

**NY Phil
Frozen Eggs**

DECEMBER 13, 1996

Prices were unchanged to lower. The market tone was mixed from steady to weak, generally cautiously steady. Demand continued to decline and was mostly slow. Shell egg supplies were adequate to fully adequate, under a steady to weak market tone. Liquid and frozen eggs (ingredients included) processed under federal inspection for the week ending December 7, 1996 in the Eastern region were 22% more than last week, and 7% more than the same week last year.

WHOLESALE SELLING PRICES (CENTS PER POUND IN 30 LB. CONTAINERS) TRUCKLOTS LTL (MIN. 25 CONT.) RANGE MOSTLY RANGE WHOLE 71-73 74-77 BLENDS (I) TFEWR 92-110 WHITES 42-45 43-45 45-55 SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS) 98-102 99-101 103-115 SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS) 96-99 97-98 99-103 (I) - WHOLE PLUS YOLK PLUS SWEETENER, GENERAL- LY 28-32% EGG SOLIDS.

**National
Egg Market**

DECEMBER 18, 1996

Prices were unchanged to lower in all areas except the West Coast where prices were barely steady to weak across the nation. Cartoned egg movement into retail channels was moderate to good, but demand in all other areas was limited as there was no desire to hold floor stocks in excess of needs. Supplies were adequate to ample. Breaking stock supplies were also adequate to ample for the minimal inquiry, and prices trended lower. Light type hen supplies remained short to adequate.

**North Atlantic
Shell Eggs**

December 19, 1996

Atlanta, Ga.

PRICES TO RETAILERS WERE UNCHANGED TO LOWER; PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS IN NEW ENGLAND WERE LOWER FOR EXTRA LARGE THROUGH MEDIUM, BALANCE UNCHANGED. THE MARKET TONE WAS BARELY STEADY TO WEAK. RETAIL DEMAND REMAINED GOOD AS THE HOLIDAYS APPROACHED, BUT WHOLESALE INQUIRY REMAINED LIMITED. SUPPLIES WERE ADEQUATE TO AMPLE. PHILADELPHIA, PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR, EXTRA LARGE .91-1.12, LARGE .89-1.10, MEDIUM .84-.93.

**E. PA & NJ
Poultry**

DECEMBER 16, 1996

Demand was moderate to good. Offerings were more available and most processing plants were scheduled to operate at full capacity. Finished sales continued to easily clear available product.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) * FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 16-DEC-96 RANGE MAJORITY WTD AVG AT FARM BUYER LOADING 12-18 CENTS/LB. 14.5-16.5 15.67 AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING TOO FEW TO REPORT FOB PLANT TOO FEW TO REPORT * WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

Pa. Grain

December 16, 1996

Report supplied by PDA

COMPARED WITH LAST MONDAY'S MARKET FOR SOUTHEASTERN, CENTRAL, AND SOUTH CENTRAL PA: CORN STEADY TO .05 HIGHER, WHEAT & BARLEY STEADY TO .10 HIGHER, OATS MOSTLY STEADY, SOYBEANS UNEVEN, MOSTLY STEADY TO .15 HIGHER, EAR CORN STEADY TO STRONG. PRICES PAID DELIVERED TO DELIVERS DOCK: ALL PRICES PER BUSHEL, EXCEPT EAR CORN PER TON.

SOUTHEASTERN PENNSYLVANIA CORN NO. 2-Y RANGE 2.75-3.02, AVERAGE 2.91; WHEAT NO. 2 RANGE 4.59-5.00, MOSTLY 4.69-4.86, AVERAGE 4.64, CONTRACT FOR HARVEST 3.22-3.57; BARLEY NO. 3 RANGE 3.10-3.50, AVERAGE 3.28, CONTRACT FOR HARVEST 1.95-2.10; OATS NO. 2 RANGE 2.10-2.40, AVERAGE 2.28; SOYBEANS RANGE 6.65-6.94, FEW REPORTED 6.50, AVERAGE 6.76; FEW REPORTED GRAIN SORGHUM #2 RANGE 2.73, AVERAGE 2.73; AVERAGE MOISTURE NEW EARCORN RANGE 67.00-82.00, AVERAGE 73.00.

SOUTH CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA CORN NO. 2-Y RANGE 2.75-2.85, AVERAGE 2.79; WHEAT NO. 2 RANGE FEW REPORTED 4.00-4.80, AVERAGE 4.19; BARLEY NO. 3 RANGE 3.00-3.15, FEW REPORTED 3.40, AVERAGE 3.14; OATS NO. 2 RANGE FEW REPORTED 2.00-2.60, AVERAGE 2.30; SOYBEANS RANGE 6.35-6.60 FEW REPORTED 6.80, AVERAGE 6.57; AVERAGE MOISTURE NEW EARCORN RANGE 65.00-80.00, AVERAGE 72.14.

SOUTHEASTERN, CENTRAL & SOUTH CENTRAL SUMMARY CORN NO. 2-Y RANGE 2.75-3.02, AVERAGE 2.87; WHEAT NO. 2 RANGE 4.20-4.86, AVERAGE 4.44; BARLEY NO. 3 RANGE 3.00-3.50, AVERAGE 3.24; OATS NO. 2 RANGE 2.00-2.40, AVERAGE 2.25; SOYBEANS NO. 1 RANGE 6.40-6.94, AVERAGE 6.67; AVERAGE MOISTURE NEW EARCORN RANGE 65.00-82.00, AVERAGE 72.24.

CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA CORN NO. 2-Y RANGE 2.80-2.90

FEW REPORTED 3.10, AVERAGE 2.86; WHEAT NO. 2 RANGE FEW REPORTED 4.00-4.80, AVERAGE 4.33; BARLEY NO. 3 RANGE FEW REPORTED 3.00-3.70, AVERAGE 3.31; OATS NO. 2 RANGE 2.00-2.40, AVERAGE 2.19; SOYBEANS RANGE 6.40-6.80, AVERAGE 6.56; FEW REPORTED PER HUNDREDWEIGHT BUCKWHEAT RANGE 10.90, AVERAGE 10.90; AVERAGE MOISTURE NEW EARCORN RANGE FEW REPORTED 60.00-80.00, AVERAGE 70.83.

WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA CORN NO. 2-Y RANGE 2.50-3.30, AVERAGE 2.94; WHEAT NO. 2 RANGE 4.00-4.60, AVERAGE 4.29; BARLEY NO. 3 RANGE 3.00-3.16, AVERAGE 3.08; OATS NO. 2 RANGE 2.00-2.30, FEW REPORTED 2.50, AVERAGE 2.21; SOYBEANS RANGE 6.50-6.80, AVERAGE 6.65.

MONTH AGO CORN NO. 2-Y 2.83; WHEAT NO. 2 4.29; BARLEY NO. 3 3.26; OATS NO. 2 2.31; SOYBEANS NO. 16.50; AVERAGE MOISTURE NEW BAR CORN 67.62.

YEAR AGO CORN NO. 2-Y 3.58; WHEAT NO. 2 4.90; BARLEY NO. 3 2.65; OATS NO. 2 2.00; SOYBEANS NO. 16.84; AVERAGE MOISTURE EARCORN 94.15.

**National
Grain Market**

ST. JOSEPH, MO
DECEMBER 18, 1996

Wheat bids moved higher again due to fund buying on the board, the cold snap which threatens new crop wheat, and continued rising prices in Argentina. Corn and soybean bids fell slightly lower on lack of fresh export orders and profit taking on the board. Wheat 3 to 8 cents higher. Corn 1 to 3 cents lower. Sorghum mixed. Soybeans steady to 6 cents lower. The dropping temperatures in new crop wheat areas continue to threaten winterkill problems if there is no snowcover. There are no reports of damage yet but each day brings concern. Fundamental buying was noted in wheat pits today as reports that Argentine wheat prices continue to rise and their available wheat shrinks. Nothing new to report on export sales overnight for any commodity making corn and soybean bids lower. Early indications were that China may be in the

market for more soybean meal but nothing has been confirmed. Profit taking on the board was an additional weakening factor for corn and bean bids. U.S. Export Sales: Commodity Tonnage Del date Nothing new to report. Date Change Year ago Truck Bids: 12/18/96 12/17/96 12/20/95 Wheat: Kansas City (HRW, ORD) 4.70 up 4 5.37 Minneapolis (DNS, 14%) 4.45 1/4 up 6 1/4 5.49 1/4 Portland (SW) 4.16-4.20 up 3-7 5.56-5.57 St. Louis (SRW) 3.96-4.05 up 7-8 4.99-5.17 Corn, US 2 Yellow: Kansas City 2.66-2.68 dn 1 3.59 Minneapolis 2.45 3/4 dn 3/4 3.09 1/2 Southern Iowa 2.57-2.60 unch 3.39-3.41 Omaha 2.53-2.55 dn 1-3 3.29-3.31 Soybeans, US 1 Yellow: Kansas City 7.03-7.05 unch-dn 2 7.30-7.32 Minneapolis 6.68 dn 2 1/2 6.87 1/4 Southern Iowa 6.84-6.02 dn 6-2 7.10-7.19 Cent IL Processors 7.06-7.14 1/2 dn 5-2 7.25 1/4-7.38 1/4 Futures: Kansas City (Mar) Wheat 4.15 1/4 up 4 1/4 5.01 1/2 Minneapolis (Mar) Wheat 4.00 1/4 up 6 1/4 5.01 1/2 Chicago (Mar) Corn 2.64 3/4 dn 3/4 3.54 1/2 Chicago (Jan) Soybeans 7.04 dn 2 1/2 7.32 1/4 Chicago (Mar) Soybeans 6.99 1/2 dn 2 Export Bids: Barge or rail, Port of New Orleans or North Texas Gulf. US 1 HRW Wheat, Ord. Protein: 4.87 1/4 up 6 1/4 5.69 1/2 US 2 SRW Wheat: 4.45 3/4-4.47 3/4 up 6 1/2 5.55 1/2-5.57 1/2 US 2 Yellow Corn: 2.99 3/4-3.00 3/4 up 2 1/4-1/4 3.79 1/2-3.80 1/2 US 2 Yellow Sorghum: Rail 4.82 dn 1 6.99 Barge 4.94-4.98 unch-up 2 7.04-7.08 US 1 Yellow Soybeans: 7.43-7.45 up 1/2-dn 1/2 7.70 1/4

**North Jersey
Market**

Hackettstown, N.J.
Report Supplied by Auction
Tuesday, December 17, 1996
Hay—Straw & Grain Report
ALFALFA: 1 LOT, 4.10 BALE.
MIXED HAY: 9 LOTS, 1.05-3.00 BALE.
TIMOTHY: 2 LOTS, 2.20 BALE.
GRASS: 6 LOTS, 1.60-2.00 BALE.
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