

Livestock market and auction news

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75.00-90.00, few 90.00-98.00; high Good and low Choice 150-280 lbs. 60.00-75.00, 80-115 lbs. 45.00-55.00, few 55.00-64.00, 60-80 lbs. 43.00-50.00.

SLAUGHTER CALVES: Few Choice 125-270 lbs. 57.00-65.00; Good 130-250 lbs. 48.00-56.00.

RETURNED TO FARM: Few 90-115 lb. holstein heifers 100.00-120.00, few small frame 80-110 lbs. 85.00-98.00; bulk 90-120 lbs. holstein bulls 85.00-98.00, 100 head 100-105 lbs. 104.50-106.50; bulk 80-95 lbs. 65.00-85.00.

Weekly Summary

Friday, July 2

Report supplied by PDA

CATTLE: 6335. Compared with 7508 head last week, and 5090 head a year ago. Compared with last week's market: Slaughter steers, heifers & cows weak to 1.00 lower: Sl. bulls .50-1.00 lower. Sl. steers: High Choice & Prime 70.00-74.50; Choice 66.00-70.00; Good 59.00-65.00; Standard 50.00-59.00. Sl. heifers: Choice 60.75-66.00; Good 54.00-61.00; Standard 47.00-56.00. Sl. cows: Utility & Commercial 43.00-49.00; Cutters 40.00-46.00; Canner & L. Cutter 35.00-42.00; Shells down to 25.00. Sl. bullocks: Choice 57.50-61.00; Good 53.00-58.00. Sl. bulls: Yield Grade No. 1, 1200-2100 lbs. 51.00-58.00; Yield Grade No. 2, 800-1400 lbs. 46.00-53.00.

FEEDER CATTLE: Steers,

Medium & Large Farm No. 1, 400-800 lbs. 59.00-69.00. Heifers, Medium & Large Frame No. 1, 350-700 lbs. 50.00-60.00.

CALVES: 3966. Compared with 3917 head last week and 2760 head a year ago. Vealers unevenly steady. Choice 72.00-90.00; Good 65.00-82.00, 90-120 lbs. 55.00-71.00; 70-90 lbs. 45.00-62.00; Utility 50-100 lbs. 30.00-55.00.

FARM CALVES: Hol. Bulls 90-125 lbs. 70.00-105.00; Hol. Heifers 85-135 lbs. 70.00-120.00.

HOGS: 7436. Compared with 7321 head last week and 6420 head a year ago. Barrows and gilts mostly .50-1.00 higher. US No. 1-2 200-245 lbs. 61.85-64.00, few down to 60.00; No. 1-3 200-255 lbs. 61.00-62.50, few down to 58.50; No. 2-3 230-280 lbs. 56.00-61.85; (few) No. 1-3 150-190 lbs. 50.00-60.00; Sows 1.00-2.00 lower. US No. 1-3 300-600 lbs. 48.00-

57.00; (few) 400-700 lbs. 40.00-50.00. Boars 42.00-50.00.

FEEDER PIGS 1169. Compared with 1291 head last week and 1464 a year ago. Feeder pigs steady to weak. US No. 1-3 20-35 lbs. 20.00-43.00 per head; No. 1-3 35-50 lbs. 25.00-59.00; No. 1-3 50-70 lbs. 46.00-65.00.

GRADED FEEDER PIGS: 1557. Compared with 2452 head last week, and 1937 head a year ago. All sales CWT. Feeder Pigs steady to 14.00 higher. US No. 1-2 25-40 lbs. 130.00-151.00, few 176.00, 40-50 lbs. 123.00-142.00, 50-60 lbs. 102.00-125.00, 60-70 lbs. 88.00-114.00. US No. 2-3 30-40 lbs. 114.00-150.00, 40-55 lbs. 96.00-121.00.

SHEEP: 1136. Compared with 989 head last week 647 head a year ago. Mostly steady. Choice 60-115 lbs. 55.00-70.00; Good 50-100 lbs. 45.00-60.00. Sl. ewes: 10.00-32.00.

