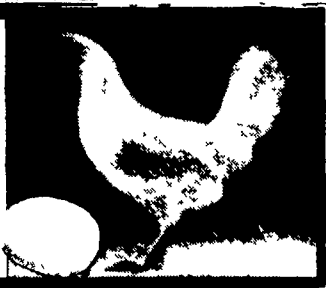


POULTRY MARKETS



Philadelphia Eggs

Thursday, May 7, 1987

Report Supplied by USDA

Market Comment: Prices were unchanged to lower. The market tone was about steady and testing. Demand for cartoned eggs was somewhat improved to mostly fair. Supplies of all sizes were adequate to ample with large in the longest position, however, interest in the large nest run classes was somewhat improved in response to features planned for next week.

Prices to retailers: sales to volume buyers, consumer grades white eggs in cartons delivered store door:

A Extra large .55-.62; A Large .53-.60; A Medium .43-.48.

Eastern PA and NJ Poultry

Wednesday, May 6, 1987

Report Supplied by USDA

Market Comment: Prices were unchanged in light and unaggressive trading. Offerings were light but generally adequate. Processed meat sales continued to be disappointing. Heavy type and

some medium brown layers had increased in availability but interest was of a lackluster nature.

Prices Paid at Farm:

Light Type Hens: .06½-.07.
F.O.B. Plant: .08½-.09½.

Hackettstown Poultry & Egg

Hackettstown, N.J.

Tuesday, May 5, 1987

Report Supplied by Auction

Heavy Fowl .35-.70.

Leghorn Fowl .20-.45.

Geese .80.

Batams .75-3.25.

Roosters .40-.85.

Bunnies (each) 2.00-2.50.

Ducks .50-1.45.

Rabbits 1.05-1.50.

Pigeons 2.00-2.70.

Guineas 2.05-2.10.

Eggs

White

Grade A

White

Jumbo X Lge. .49-.72; Large .40-.64; Medium .34-.68; Small .31.

Brown

Jumbo X Lge. .69-.86; Large .60-.70; Medium .51-.52.

Northeast Chicken Parts

Thursday, May 7, 1987

Comment: Buying interest remained active. Cutlets were well-cleared and the supply still remained light for the demand. Line run breasts were spotty and barely adequate to adequate for a fair call. Rib breasts were adequate at current price levels with some processors willing to sell any excess product at two to four cents over line run prices. Legs and wings were clearing easily despite the higher prices. Leg quarters were irregular as some sellers had no problem at 33-34 cents, while others were struggling a bit and were more in the range of 32-33 cents.

Breasts, skinned, boneless 1.95-2.00.

Rib-on-breasts .86-.87.

Line run breasts .80-.82.

Legs .43-.44.

Leg quarters .32-.34.

Wings .43-.44.

Backs and necks .11-.12.

Livers .20.

Gizzards (hearts) .20.

Today's negotiated sales as of 11:30 a.m. prices paid per pound on ice packed part delivered in pool trucklot and trucklot quantities.

Delmarva Poultry

Thursday, May 7, 1987

Market Comment: Demand for ready to cook whole birds continued good to very good for current offerings. Most plants know well cleared to short supplies. In the parts complex cutlets were adequate to short of a good call, with several plants noting insufficient boning time. Rib breasts were adequate and in fairly good balance. Legs & wings were about adequate & placements were fairly easy at unchanged to slightly higher prices. Leg quarters were in uneven supply ranging well cleared to available in spots. Less than trucklot asking prices were 1 to 2 cents higher & generally non-negotiable. Live supplies were mostly moderate. Weights were mixed in a full range. Slaughter schedules were moderately heavy. The undertone firm.

Estimated slaughter of broiler fryers in Delmarva:

Estimated 5/7 2,017,000; Actual 4/30 2,052,000.

Actual 5/5 2,008,000.

Average Weights 5/5 4.66, 4/28 4.67.

