# Pa. Grain

April 29, 1996 Report supplied by PDA COMPARED WITH LAST MON-DAY'S MARKET FOR SOUTHEASTERN, CENTRAL, AND SOUTH CENTRAL PA: CORN.20 TO .50 HIGHER, WHEAT MOSTLY .75 TO 1.10 HIGHER, BARLEY STEADY TO .25 HIGHER, OATS STEADY TO .10 HIGH-ER, SOYBEANS .10 TO .20 HIGHER, EAR CORN 5.00 TO 10.00 HIGHER.

CORN NO. 2-Y RANGE 5.10-5.48, AVERAGE 5.26, CONTRACT FOR HARVEST 3.24-3.43; WHEAT NO. 2 RANGE FEW REPORTED 6.60-7.24, AVERAGE 6.96, CONTRACT FOR HARVEST 5.72-6.01; BARLEY NO. 3 RANGE 3.80-4.20, AVERAGE 4.04, CONTRACT FOR HARVEST 2.50-3.25; OATS NO. 2 RANGE 2.40-2.80, AVER-AGE 2.61, CONTRACT FOR HARVEST FEW REPORTED 2.10; SOYBEANS RANGE 7.70-8.15, AVERAGE 7.96, CONTRACT FOR HARVEST 7.47-7.65; FEW REPORTED GRAIN SORGHUM #2 RANGE 5.12, AVERAGE 5.12, CON-TRACT FOR HARVEST 3.15; FEW **REPORTED PER HUNDREDWEIGHT** BUCKWHEAT CONTRACT FOR HARVEST 10.90; EAR CORN RANGE 137.00-150.00, AVERAGE 142.69.

SOUTH CENTRAL

PENNSYLVANIA CORN NO. 2-Y RANGE 4.75-5.25, AVERAGE 4.92; WHEAT NO. 2 RANGE 5.50-6.00 FEW REPORTED 6.80, AVER-AGE 5.98; BARLEY NO. 3 RANGE 3.50-4.00, AVERAGE 3.80; OATS NO. 2 RANGE 2.50-3.00, AVERAGE 2.67; SOYBEANS NO. 1 RANGE 7.60-8.00, AVERAGE 7.86; EAR CORN RANGE 120.00-143.00, AVERAGE 130.60.

SOUTHEASTERN, CENTRAL & SOUTH CENTRAL SUMMARY

CORN NO. 2-Y RANGE 4.70-5.48, AVERAGE 5.11; WHEAT NO. 2 RANGE 5.90-7.24, AVERAGE 6.54; BARLEY NO. 3 RANGE 3.50-4.40 AVERAGE 3.95; OATS NO. 2 RANGE 2.30-3.00, AVER-AGE 2.58; SOYBEANS NO. 1 RANGE 7.60-8.15, AVERAGE 7.93; EAR CORN RANGE 120.00-150.00, AVERAGE 135.22.

CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA CORN NO. 2-Y RANGE 4.70-5.35, AVERAGE 4.98; WHEAT NO. 2 RANGE FEW REPORTED 5.90-6.90, AVERAGE 6.40; BARLEY NO. 3 RANGE 3.50-4.40; AVERAGE 4.00; OATS NO. 2 RANGE 2.30-2.75, AVERAGE 2.52; SOYBEANS No. 1 RANGE 7.80-8.00, AVERAGE 7.91; EAR CORN RANGE FEW REPORTED 112.00-130.00, AVERAGE 120.14.

WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA CORN NO. 2-Y RANGE 4.60-5.20.

AVERAGE 4.83; WHEAT NO. 2 RANGE

FEW REPORTED 5.71-6.50, AVERAGE 6.11; BARLEY NO. 3 RANGE FEW REPORTED 3.75-3.80, AVERAGE 3.78; OATS NO. 2 RANGE 2.25-2.50, AVER-AGE 2.41; SOYBEANS NO. 1 RANGE FEW REPORTED 7.78-7.96, AVERAGE 7.87; EAR CORN RANGE FEW REPORTED 100.00-110.00, AVERAGE 105.50.

