DECEMBER 24, 1996

Prices were lower. The market tone was weak. Retail demand was light to good. Supplies were adequate or available. The New York state inventory was 13% less than the previous week and the New Jersey inventory was 27% less than the previous Monday.

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR, CENTS PER DOZEN.

RANGE EXTRA LARGE 90-92 LARGE 87-90 MEDIUM 82-85

North Atlantic Shell Eggs

DECEMBER 26, 1996

Prices to retailers in Philadelphia were unchanged to lower and prices paid to producers in New England were lower for extra large through medium, with the balance unchanged. The market tone was cautiously steady to weak. Retail demand was light to good. Supplies were adequate and available. Breaking stock 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, cents per dozen.

Extra Large 85-99.5; Large 83-97.5; Medium 78-85.5.

Boston: Prices to retailers, sales to volume buyers, USDA grade A and grade A, brown eggs in cartons, delivered store door, cents per dozen.

Extra Large 104-108; Large 100-104; Medium 88-90.

New England: Prices paid to producers,

cases exchanged, grade yield basis, brown eggs loose, at farm, cents per dozen.

Jumbo 104-107; Extra Large 80-83; Large 76-79; Medium 66-69; Small 44-47.

Dewart Hay

Dewart, PA. Monday, December 23, 1996 Report Supplied by Auction HAY: 80.00-162.50. STRAW: 76.00-97.50.

WOOD: 25.00-65.00 LOAD. CORN: 1 LOAD AT 81.00.

Pa. Grain

December 23, 1996

Report supplied by PDA COMPARED WITH LAST MON-AY'S MARKET FOR SOUTHEASTERN, CENTRAL, AND SOUTH CENTRAL PA: CORN STEADY TO. .05 HIGHER, WHEAT UNEVEN, .10 HIGHER TO .15 LOWER, BARLEY MOSTLY STEADY, OATS & SOY-BEANS STEADY TO .10 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 2.75-3.07, **AVERAGE 2.93; WHEAT NO. 2 RANGE** 4.60-4.95, FEW REPORTED 4.38, AVER-AGE 4.70, CONTRACT FOR HARVEST 3.22-3.64; BARLEY NO. 3 RANGE 3.10-3.50, AVERAGE 3.31, CONTRACT FOR HARVEST 1.95-2.10; OATS NO. 2 RANGE 2.20-2.40, AVERAGE 2.31; SOYBEANS RANGE 6.78-6.92, FEW REPORTED 6.60, AVERAGE 6.80; FEW REPORTED GRAIN SORGHUM #2 RANGE 2.81, AVERAGE 2.81; AVER-AGE MOISTURE NEW EARCORN RANGE 67.00-85.00, AVERAGE 75.00.

SOUTH CENTRAL

PENNSYLVANIA CORN NO. 2-Y RANGE 2.75-2.90, AVERAGE 2.81; WHEAT NO. 2 RANGE 4.25-4.75, FEW REPORTED 4.00, AVER-AGE 4.31; BARLEY NO. 3 RANGE 3,00-3.20, FEW REPORTED 3.40, AVER-AGE 3.15; OATS NO. 2 RANGE FEW REPORTED 2.00-2.60, AVERAGE 2.33; SOYBEANS RANGE 6.35-6.85, AVER-AGE 6.61; AVERAGE MOISTURE NEW EARCORN RANGE 65.00-80.00, AVER-AGE 74.43.

SOUTHEASTERN, CENTRAL & SOUTH CENTRAL SUMMARY

CORN NO. 2-Y RANGE 2.75-3.07, AVERAGE 2.91; WHEAT NO. 2 RANGE 4.25-4.95, AVERAGE 4.54; BARLEY NO. 3 RANGE 3.00-3.50, AVERAGE 3.24; OATS NO. 2 RANGE 2.00-2.40, AVERAGE 2.28; SOYBEANS NO. 1 RANGE 6.40-6.92, AVERAGE 6.70; AVERAGE MOISTURE NEW EAR-CORN RANGE 60.00-85.00, AVERAGE

CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA

CORN NO. 2-Y RANGE 2.80-3.05 FEW REPORTED 3.15, AVERAGE 2.91; WHEAT NO. 2 RANGE FEW **REPORTED 4.00-4.75, AVERAGE 4.44;** BARLEY NO. 3 RANGE 3.15-3.40, AVERAGE 3.27; OATS NO. 2 RANGE 2.00-2.35, AVERAGE 2.23; SOYBEANS RANGE 6.40-6.80, AVERAGE 6.56; FEW REPORTED PER HUNDREDWEIGHT BUCKWHEAT RANGE 10.90, AVER-AGE 10.90; AVERAGE MOISTURE NEW EARCORN RANGE FEW REPORTED 60.00-85.00, AVERAGE

WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA CORN NO. 2-Y RANGE 2.62-3.30, **AVERAGE 2.97: WHEAT NO. 2 RANGE** 4.00-4.55, AVERAGE 4.28; BARLEY NO. 3 RANGE 3.00-3.21, AVERAGE 3.11; OATS NO. 2 RANGE 2.20-2.51, FEW REPORTED 2.00, AVERAGE 2.28;

ome markets not available due to the holiday

SOYBEANS RANGE 6.55-6.69, AVER-

MONTH AGO

CORN NO. 2-Y 2.85; WHEAT NO. 2 4.41; BARLEY NO. 3 3.23; OATS NO. 2 2.30; SOYBEANS NO. 1 6.61; AVERAGE MOISTURE NEW EAR CORN 69.04. YEAR AGO

CORN NO. 2-Y 3.67; WHEAT NO. 2 4.93; BARLEY NO. 3 2.65; OATS NO. 2 2.07; SOYBEANS NO. 1 6.95; AVERAGE MOISTURE EARCORN 95.69.

National Grain Market

ST. JOSEPH, MO **DECEMBER 24, 1996**

Grain and soybean bids finished steady to slightly higher, supported by fair over-night export sales to Taiwan and fund buying on the board. Traders position them-selves going into the holiday shortened week. Wheat 1 to 3 cents higher. Corn steady. Sorghum 1 to 6 cents higher. Soybeans 7 cents higher. U.S. Export Sales: Commodity Tonnage Del date Taiwan Com 20,000 Jan/Feb Taiwan Soybeans 10,000 Jan/Feb Totals: Com 20,000 tonnes. Soybeans 10,000 tonnes. Date Change Year ago Truck Bids: 12/24/96 12/23/96

12/26/95 Wheat: Kansas City (HRW, ORD) 4.56 dn 2 5.39 Minneapolis (DNS, 14%) 4.16 1/2 dn 1 1/4 5.50 1/2 Portland (SW) 4.06-4.10 up 2-3 5.51-5.52 St. Louis (SRW) 3.91-4.00 up 3-1 4.99-5.16 Corn, US 2 Yellow: Kansas City 2.68-2.70 unch 3.67-3.68 Minneapolis 2.47 3/4 up 1/4 3.16 Southern Iowa NA 3.45-3.48 Omaha NA 3.36-3.37 Soybeans, US 1 Yellow: Kansas City 7.05-7.08 up 7 7.31 Minneapolis 6.71 up 7 6.92 1/2 Southern Iowa NA 7.00-7.16 Cent IL Processors**7.12 1/4-7.18 1/4 up 7 ** 7.31 1/2-7.36 1/2 Futures: Kansas City (Mar) Wheat 4.06 dn 2 5.04 1/4 Minneapolis (Mar) Wheat 3.86 1/2 dn 1 1/4 4.95 1/2 Chicago (Mar) Wheat 3.91 3/4 up 1 1/4 5.03 1/2 Chicago (Mar) Com 2.66 3/4 up 1 3/4 3.

63 Chicago (Jan) Soybeans 7.07 up 7 7.30 1/2 Chicago (Mar) Soybeans 7.03 1/4 up 7 Export Bids: Barge or rail, Port of New Orleans or North Texas Gulf. US 1 HRW Wheat, Ord. Protein: 4.78 dn 2 5.70 1/4-5.72 1/4 US 2 SRW Wheat: 4.36 3/4-4.38 3/4 up 1 1/4 5.55 1/2-5.57 1/2 US 2 Yellow Com: 3.01 3/4-3.02 1/4 up 1/4-dn 1/4 3.89-3.90 US 2 Yellow Sorghum: Rail 4.85 unch 7.14 Barge 4.98 up 6-1 7.18-7.21 US 1 Yellow Soybeans: 7.45 up

7-5 7.73 1/2

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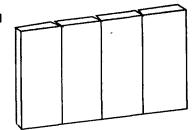
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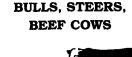


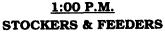














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