Livestock market and auction news

Oklahoma Cattle Thursday, April 23 Report supplied by USDA 4,000 **Estimated Receipts**

Same Day Last Week Actual unloads will fall several hundred head short of the early estimate. Moderately active, feeder steers over 600 lbs. steady to 1.00 lower; steers under 600 lbs. and feeder heifers generally steady. Majority receipts Medium Frame No. 1 & Mixed No. 1-2 400-800 lbs. feeder steers & 400-700 lbs. feeder heifers. Moderate attendance. Demand good for all weights & grades with most interest centering on thin offerings & fleshy 600-750 lbs. feeder heifers.

FEEDER STEERS: Medium Frame No. 1 few 300-400 lbs. 82.00-89.25; 400-500 lbs. 77.50-83.60, package thin 410 lbs. 88.75; 500-600 lbs. 69.50-76.00, package thin 512 lbs. at 79.00; 600-700 lbs. 67.00-68.70, small package 668 lbs. 69.60; 700-800 lbs. 66.90-68.40; 800-900 lbs.

65.90-67.40. Large Frame No. 1 few 865-991 lbs. 64.00-66.60. Small Frame No. 1 few 564-700 lbs. 65.00-72.00. Medium & Large Frame No. 1-2 few 474-495 lbs. 73.70-76.20; 500-600 lbs. 67.50-70.50; 600-800 lbs. 66.25-68.60; 800-925 lbs. 62.95-66.80. Large Frame No. 2 few 483-560 lbs. 64.75-68.50; holsteins 675-943 lbs. 55.20-57.40.

FEEDER HEIFERS: Medium Frame No. 1 few 279-379 lbs. 69.00-75.00; 400-500 lbs. 63.00-69.50, package 427 lbs. thin 74.00; 500-600 lbs. 61.25-63.40, small lot 500 lbs. 67.20; 600-700 lbs. 62.40-64.20; 700-760 lbs. 60.80-64.00; package 804 lbs. 60.70. Large Frame No. 1 few 596-800 lbs. 61.50-62.90. Small Frame No. 1 few 523-600 lbs. 60.90-61.75. Medium & Large Frame No. 1-2 400-500 lbs. 61.20-67.90; 500-600 lbs. 60.50-62.90; 600-800 lbs. 57.90-61.50.

FOR THE WEEK: Compared to late last week, feeder steers over 600 lb. lost the early advance to

close steady to firm; steers under 600 lbs. and feeder heifers firm to 1.00 higher. Slaughter cows firm to 1.00 higher, late sales Utility and Commercial 2-3 43.00-46.40; few Cutter cows late from 39.75-40.25. Slaughter bulls generally steady, during the week yield grade 1-2 950-1500 lbs. 51.00-56.25; 1500-2000 lbs. 56.00-60.00 & one 2020 lbs. bull 62.00 late. Salable receipts near 14,200 head compared to 18,325 last week. The majority or fully 93% of the receipts consisted of feeder cattle & calves; Cows & bulls numbered near 950 head & comprised 7% of the total supplies.

Omaha Cattle

Thursday, April 23 WEEKLY CATTLE 51.

steers and heifers 1.00 higher. Cows 50-1.00 higher. Bulls steady. 14,150; Four Day Receipts 13,625: Last Week Year Ago

In early week trading a continued strong demand, reinforced by an upgoing beef trade, propelled steer and heifer prices to their highest levels since October 1980. However, at midweek the market direction reversed to the downside, under a dull demand, as the carcass trade moved lower and boxed beef movement became very sluggish. Nevertheless, this was the fifth consecutive week of higher weekly market trends.

Steers made up 44 pct. of 5 day receipts, heifers 29 pct, cows 7 pct., feeders 17 pct.

STEER: At midweek, load Choice 2-3 1275 lbs. 67.50, five loads Through midweek slaughter same grade earlier in week 68.00. Choice 2-4 1050-1325 lbs. 66.25-67.25. Choice, some Prime 3-4 1200-1350 lbs. 64.00-65.50. Mixed Good and Choice 2-3 1000-1250 lbs. 64.50-66.00. Good 62.50-64.50. Mixed Good and

Choice 2-3 1250-1400 lbs. holsteins 59.50-61.00.

HEIFERS: Two loads Choice, some Prime, mostly 3 1025 lbs. 65.50-65.75, load same grade earlier in week 66.00. Choice 2-4 900-1150 lbs. 64.00-65.00. Mixed Good and Choice 2-3 900-1050 lbs. 63.00-64.00. Good 61.00-62.50.

Average of LS-214 detailed quotations for Choice 900-1100 lbs. steers 66.88; 1100-1300 lbs. 66.82. Average cost steers this week 65.99, average weight 1187 lbs. as compared 64.00 and 1175 lbs. a week ago. Average cost heifers this week 64.45, average weight 1032 lbs. as compared 62.16 and 1036 lbs. a week ago.

COWS: High Cutter, Utility and Commercial 1-3 43.50-45.00, Canner and Low-Cutter 40.50-44.00.

BULLS: 1-2 1200-1800 lbs. 50.00-

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