Westminster Livestock Hagerstown, Md.

Report Supplied By Auction November 27, 2001

SLAUGHTER COWS: 92 HEAD, -2.00-3.00 HIGHER. BREAKERS 39.00-44.00, BONERS 37.50-41.00, LEAN 35.00-38.50, THIN 35.00 DOWN:

BULLS: 12 HEAD, 2.00-4.00 HIGHER. YG#1 52.00-56.00, HIGH DRESSING LIMOUSIN 1878 LBS. AT 65.25; YG#2 48.00-53.00, 8 SELECT TO LOW CHOICE BULLOCKS 49.00-56.00.

FED STEERS: HIGH CHOICE TO PRIME 1200-1450 LBS. 65.00-68.75, CHOICE 2-3 63.50-66.00, CHOICE HOLSTEINS 53.00-55.50.

FED HEIFERS: HIGH CHOICE TO PRIME 1100-1300 LBS. 64.00-66.00, 2 HIGH DRESSING 68.75 AND 69.75; YG#3-4 62.00-64.00.

CALVES: 141 HEAD. LOW CHOICE 200-325 LBS 72.00-80.00, GOOD 80-110 LBS. 45.00-60.00; HOLSTEIN BULLS RETURNING TO FARM, ACTIVE! 10.00-15.00 HIGHER. #1 94-120 LBS. 115.00-129.00, FEW TO 135.00, 85-94 LBS. 90.00-110.00; #2 94-120 LBS. 95.00-115.00, 80-92 LBS. 60.00-85.00; HOLSTEIN HEIFERS 9 HEAD. 110 LBS. TO 445.00; #2 65-95 LBS. 120.00-320.00; 1 STARTED 115 LBS. AT 200.00; BEEF X BULLS AND HEIF-ERS 75-95 LBS. 75.00-137.00.

BUTCHER HOGS: 14 HEAD. 275-325 LBS. 34.00-37.25, 325-375 LBS. 29.00-35.00.

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BOARS: 3 HEAD. 350-850 LBS. 14.00-16.50.

STOCK
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STEERS MED. AND LARGE FRAME
200-400
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HEIFERS: MED. AND LARGE FRAME 300-500 LBS. 68.00-78.00, 500-700 LBS. 64.00-73.00, 700-900 LBS. 50.00-60.00.

BULLS: 200-400 LBS. 80.00-95.00, 400-600 LBS. 65.00-77.00, 600-700 LBS. 60.00-68.00, 700-900 LBS. 53.00-60.00. SHEEP: 15 HEAD 35.00-50.00.

LAMBS: 73 HEAD. CHOICE 90-125 LBS. 52.00-60.00, 60-85 LBS. 60.00-71.00, FEW 74.00-82.00, 40-60 LBS. 70.00-82.00.

GOATS: 53 HEAD. LARGE BILLIES AND WETHERS 75.00-115.00, MEDIUM 50.00-75.00, NANNIES 50.00-75.00, FLESHY SMALL 45.00-65.00.

PIGS AND SHOATS: 23 HEAD. BY THE HEAD, 6 HEAD 40 LBS. AT 24.00, 1 80 LB. AT 52.00.

National Feeder Cattle Weekly Summary St. Joseph, Mo. November 23, 2001 Report Supplied By USDA

NATIONAL FEEDER CATTLE SUMMARY for week ending Nov 23. Receipts: this week 48,100; last week 176,300; year ago 65,700. Compared to last week, feeder steers and heifers sold 2.00-5.00 higher on this Thanksgiving holiday shortened week. Some earlyweek auctions were quoted as much as 10.00 higher by the USDA's Livestock and Grain Market News Service, after five straight weeks of lower prices. This market can make a cattleman feel like he's on a runaway rollercoaster, hanging on for dear life and his hat just flew off. It's unclear which factor is responsible for this sudden turnaround. Limited holiday receipts may have helped, but that is no reason to pay sharply higher prices. Recent rains across the winter wheat regions boosted calf demand. However, colder weather will soon put wheat into a dormant stage and conditions are presently so wet that cattle are sure to trompout what little grazing there is.

Last week's cattle-on-feed report showed light numbers of cattle weighing over 700 lbs placed on feed in October, which supported the yearling market and the spring outlook for fats. Also, cattle futures made significant advances and dressed beef prices turned sharply higher as buying increased for expected post turkey sandwich demand. Whatever the reason, this ride is headed back up after a dip that left most people's stomachs behind. Packers paid a full 5.00 more for slaughter steers and heifers this week at 65.00, and dressed sales were 4.00-5.00 higher at 105.00. Dispersal was good with the five major trading areas turning-in 199,400 head of negotiated sales to the USDA's Mandatory Price Reporting System through Friday afternoon. Cattle sellers were able to hold down their Thanksgiving dinner, but next week could be several dollars in either direction if this volatile trend continues. This week's reported volume included 37 percent over 600 lbs, but keep in mind that many Southeastern calf auctions were closed.