#### MONTH AGO

CORN NO. 2-Y 4.22; WHEAT NO. 2 4.95; BARLEY NO. 3 3.29; OATS NO. 2 2.39; SOYBEANS NO. 1 7.31; EAR CORN 114.70.

YEAR AGO CORN NO. 2-Y 2.68; WHEAT NO. 2 3.45; BARLEY NO. 3 1.76; OATS NO. 2 1.62; SOYBEANS NO. 1 5.51; EAR CORN 72.79.

# National Grain Market ST. JOSEPH, MO

## MAY 1, 1996

Grain and soybean bids exploded, Wednesday, shooting limit up again. Wheat and corn bids were supported by active overnight export business, trade corrections, weather and crop concerns. Soybean bids received strength from higher wheat and corn trade and reports of substantial overnight Brazilian soymeal sales to China. Wheat 25 to 42 cents higher. Corn 11 to 21 cents higher. Sorghum 13 to 26 cents higher. Soybeans 21 to 27 cents higher. Very good export demand for US wheat to China lit a fire under bids after the past couple days of extreme lows on the board. Additional strength came from reports that the wheat quality council touring the hard red winter wheat areas estimated wheat yields even lower than earlier expected. Despite the much needed rain over the past couple of days, many winter wheat areas just aren't going to make it this year. Spring wheat planting delays also offered support to bids. Corn bids were higher after two days of active selling on the board. Weather seems to be a major supporter as planting delays due to rain and cold conditions in the northern Midwest are reported. Good overnight export orders for com was also a plus factor. Soybean bids move sharply higher on strong meal demand and active fund buying. Indications that China bought a large amount of Brazilian bean meal overnight, sparked bean trading. Export News: Purchaser Commodity Tonnage Del Date China Hard Red Winter Wheat 350,000 May 96/97 South Korea Soft White Wheat 27,800 May/Jul Hard Red Winter Wheat 14,600 May/Jul Hard Red Spring Wheat 15,200 May/Jul Taiwan Corn 54,000 May South Korea Corn 105,000 Aug/Sep Totals: Wheat 407,600 tonnes. Com 159,000 tonnes. Date Change Year ago Truck bids: 05/01/96 04/30/96 05/03/95 Wheat: Kan-

sas City (HRW, ORD) 7.12 up 25 3.97 Minneapolis (DNS, 14%) 6.84 1/2 up 30 4.28 Portland (SW) 5.60-5.73 up 40-38 4.35-4.38 St. Louis (SRW) 5.87-5.90 up 42-34 3.58-3.60 Com, US 2 Yellow: Kansas City 4.72-4.73 up 15-14 2.56-2.58 Minneapolis 4.65 1/4 up 11 1/4 2.44 1/4 Southern Iowa 4.75-4.77 up 19-13 2.52-2.55 Omaha 4.56-4.61 up 21-19 2.44-2.46 Soybeans, US 1 Yellow: Kansas City 8.07-8.08 up 23 5.74 Minneapolis 7.97 1/2 up 24 1/2 5.62 1/2 Southern Iowa 8.04-8.13 up 21-27 5.70-5.75 Cent IL Pro-cessors 8.09 1/2-8.17 1/2 up 22 1/2 5.74 1/2-5.85 1/4 Futures Close: Kansas City (July) Wheat 6.51 1/2 up 25 3.66 1/2 Min-neapolis (July) Wheat 6.34 1/2 up 30 3.73 Chicago (May) Wheat 6.76 up 34 1/2 Chicago (July) Wheat 5.97 up 30 3.59 3/4 Chicago (July) Com 4.66 1/4 up 14 1/4 2.57 1/4 Chicago (July)Soybeans 8.17 1/2 up 22 1/2 5.83 1/2 Export Bids: Barge or rail, Port of New Orleans or North Texas Gulf. US 1 HRW Wheat, Ord. Protein: 7.31 1/2-7.33 1/2 up 19-21 4.24 1/2 US 2 SRW Wheat: 7.67 up 35 1/2 3.90 3/4-3.91 3/4 US 2 Yellow Com: 5.00 1/4-5.02 1/4 up 16 1/4-15 1/4 2.82 1/4-2.82 3/4 US 2 Yellow Sorghum: Rail 8.29 up 25 4.92-4.97 Barge 8.54-8.58 up 13-17 4.93 US 1 Yellow Soybeans: 8.35 1/2-8.38 1/2 up 22 1/2 6.05 1/2-6.06 1/2