Lehigh and Bucks 4-H'ers travel to Italy

ALLENTOWN — The Cooperative Extension Services of Lehigh and Bucks counties report two area youth have been chosen as delegates of the International Farm Youth Exchange. Judy Holmes, Lehigh County, and Debbie Ehlman, Bucks County, will be spending six weeks learning about the rural way of life in Italy. Through IFYE, youth ages 15 to

25 are offered the chance to help create a better understanding among people of all nations. Judy and Debbie will live and work as members of host families. This program of cultural exchange originated in 1948, and since then at least 3,050 United States delegates have travelled to 89 different countries and 3,075 exchangees have visited the United

Harkin blasts brucellosis program shut down

WASHINGTON, D.C. — U.S. Congressman Tom Harkin (D-Ia.) took Agriculture Department officials to task last week in Washington over plans to shut down the federal government's program to control and eradicate brucellosis, a costly and highly contagious disease which infects cattle.

Harkin chairs the House Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry subcommittee. At hearings he called to study the Administration's plan to dismantle the eradication program, Harkin noted even Administration officials were admitting the program is on the verge of wiping out the disease.

Harkin blasted plans to stop the program so close to its goal, noting it has reduced the infection rate in

all cattle from 5.6 per cent in 1950 to 0.4 per cent today. "You may save \$1 today," Harkin told USDA officials at the hearing, "but you're going to wind up finding it costs \$10 tomorrow."

The plan to phase the program out is "foolish," Harkin charged. "It's like we're almost ready to eradicate small pox and there's ten cases left, and we say, 'Well, we're within striking distance so we're going to give up.' Sure it's going to cost some money, but the losses that are going to come if we don't do it are going to be far greater."

Harkin cited a USDA study which projected brucellosis losses among livestock producers will sky-rocket if the eradication program is ended, climbing from \$34 million this year, to over \$1 billion a year within 10 years.

States.

In order to participate in this event, the delegates must be evaluated according to their abilities and achievements in 4-H. Debbie and Judy both have been 4-H camp counselors and teen council delegates. Judy was a medal winner for her demonstration at State 4-H Achievement Days, Teen Ambassador, Teen Leader, County Fashion Revue winner and State Blue Form 4-H Achievement Record Winner.

Debbie has been active in 4-H for seven years and was a delegate to the 4-H Citizenship Short Course in Washington, D.C.

Through IFYE, Debbie and Judy will help other 4-H'ers become more aware of the opportunities open to them, increase their personal responsibility and maturity and better their understanding of different cultures so that they can share their experiences with others in the United States.

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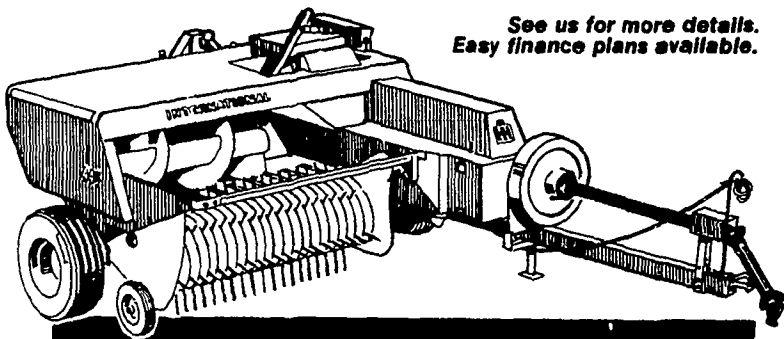
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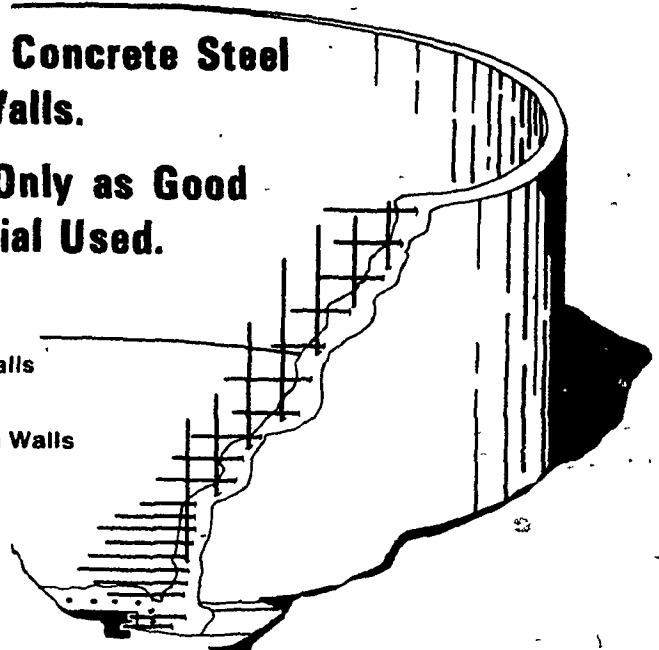
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