LANCASTER COUNTY LIVESTOCK MARKET AUCTION

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MONDAY MAY 25, 1998 CATTLE CALVES HOGS SHEET MONDAY'S AUCTION 411 LAST WEEK 793 342 LAST YEAR 781 153 257 AUCTION NOT COVERED, FEDERAL HOLIDAY

VINTAGE LIVESTOCK AUCTION **TUESDAY MAY 26, 1998** CATTLE CALVES SHEEP TODAY 720 605

LAST TUESDAY 413 598 15 LAST YEAR 570 663

CATTLE No comparison due to Memorial Day Holiday Sales started out with a lowr undertone, but mostly recovered by mid-session Part of the could be blamed on the full weighing conditions Holstein steer prices were sharply lower than last week Trading was fairly active on slaughter cows and Supply included 36 percent slaughter steers and 57 percent slaughcows

SLAUGHTER STEERS High Choice and Prime 2-4 1205-1375 lbs 63 75-68 00, individual 1345 lbs 70 00 Choice 2-3 1030-1480 lbs 61 85dressing 64 00-67 00 65 00, high Select and low Choice 2-3 1030 1480 lbs 58 00-62 50, few 1465-1685 lbs 55 25-60 00

HOLSTEIN STEERS Choice, few Prime 2-3 1330-1610 lbs 53 50-55 75, indi-1725 lbs 52 00 Select and low Choice 2-3 package 1380 lbs 52 75 Select 1-2 1130-1365 lbs 43 75-50 00 SLAUGHTER HEIFERS Choice, few Prime 2-4 1055-1320 lbs 59 25-Prime 2-4 1055-1320 lbs Herferettes few Choice 3-4 1245-1410 lbs 53 00-57 85

SLAUGHTER COWS HIGH DRESS DRESSING BULK Brkg Utility/Commercial 2 4 37 50-40 00 40 00-44 25 ter/Boning; Utility 1-3 34 00-37 50 up to 42 25 Canner/low Cutter 1-2 31 50-34 75

34 50-38 50 SLAUGHTER BULLS Yield grade I 1375-2210 lbs 46 75-51 25 Yield grade 2 1010-1705 lbs 43 75-46 50 BULLOCKS few Select 1-3 1215-1560 lbs 50 00-55 00

CALVES Compared to last Tuesday, a fairly large number of vealers sold 5 00-7 00 higher Holstein bull calves returning to feed sold steady to 5 00 higher, but the heifers were mostly

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good for most all of the however, the plainer or No 2 calves old weak This week's offering included 588 head in the State graded sale and 84 percent returned to farm Good and Choice 75-110 **VEALERS** lbs 22 00-33 00 Few Standard and low 60-90 lbs 10 00-20 00 Good

RETURNED TO FARM Holstein bulls 95-125 lbs 107 00-121.00 Plainer 90-115 lbs 88 00-104 00, few weaker calves 65-105 lbs 30 00-52 00 heifers 85-120 lbs 101 00-149 00 Plainer calves 70-105 lbs 45 00-67 00

New Holland Livestock

New Holland, Pa. Thursday, May 28, 1998 Report Supplied by USDA

Cattle Calves Sheep Goats Today 1446 134 612 216 Last Thursday

1393 670 CATTLE: COMPARED TO TUES-DAY, SLAUGHTER STEERS SOLD STEADY TO WEAK. MOST OF THE WEAKNESS WAS NOTED ON HIGH CHOICE AND PRIME CATTLE, OF WHICH PREMIUMS WERE ALMOST NON-EXISTENT. SLAUGHTER HEIF-ERS WERE NOT WELL TESTED. SLAUGHTER COW TRADING WAS ACTIVE WITH PRICES TRENDING MOSTLY 1.00 HIGHER. SLAUGHTER **BULLS SOLD FULLY STEADY. SUPP-**LY INCLUDED 56 PERCENT SLAUGH-TER STEERS AND 28 PERCENT SLAUGHTER COWS.

SLAUGHTER STEERS: HIGH **CHOICE AND PRIME 2-4 1200-1430** LBS. 63.50-65.85, SEVERAL YIELD GRADE 5'S DOWN TO 56.50. CHOICE 2-3 1055-1490 LBS. 61.75-65.00, FEW HIGH DRESSING UP TO 66.75. SELECT AND LOW CHOICE 2-3 1030-1480 LBS. 58.50-62.50; 1485-1635 LBS, 55,00-59.50. FEW SELECT 1-3 1090-1420 LBS. 54.50-60.75.

HOLSTEIN STEERS: HIGH CHOICE AND PRIME 3 PACKAGE 1578 LBS. 57.85. CHOICE 2-3 1290-1640 LBS. 54.50-57.10, FEW SELECT AND LOW CHOICE 2-3 1330-1420 LBS. 50.50-54.00. SELECT 1-2 975-1415 LBS. 48.50-52.50.

