## Livestock market and auction news

#### Lebanon Valley Auction

Fredericksburg, Pa. December 5, 1978

CATTLE 300. Compared with last Tuesday's market, slaughter steers grading Choice \$1 higher. Slaughter cows steady to 50 cents higher. Few High Choice & Prime No. 3-4 1125-1280 lbs. slaughter steers 57.10-58.75, Choice No. 2-4 960-1330 lbs. 55.60-57.00, few to 57.75, Good 52.10-55.35, few Standard 49.00-50.25, few Utility & Low Standard 42.35-46.35. Few Choice slaughter heifers 53.00-54.50, few Good 50.50-50.85, few Standard 45.00-▶ 50.10. Utility & Commercial slaughter cows 42.35-45.60, few 46.60, few Commercial No. 4-5 38.75-44.50, Cutters 39.75-42.85, Canner & Low Cutter 36.85-40.25, Shells down to 30.75. Few Choice slaughter bullocks 54.10-55.60, few Good 51.75-54.25, few Standard 49.75-52.25. Few Yield Grade #1 1280-1595 lbs. slaughter bulls 52.00-

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representatives in New England, N.Y., N.J., Pa., Md., and Del. 55.00; one yield grade #2 1555 lbs. at 53.50.

CALVES 292. Vealers grding Standard & Good \$1.50 to \$4 lower. Two Prime vealers 94.00 and 97.50, few Choice 79.00-83.00, Good 70.00-80.50, Standard & Good 90-120 lbs. 66.50-76.50, 60-90 lbs. 57.00-67.00, Utility 55-110 lbs. 40.00-57.00. Farm calves, holstein bulls 90-120 lbs. 64.00-81.00; holstein heifers 90-130 lbs. 88.00-128.00, one at 139.00.

HOGS 485. Barrows & gilts 75 cents to \$1 higher. US No. 1-2 195-230 lbs. barrows & gilts 51.85-52.25, few to 52.75, No. 1-3 200-250 lbs. 51.00-52.00, No. 2-3 190-270 lbs. 50.00-51.35; few No. 1-3 100-190 lbs. 45.00-49.00. US No. 1-3 300-610 lbs. sows 40.00-43.00, few to 45.00, No. 2-3 250-660 lbs. 35.00-40.75. Boars 35.25-42.50.

FEEDER PIGS 11. Lot US No. 1-3 45 lbs. feeder pigs 97.00 per hundredweight.

SHEEP 4. Two Choice 105 and 130 lbs. wooled slaughter lambs 56.00 and 60.00. One Slaughter Ram at 26.50.

### Hunter's Auction

December 4, 1978 Rising Sun, Md.

FEEDER HEIFERS: High Choice and Prime 60.00-65.00; Good to Choice 57.00-59.00; Other 48.00-52.00. FEEDER STEERS: Good to Choice 58.00-61.00;

Standard to Good 54.00-57.00.

BULLS: 1650 lb. 52.50;
1100-1200 lb. 48.00-49.75.

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CALVES: Prime 180-240 lb. 77.00-88.00; Good to Choice 120-140 lb. 70.00-78.00; Standard to Good 90-110 lb. 64.00-82.00; Utility 70-85 lb. 57.00-68.00; Low Utility 65-75 lb. 43.00-58.00.

HOGS: 100-165 lb. 41.50-

FEEDER PIGS: 30-40 lb. \$32 to \$38 by the head. SOWS: 37.00-41.50.

BOARS: 38.00-40.00.

Joilet Cattle

December 7, 1978

CATTLE: Friday through Wednesday's salable receipts 7,500, 5 days last week 6,735, year ago 8,200. Trading moderate on Monday, turning slow Wednesday. Slaughter steers closed the week 50 to 75 lower than Wednesday of last week. Slaughter heifers closed the week 25 to 50 lower. Cows closed the week 50 higher.

SLAUGHTER STEERS: Mixed high Choice and Prime 3-4 1150-1400 lbs. 56.50-57.00 Monday, 55.50-56.00 Wednesday. Choice 2-4 1050-1250 lbs. 55.50-56,50 Monday, 54.00-55.50 Monday, 54.00-54.25 Wednesday.

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: Mixed Choice and Prime 3-4 950-1100 lbs. 54.50-55.00 Monday, 53.75-54.25, 1 load 54.75 Wednesday. Choice 2-4 900-1050 lbs. 800-1000 lbs. 52.75-53.75 Monday, 52.00-53.00 Wednesday.

