

Livestock market and auction news

Western Md. Market

Western Maryland Stockyards, Inc.
June 26, 1979

BUTCHER CATTLE: Steers & heifers mostly steady. Fat Steers Good 65.00-68.00; Standard 60.00-65.00 Heifers Good to 66.60; Cows, good run \$1.00 higher! Good Cows 58.50-59.75; Standard & Utility 54.00-58.00; Cannors 52.00-55.00; Shelly 52.00 down; Bulls few offered, 1300-1500 lbs. 65.00-69.00.

BUTCHER HOGS: Steady with last week. Top Hogs 44.50; Bulk 200-225 lbs. 42.00-43.00; 230-260 lbs. 41.00-42.00; 170-190 lbs. to 40.00; Heavy weights 360 lbs. at 35.25; Sows 350-600 lbs. 30.00-32.60.

VEAL CALVES: Light run. Small calves \$5.00 lower; Tops, to 105.00; Good-Choice 90.00-105.00; Standard 75.00-90.00; Light Calves 60.00-72.00; Weak & Rough 60.00 Down; Returned To Farm Holstein heifers 95-110 lbs. 100.00-137.50; few 90.00-100.00; 75-90 lbs. 70.00-85.00; Holstein bulls 90-120 lbs. 90.00-105.00; few 70.00-89.00.

LAMBS: Good demand, steady prices. Good-Choice 70-115 lbs. 63.00-68.00; Feeders 57 lbs. at 69.00; Yearlings to 43.00.

STOCK CATTLE: Light run. Stock Steers 500-600 lbs. to 77.50; Stock Heifers 400-700 lbs. to 68.00; Stock Bulls 400-500 lbs. to 84.50; Stock Sows 850-950 lbs. 53.00-55.00.

PIGS & SHOATS: Good run, mostly steady prices. By the Head 20-30 lbs. 14.00-21.00; 30-50 lbs. 20.00-33.00;

50-60 lbs. 31.00-34.00; By the Lb. 51 lbs. to 61.00; Bred Sows By the Head 100.00-125.00.

Lebanon Valley Auction

Fredericksburg, Va.
June 26, 1979

CATTLE 140. Compared with last Tuesday's market, slaughter steers mostly steady to 50 cents lower. Slaughter cows highly uneven, \$1 higher to \$1 lower. Few High Choice & Prime 1045-1250 lbs. slaughter steers 69.75-70.00 Choice 2-4, 1000-1300 lbs. 67.25-69.75, one at 70.50, Good 65.00-67.10, Standard 62.50-65.25. Few Good and Choice slaughter heifers 61.85-66.35. Utility and Commercial slaughter cows 57.75-59.85, few to 61.75, one at 65.10, Cutters 55.00-57.85, few to 60.35, Canner and Low Cutters 52.60-55.75, few Shells down to 48.75. One Choice slaughter bullock at 73.75, Good 66.85-70.10, few Standard 63.25-65.00. Few Yield Grade No. 1, 1305-1585 lbs. slaughter bulls 66.00-71.10.

CALVES 230. Vealers mostly steady. Few Choice vealers 90.00-110.00, few Good 70.00-90.00, Standard and Good 90-120 lbs. 90.00-104.00, 60-90 lbs. 83.00-90.00. Farm Calves: Holstein bulls 90-120 lbs. 96.00-136.00; Hol. Heifers 85-150 lbs. 100.00-129.00, few to 197.00.

HOGS 405. Barrows and gilts \$3-\$4 higher. US No. 1-2 200-240 lbs. barrows and gilts 46.50-47.25, No. 1-3 200-245 lbs. 46.00-47.00, No. 2-3 195-250 lbs. 45.00-46.00, few down

to 44.00. US No. 1-3 275-560 lbs. sows 35.25-37.00, No. 2-3 295-590 lbs. 32.00-35.50. Boars 27.00-28.50, few to 30.00.

FEEDER PIGS 9. Few US No. 1-3 30-40 lbs. feeder pigs 75.00-77.00 per hundredweight.

SHEEP 21. Choice 75-95 lbs. spring slaughter lambs 61.50-69.00. Few Slaughter ewes 22.00-32.00.

Market courtesy of PDA.

