Livestock market and auction news

Chambersburg Auction

Chambersburg, Pa. August 3, 1978

CATTLE 247. Compared with last Thursday market, slaughter steers grading good about steady. Sl cows \$1 25-3 25 lower. Sl steers few Choice YG 52 00-53 60, Good 49 00-52.50; few Standard 46 00-49.50, few Choice sl heifers 48.00-49 50, few Good 46 00-48 60; Utility & Commercial sl. cows 37 25-41 50, couple to 43 75, Cutters 37 75-40 00; Shells down to 31 00, 1 Good at 50.00. Yield Grade No 1 1200-1700 lb sl bulls 44 75-49 50, couple to 52 50

FEEDER CATTLE few Good and Choice 200-400 lbs steers 58 00-72 00

CALVES 584 Vealers grading good & Choice strong to \$6 00 higher standard & Good 70-110 lb \$10 00-12 00 higher Prime vealers 80 00-85 00, Choice 72 00-82 00, Good 63 00-73 00, few Standard & Gd 110-130 lb 66 00-70 00, 90-110 lb 61 00-68 00, Standard 70-85 lb 54 00-62 00, Utility 50-100 lb 40 00-50 00

FARM CALVES Hol bulls 90-120 lb 63 00-70 00 Hol heifers, 85-140 lb 82 50-110 00, couple to 135 00

HOGS 58 US No 1-2 200-235 lb barrows and gilts 48 00-48 25, 1 lot No 2-3 289 lb at 45 75 Sows US No 1-3 300-600 lb sows 35 00-38 50 Couple Boars 33 50, 35 75

FEEDER PIGS 55 US No

1-3 30-50 lb feeder pigs 33.00-50 per head

SHEEP 6 Spring/ or/Wooled sl lambs few Choice 75-90 lb. 49 00-52 50 Market courtesy of PDA

Carroll's Market

Felton, Delaware July 28, 1978

COWS Few 40 00-41 75, Utility 37 00-39 75; Cutter 33 00-37 00

STEERS Prime No test Choice 52 00-54 25; Good 48 00-52 00, Standard 42 00-48 00

BULLS 44 00-50 00

VEAL CALVES Prime No test, Choice 60 00-71 00, Good 52 00-60 00, Standard 40 00-52 00, Monkeys returning to farm 52 00-65 00 LAMBS 53 00-72 00, 4-H Lambs - 60 00-84 00

HOGS 48 00 for few - Not enough for test

SOWS 300-600 lbs 36 00-37 00 BOARS 300 & up 32 00-

35 00 Bugg gold between 16 00

Pigs sold between 16 00-56 00

Special Market

Special Feeder Yearling Sale Harrisonburg, Va July 25, 1978

There were 583 head sold All cattle were graded by Representatives of the VDAC's Division of Markets, Livestock Section on VDACS standards and sold by the hundredweight

Steers: Choice & Fancy, 465-700 lbs 62 50-70 25, 705-800 lbs 59 25-61 00; 805-1000 lbs 52.75-59 25; Choice and Good, 425-450 lbs 68 50-71 00, Good, 500-700 lbs. 61.50-67 00, 705-800 lbs 58 00-60 50, 805-1000 lbs 51 00-56 75, Mediums, 500-700 lbs 60 50-66 50; 705-800 lbs 57 25-57 50, 805-1000 lbs 53.50-56 25

Heifers Choice and fancy, 605-700 lbs 55 50-56 50, 705-800 lbs. 55 25-58 75; Good 500-600 lbs 56 00-59 50, 605-700 lbs 53 00-59 00; Mediums, 500-600 lbs 55 00-56 50

New Holland Horse

New Holland Sales Stables Monday, July 31

Reported receipts of 275 horses, mules, and ponies Market steady with last week's market

Load of Saddlebreds from Kentucky 800-975, load of Standardbreds 300-850, few work horses 500-700, mules 300-600, local driving horses 300-650, lightweight killers 20, heavyweight killers 32-36, small ponies 10-25, larger ponies 100-175

New Holland Dairy

New Holland Sales Stables ednesday, August

Wednesday, August 2
Reported receipts of 96
cows, 74 heifers and 4 buils



Preparations are underway for the Lebanon Fair's livestock shows, which begin Monday.

Boar Sale set for August 23

HARRISBURG - Pennsylvania Secretary of Agriculture Kent Shelhamer has announced the state's First Performance Tested Boar Sale, to be held at the Department's Meat Animal Evaluation Center at University Park, August 23 at 7 p m

The center has been conducting progeny testing for swine for the past ten years, but this is the first

Load of Northeastern Pa, fresh 850-1100, load of Western Pa, fresh cows and springers 850-1000, local springers and fresh cows 600-900, springing heifers 550-825, open heifers 300-450, few registered open heifers 500, bulls 300-400, purebred bulls 500-625, shortbred heifers 500-650, several local fresh heifers 600-850

time the center is conducting a performance test on boars

"Performance testing is the most important tool available to the swine industry to measure the genetic merit or breeding value of potential breeding animals," the Secretary said "A performance test is faster than a progeny test and more desirable for traits that are high in heritability"

Average daily gain, feed conversion, fat thickness, loin eye area, per cent lean cuts as well as a soundness score will be available on all boars sold "This is an excellent opportunity to purchase boars that are genetically superior for these economically important traits which are so important to buyers of breeding stock," he said

The genetic flow of animals that have been by in superiority for these traits starts with the seedstock producer A few influential breeders, by idetifying genetically superior animals, can have a large pact on progress in the swine industry "

At present there are Chester, Duror, Hampshire, Landrace, Spotted and Yorkshire swine test Approximately the top 75 per cent will sell Each boar will be indexed at the end of the test and the highest indexing boars will sell first

The testing program is sponsored by the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture in cooperation with the Penn State and the Pennsylvania Poproducers Council



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