

Livestock market and auction news

Western Maryland Market

Tuesday, July 8

BUTCHER COWS Large run \$2 to \$3 higher! High Yield 47.00-48.60; Standard & Utility 43.00-47.00; Canners 41.00-45.00; Shelly 41.00 down; Bulls good 1100-1500 lbs. 55.00-58.00; Steers choice to 64.35 good to 61.00; Heifers good to 56.35.

BUTCHER HOGS \$2-\$3 higher. US #1&2 215-240 lb. 41.50-42.50; US #1&3 240-260 lb. 39.00-40.00; US #1&3 195-210 lb. 40.50-42.00. Sows active! 350-600 lbs. 36.00-39.25, 250-350 lbs. 29.00-35.00; Boars 350-600 lbs. 26.75-28.25

VEAL CALVES Light calves \$3 higher! Good & Choice 81.00-93.00; Standard 70.00-80.00; Killers 80-100 lb. 70.00-80.00; Weak & Rough 69.00 down.

CALVES RETURNED TO FARM. Holstein heifers 95-110 lbs. 100.00-160.00, 70-95 lbs. 90.00-112.00; Holstein bulls 95-120 lbs 95.00-106.00; Beef type 80-100 lbs. 85.00-105.00

LAMBS Feeders 40-70 lbs to \$45.

STOCK CATTLE No Choice cattle offered. Steers Med & Good 350-600 lbs. 60.00-74.00; Good 700-950 lbs. 60.00-64.50 Heifers Good 350-600 lbs. 55.00-60.00; Bulls Med & Good 400-650 lbs. 49.00-64.00.

PIGS AND SHOATS 250 head! Higher prices! By The Head 15-30 lbs. 10.00-20.00, 30-60 lbs. 20.00-30.00. By The Lb. 70-85 lbs. to 41.00, 130 lbs to \$33. Stock Boars 200-300 lbs. \$24.00-28.75

Pa. Auction Summary

Friday, July 11

Report supplied by PDA

CATTLE: 7357. Compared with 3723 head last week, and 7826 head a year ago Slaughter steers and heifers mostly \$1-3 higher; SI cows unevenly steady, SI bullocks steady to \$1 higher, SI bulls steady to \$1 lower

SI. steers: High Choice & Prime No. 3-4, 68.75-72.85; Choice No. 2-4, 65.00-71.00; Good 59.00-65.00; Standard 53.00-59.00. SI. heifers: Choice 60.50-65.50, few to 68.50; Good 58.00-61.50; Standard 50.00-56.00. SI. cows: Utility & Commercial 44.50-50.50; Cutters 43.00-47.50; Canner & L. Cutter 38.00-44.50; Shells down to 33.00. SI bullocks: Choice 57.50-63.00; Good 54.00-61.00. SI bulls: Yield Grade No. 1 1000-2400 lbs. 55.00-59.00, few 61-85; Yield Grade No. 2 1000-1700 lbs. 50.00-57.00.

FEEDER CATTLE Steers, Medium Frame No. 1, 350-500 lbs. 70.00-78.00 Heifers, Medium & Large Frame No. 1, 300-750 lbs 69.50-79.00.

CALVES: 3892 Compared with 2252 head last week and 3824 head a year ago. Vealers steady to \$5 higher. Few Prime 100.00-111.00; Choice 90.00-110.00; Good 80.00-95.00; Standard & Good 90-120 lbs. 70.00-85.00; 65-90 lbs. 65.00-72.00; Utility 50-110 lbs. 56.00-70.00.

FARM CALVES: active. Hol. Bulls 80-125 lbs. 75.00-121.00, mostly 85.00-105.00; Hol. Heifers 85-140 lbs. 83.00-180.00 mostly 110.00-160.

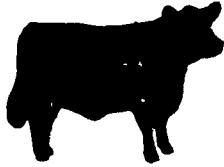
HOGS. 8418. Compared with 7746 head last week and 8370 head a year ago. Barrows and gilts \$1-2 higher US No. 1-2 200-240 lbs 42.50-44.25, few 46.00; No. 1-3 200-250 lbs. 41.50-43.50; No. 2-3 190-270 lbs. 39.00-41.50; No. 1-3 140-190 lbs. 35.00-41.00; Sows \$4 higher US No 1-3 300-575 lbs 34.00-39.00; No. 2-3 300-650 lbs 29.00-34.50. Boars 21.00-32.00.

FEEDER PIGS 2246. Compared with 1977 head last week and 1984 a year ago Steady to \$2 lower US No 1-3 20-35 lbs 8.50-16.00 per head; No 1-3 35-50 lbs 14.00-27.00; No 1-3 50-80 lbs 20.00-36.00.

GRADED FEEDER PIGS 2267 Compared with 2121 head last week, and 4381

head a year ago. All sales CWT. Feeder Pigs \$3-13 higher. US No. 1-2 30-40 lbs. 54.00-81.00, 40-50 lbs. 62.00-80.00, 50-60 lbs. 53.00-73.00, 60-70 lbs. 58.00-64.00; US No. 2-3 25-40 lbs. 59.00-71.00, 40-50 lbs. 61.00-69.00, 50-70 lbs. 46.00-57.00.

SHEEP: 715 Compared with 851 head last week and 804 head a year ago. Spring lambs \$1-2 higher. Choice 60-100 lbs. 59.00-65.00; Good & Choice 60-110 lbs. 49.00-61.00; few to 73. SI. ewes. 15.00-28.00.



Composting saves energy

NORRISTOWN — Homeowners can make a real contribution to energy conservation and ecology by composting their garden residue, grass clippings and leaves, says Paul N. Reber, Montgomery County agent.

By composting the large volume of organic trash you can reduce garbage pickup considerably and, at the same time, produce a good source of organic matter for the home landscape

During the summer, usable compost can be produced in a very few weeks You can accomplish this by following these simple rules

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