West Virginia

Feeder Cattle Charleston, W. Va. November 28, 2001 Report Supplied By USDA FEEDER CATTLE: Regular Sales Lancaster Farming, Saturday, December 1, 2001-A9

from Parkersburg, Moorefield and Riverton, W. Va. from Nov. 21 and 24... Prices per hundredweight.

STEERS: 345 head. Med. and Lge. 1: 200-300 lb 85-91.00; 300-400 lb 81-90.00; 400-500 lb 78-88.00; 500-600 lb 75-83 00; 600-700 lb 69-75.00; 700-800 lb 66.00; 900-1000 lb 55.00; 1000-1200 lb 60.75. Med. and Lge. 2: 200-300 lb 85.00; 300-400 lb 83-90.00;p 400-500 lb 75-79.00; 500-600 lb 62-78,00. Small 1 and 2: 200-300 lb 79-80.00; 300-400 lb 77-81.00; 400-500 lb 60-75.00.

HEIFERS: 83 head. Med. and Lge. 1: 300-400 lb 72-86.00; 400-500 lb 72-80.00; 500-600 lb 68-75.00; 600-700 lb 64.00; 800-900 lb 50.00; 900-1000 lb 50.00. Med. and Lge. 2: 300-400 lb 71-80.00; 400-500 lb 68-75.00; 500-600 lb 65-73.00. Small 1 and 2: 300-400 lb 67-71.00; 400-500 lb 65-66.00.

BULLS: 55 head. Med. and Lge. 1: 400-500 lb 62.50-89.00; 500-600 lb 73-81.00; 600-700 lb 52-74.00; 700-800 lb 45-61.00; 800-1000 lb 39-45.00. Med. and Lge. 2: 500-600 lb 71-79.00. Small 1 and 2: 500-600 lb 60-69.00.

Grantsville Livestock Grantsville, Maryland Report Supplied by Auction Saturday, November 24, 2001 STOCK STEERS AND BULLS 200-500 LBS. 45.00-97.00. STOCK HEIFERS 45.00-85.00. SLAUGHTER STEERS GOOD TO CHOICE UP TO 68.00 MEDUUM TO

CHOICE UP TO 68.00, MEDIUM TO GOOD 45.00-62.00. HOLSTEIN STEERS GOOD 42.00-55.00, LIGHT 57.00-70.00. SLAUGHTER HEIFERS GOOD TO

CHOICE UP TO 65.00, MEDIUM TO GOOD 50.00-58.50. BULLS HEAVY 42.00-51.00, LIGHT 32.00-68.00 COWS UTILITY HOLSTEINS 35.50-42.50, CANNERS 32.00-37.50, CULLS 32.00 AND DOWN.

BOB CALVES 50.00 AND DOWN. HOLSTEIN BULL CALVES RETURN TO FARM 90-120 LBS. UP TO 100.00.

HOLSTEIN HEIFER CALVES RETURN TO FARM UP TO 180.00. BEEF CROSS CALVES RETURN

TO FARM UP TO 135.00. HOGS TOP QUALITY UP TO 52.00,

HEAVY UP TO 47.00, LIGHT 30.00-45.00, FEEDER PIGS BY HEAD UP TO 35.00.

SOWS 20.00-40.00. MALE HOGS 12.00-30.00.

MALE HOCS 12:00-30:00. LAMBS 70-85 LBS. UP TO 70:00, 85-125 LBS. UP TO 60:00, 30-60 LBS. UP TO 100:00, CULLS UP TO 60:00. SHEEP UP TO 35:00.

GOATS LARGE 55.00-150.00, MEDIUM 25.00-70.00, SMALL 10.00-40.00, ALL BY THE HEAD. NO SALE DEC. 22, 2001.

Livestock Cooperative **Auction Market Of** North Jersey Hackettstowa, N.J. **Report Supplied by Auction** Tuesday, November 27, 2001 CALVES .14-5.50. COWS .221/2-.43. EASY COWS .191/2-.351/4. FEEDERS 300-600 LBS. .38-.94. HEIFERS 35-.571/2. BULLS 431/2-.551/2. STEERS .391/4-.63. HOGS .221/2-.58. ROASTING PIGS EACH, NONE. BOARS .08-.32. SOWS, NONE. SHEEP .10-.50.

LAMBS EA. 20.00-91.00. LAMBS PER LB. .53-1.27.





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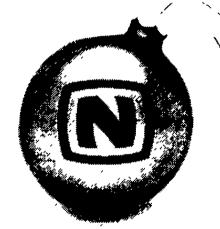
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