Livestock market and auction news

Lancaster Weekly

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15 head Choice Grade 2 1000-1212 lbs. 70.00-72.00; Choice 2-3 875-1075 lbs. 64.50-67.25: Good 2-3 850-1000 lbs. 61.75-65.90.

COWS: Utility and Commercial 1-3 closed at 50.00-53.00, several early part of week 53.50-55.75, Commercial 3-4 48.00-50.00, Cutter 1-2 48.50-52.50, few 52.50-54.00, Canner and low Cutter 44.50-49.00.

BULLOCKS: Choice 1000-1350 lbs. 64.75-68.25; Good 1000-1250 lbs. 60.00-64.75.

BULLS: Yield Grade 1 1300-1800 lbs. 62.00-65.00, several early part of week 65.00-69.00 with a few at 69.50-71.75; Yield Grade 2 1000-1400 lbs. 58.00-63.50.

VEAL CALVES: Vealers mostly steady. Demand fair for calves returned to farm.

VEALERS: Prime 220-320 lbs. 128.00-136.00, few 156.00-140.00; Choice 140-290 lbs. 107.00-124.00, few 124.00-128.00; high Good and low Choice 130-250 lbs. 80.00-105.00, 90-115 lbs. 65.00-80.00. 70-85 lbs. 60.00-70.00, few Standard 60-90 lbs. 53.00-57.00.

RETURNED TO FARM: Bulk 85-115 lbs. holstein heifers 130.00-190.00, around 60 head 212.00-236.00; bulk 90-115 lbs. holstein bulls 85.00-125.00, around 150 head 125.00-130.50.

Omaha Cattle

Thursday, March 13 **Report supplied by USDA** Compared high time previous midweek, slaughter Steers and Heifers were 75-1.25 lower, instances 1.50 off. Cows were 2.00-3.50 lower and bulls weak to 1.00 lower. Fleshy two-way steers sold 50-1.00 lower.

Four day receipts this week: 11,700; Last Week; 12,600; Year Ago: 12,500.

The fed cattle trade was characterized by a general air of bearishness as trading on carcass beef continued dull and movement of the finished product slow. The declines in live prices were enforced even in the face of modest marketings and a relatively light daily rate of slaughter. Most interests were competitive only for minimum numbers for immediate requirements. The overall finish of the steer and heifer supply was not particularly attractive with a large share good to average - Choice; mud was still a prevalent condition which made dressing percentages uncertain. Slaughter steers made up approximately 40 pct and heifers 40 pct cows comprised 11 pct and feeders 7 pct.

STEERS: Early, several loads Choice and Prime 3-4 1125-1225 lbs. 68.50, part load Choice 3 1200 lbs. 68.75. At midweek, Choice 2-4 1000-1275 lbs Bulked 66.75-67.50, part load 3 1160 lbs. 68.00; some mostly Choice but muddy or with large per-1428 lbs. 66.50. Mixed Good and Choice 2-3 1000-1250 lbs. 66.50-67.00. Good 2-3 62.50-66.00. Part load Choice 2-3 1386 lb. Holsteins 63.50, part load Good and Choice 1150 lbs. 61.50.

Average of LS-214 detailed quotations for Choice 900-1100 lb. steers this week 67.48; Choice 1100-1300 lbs. 67.55. Average weight steers this week 1174 as compared 1170 last week. Average weight heifers this week 1013 as compared 1014 last week.

HEIFERS: Early, Choice and Prime 3-4 1000-1050 lbs. 68.00-68.50. At midweek, load and part load Choice and Prime 3-4 1022-1029 lbs. 67.50. Choice 2-4 900-1075 lbs. 65.50-67.00. Mixed Good and Choice 2-4 900-1050 lbs. 64.50-66.00. Good 2-3 61.00-64.50.

COWS: Utility and Commercial 2-4 47.00-48.50, late. Cutter 45.50-48.00. Canner and low-cutter 43.00-46.00.

BULLS: 1-2 1300-2100 lbs. 57.00-62.00, few individual 1 63.00-65.00 during week.

FEEDERS: Medium Frame 1 950-1100 lb. steers 67.00-68.50.

