Belknap Livestock Belknap, Pa. **Report Supplied By USDA** April 23, 2003

CATTLE 153...(PDA)..steers and bulls steady, cows steady to 3.00 lower on 75-80% lean.

STEERS: Choice 1-2 1102 & 1376 lbs 74.00 & 78.50, Select 1-2 68.00-71.75, Standard 1-2 61.50-66.50.

HOLSTEIN STEERS: Choice 2-3 1100-1415 lbs 62.25-64.75, Select 1-2 57.25-61.25.

HEIFERS: Select 1-2 65.50-68.75, Standard 1-2 52 50-55 00

COWS: Breakers 75-80% lean 44.75-50.00, Boners 80-85% lean 38.25-43.75, Lean 85-90% lean 33.00-38.50. Shells 32.50 and down.

BULLS: Yield Grade 1 1370 & 1925 lbs 49.25 & 50.50, Yield Grade 2 990-2415 lbs 41.00-48.50.

FEEDER CATTLE: STEERS: few Medium 1 545-610 lbs 72.50-78.50, Medium 2 425-620 lbs 62.50-69.00; HEIFERS: Medium and Large 1 300-495 lbs 66.00-69.00, 560-625 lbs 63.50-69.00, Medium and Large 2 435-495 lbs 52.00-63.00, 540-700 lbs 48.00-60.00; BULLS: Medium and Large 2 400-625 lbs 56.00-68.00.

CALVES 70...VEALERS: Standard and Good 60-120 lbs 35.00-55.00. Utility 50-100 lbs 15.00-32.00. FARM CALVES: No 1 Holstein bulls 90-120 lbs 130.00-152.50, one 170.00, No 2 80-100 lbs 80.00-130.00; one No 1 Holstein heifer 96 lbs 260.00.

Beef cross bulls and heifers 45-105 lbs 95.00-173.00.

HOGS 70...Barrows and gilts steady to 4.00 lower. BARROWS AND GILTS: 45-50% lean 220-300 lbs 33.00-36.25, 40-45% lean 210-320 lbs 25.00-30.75.

SOWS: 1-3 315-460 lbs 20.00-26.00, 558 & 740 lbs 19.50 & 22.50, Medium 245-310 lbs 6,00-7,50.

BOARS: 285-645 lbs 5.50-15.00.

FEEDER PIGS 33...2-3 25-35 lbs 16.00-26.00, 1-3 65-80 lbs 35.00 per head SHEEP 20...SLAUGHTER LAMBS: Choice 46-67 lbs 122.00-128.00, Good and Choice 32-75 lbs 80.00-95.00. Slaughter

Sheep: 20.00-28.00. GOATS 0...NO MARKET TEST!

Carlisle Livestock

Carlisle, Pa. **Report Supplied by Auction** Tuesday, April 22, 2003

SLAUGHTER CATTLE: STEERS. HOLSTEINS LOW CHOICE LIGHTS 64.00; COWS BREAKERS 44.00-47.00. BONERS 39.75-44.00, LEAN 33.00-40.75, BIG MIDDLE, LOW DRESSING, LIGHTS 30.00-37.75, SHELLY TO 29.00; BULLS 1300-1855 LBS. 50.50-55.75.

FEEDER CATTLE: FEEDER STEERS MEDIUM AND LARGE +N1 300-550 LBS. 77.00-98.00, MEDIUM AND LARGE +N2 600-950 LBS. 63.00-73.00; HOLSTEINS, DAIRY TYPES 57.00-76.00; FEEDER HEIFERS MEDIUM AND LARGE +N1 300-550 LBS. 72.50-90.00, MEDIUM AND LARGE +N2 BEEF AND DAIRY 600-950 IBS. 44.00-70.00; FEEDER BULLS MEDIUM AND LARGE +N1 AND +N2 300-750 LBS, 62 00-87 00.

CALVES: RETURNING TO FARM HOLSTEIN BULLS +N1 90-125 LBS. 125.00-165.00; HOLSTEIN BULLS +N2 80-130 LBS. 80.00-130.00; HOLSTEIN HEIFERS +N2 85-120 LBS. 200.00-210.00.

SWINE: HOGS US+N1-3 220-270 LBS. 32.00-33.00, 285-315 LBS. 29.00-32.00; SOWS US+N1-3 300-600 LBS. 22.00-29.75, THIN, WEAK, ROUGH TO 21.00; BOARS 250-600 LBS. 6.00-19.00; FEEDER PIGS BY THE LB. 20-45 LBS. 70.00-115.00.