Martinsburg Auction

Martinsburg, Pa.
June 25, 1979

CATTLE 163. Choice slaughter steers 67.00-72.00, Good 66.50-70.00, Standard 63.00-66.00, Utility 58.00-62.00. Choice slaughter heifers 66.00-69.00, one at 74.00, Good 64.00-67.00, Standard 60.00-63.50, Utility 55.00-60.00, Utility & Commercial slaughter cows 58.50-65.00, Cutters 55.00-60.00, Canner & Low Cutter 53.50-56.00, Shells down to 50.00. Choice slaughter bullocks 68.00-72.50, Good 66.00-71.00, Standard 66.00-69.00, Utility 59.00-63.00. Yield Grade #1 1600-2000 lbs. slaughter bulls 71.00-73.00; yield grade #2 900-1600 lbs. 64.00-72.00. Medium & Good 300-500 lbs. feeder steers 65.00-80.00.

CALVES 283. Choice vealers 104.00-124.00, Good 85.00-100.00, Standard & Good 70-90 lbs. 70.00-90.00. Farm calves, holstein bulls 90-120 lbs. 105.00-135.00, 70-90 lbs. 80.00-110.00; holstein heifers 80-130 lbs. 110.00-210.00.

HOGS 2 87. US No. 1-2 200-240 lbs. barrows & gilts 45.00-47.50, No. 1-3 195-240 lbs. 42.00-44.00, No. 2-3 250-270

lbs. 40.00-43.00, No. 1-3 130-180 lbs. 35.00-40.00. US No. 1-3 130-180 lbs. 35.00-40.00. US No. 1-3 300-500 lbs. sows 32.00-35.00, No. 2-3 300-650 lbs. 30.00-32.00. Boars 25.50-29.00.

FEEDER PIGS 46. US No. 1-3 20-35 lbs. feeder pigs 20.00-32.00 per head, few No. 1-3 35-50 lbs. 25.00-45.00 per head.

SHEEP 4. Choice spring slaughter lambs 60.00-62.00, Good 52.00-58.00.

Market courtesy of PDA.

St. Louis Cattle

June 28, 1979

Feeder cattle include about 600 head at regular Thursday auction. Very high supply feeder steers firm to 3.00 higher and feeder heifers firm to 2.00 higher but not enough either class on offer to provide an adequate test of prices.

FEEDER STEERS: Small lot Choice 200 lbs. 108.00; few lots 450-575 lbs. 81.50-88.00; couple lots 660-665 lbs. 74.00-79.50; few lots fleshy 885-975 lbs. 66.00-68.25. Mixed Good & Choice 500-575 lbs. 78.00-80.00; load Good 525 lbs. holsteins 72.00. Lot Standard & Good 590 lbs. holsteins 63.75. Couple lots Good & Choice 600-625 lbs. bulls 74.00-76.50.

FEEDER HEIFERS: Couple lots Good & Choice 410 lbs. 81.00-81.75; few lots 560-565 lbs. 73.00-73.50. Mixed Good & Choice 350-500 lbs. 71.00-76.25; 525-565 lbs. 67.75-71.75.

Receipts this week 2,700; week ago 4,500; year ago 2,700. Compared last weeks close, slaughter steers steady to .50 lower. Slaughter heifers steady. Both slaughter steers and heifers registered a price upturn on Monday. But declines Tuesday offset all of the previous days advance. Tuesday's lower trend was the result of a sharply curtailed buyer demand apparently due to transportation difficulties experienced by many slaughtering plants. Cows sold mostly 1.00 higher, while bulls were steady.

SLAUGHTER STEERS:

Mixed Choice and Prime 2-4 1050-1225 lbs. on Tuesday 67.50-68.50 after ranging from 69.00-70.00 on Monday. Choice 2-4 950-1250 lbs. 66.50-69.50, bulk 66.50-68.00 on Tuesday. Mixed Good and Choice 2-4 900-1175 lbs. later 65.50-67.00. Good 2-3 900-1150 lbs. late 62.50-65.50. Scattered lots Standard and Good 2-2 1050-1300 lbs. Holsteins 60.00-62.00.

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: Mixed Choice and Prime 2-4 875-1100 lbs. 66.00-67.00 Tuesday after ranging from 68.00-69.00 on Monday. Choice 2-4 800-1050 lbs. 65.00-68.00, mostly 65.50-66.50 on Tuesday. Mixed Good and Choice 2-3 700-975 lbs. late 63.50-65.00. Good 2-3 700-950 lbs. late 61.50-63.50.

COWS: Utility and Commercial 2-4 51.00-54.00. Boning Utility 1-2 54.00-56.00. Cutter 1-2 50.00-54.00. Canner and Low Cutter 1-2 47.00-50.00.

