

Livestock market and auction news

Omaha Cattle

Thursday, January 24

Weekly 51 — Cattle — Midweek prices on Slaughter Steers and Heifers were mostly 1.00 lower, instances 1.25 off on Steers. Cows were 50-1.00 higher and Bulls firm.

Four day receipts this week 10,400, last week 13,800 a year ago 13,200.

The fed cattle trade followed an irregular course characterized by wide day-to-day price variations. Early trading was quite bearish and prices were forced sharply downward in reflection of a dull carcass trade. A part of the early decline was regained, however, in an aggressive midweek trade on curtailed supplies. Yield grade was again a dominant price determining factor, and even yield grade 3 800-900 lb. carcasses sold 2.00-3.00 per cwt below 600-800 lb. carcasses. In addition, mud was a more prevalent condition as feedlot conditions deteriorated. Much of the steer supply was good to average-choice, with Steers making up approximately 48 pct of the supply and Heifers 29 pct. Cows comprised 15 pct. and Feeders 5 pct.

STEERS: At midweek, load Choice 3 1132 lbs. 66.00. Load Choice and Prime 3-4 1329 lbs. 63.00. Choice 2-4 1000-1250 lbs. 64.00-65.50, some mostly Choice but carrying heavy coating of mud 63.00-63.50, load predominantly 4 1200 lbs. 61.35. late. Mixed Good and Choice 2-3 1000-1250 lbs. 63.50-64.50. Good 2-3 60.00-63.50. During week, moderate volume predominantly 4 1250-1400

lbs. 61.00-63.50, some 4-5 1350-1450 lbs. 58.50-60.00.

Average of LS-214 detailed quotations for Choice 900-1100 lb. steers this week 64.90; Choice 1100-1300 lbs. 64.65. Average weight steers this week 1174 lbs. as compared 1183 lbs. last week. Average weight Heifers this week 1026 lbs. as compared 1019 lbs. last week.

HEIFERS: At midweek, load Choice 3 980 lbs. 64.50. Few loads and part loads Choice and Prime 3-4 975-1100 lbs. 63.50-64.00. Choice 2-4 900-1125 lbs. 62.50-64.25. Mixed Good and Choice 2-3 875-1050 lbs. 62.00-63.00. Good 2-3 58.00-61.50.

COWS: Utility and Commercial 2-4 46.00-49.00. Cutter 44.00-47.00. Canner and low-cutter 41.00-45.00.

BULLS: 1-2 1300-2275 lbs. 55.00-60.00, individual 1 61.00-63.00.

Oklahoma Cattle

Thursday, January 24

Estimated Receipts 3400; Same Day Last Week 6807.

Trading fairly active. Feeder steers under 600 lbs. 1.00-3.00 higher; 600-800 lbs. steers steady; steers over 800 lbs. 1.00-2.00 lower. Feeder heifers steady to 1.00 higher. Demand light on fleshy offerings over 600 lbs. Majority receipts medium frame 1 400-900 lb. feeder steers and 400-700 lb. heifers. Good buyer attendance.

FEEDER STEERS: Medium frame 1 271 lbs. 120.00; 300-400 lbs. 97.50-110.00, lot 384 lbs. 114.00; 400-500 lbs. 90.00-96.75, two lots 410-440 lbs. 106.25-109.50; 500-600 lbs. 80.00-90.00, mostly

80.00-87.00; lot 504 lbs. 95.50; 600-700 lbs. 75.00-80.25, two part loads 610-615 lbs. 83.00-83.10; 700-800 lbs. 71.50-79.00, several 72.50-75.50; 800-900 lbs. 67.00-72.25; few 925-985 lbs. 65.00-66.00. Large frame 1 lot 557 lbs. 85.00; 700-800 lbs. 71.50-78.25; lot 1065 lbs. 65.05. Medium frame 1-2 600-700 lbs. 70.00-74.50. Large frame 1-2 lot 565 lbs. 74.75; lot 620 lbs. 73.25; 700-800 lbs. 68.50-70.50. Large frame 2 Holsteins lot 305 lbs. 94.00; lot 575 lbs. 70.00; 775-950 lbs. 57.75-63.00.

FEEDER STEERS: Medium frame 1 300-400 lbs. 80.00-87.50, lot 365 lbs. 89.50; 400-500 lbs. 73.00-78.50. Two lots 403-405 lbs. 82.50-83.40; 500-600 lbs. 71.50-74.75, lot 530 lbs. 76.10; 600-700 lbs. 68.00-70.25; 650-700 lbs. fleshy 63.50-66.75; few 700-750 lbs. 66.25-67.00. Large frame 1 few 750-800 lbs. 64.75-66.75. Medium frame 1-2 lot 275 lbs. 83.50; 395-450 lbs. 71.25-78.00; 500-600 lbs. 67.75-70.00; few 600-700 lbs. 63.75-65.50.

FOR THE WEEK: Feeder steer calves under 500 lbs. steady; offerings over 500 lbs. 1.00-3.00 lower, some over 800 lbs. 4.00 off. Feeder heifers steady to 1.00 lower. Slaughter cows steady to 1.00 higher; late sales included Utility and Commercial 2-3 46.50-48.75; two lots high dressing 50.00-51.00; few Cutter 1-3 45.25-46.25. Limited sales of slaughter bulls steady with YG 1-2 1350-1700 lbs. 60.25-62.25. This week salable receipts near 9,300 head compared with 19,232 head one week ago and 12,534 head the comparable period one year ago. Feeder steers and heifers comprised 89 percent

of the weeks cattle receipts; cows and bulls near 11 percent.