GOATS: BY THE HEAD, FLESHY KIDS 50.00-67.00, SMALL, THIN 10.00-47.50.

LAMBS: GOOD AND CHOICE 25-40 LBS. 135.00-195.00, 40-60 LBS. 160.00-201.00, 60-80 LBS. 130.00-170.00.

SHEEP: ALL WEIGHTS 22.00-52.50. SALE EVERY TUESDAY 5 P.M. FOR RABBITS, POULTRY AND EGGS, 6 P.M. FOR LIVESTOCK, STARTING WITH CALVES; SPECIAL FED CAT-TLE SALE TUES., MAY 6; SPECIAL FEEDER CATTLE SALE TUES., MAY 6; RED CARPET HORSE AND TACK SALE FRI., MAY 16.

Small Animal Sale April 22, 2003 RABBITS AND BUNNIES 3.00-18.00. CHICKENS 3.25-10.00. BANTIES 1.50-2.75. PIGEONS 2.10-2.20. PEACOCKS 24.00. **GUINEA PIGS 5.00-7.00. GEESE 5.50.**

ALL ANIMALS SOLD BY THE HEAD. SALE STARTS 5 P.M.

Mercer **Livestock Auction** Mercer, Pa.

April 22, 2003

Report Supplied By PDA CATTLE 338...(PDA)..Compared with last week's sale..steers 3.00 to 5.00 lower, cows steady to 3.00 lower.

STEERS: Choice 1-3 1080-1425 lbs 73.00-80.00 mostly 75.00-79.00, Select 1-2 66.75-77.50, Standard 1-2 52.00-63.00.

HOLSTEIN STEERS: High Choice and Prime 2-3 1345-1565 lbs 67.00-72.00. Choice 2-3 1190-1485 lbs 64.00-69.00, few Select 1-2 57.50-62.50, few Standard 1-2 45.00-50.00.

HEIFERS: Choice 1-3 1000-1325 lbs 73.50-76.75, few Select 1-2 69.00-76.50, Standard 1-2 56.00-65.00.

COWS: Breakers 75-80% lean 42.00-50.00, one 52.75, Boners 80-85% lean 37.50-43.25, Lean 85-90% lean 34.25-40.00. Shells 33.25 and down.

BULLS: few Yield Grade 1 1065-1825 lbs 51.50-61.50, few Yield Grade 2 1040-1685 lbs 45.00-53.75.

FEEDER CATTLE: STEERS: Medium 1 325-600 lbs 69.50-84.50, Medium 2 600-775 lbs 57.00-63.00, Large 2 200-325 lbs 80.00-89.00, 450-750 lbs 51.50-60.50; HEIFERS: Medium 1 300-500 lbs 63.00-75.00, 500-700 lbs 63.00-66.00, Medium 2 300-500 lbs 55.00-67.00, 500-700 lbs 61.00-65.00, Medium 3 200-300 lbs 45.00-59.00; BULLS: Medium 1 350-550 lbs 67.00-87.00, Medium 2 300-500 lbs 55,00-65.00, 500-750 lbs 55,00-66.00.

CALVES 45...VEALERS: Standard and Good 70-80 lbs 21.00-32.50. FARM CALVES: No 1 Holstein bulls 90-140 lbs 130.00-167.50, No 2 80-115 lbs 40.00-130.00; few No 1 Holstein heifers 95-115 lbs 220.00-310.00, few No 2 80-90 lbs 105.00-175.00.

Few beef cross bulls and heifers 75-180 lbs 70.00-160.00.

HOGS 72...BARROWS AND GILTS: 49-54% lean 230-245 lbs 37.00-37.75, 45-50% lean 220-270 lbs 34.00-35.75, 40-45% lean 210-270 lbs 32.75-34.00.

SOWS: few 1-3 475-600 lbs 26.50-28.50. BOARS: one 380 lbs 8.50, few 253 lbs 21.00.

FEEDER PIGS 0...NO MARKET

SHEEP 0...NO MARKET TEST!

GOATS 3...(All goats sold by the head with weights estimated). Nannies: few 90-100 lbs 33.00-42.00.

Pa. Weekly 14 Livestock Auctions Friday, April 18, 2003

Report Supplied By PDA 13 LIVESTOCK AUCTIONS.

CATTLE 5168...Compared with 4893 head last week and 4640 head a year ago. Compared with last Friday's summary: Slaughter steers closed the week 1.00 higher despite late week losses, Holsteins steers also closed 1.00 higher on continued active trading, Slaughter heifers closed the week fully 1.00 higher, Slaughter cows sold firm to 2.00 higher while bulls traded 1.50 to 2.00 higher.

