

## Now is the Time

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on silage corn. Follow label directions for application rates.

### To Manage Farm Ponds

A nice farm pond is a great asset to any property. Many farms have ponds but too many of them are neglected. A pond needs attention the same as any other area on the farm. If we want that half-acre of ground, that is covered with water, to produce a crop of fish or provide recreation and fire protection, we need to give it some attention.

The problem with algae and weeds is very common at this time of year. Many hours of pleasant swimming, boating or fishing are ruined because of the mass of algae or weeds. Numerous chemicals can be used to control these problems but first, a permit should be obtained from the Pennsylvania Fish Commission. Application blanks for this permit are available from any Extension Office or from the local Pennsylvania Waterways patrolman. A good pond requires management.

### To Select Rams For 1982

Chester D. Hughes, Extension Livestock Agent, says not to wait until the last minute to purchase a ram for this year's breeding season. Now is an excellent time to be on the lookout for a ram that can improve wool production, frame size, lamb gains, or percent lamb crop.

If you start early enough, you can be more selective. Search for a ram that can improve your next lamb crop for traits most important to your situation.

You may want to increase milk production, produce polled lambs, improve post weaning gains, or

improve conformation. It is important that you study your flock to determine what are your greatest needs. Consider economically important improvements over all others. This year you may consider improving carcass qualities over wool production.

Remember to select large frame, sound and healthy rams from flocks with production records. Consider performance tested rams. Try to select rams that are twins to increase percent lamb crop.

### To Reduce Rural Crime

Rural crime has become a sad fact of life. Most facts and figures that we read indicate an increase in rural crime. There are many things you can do to "make crime more trouble than it's worth." That would include installing and using locks, bringing your equipment inside, or putting it in a well lighted area at night. Also, do not keep heading chutes near gates. One of the most important things you can do is to establish "crime watch" with your neighbors.

You also may be able to borrow an engraving tool from your local police department to mark your equipment with your driver's license number. Be sure to add DLPA then your number. These letters identify the number as Driver License, Pennsylvania.

## Livestock market and auction news

### St. Louis Cattle

Thursday, June 3

Report supplied by USDA

Receipts this week 3,900  
Week Ago 4,800  
Year Ago 4,200

Compared with last week's close, slaughter steers and heifers mostly 1.00 higher. Cows 3.00 lower. Bulls 1.00 lower. Slaughter supply mainly Choice and Choice and Prime 2-4 1050-1200 lbs. steers, around 35% heifers and 10% cows.

**SLAUGHTER STEERS.** Mixed Choice and Prime 2-4 1050-1275 lbs 73.00-74.00 early, package late 72.00. Choice 2-4 950-1275 lbs. 68.00-

73.00, closing 68.00-69.50. Mixed Good and Choice 2-4 900-1225 lbs. 66.50-71.00, closing 66.50-68.50. Good 2-3 900-1175 lbs. 64.00-69.00, closing 64.00-66.50. Mostly Good 2-3 1050-1650 lbs. holsteins 56.00-64.00, few closing sales 56.00-62.50. Package Mixed Good and Choice early 65.00.

**SLAUGHTER HEIFERS.** Mixed Choice and Prime 900-1050 lbs 70.00-70.50, package 71.00 early, load 995 lbs. late 70.00. Choice 2-4 900-1050 lbs. 66.00-70.00, closing 66.00-68.00, 800-900 lbs. closing 62.00-64.00. Mixed Good and Choice 2-4 800-1000 lbs 63.00-68.50, closing 63.00-66.00. Good 2-3 750-950 lbs

60.50-66.00, closing 60.50-63.00.

**COWS:** Closing weeks sales. Utility and Commercial 2-4 37.00-41.00. Boning Utility 1-2 41.00-43.00. Cutter 1-2 36.00-40.00. Canner and Low Cutter 1-2 32.00-36.00.

**BULLS:** Yield Grade 1-2 1050-2200 lbs. 46.00-62.00, closing sales 46.00-51.00. Few Yield Grade 1 53.00-53.25.

**FEEDERS:** (Including around 1,500 at the regular Thursday Auction.) Feeder Steers 1.00-2.00 lower. Feeder Heifers 1.00-4.00 lower, mostly 2.00-3.00 lower. Overall quality not near as attractive as past several weeks, due to a substantial increase in the percentage of Medium Frame Mixed 1-2 400-600 lb Steers and Heifers.

**FEEDER STEERS.** Medium Frame 1: Limited volume 450-600 lbs. 67.75-70.25, few lots 600-625 lbs. 67.00-69.00; 700-900 lbs 63.25-64.75. Medium Frame 1-2; several lots 300-500 lbs. 64.50-69.00; 500-600 lbs. 64.00-66.50. Large Frame 2 Holsteins: Several lots 350-800 lbs 55.00-58.00; lot 350 lbs. 60.50; couple lots 1000-1025 lbs. 53.00-53.25.

**BULLS:** Medium Frame 1-2 350-550 lbs 57.50-65.25, mostly 61.00-64.00.

**FEEDER HEIFERS:** Medium Frame 1: 325-500 lbs. 59.00-64.00, 500-600 lbs. 56.00-59.50; 600-725 lbs. 75.75-60.75. Medium Frame 1-2 325-600 lbs. 55.00-58.50.

## OUR READERS WRITE, AND OTHER OPINIONS

### Thanks

I would like to express the appreciation of Bureau staff for the fine soil conservation articles on Bob Wagner, Aaron Stauffer and Bob Lott; the editorial on soil stewardship and the other articles on conservation in the May 15, 1982 issue of Lancaster Farming. As usual, the stories were interesting and had an important message.

Too frequently establishing conservation practices is viewed as an activity that can be put off for another year. Your efforts in noting the need for and urgency of sound conservation practices were timely and most effective.

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Water Conservation  
Dept. of

Environmental Resources

### ANNOUNCING

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