Weekly New York Egg Market

Northeast Quotes

From Friday, May 1 to Thursday, May 7

| | Fri. | Mon. | Tues. | Wed. | Thurs. |
|-------------|------|------|-------|------|--------|
| WHITE | | | | | |
| Jumbo | .71 | .71 | .69 | .69 | .68 |
| Ex. Large | .66 | .66 | .64 | .64 | .63 |
| Large | .63 | .63 | .61 | .61 | .59 |
| Medium | .52 | .52 | .50 | .50 | .49 |
| Pullets | .47 | .47 | .45 | .44 | .43 |
| Off Grade | .53 | .53 | .51 | .51 | .49 |
| BROWN | | | | | |
| Ex. Large | .79 | .79 | .78 | .78 | .76 |
| Large | .74 | .74 | .73 | .73 | .71 |
| Mediums | .56 | .56 | .55 | .55 | .53 |
| OFF GRADE | | | | | |
| Undergrades | .29 | .29 | .29 | .29 | .27 |
| Checks | .27 | .27 | .27 | .27 | .25 |

Breaking Stocks: Friday 48-50 lbs. 34.00-36.00; Tuesday 34.00-35.00; Thursday 32.00-33.00.

50 lbs. up Friday 36.00-37.00; Tuesday 35.00-36.00; Thursday 33.00-35.00.

N.E. Weekly Shell Egg Report

Tuesday, May 5

Report Supplied by USDA

Prices paid per dozen Grade "A" Brown eggs in cartons delivered to retail stores:

| | Ex. Large | Large | Medium | Small |
|----------|-----------|---------|---------|---------|
| N. HAMP. | .78-.82 | .72-.76 | .65-.69 | .41-.45 |
| Mostly | .80-.81 | .74-.75 | .67-.78 | .43-.45 |
| R.I. | .84-.88 | .78-.82 | .71-.75 | .46-.50 |
| Mostly | .84 | .78 | .71 | .46 |
| VERMONT | .90-.94 | .85-.89 | .75-.85 | |
| Mostly | .90 | .85 | .75 | |
| MAINE | .85-.95 | .79-.89 | .72-.82 | .48-.57 |

New York Multiple Drop Broiler Report

Thursday, May 2, 1987

Report Supplied by USDA

Current broiler-fryer negotiated prices for immediate delivery includes mostly multiple drop shipments to New York City from Delmarva.

Range: U.S. Grade A .49-.59.
Weighted AVG.: U.S. Grade A 54.64.

Premium (X) Boxes 10,261
(X) Includes special services, selected competitive brands, etc.

Daily Distributive

Thursday, May 7, 1987

Compared to early Wed: Choice & Prime special fed veal steady; Good & Choice boning veal supplies light, steady to firm in limited test. Choice & Prime lamb steady.

Veal Carcass - Hide On

(Some Carlot Sales Included):
Choice & Prime Special fed Kshr & Non Kshr 220-280 lb. 172.00-175.00 - steady; Good and Choice Boning Type - Northeastern Suppliers - all steady to firm.

65-75 lb. LTD 98.00; 55-64 lb. LTD 96.00; 45-54 lb. LTD 94.00; 35-44 lb. LTD 92.00; 34 lb. down LTD 90.00.

Lamb

Choice & Prime 55/dn lb. 187.00-193.00 - steady.

FOR THE WEEK: Choice & Prime special fed veal 2.00-5.00 higher. Good & Choice boning veal 4.00 higher in limited test throughout the week. Choice & Prime lamb steady.

Sale of Work Horses, Mules and Driving Horses

New Holland Sales Stables

New Holland, PA

Friday, May 1, 1987

218 head.
Load VA Work horses, pairs, 1275.00-1700.00, singles, 675.00-750.00.

Driving horses, NJ 700.00-1350.00; OH 600.00-1250.00; PA 575.00-1025.00.

Local driving, 400.00-1700.00; work horse pairs, 1125.00-1450.00, singles 475.00-925.00; mules, 425.00-600.00.

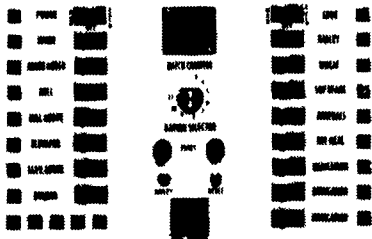


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