BULLS: Yield Grade 1-2 1050-1800 lbs. 56.00-64.00. Few Yield Grade 1 65.00.

Omaha Cattle

June 29, 1979

CATTLE: Closing prices on slaughter steers were 25-75 cents higher, instances 1.00 higher with best demand for Choice predominantly 3. Heifers were 50-1.25 higher. Cows closed 2.00-3.00 higher and bulls 3.00-4.00 higher.

Four Day receipts 9800 compared 12,500 for last week and 11,200 a year ago.

The fed cattle trade again followed an uneven course as dictated by an uncertain transportation situation. Supplies were sharply curtailed all week, and some slaughterers were out of operation on Monday because of full coolers and insufficient trucks for moving carcass beef.

Prices were forced downward in a bearish atmosphere Monday, but the early declines were more than recovered later as transportation problems eased and carcass prices advanced. After Monday, all buying interests were again trade participants. Slaughter steers made up approximately 53 pct. and heifer 31 pct. Cows comprised 14 pct, feeders scarce.

STEERS: Load Choice and Prime 1145 lbs. and predominantly 3 with end 4 and part load Choice 3 1175 lbs. 70.00. Three loads Choice and Prime 3-4 1026-1296 lbs. 69.00-69.25. Choice predominantly 3 1050-1225 lbs. 68.25-69.00, Choice 3-4 1150-1300 lbs. 67.00-68.50. Mixed Good and Choice 2-3

1000-1250 lbs. 66.50-67.50. Good 2-3 63.50-66.00, Holsteins 61.00-63.00.

Average of LS-214 detailed quotations for Choice 900-1100 lbs. steers this week 67.98, Choice 1100-1300 lbs. 67.75. Average weight steers this week 1177 lbs. as compared 1166 lbs. the previous week. Average weight heifers this week 1005 lbs. as compared 1005 lbs. the previous week.

HEIFERS: Load Choice predominantly 3 1000 lbs. 69.50, load Choice and Prime 3-4 950 lbs. 69.25. Three loads Choice and Prime 3-4 1044 lbs. 68.50. Choice 2-4 900-1075 lbs. 67.00-68.50, load predominantly 3 925 lbs. 69.00. Mixed Good and Choice 850-1050 lbs. 65.50-67.00. Good 2-3 62.50-65.00.

COWS: Utility and Commercial 2-4 50.00-53.50, few high-dressing 54.00-54.50. Cutter 48.00-51.00. Canner and low-Cutter 46.00-48.50.

BULLS: 1-2 1400-2000 lbs. 60.00-68.00, few high-dressing individuals 69.00-70.00.

Chambersburg Market

June 28, 1979

Chambersburg, Pa.

CATTLE 227. Compared with last Thursday's market, slaughter steers grading Choice about steady. Sl. cows steady to 50 cents higher. Sl. steers Choice YG 2-4, 1050-1350 lbs. 68.00-72.50, couple to 73.00, few Standard 64.50-67.75. Few Prime YG 4 64.00-66.10, few Choice sl. heifers 67.00-71.00, few Good 62.00-64.00. Utility & Commercial sl. cows 56.75-62.00, couple to 64.75. Cutters 56.50-61.75; Canner & L. Cutter 52.50-57.50, Shells down to 43.50. Sl. bullocks 1 Good at 73.50. Utility Yield Grade #1, 1200-2100 lbs. 68.00-74.10.

FEEDER CATTLE: Heifers few Med. Holstein 400-500 lbs. 71.00-104.00.

CALVES 358. Vealers \$5.00-10.00 higher. Few Prime vealers 121.00-125.90, Choice 105.00-120.00, Good 95.00-105.00, Good 95.00-105.00, Standard & Good 70-95 lbs. 80.00-92.00.

FARM CALVES: Hol. Bulls 90-125 lbs. 95.00-125.00; Hol. Heifers 80-150 lbs. 120.00-150.00.

HOGS 63. Barrows and gilts No. 1-3 230-250 lbs. 44.00-44.75, 1 lot No. 2-3 278 lbs. at 42.00. **SOWS** US No. 1-3 300-500 lbs. sows 29.75-35.75. **BOARS** 28.00-30.00.

FEEDER PIGS 41. US No. 1-3 20-40 lbs. feeder pigs 17.00-26.00 per head, 1 lot No. 1-3 45 lbs. 27.50.

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