

Livestock market and auction news

Weekly Summary

Friday, June 15

Report supplied by PDA

CATTLE: 8070. Compared with 6926 head last week, and 6897 head a year ago. Compared with last Friday's market: Slaughter steers strong to 3.00 higher, most advance on high Choice & Prime, Standard & low Good mostly steady; SI. heifers steady to 1.50 higher; SI. cows mostly steady to 1.00 higher; SI. bulls mostly steady. SI. steers: High Choice & Prime 64.60-67.75; Choice 61.00-66.00; Good 55.00-62.00; Standard 48.00-55.00. SI. heifers: Choice 58.00-64.00; Good 52.00-58.50; Standard 47.00-54.00. SI. cows: Utility & Commercial 44.00-48.50; Cutter & Boning Utility 40.00-46.00; Canner & L. Cutter 34.00-42.00; Shells down to 27.00. SI. bullocks: (few) Choice 56.00-63.00; (few) Good 51.50-56.35. SI. bulls: Yield Grade No. 1 1200-2200 lbs. 49.00-56.00; few Yield Grade No. 2, 900-1400 lbs. 44.75-51.00.

FEEDER CATTLE: Steers, Medium & Large Frame No. 1 300-600 lbs. 50.00-62.00. Heifers, Medium & Large Frame No. 1 350-600 lbs. 43.00-53.00. Bulls, Medium Frame No. 1 300-800 lbs. 48.00-56.00.

CALVES: 4039. Compared with 3911 head last week and 3131 head a year ago. Vealers steady to 6.00 lower. (few) high Choice & Prime 110.00-118.00; Choice 70.00-90.00; Good 58.00-75.00; Standard & Good 90-110 lbs. 48.00-63.00; 70-90 lbs. 43.00-55.00; Utility uncertified 60-100 lbs. 10.00-50.00.

FARM CALVES: Hol. Bulls 85-135 lbs. 60.00-115.00, mostly 70.00-100.00; few Hol. Heifers 90-125 lbs. 60.00-75.00.

HOGS: 6331. Compared with 6830 head last week and 6158 head a year ago. Barrows and gilts 1.00-2.00 lower. US No. 1-2 210-250 lbs. 49.00-53.25; No. 1-3 200-260 lbs. 47.00-50.00; few No. 2-3 230-280 lbs. 45.00-49.00; Sows mostly steady. US No. 1-3 300-700 lbs. 31.00-45.00; few No. 2-3 400-750 lbs. 33.00-40.00. Boars 30.00-37.00.

FEEDER PIGS 1277. Compared with 1405 head last week and 783 a

year ago. Feeder pigs mostly steady. US No. 1-3 20-35 lbs. 16.00-31.00 per head; No. 1-3 35-50 lbs. 25.00-38.00; No. 1-3 50-70 lbs. 32.50-44.50.

3 GRADED FEEDER PIG SALES: 1583. Compared with 1136 head last week, and 1564 head a year ago. All sales by CWT. Feeder Pigs highly uneven, 5.00 lower to 20.00 higher. US No. 1-2 30-40 lbs. 80.00-120.00, 40-50 lbs. 76.00-125.00, 50-70 lbs. 70.00-112.00; US No. 2-3 25-40 lbs. 70.00-104.00, 40-55 lbs. 63.00-93.00.

SHEEP: 1228. Compared with 1864 head last week and 1109 head a year ago. Spring sl. lambs 2.00-4.00 lower. High Choice & Prime 50-11 lbs. 60.00-74.00; Choice 45-110 lbs. 52.00-64.00; Good 50-90 lbs. 43.00-57.00. SI. ewes: 5.00-21.00.

Indiana Livestock

Thursday, June 14, 1984

CATTLE: 164. Compared with last Thursday market: SI. cows mostly steady SI. steers: Choice 61.00-64.00 Good 56.00-61.25; Standard 52.00-56.25; SI. heifers: Choice 58.00-62.00; (few) Good 55.00-58.50; (few) Standard 48.00-53.00; Utility 45.00-50.00. SI. cows: Breaking Utility & Commercial 44.25-47.25 few 51.25; Cutter & Boning Utility 40.50-44.75 Canner & L. Cutter 36.50-40.75; Shells down to 28.00. SI. bulls: (few) Yield Grade No. 1, 1100-1700 lbs. 51.00-54.00; Yield Grade No. 2, 1000-1400 lbs. 45.00-48.00.

FEEDER CATTLE: Bulls (few) Medium Frame No. 1, 500-700 lbs. 48.00-52.00; (few) Medium Frame

No. 2, 400-600 lbs. 40.00-46.00.

CALVES: 185. Farm calves few Vealers 64.00-70.00. Standard & Good 90-120 lbs. 55.00-61.00; 60-85 lbs. 49.00-56.00; Hol. Bulls 90-125 lbs. 70.00-103.00.

