Greencastle, Pa. Report Supplied by PDA THURS., MAR. 16, 2000

CATTLE: 148: COWS 1.00-3.00 HIGH-ER WITH MOST STRENGTH ON LEANER KINDS, BULLS 2.00 HIGHER. **HOLSTEIN STEERS: CHOICE 2-3 1430** & 1495 LBS. 60.75 & 61.00, SELECT 1-2 FEW 55.00-57.00, FEW STANDARD 1-2 42.00-49.75.

COWS: BREAKERS 75-80% LEAN 40.50-46.50, BONERS 80-85% LEAN 39.00-44.00 WITH A FEW LOW DRESS-ING TO 37.75. LEAN 85-90% LEAN 32.75-42.75, BULK OF SALES 37.00-41.75 SELLS DOWN TO 28.00.

BULLS: YIELD GRADE 1 1310-1915 LBS. 49.75-55.00.

HEIFERS: M1, ONE 540 AT 79.00; M2 ONE 630 LBS. AT 57.00; L2 HOLS-TEINS, 165-300 LBS. 60.00-90.00. BULLS: M&L2 FEW 175-420 LBS. 70.00-73.00.

CALVES: 198. STANDARD & GOOD 75-100 LBS. 22.00-36.00, UTILITY 50-85 LBS, 10.00-20.00.

FARM CALVES: HOLSTEIN BULLS MOSTLY 10.00 HIGHER. NO. 1 85-125 LBS. 90.00-135.00, ONE AT 137.00, NO. 2 80-125 LBS. 40.00-90.00 WITH A FEW TO 105.00. HOLSTEIN HEIFERS STEADY. NO. 1 90-115 LBS. 260.00-305.00, NO. 2 60-90 LBS. 85.00-170.00. BEEF TYPE BULLS & HEIFERS 70-120 LBS. 95.00-110.00.

HOGS: 3 LT. WT. 40-45% 135 LBS. 3 HEAD AT 27.00.

FEEDER PIGS: 0 NO MARKET TEST. GOATS: 3 BILLIES: LARGE COUPLE 127.50 & 147.50, NANNIES: LARGE ONE AT 70.00.

Indiana Livestock

Homer City, Pa. Thursday, March 16, 2000 Report Supplied By Auction

CATTLE: 138. STEERS STEADY TO 1.50 HIGHER, COWS STEADY TO 2.00 HIGHER. HEIFERS STEADY. STEERS: CHOICE 2-3 1135-1475 LBS, 66,25-72,00. SELECT 1-3 60.00-65.50. HOLSTEIN STEERS: FEW CHOICE 2-3 1170-1315 LBS. 56.25-59.50, SELECT -12 COUPLE 47.00 & 55.75. HEIFERS: CHOICE 2-4 1070-1455 LBS, 63,00-70,00, SELECT 1-3 ONE AT 60.50. STANDARD 1-2

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COWS: BREAKERS 75-80% LEAN 39.00-49.50, COUPLE TO 47.25, BON-ERS 80-85% LEAN 34.75-40.75. LEAN 85-90% LEAN 29.00-35.00, SHELLS DOWN TO 29.00 & DOWN. BULLS: YIELD GRADE 1 1225 LBS. ONE AT 50.25. YIELD GRADE 2 960 LBS. ONE

FEEDER CATTLE: STEERS: FEW M&L1 450-715 LBS. 76.00-86.00, M&L2 495-830 LBS. 56.00-65.00. HEIFERS FEW M&L1 300-560 LBS. 73.00-90.00, M&L2 475-850 LBS. 50.00-72.00. BULLS: COUPLE M&LI 415 & 615 LBS. 76.00 & 80.00. DAIRY 575-775 LBS. 45.00-59.00.

CALVES: 82 FEW GOOD 135-170 LBS. 60.00-70.00, STANDARD & GOOD 90-115 LBS. 35.00-45.00. STANDARD & GOOD 75-85 LBS. 25.00-37.50. FARM CALVES: HOLSTEIN BULLS STEADY NO. 1 90-130 LBS. 92.50-115.00, NO. 2 80-120 LBS. 55.00-92.50. HOLSTEIN HEIFERS NO. 1 96 & 102 LBS. 270.00 & 320.00 COUPLE, NO. 2 50-115 LBS. 100.00-200.00. BEEF TYPE BULLS & HEIFERS 80-120 LBS. 97.50-140.00.

HOGS 34: BARROWS & GILTS STEADY TO 2.00 LOWER, 45-50% 245-270 LBS. 40.75-43.50, 40-45% 230-295 LBS. 33.50-39.00, SOWS; COU-PLE 1-3 355 & 455 LBS. 32.00 & 40.00. 1-3 700-735 LBS. 30.00-34.00.