COWS: Utility and Commercial 1-3 40.00-42.50.

#### Belleville Auction

Belleville, Pa. December 6, 1978

CATTLE 179. Compared with last Wednesday's market, slaughter cows steady to \$1.00 lower. Few Good 48.10-52.10, few Utility 43.50-48.10. Slaughter heifers couple Good 49.60, 50.25. Utility & Commercial slaughter cows 39.75-43.25, Cutters 39.00-42.50, Canner & L. Cutter 37.00-39.85. Few Yield Grade #1, 1100-1600 lbs. 46.50-49.85.

FEEDER CATTLE: Steers & bulls, few Good 450-750 lbs. 50.25-57.00.

CALVES 192. Vealers about steady. Vealers Choice 85.00-95.50, Good 67.00-81.00, Standard & Good 90-110 lbs. 58.00-65.00, 70-85 lbs. 52.00-61.00, few Utility 50-75 lbs. 40.00-55.00.

FARM CALVES: Holstein bulls 85-120 lbs. 64.00-70.00, few Holstein heifers 85-135 lbs. 70.00-122.00.

HOGS 185. Barrows and gilts 50 cents to 1.25 higher. US No. 1-2 210-240 lbs. barrows & gilts 51.60-52.25, No. 1-3 220-250 lbs. 49.00-51.00. 1 lot No. 2-3 240 lbs. at 45.00. Sows: US No. 1-3 350-650 lbs. sows 39.00-42.00, couple to 45.00. BOARS 28.00-34.50,

FEEDER PIGS 439. US No. 1-3 20-35 lbs. feeder pigs 27.50-36.00 per head, No. 1-3 35-50 lbs. 31.00-46.00, No. 1-3 50-75 lbs. 43.00-49.50 few to 61.00.

SHEEP 21. Spring or wooled slaughter lambs Choice 80-115 lbs. 53.00-60.00, few Good 70-90 lbs. 50.00-55.00. Few Slaughter ewes 20.00-27.00.

#### Omaha Cattle

December 7, 1978 Compared w/Previous Week's Close

Closing prices on slaughter steers 50-75 cents lower; heifers 25 cents to mostly 50 cents lower. Cows firm to 50 cents higher and bulls firm to 1.00 higher.

Four day receipts 17,700 as compared 17,200 previous week and 16,800 a year ago.

The fed cattle trade followed an even pattern as weather again played a major role. Prices advanced on Monday as yet another weekend storm slowed livestock movement, but the early upturn was more than offset as road conditions improved, marketings expanded and carcass prices trended lower. An increasing mud problem and yield grade were often major pricedetermining factors with cattle carrying a substantial coating of mud often selling 50-1.00 below clean offerings of same grade; best demand centered on relatively clean choice 1075-1200 lb. steers with some of these bought for fulfillment of commodity contracts.

STEERS: Several loads choice and prime 3-4 1111-1262 lbs. 56.25-56.75 forepart of week. At midweek low time, load choice and prime 3-4 1121 lbs. 55.50, load same grade 1238 lbs with large percentage 4, 54.00. Choice 2-4, 1000-1325 lb. mainly 54.00-55.25, few to 55.50, two loads 1281 lbs. large share 4 53.75. Mixed good and choice 2-3, 1000-1250 lb. 53.00-54.25. Good 2-3, 48.50-53.00. Few Standard and good 2-3, 47.00-48.00.

HEIFERS: Early, four loads choice and prime 3-4, 992-1054 lbs. 54.75-55.00. At midweek, two loads and part loads same grade 3-4 1015-1077 lbs. 53.50. Choice 2-4 900-1050 lbs. 52.00-53.25. Mixed good and choice 2-3 875-1025 lb. 51.25-52.25. Good 2-3 48.00-51.00.

#### New Holland Horse

New Holland Sales Stables Monday, December 4, 1978 Reported receipts of 437 horses, mules, and ponies. Market steady with last week's market.

Load of driving out of N.Y. 305-610; load of Saddlebreds for driving out of Kansas City 410-1600; local driving horses 250-500; riding horses 225-350; better horses 375-500; lightweight killers 225-325; heavyweight killers 350-475; mare ponies 15-55; colts 5-20; geldings 15-50; larger ponies 75-200.



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