HOGS: 181. Barrows and gilts 48.75-50.00 1 lot \$51.25. No. 1-3 215-260 lbs. 48.25-49.00; No. 2-3 230-260 lbs. 47.00-48.00; few No. 1-3 132 lbs. 43.00; Sows US No. 1-3 300-600 lbs. 42.00-45.00; Boars 30.00-36.50.

FEEDER PIGS: 32. (few) US No. 1-3 20-35 lbs. 18.00-22.00 stet; No. 1-3 40-60 lbs. 23.00-30.00 per head; (few) Utility 20-30 lbs. 11.00-16.00 per head.

SHEEP: 30. Few choice 80.00-90.00; Spring sl. lambs 60.00-61.00. Choice 70-75 lbs. 55.00-58.00; SI. sheep 11.00-12.50.

GOATS 7. 19.00-31.00 per head.



Provide special treatment area for cows

NEWARK, Del. — A good dairy herd health plan provides a place — other than the stanchions in the milking parlor — to restrain cows during treatment and routine medical examinations.

"Milking parlor stanchions weren't designed for restraint and treatment," says University of Delaware extension dairy specialist Dr. George Haenlein. "Once cows have been treated there, they may resist entering the parlor."

He suggests using a sorting gate controlled from the pit to guide cows leaving the parlor into a catch lane. "You can hold them in this area for treatment, hoof trimming and medical examinations," the specialist says. "Or you can move them into a pen equipped with a self-locking stanchion." A stall inside a stanchion or stall bar can also be used as the treatment area.

Be sure to locate in-barn treatment sites away from neighboring cows, he advises. "Try to pick a relatively isolated stall next to a cross alley. This will

provide better access to the cow during treatment," he says.

If possible, choose a stall that's easy to clean and maintain, and close to a convenient parking space for the veterinarian's truck as well as to sources of hot and cold water, heat and refrigeration.

"It's also a good idea to install rings in the ceiling of this treatment stall to serve as lifting points," Haenlein says. "Locate one ring above the cow's shoulders, another above the tail and a third 4 to 6 feet behind where she'll stand. Select rings that are strong enough to support the cow if she needs it."

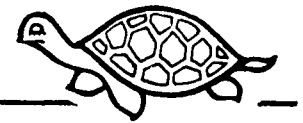
In addition to providing an area for treatment and routine

examination, dairy farmers should also provide a separate hospital pen for recovering cows. Animals with sore feet or bad legs and joints will recover more quickly if they're kept in a well-bedded hospital pen, the specialist says.

"Because of the social behavior

of cows in loose housing and the ever-present bossy cow, it is important to isolate expectant or sickly animals, and even those in estrus," Haenlein concludes. "This isn't just for your convenience; it's for the protection and general welfare of the cow."

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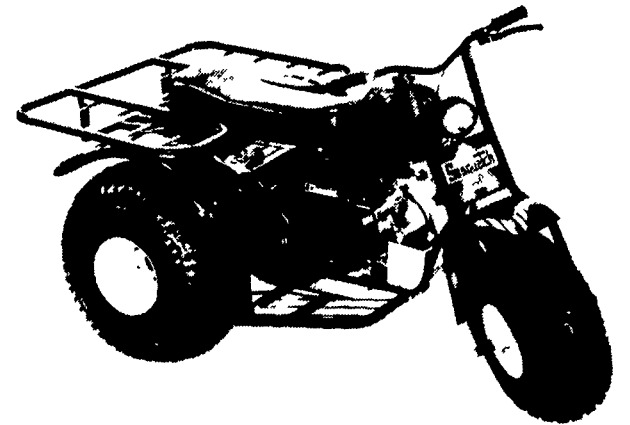
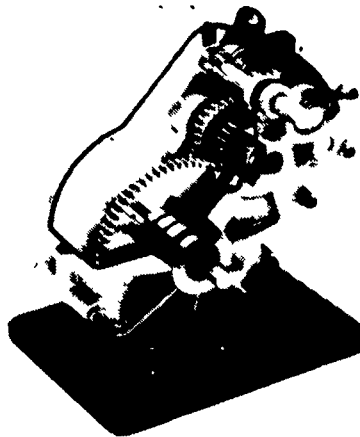
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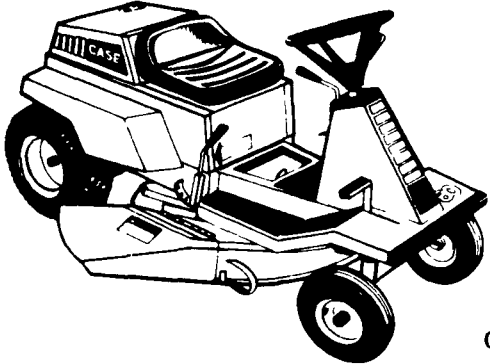
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