Western Maryland Auction

Tuesday, March 11 Report supplied by auction BUTCHER CATTLE: Fat

Steers good run mostly steady prices, Top \$69.75, Good-Choice 64.00-69.75, Standard 60.00-64.00, Heifers standard 58.75, Cows mostly centage 4 65.50-66.50, load 1.50 under last week, Good Cows 52.00-55.00, Standard & Utility 50.00-52.00, Canners 48.00-51.00, Shelly 48.00 Down, Bulls few offered 950-1300 lb. 57.25-60.25. BUTCHER HOGS: \$1.00

under last week, Top Hogs 37.00, Bulk 200-225 lbs. 35.00-35.35, 230-260 lbs. 35.00-35.75, 170-190 lbs. 28.00-30.00, Heavy Weights 300-400 lb. to 37.00, Sows 350-550 lb. 31.00-34.50, Boars 450-600 lb. 29.00-30.25.

VEAL CALVES: Tops, prime individual at 125.00, Good-Choice 100.00-121.00, Standard 90.00-100.00, Light Calves 68.00-76.00. Weak & Rough 68.00 Down.

CALVES RETURNED TO FARM: Holstein Heifers 11 Head 90-120 lb. 100.00-175.00, Holstein Bulls 90-120 lb. 100.00-126.00.

LAMBS: Few offered Good-Choice to 69.00.

STOCK CATTLE: Larger run prices steady, Stock Steers 350-600 lb. \$75.00-95.00, 600-850 lb. 70.00-85.00, Stock Heifers 350-600 lb. 60.00-80.00, Stock Bulls 350-600 lb. 70.00-93.00, 600-800 lb. 60.00-70.00.

PIGS AND SHOATS: Large run but lower prices, by the head 15-30 lb. 6.00-16.00, 30-50 lb. 15.00-25.00, 50-85 lb. 21.00-31.00, By the lb. 48-51 lb. 40.00-43.00, 135-160 lb. 27.00-29.00, Stock Boars PDA due to weather. 200-285 lb. 26.00-28.50.

Martinsburg

Apples Friday, March 7 Martinsburg, WV

Applachian District MD-PA-VA-WF. Prices FOB shippping point basis. Apples: Demand good. Market about steady, CA Storage cartons 12-3 lb. film bags US Fancy & Better 2-4" minimum. Red Delicious \$7.50-some best \$7.75-8.00. One Brand US Extra Fancy \$8.25. Red Stayman \$7.00-7.50, mostly \$7.00-7.25. Red Rome \$7.00-7.50, mostly \$7.00-7.25. Golden Delicious \$7.00-7.50. Cartons traypack US combination Extra Fancy & Fancy Red Delicious 88-113's \$10.50, few lower few best \$11.00-11.50; 125's \$9.50-10.00. US Extra Fancy 88-113's One Brand 125's \$11.50. Red Stayman 88-113's \$10.50; few 125's \$10.00. Red Rome 72-100's \$8.50-9.00, few \$9.50. Regular storage Winesap 88-125's \$7.00-7.50, few \$8.00.

Chambersburg Auction

Thursday, March 13 Auction not covered by PDA due to weather.

Indiana Auction

Thursday, March 13 Auction not covered by

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Horse Auction

York Springs, Pa. Friday, March 7

Report supplied by auction Local riding 320.00-590.00; Better riding 620.00-790.00; Lightweight killers 325.00-490.00; Heavyweight killers 525.00-675.00; Small Ponies 45.00-90.00; Larger ponies 110.00-285.00; Weanling Mule colt 77.50; Pony colts 20.00.

Pa. Auction Summary

Friday, March 14

Report supplied by PDA CATTLE: 5645. Compared with 5346 head last week, and 6495 head a year ago. Compared with last Friday market: Slaughter steers highly uneven, extremes \$1 higher to \$1.25 lower; Sl. heifers steady to \$1 lower; Sl. cows weak to \$1.50 lower; S. bulls steady to \$1 lower. Sl. steers: High Choice and Prime No. 3-4 69.50-71.75; Choice NO. 2-4, 66.50-71.00, few to 72.75; Good 61.50-66.50; Standard 58.00-63.00. Sl. heifers: Choice 64.00-67.50 few to 72; Good 59.00-65.00; Standard 52.00-58.75. Sl. cows: Utility & Commercial 50.75-55.09, few to 57.00; Cutters 48.50-52.50, few to 54.00; Canner & L. Cutter 45.00-49.75, few; Shells down to 42.75. Sl. bullocks: (few) Choice 66.00-70.50; Good 61.00-65.75; Standard 58.00-63.75. Sl. bulls: Yield Grade

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