## Mercer Livestock MERCER, PA APRIL 30, 1996

CATTLE 309... PDA ..Compared with last week's sale...steers 1.00 to 3.00 lower, cows .50 to 1.50 higher.

STEBRS: High Choice & Prime 1025/1650 lbs. 53.50-55.50, Choice 1000/1525 lbs. 51.00-54.50, one 57.00, Select 44.00-50.00, Standard 32.00-42.50.

HOLSTEINS: few High Choice and Prime 1250/1550 lbs. 49.50-50.50, Choice 1100/1735 lbs. 44.00-48.75, few Select 42.00-43.50, few Standard 30.50-37.50. HEIFERS: High Choice and Prime 990/1350 lbs. 52.00-54.25, Choice 1000/1350 lbs. 50.00-53.50, Select 44.00-49.50, few Standard 30.00-40.00.

COWS: Breaking Utility and Commercial 33.00-36.00, Cutter and Boning Utility 27.50-34.50, few Canner and Low Cutter 21.50-26.50. Shells down to 17.00.

BULLS: few Yield Grade No. 1 1250/1925 lbs. 37.25-44.25, few No. 2 1050/2175 lbs. 33.00-36.50.

FEEDER CATTLE: STEERS: few Large Frame No. 2 700/950 lbs. 32.00-41.00;

HEIFERS: few Large Frame No. 1 715/875 lbs. 30.00-34.25, few Medium Frame No. 1 325/625 lbs. 34.00-41.00, one 50.00, few Medium Frame No. 2 500/700 lbs. 25.50-34.00; BULLS: few Medium Frame No. 1 550/700 lbs. 31.00-44.50, couple 225 & 275 lbs. 56.00 & 59.00, few Large Frame No. 2 750/950 lbs. 26.00-27.00.

CALVES 60...VEALERS: Standard and Good 85/155 lbs. 28.00-38.00, few Utility 50/75 lbs. 10.00-25.00.

FARM CALVES: No. 1 Holstein bulls 90/110 lbs. 77.50-94.00, No. 2 90/130 lbs. 41.00-75.00; few No. 2 Holstein heifers 75/130 lbs. 57.50-100.00. Few beef cross bulls and heifers 80/90 lbs. 41.00-62.50. HOGS 64...BARROWS AND GILTS:

US 1-2 200/250 lbs. 50.25-51.25, US 1-3 200/270 lbs. 47.75-50.25, US 2-3 230/300 lbs. 42.00-48.50, US 1-3 145/190 lbs. 35.50-42.00.

SOWS: few US 1-3 390/775 lbs. 32.50-34.50, few Medium 300/350 lbs. 27.00-28.50.

BOARS: couple 345 & 465 lbs. 25.00 & 25.50.

FEEDER PIGS 7...Few US 1-3 35/45 lbs. 38.00. --- per head. SHEEP 14...SLAUGHTER LAMBS:

few Choice 30/45 lbs. 90.00-110.00. SLAUGHTER SHEEP: 24.00-35.00.

GOATS 8...Few Medium 45.00-53.00, few Small Kids 12.00-16.00. --- per head.



