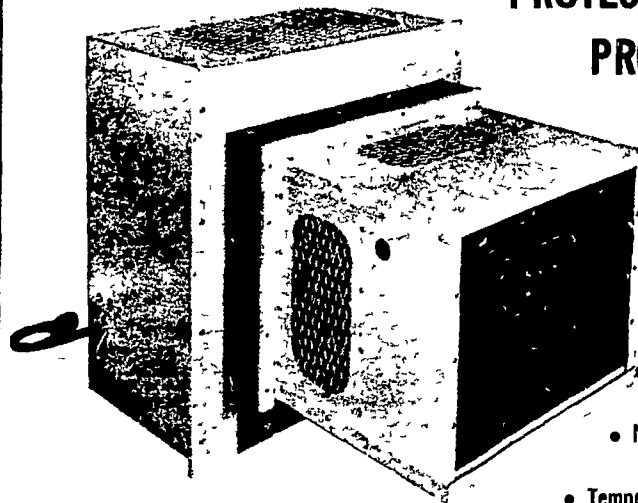
**PRICE
QUALITY
SERVICE**

SNYDERS PLANT FOOD CO.
111 W. Newport Rd. Lititz, Pa. 17543
Manufacturers of Quality Liquid Plant Food
For **FARM—LAWN—GARDEN**

BURCH EGG COOLERS

PROTECT QUALITY

PROTECT PROFITS



- Maintains Proper Egg Room Temperatures
- Maintains High Humidity to Safeguard Quality
- Cools Eggs Quickly - Holds Them at Proper Temperature
- Rugged, Compact Unit Easy to Install and Maintain
- Provides Increased Air Movement even in extreme Temperatures

- No Defrosting Required! Designed for Minimum Maintenance
- Temperature Range, 50 Degrees F and up
- 3,000 to 50,000 BTU

INVENTORY REDUCTION SALE!

See Us For Special Prices Now...

BURCH COOLER DOORS

- Burch Egg Room Doors
- Burch Loading Chute Doors
- Right or Left Hand Doors
- Sizes Available on Request



Modern Poultry Supplies, Inc.



NEW ADDRESS:
Office & Warehouse (Pickup)
1907-A Olde Homestead Lane
Lancaster, Pa. 17601

717-299-0828 or 717-397-5850

MEDINA

FOR THE LIFE OF YOUR SOIL. TOP DRESS SMALL GRAINS AND ALFALFA NOW. ADD MEDINA WITH YOUR NITROGEN, FERTILIZER, ETC.

CALL!

JOHN A. LUTZ & SONS, INC.

823 Fritztown Rd
Sinking Springs, PA
215-678-5009

JOHN Z. MARTIN

R D 1
New Holland, PA
717-354-5848

SHUEY'S SALES & SERVICE

Ono, PA
717-865-4915

GEORGE V. SIEPEL & SON

RFD #2
Van Buren Rd
Easton, PA
215-258-7146

DAVID WEAVER

Rt #5
Wellsboro, PA

MELVIN R. WEAVER

2213 Leabrook Rd.
Lancaster, PA
717-898-8354

VAN MAR FEED MILL

Shoemakersville, PA
215-926-2121

RAYMOND G. MAST

R.D. #1 Oley
Rt 562 Yellow House, PA
215-987-6313

BORTZ LAWN & GARDEN

Rt 562
Boyetown Pike
Jacksonwald, PA
779-1190

KASMIR UREVICH

Wyalusing, PA
717-265-8909