

Carlisle Livestock

Carlisle, Pa.

Tuesday, Dec. 30, 1986

Report Supplied by Auction

CATTLE: Steers: Medium-Good 51.25-56.25; Medium Holsteins 41.50-46.50. Heifers: Choice 52.00-54.00; Holsteins 41.00 & Down. Cows: Large Run - Steady Prices. High Yield None Offered; Good 36.25-38.25; Medium 33.50-36.00; Big Middle 31.00-36.75; Shelly 30.00 & Down. **FAT Bulls:** Medium-Good 45.75-47.00; Utility 37.25-40.50.

FEEDER CATTLE: Steers (600-850 lb) Medium 43.00-47.00. Heifers (all weights) Medium 44.50-48.00. Bulls (all weights) Medium-Good 37.50-47.50.

VEAL CALVES: Good Run! Steady Prices. Choice 80.00-90.00; Good 65.00-79.00; Medium 45.00-63.00; Few Light/Weak 44.00 & Down; Farm Bulls 80.00-107.00.

HOGS: Barrows & Gilts 4.00-5.00 lower than week. (US No. 1-3) 210-250 lbs. 47.00-48.85; Over 280 lb. 45.35-46.00; 2&4's (all weights) 37.00-46.50.

SOWS: 2.00-5.00 lower. Over 450 lbs. 37.25-40.75; under 450 36.75-42.50; Boars 44.00.

FEEDER PIGS: (by the hd.) (25-35 lbs. 22.00-48.00); (40-45 lbs. 48.00-49.00).

SHEEP: Lambs Steady. Good (Heavy) 53.00-64.00; Medium 52.00 & Down.

EWES: Mostly 25.00-37.00. Goats - (Lg) 44.00-50.00 (hd); Sm./Med. 25.00-40.00 (hd).

Next State Graded Pig Sale will be on Friday, Jan. 9th, 1:30 p.m.

Like many political refugees who have immigrated to the United States in the past 15 years, Kim Chi, a former Vietnamese refugee has adapted remarkably well.

She owns and operates the Campus Barbershop near the University of Maryland in College Park, and she has three American male barbers working for her in a four-chair shop. In old-fashioned barbershop tradition, she can discuss local politics and sports with her predominantly male clientele.

But Kim Chi misses some of the traditions and foods from her native land. One of these is the opportunity to eat fresh-dressed chicken which has been purchased at a live poultry market like those that she remembers from earlier years.

She can't stand to kill a chicken herself, but she would readily eat a fresh-dressed chicken that someone else has killed.

Multiply Kim Chi's tastes by three million Southeast Asians and 14 million Hispanics concentrated in California, Texas, Florida and the New York City area, and you'll

SLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield Grade 1-2 1100-1500 lb. 42.00-47.60; 1500-2000 lb. 46.60-50.75.

Resurgence Of Five Chicken Marketing Worries Commercial Poultry Industry

understand why live chicken sales are making a comeback.

Even Fidel Castro, premier of Cuba, insisted on his chef bringing live chickens into a New York City hotel when he headed a delegation to the United Nations in 1965.

"It's like a throwback to the 1920's" says Edward T. Mallinson, an Extension poultry veterinarian at the University of Maryland. Dr. Mallinson is an associate professor at the College Park campus of the Virginia-Maryland Regional College of Veterinary Medicine.

Bringing back the 1920s on the poultry marketing scene may instill a certain amount of nostalgia. But it could wreak economic havoc on today's poultry production scene, where commercial broiler flocks tend to be concentrated in specialized areas like southeastern Pennsylvania, the Delmarva peninsula and the Shenandoah valley of Virginia.

The main concern, says Mallinson, is that bringing live poultry to central markets tends to multiply by fantastic proportions the likelihood that avian influenza and other highly contagious diseases will be spread from farm to farm and from one type of fowl to another.

Ducks are fairly resistant to such diseases as avian influenza;

but they are notorious for spreading the bird-lethal virus to chickens and turkeys, which are much more susceptible, Mallinson explained.

Poultry producers in southeastern Pennsylvania and the Delmarva area ship most of their broilers to the New York City area. So that is the focal point for concern these days. Trade organizations like the Delmarva Poultry Industry, Inc., are maintaining constant surveillance on live poultry markets in and around New York City.

Trucks, chicken crates and people all contribute to the poultry disease problem, Mallinson noted.

Since the movement back toward the 1920s in live poultry marketing seems likely to continue for awhile, he reminds present-day industry people of a successful poultry health campaign of that era which helped to eliminate what was then called "fowl plague." The disease was similar to what we call avian influenza today, he explained.

That educational campaign of an earlier era was led by one of Mallinson's former professors, Evan L. Stubbs, known by many as the "father of poultry pathology." Now in his 90's, Dr. Stubbs is a

professor emeritus at the University of Pennsylvania's school of veterinary medicine.

At a recent regional meeting on practical bio-security procedures for poultry, Mallinson emphasized that:

"To repeat the success of the 1920s campaign requires that each segment of the total poultry industry must become part of an unbroken chain of upgraded hygiene and sanitation. This chain must include producers, catching crews and egg handlers, truckers and other people who assemble live poultry for shipment to concentration points in the marketing system. It also should include traders and dealers, auction managers and poultry processors.

"Any weak link jeopardizes the strength and safety of the entire chain. We either pull together for a healthy and prosperous industry, or we lose it," Mallinson declared.

Finally, the Maryland Extension specialist offers this comment for consumers:

"While a resurgence of live poultry marketing has serious disease implications for all poultry producers, these diseases are not transmissible to humans through poultry products."

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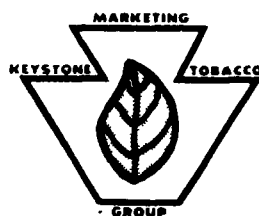


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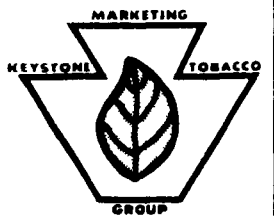
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All Sales Beginning At 9 A.M.

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Tuesday, Jan. 6 - Garden Spot, Blue Ball

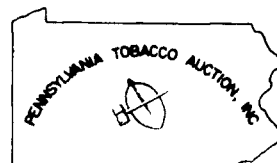
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