STEERS: High Choice and Prime 2-4 78.75-83.50, Choice 1-3 76.00-80.50, Yield. Grade 4-5 to 73.25, Select and Low Choice 2-3 74.00-77.25, Select 1-3 70.00-76.50, Standard 1-2 55.00-66.50.

HOLSTEIN STEERS: High Choice and Prime 2-3 67.75-74.00, Choice 2-3 62.75-69.75, Select 1-2 57.50-61.75, Standard 1-2 50.00-56.75.

HEIFERS: Choice few Prime 2-4 74.75-78.00, few to 81.00, Select 1-3 67.25-74.50, Standard 1-2 55.00-67.00.

COWS: Breakers 75-80% lean 42.00-49.00, few to 53.00, Boners 80-85% lean 38.00-44.00, Lean 85-90% 34.00-39.50, Shells 33.00 and down.

BULLS: Yield Grade 1 1000-2500 lbs 49.75-57.50, Yield Grade 2 900-2400 lbs 44.00-49.50.

FEEDER CATTLE: STEERS: Medium and Large 1 300-500 lbs 81.00-102.00, 500-700 lbs 70.00-86.00, Medium and Large 2 300-500 lbs 70.00-80.00, 500-700 lbs 67.00-76.00; HEIFERS: Medium and Large 1 300-500 lbs 73.00-91.00, 500-700 lbs 65.00-77.00, Medium and Large 2 300-500 lbs 71.00-87.50, 500-700 lbs 56.00-70.00; BULLS: Medium and Large 1 300-500 lbs 79.00-99.00, 500-700 lbs 69.00-80.00, Medium and Large 2 300-500 lbs 67.00-78.00.

CALVES 2406...Compared with 2235 head last week and 3064 head a year ago. Vealers steady to firm. VEALERS: Standard and Good 70-110 lbs 30.00-45.00, Utility 50-110 lbs 10.00-30.00. FARM CALVES: Holstein bull calves continue to

be in light supply with prices 10.00 to 30.00 higher. Holstein heifers sold steady to 30.00 higher. No 1 Holstein bulls 90-120 lbs 130.00-200.00, late sales to 225.00, 80-90 lbs 120.00-152.00; No 2 80-120 lbs 80.00-135.00, late sales to 185.00. No 1 Holstein heifers 80-115 lbs 200.00-350.00, No 2 75-130 lbs 100.00-210.00. Beef type bulls and heifers 75-130 lbs 110.00-160.00.

HOGS 1529...Compared with 1036 head last week and 1173 head a year ago. Barrows and gilts sold uneven, mostly 1.00 lower, sows sold steady to firm. BARROWS AND GILTS: 49-54% lean 220-275 lbs 32.00-36.50, 45-50% lean 220-290 lbs 30.00-33.75, 40-45% lean 240-300 lbs 28.00-31.00.

SOWS: 1-3 300-500 lbs 20.00-26.00, 500-700 lbs 26.00-32.00. BOARS: 7.00-10.00.

FEEDER PIGS 124...Compared with 152 head last week and 201 head a year ago. 1-3 20-45 lbs 23.00-32.00, 50-65 lbs 30.00-37.00 per head.

SHEEP 3985...Compared with 4417 head last week and 1718 head a year ago. Slaughter lambs sold mostly steady with late week sales sharply lower as buyers became fussy about the quality with such large supplies on offer.

SLAUGHTER LAMBS: Choice 20-40 lbs 185.00-255.00, few to 282.00, 40-60 lbs 145.00-180.00, few to 200.00, 60-80 lbs 115.00-155.00, 80-100 lbs 96.00-122.00, 100-120 lbs 88.00-110.00, Good and Choice 30-70 lbs 65.00-110.00.

SLAUGHTER SHEEP: 10.00-40.00, Yearlings to 78.00.

TWO GRADED FEEDER PIG SALES 1193...Compared with 536 head last week and 1439 head a year ago...Feeder pigs active and firm. Slaughter pigs also sold active and with a higher undertone...1-2 40-50 lbs 65.00-77.00, 60-80 lbs 60.00-75.00. US 2 30-50 lbs 70.00-90.00, 60-80 lbs 57.00-66.00. Slaughter: 15-30 lbs 134.00-180.00, one lot 230.00, 30-35 lbs 125.00-175.00, 40-45 lbs 65.00-86.00, 50-60 lbs 80.00-135.00, 70-90 lbs 62.00-87.00 - per cwt.

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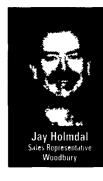
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