FEEDER PIGS: 5 1-3 30 LBS. 22.00/HD.

SHEEP: 3 CHOICE 66 LBS. ONE AT 127.50. SLAUGHTER SHEEP 32.50 &

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Pennsylvania Livestock Auction

Waynesburg, Pa. Thursday, Mar. 16, 2000 Report Supplied By Auction

CATTLE: SL. COWS: UTILITY & COMMERCIAL 34.50-49.50; CANNER & BONING UTILITY 30.00-38.00; CAN-NER & LOW CUTTER 26.00-32.50; SHELLS 26.00 & DOWN. BULLS: YIELD GRADE 1 1500#-2000# 40.00-50.00; YIELD GRADE 2 1000#-1400# FAT 40.00-48.50.

FEEDER STEERS: M&L-1 300-500# 55.00-108.00; 250-280# 54.00-114.00, M 600-900 LBS. 40.00-80.00. HEIFERS M 1&L-1 300-500# 42.00-105.00; L-1 400-650# 42.00-90.00. BULLS M&L-1 300-620# 45.00-112.00.

CALVES: VEAL: PRIME 68.00-90.00; CHOICE 38.00-80.00; GOOD 35.00-70.00.

FARM CALVES: #1 HOLSTEIN BULLS 90-120# FEW 35.00-105.00; #2 HOLSTEIN BULLS 80-100# FEW 12.50-50.00; BEEF X BULL&HFRS./HD. 20.00-95.00.

HOGS: BARROWS & GILTS #1-2 210-255# 34.00-42.00, #2-3 255-280# 30.00-41.00; SOWS #1-3 300-500# 22.00-40.00.

FEEDER PIGS: 1-3 15-20# 5.00-17.00/HD.; 1-3 25-35# 10.00-21.00/HD.

LAMBS: HIGH CHOICE 80-100 LBS. 80.00-112.00; CHOICE 40-75 LBS. 80.00-140.00; FEEDER LAMBS GOOD 60.00-103.00; SHEEP 20.00-45.00; FAT SHEEP 59.00 & DOWN.

GOATS: LARGE 35.00-135.00/HD.; MEDIUM 30.00-70.00/HD.; SMALL 20.00-48.00/HD.

HORSES: 35.00-70.00; FONIES 20.00-50.00.

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\$3.1B in Farm

Subsidies Proposed

ments.

WASHINGTON (AP)-The Clinton administration is proposing new farm subsidies that would take effect when commodity prices are low.

The "supplemental income" payments, estimated to cost taxpayers \$3.1 billion this year, would vary in size according to fluctuations in crop revenue. They are meant to substitute for emergency subsidies that Congress has made the past two years to compensate growers for a collapse in exports and commodity prices.

Agriculture Secretary Dan Glickman said the program would "strengthen the farm safety net" until Congress rewrites existing farm policy in 2002.

"Payments will increase when times are the toughest and will taper off when prices rebound," Glickman said in a conference call Friday with farm broadcast-

The administration's proposal, which is similar to an idea offered last year by Rep. Charles Stenholm, D-Texas, is certain to run into opposition from many producers and lawmakers because of the limits on the pay-

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farmers would get far less than that because their annual "market-transition" payments, the fixed subsidies they receive under the 1996 law, would count

toward the \$30,000 limit.

Some 1.3 million farmers currently receive market transition payments, and 200,000 get at least \$10,000 a year. Of those, 30,000 receive more than \$30,000.

The payments would be peg-

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nationally over the past five

years for eight major crops-

corn, wheat, cotton, rice, soy-

beans, sorghum, oats and bar-

ley-and would be capped at

\$30,000 per operation. Most

"The size of an operation doesn't necessarily limit the difficulty that anybody has financially," said Dick Newpher, chief lobbyist for the American Farm Bureau Federation, the nation's largest farm group. "We would like to help all of agriculture."

But John Schnittker Sr., a private consultant and former Agriculture Department economist, said that capping the payments "is the right thing to do, both from the fiscal standpoint, to avoid runaway costs, and from the standpoint of getting most of the money to relatively modestsize farmers."

The program would fix what the Clinton administration and some producer groups see as a major flaw in the 1996 farm law, which scaled back income-based farm subsidies, ended controls on planting and gave farmers a series of fixed annual payments. Calties say the fixed payments

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STRAW, 14 LOADS TOTAL. ALFALFA: 132.50. MIXED HAY 90.00, 137.00, 86.00, 118.00, 132.50, 91.00, 85.00, 131.00, 152.50, 25.00. R. BALLS 23.00/BALE., STRAW: 67.50, 60.00.



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