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: FEW CHOICE 2-3 1100-1465 LBS. 60.00-62.35. HEIFERETTES: CHOICE

3-4 990-1285 LBS. 54.00-58.25. SLAUGHTER COWS: BRKG UTILITY/COMMERCIAL 2-4 LOW DRESSING 37.00-41.00, BULK 41.00-45.00, HIGH DRESSING UP TO 47.75. CUTTER/BONING UTILITY 1-3 LOW DRESSING 35.00-38.50, BULK 38.00-41.75, HIGH DRESSING 42.00-46.00. CANNER/LOW CUTTER 1-2 LOW DRESSING 31.00-35.75, BULK 35.00-39.50.

SLAUGHTER BULLS: YIELD GRADE 1 1130-2200 LBS. 47.50-54.50; YIELD GRADE 2 1020-1550 LBS. 40.00-47.50.

CALVES: THERE WAS NO COM-PARISON AVAILABLE FOR MON-DAY, DUE TO HOLIDAY. VEAL CALVES SHOWED A LOWER UNDER-TONE AND SLAUGHTER CALVES WERE NEAR STEADY WITH LAST WEEK IN A LIGHT TEST. DEMAND WAS VERY GOOD FOR CALVES RETURNING TO FEED, ESPECIALLY FOR FRESH HEIFER CALVES OVER 90 LBS. OVER 85 PERCENT OF SUPPLY RETURNED TO FARM.

VEALERS: FEW GOOD AND CHOICE 80-110 LBS. 20.00-27.00. FEW STANDARD AND LOW GOOD 60-90 LBS. 10.00-15.00.

SLAUGHTER CALVES: FEW GOOD

85.00-100.00, FEW UTILITY AND LOW GOOD 250-350 LBS. 70.00-80.00.

RETURNED TO FARM: HOLSTEIN BULLS 90-125 LBS. 95.00-122.00, FEW TO 127.00. PLAINER CALVES 80-115 LBS. 55.00-97.00, WEAKER CALVES 60-90 LBS. 30.00-45.00. FEW HOLS-TEIN HEIFERS 90-120 LBS. 135.00-177.00. PLAINER CALVES 80-120 LBS. 55.00-112.00.

Lancaster County

Weekly NEW HOLLAND, PA FRIDAY MAY 29, 1998

CATTLE **CALVES** THIS WEEK 2629 1517 LAST WEEK 2394 1212 LAST YEAR 2817 1477 CATTLE: Compared to last week's

closing prices, slaughter steers sold weak to cattle. The market seems to be in a postholiday slump as boxed beef and futures prices were disappointing this week. Western feedlots had to settle for less money, again this week, to close at mostly 63.00 live and 100.00- 102.00 dressed basis. Slaughter heifers were not well tested. Despite lower boneless beef prices, slaughter cows ended the week steady to 1.00 higher and slaughter buils closed fully steady. Supply included 55 percent slaughter steers, 4 percent slaughter heifers, 31 ercent cows, 4 percent bulls, with the balance feeders.

SLAUGHTER STEERS: High Choice and Prime 2-4 1200-1430 lbs 63.50-68.00. Choice 2-3 1030-1490 lbs 61.75-65.00, high dressing up to 67.00. Select and low Choice 2-3 1030-1480 lbs 58.00-62.50; 1465-1685 lbs 55.00-60.00. Few Select 1-3 1090-1420 lbs 54.50-60.75.

HOLSTEIN STEERS: High Choice and

Some markets not available due to the holiday

Prime 3 package 1578 lbs 57.85. Choice 2-3 1290-1640 lbs 53.50-57.10. Select and low Choice 2-3 1330-1420 lbs 50.50-54.00. Select 1-2 975-1415 lbs 43.75-52.50, late in the week mostly

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: Choice, few Prime 2-4 1055-1565 lbs 59.25-62.50. Heiferettes: Choice 3-4 990-1410 lbs 53.00-58.25

SLAUGHTER COWS: LOW DRESS-ING BULK HIGH DRESSING Brkg Utility/Commercial 2-4 37.00-41.00 40.00-45.00 up to 47.75 Cutter/Boning Utility 1-3 34.00-38.50 37.25-41.75 42.00-46.00 Canner/low Cutter 1-2 31.00-35.75 34.50-39.50

SLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield grade 1 1130-2210 lbs 46.75-54.50. Yield grade 2 1010-1705 lbs 40.00-47.50. Bullocks: Few Select 1-3 1215-1560 lbs 50.00- 55.00.

CALVES: Compared to last week's close, vealers prices ended 1.00-5.00 lower and slaughter calves were mostly steady in a light test. Holstein bull calves returning to feed closed fully steady in active trading and heifer prices turned higher late in the week to finish 15.00-25.00 higher.

VEALERS: Good and Choice 75-110 lbs 20.00-33.00, late in the week mostly 20.00-27.00. Standard and low Good 60-90 lbs 10.00-20.00, late mostly 10.00-

SLAUGHTER CALVES: Few Good and Choice 250-350 lbs 85.00-100.00. Few Utility and low Good 250-350 lbs 70.00-80.00.

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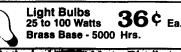
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