Livestock market and auction news

Omaha Cattle

August 24, 1978

Compared with the previous week's close through midweek, prices on slaughter steers were 75-1.00 higher than the dull closing trade of previous week, and heifers were 1.00-1.50 higher. Cows were firm to 50 cents higher and bulls firm to 1.00 higher.

Four day receipts 13,600 as compared 13,800 previous week and 15,200 a year ago. The fed cattle trade followed an arratic pattern during the week under review. Prices advanced sharply on the opening session in reflection of a much improved carcass trade late the previous week

which carried over into the forepart of the current period; trading dulled, however, on later sessions and part of the substantial advance was lost. Most interests came into the week in need of cattle for immediate requirements and were aggressive for numbers, but in later trading most were cautious and selective in view of the unstable carcass trade. Late demand was usually geared to immediate requirements the steer and heifer run included a fair percentage choice and a moderate volume choice and prime. Slaughter steers made up approximately 45 pct. of the week's supply and heifers 33 pct. Cows comprised 12 pct. and feeders 6 pct.

STEERS: On Monday, load Choice and Prime 3-4 1326 lbs. 53.50, three loads same grade 3-4 1059-1125 lbs. 53.00-53.25. At midweek, load and part load Choice with end Prime 3-4 1099-1207 lbs. 52.75, eight loads Choice with end Prime 3-4 1175-1238 lbs. 52.35-52.50. Choice 2-4 975-1325 lbs. 51.00-52.25. Mixed Good and Choice 2-3 950-1250 lbs. 50.00-51.00, part load Holsteins 49.00. Good 2-3 46.00-48.50. Standard and Good 2-3 44.00-46.50.

Average of LS-214, detailed quotations, for Choice 900-1100 lbs. steers this week 51.52; Choice 1100-1300 lbs. 51.88. Average weight steers first three days 1147 lbs. as compared 1136 lbs. previous week. Average weight heifers first three days 983 lbs. as compared 962 lbs. previous week.

HEIFERS: Load and part limited test. loads Choice and Prime 3-4 973-1078 lbs. 51.75-52.00, several loads same grade 3-4 969-1061 lbs. 51.50. Choice 2-4 900-1050 lbs. closed 49.00-

Choice 2-3 850-1025 lbs. 47.00-48.50. Good 2-3 44.00-46.50.

COWS: Bulk Utility and Commercial 2-4 37.50-39.00, few 39.50-41.00, Cutter 35.00-38.00. Canner and low-Cutter 33.00-35.50.

BULLS: 1-2 1400-1800 lbs. 44.00-48.00, few individual 1 48.50-49.50.

Market courtesy of USDA.

East Coast Carlot

August 23, 1978

Compared to Tuesday's close: Beef demand only moderate at best as reported by USDA. Choice 3 steers generally steady with late last week. Choice 3 Heifer 1.00 lower. Prime special fed veal no sales reported. Good and Choice boning veal steady to 2.00 lower. Fresh pork loins 2.00 higher in

Steer Beef 7 Loads

Prime & Choice 3 600-800 lbs. 8250 load; Choice 3 600-700 lbs. 8200 late yesterday; 51.00. Mixed Good and Good 2-3 500-600 lbs 7500 load.

Heifer Beef 6 Loads

Choice 3 550-700 lbs. 7925, 1.00 lower.

Choice 3 **Primal Beef Cuts** 8 Loads

Steer hinds 145-190 lbs. 9600, generally steady to firm; fores 130-210 lbs. 6800-6850, part load; arm chucks 90-130 lbs. 6500, load, weak; rounds, steer 60-85 lbs. 8800 load; full plates 5200-5250; short plates 5300 late yesterday; briskets 5400-5500.

Good 2-3 **Beef Cuts**

Fores 90-130 lbs. 6500, part

load. **Spring Lamb Carcass** Choice & Prime 3-4

2 Loads 55 lbs. down 11800 part loads.

Veal Carcass Hide On

Good and Choice boning type; Northeastern suppliers:

65-75 lbs. 9400-9600, Few 9200, all steady, instances 2.00 lower; 55-64 lbs. 9200-9400, few 9000; 45-54 lbs. 9000-9200, few 8800; 35-44 lbs. 8800-9000, few 8600; 34 lbs. down 8600-8800, few 8400.

Mdiwest and West Coast suppliers: 70-80 lbs. LTD 9400, all 2.00 lower; 60-70 lbs. LTD 9200; 50-60 lbs. LTD 9000; 40-50 lbs. LTD 8800; 30-40 lbs. LTD 8600.

Fresh Pork Cut Loins 14 lbs. down LTD 9750; 14-17 lbs. LTD 9650. **Bonesless Beef**

3 Loads 90 pct chem lean, fresh 10500.

Beef Trimmings 3 Loads

50 pct chem lean, frozen Market courtesy of USDA.

Hunter's Sale Barn

August 21, 1978

Rising Sun, Md. FEEDER HEIFERS: High Choice and Prime 47.00-52.00; Good to Choice 42.00-47.00; other 38.00-41.00.

COWS: High Choice to Prime 38.50-39.75; Good to Standard 37.75-38.50; Utility 36.00-37.50; Cutters 32.50-34.75; Canners 28.75-30.50.

CALVES: Prime 180-240 lb. 68.00-78.00; High to Choice 140-180 lb. 65.00-74.00; Good to Choice 120-140 lb. 60.00-76.00; Standard to Good 90-110 lb. 55.00-71.00; Utility 70-85 lb. 40.00-55.00; Low Utility 65-75 lb. 38.00-45.00.

FEEDER PIGS: 25-30 lb. \$29 to \$34 by hd.; 40-45 lb. \$40 to \$43 by hd.

SOWS: 35.50-36.50. BOARS: 140-180 lb. 36.50-

SHEEP: 58.00-60.00.



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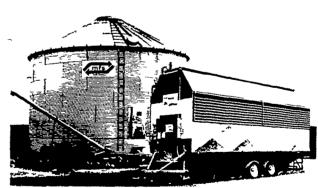
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