Joliet Cattle

Thursday, January 24

Friday through Wednesday's salable receipts 5,000; same period a year ago 5,550. Trading slow on Monday; turned moderately active on Wednesday. Slaughter Steers ended the week 50 to mostly 1.00 lower than Wednesday of last week. Slaughter Heifers ended the week 1.00 lower. Cows ended the week steady to 1.00 higher than Wednesday of last week.

SLAUGHTER STEERS: Mixed High Choice and Prime 3-4 1150-1300 66.00-66.50 Monday; 66.00, 1 load 66.25 Wednesday; YG Mostly 4. 1250-1350 63.00-65.00 Monday; 64.00-65.50 Wednesday; YG 4-5 1300-1400 60.00-63.00 Monday. Choice 2-4 1050-1300 65.00-66.00, 1 load 66.50 Monday; 64.75-66.25 Wednesday. Mixed Good and Choice 2-3 1000-1250 64.00-65.00. Load Choice Holsteins 1200 60.00 Monday.

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: Mixed Choice and Prime 3-4 950-1100 65.00-65.25, 1 load 65.50 Monday; 65.00, 3 loads 65.25 Wednesday. Choice 2-4 900-1050 64.00-65.00. Mixed Good and Choice 2-3 800-1000 62.50-65.00.

COWS: Utility. & Commercial 1-3 43.00-45.00, few 46.00 Monday; 44.00-46.00, 40.00-43.00 Monday; 42.00-44.00 Wednesday.

Indiana Auction

No report available.

Chambersburg Auction

Thursday, January 24

CATTLE 279. Prices slightly higher than last week.

FEEDER CATTLE: 32 head.

CALVES: 370. Vealers about steady.

HOGS 127. Barrows and gilts about steady.

FEEDER PIGS 26.

SHEEP: 32.

Pa. Auction Summary

Friday, January 25

CATTLE 4399. Compared with 4958 head last week, and 3911 head a year ago. Compared with last Friday's market, slaughter steers bullocks & bulls \$1-2 lower. Sl. heifers \$1-4 lower. Sl. cows 50 cents-\$1 lower. Few High Choice & Prime sl. steers 66.75-70.00; Choice 64.00-70.50; Good 60.00-66.00; Standard 56.00-62.00, few Utility 55.00-60.00. Choice sl. heifers 60.00-66.75, Good 55.00-63.00, Standard 50.00-58.00, few Utility 46.00-53.00, Utility & Commercial sl. cows 47.00-53.00, few to 54.00; Cutters 46.00-51.00, Canner & L. Cutter 40.00-48.50, mostly 43.00-48.00; Shells down to 32.00, few Choice sl. bullocks 61.50-66.00, Good 58.00-65.00, Standard 53.00-60.00; Yield Grade #1, 1100-2000 lbs. 57.00-67.00, Yield Grade #2, 900-1700 lbs. 55.00-61.00.

FEEDER CATTLE: Medium Frame No. 1 Choice 300-600 lbs. steers 75.00-90.00. Medium Frame No. 1 300-500 lbs. heifers 65.00-73.50. Few Medium Frame No. 1 450-850 lbs. bulls 60.00-69.00.

CALVES 2877. Compared with 3172 head last week, and

3152 head a year ago. Vealers mostly steady, few Prime vealers 120.00-130.00; Choice 104.00-122.00; Good 85.00-110.00; Standard & Good 90-110 lbs. 70.00-90.00; 70-90 lbs. 60.00-80.00.

FARM CALVES: Active. Hol. Bulls 90-125 lbs. 90.00-138.00; Hol. Heifers 90-130 lbs. 125.00-225.00.

HOGS 7035. Compared with 7113 head last week and 6196 head a year ago. Barrows and gilts steady to 50 cents lower. US No. 1-2 200-240 lbs. barrows & gilts 39.00-41.50, No. 1-3 200-250 lbs. 38.50-40.00, No. 2-3 195-260 lbs. 37.50-39.00, few No. 1-3 140-180 lbs. 34.00-37.00. SOWS steady to strong. US No. 1-3 300-600 lbs. sows 29.00-36.00, No. 2-3 400-700 lbs. 25.00-31.00. BOARS 16.50-27.00.

FEEDER PIGS 1709. Compared with 1592 head last week and 656 head a year ago. Steady to \$4 higher. US No. 1-3 20-35 lbs. feeder pigs 9.00-18.00 per head, No. 1-3 35-50 lbs. 17.00-28.50, No. 1-3 50-70 lbs. 26.00-36.50, few Utility 20-40 lbs. 7.00-17.00 per head.

GRADED FEEDER PIGS 2975. ALL SALES CWT. Compared with 2390 head last, and 3569 head a year ago. Feeder pigs No. 1-2 20-40 lbs. \$1-5 higher, others \$2-5 lower. US No. 1-2 20-40 lbs. 41.00-67.00, few 70.00; 40-50 lbs. 45.00-65.00, 50-60 lbs. 44.00-61.00, 60-105 lbs. 38.00-54.00. US No. 2-3 25-40 lbs. 38.00-51.00, 40-50 lbs. 30.00-50.00, 50-90 lbs. 33.00-49.00.

SHEEP 361. Compared with 362 head last week and 308 head a year ago. Woolled sl. lambs steady to \$2 lower. Choice 60-110 lbs. 63.00-72.50, Good 50-100 lbs. 55.00-65.00. Slaughter ewes 15.00-40.00.



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