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1020-1470 lbs 88.00-93.50, mostly 90.00-92.00, higher yielding 95.00-100.00 Standard 1-2 1010-1340 lbs 82.00-88.00, mostly 84.00-87.00 Returning to feed: package 1085 lbs 92.00.

Holstein Steers: Couple Select and low choice 2-3 1460 lbs 88.00. Select 1-2 1250-1530 75.50-81.00 Slaughter Heifers. Choice 2-3 1005-1290 lbs 100.50-102.00, couple 97.50. Select and low choice 2-3 1015-1400 lbs 90.00-93.00, up to 95.50. Select 1-2 1095-1390 lbs 84.50-87.00.

Slaughter Steer Weighted Average Report for 10/30/2003 in New Holland: (weights are combined into groups weighing from 900-1100 lbs, 1100-1300 lbs, and 1300-1500 lbs, and does not include any Holstein steers or slaughter heifers)

Slaughter Steers high Choice and Prime 2-4: Head, Wt Range, Avg Wt, Price Range, Avg Price, 12, 1250-1292, 1273, 103.75-108.50, 104.95, 12, 1300-1455, 1359, 103.75-110.00, 105.53

Slaughter Steers high yielding Choice 1-2. Head, Wt Range, Avg Wt, Price Range, Avg Price, 3, 1165-1295, 1242, 106.00-107.00, 106.65, 4, 1360-1395, 1370, 106.50-110.50, 107.75, 1, 1545, 1545, 103.00, 103.00.

Slaughter Steers Choice 2-3. Head, Wt Range, Avg Wt, Price Range, Avg Price, 68, 1160-1290, 1251, 100.00-104.25, 102.77, 2, 1275-1290, 1282, 102.00-104.00, 102.99, Charolais-crosses, 8, 1138-1177, 1156, 97.50-99.00, 98.54, Full, 43, 1310-1475, 1372, 100.00-104.00, 102.33, 4, 1300-1415, 1368, 102.00-105.50, 104.28, Charolais-crosses, 8, 1300-1355, 1313, 104.50-105.00, 104.81, Fancy, 8, 1305-1425, 1340, 97.00-100.00, 98.80, Full.

Slaughter Steers Select and Choice 2-3: Head, Wt Range, Avg Wt, Price Range, Avg Price 3, 1016, 1016, 97.50, 97.50, 19, 1147-1297, 1237, 94.00-99.50, 97.63, 5, 1120-1225, 1188, 95.00-100.00, 97.12, Charolais-crosses, 4, 1165-1270, 1209, 92.00-94.00, 93.37, Full, 15, 1330-1460, 1358, 95.00-99.00, 97.43, 2, 1335-1430, 1382, 100.00, 100.00, Charolais-crosses, 6, 1302-1337, 1314, 94.00-94.25, 94.17, Full.

Slaughter Steers Select 1-2. Head, Wt Range, Avg Wt, Price Range, Avg Price, 3, 1020-1040, 1033, 88.00-92.75, 91.19, 10, 1115-1285, 1214, 89.00-93.50, 91.77, 7, 1105-1290, 1205, 95.00-100.00, 96.80, High Dressing, 9, 1305-1470, 1384, 88.50-93.50, 90.91, 1, 1300, 1300, 98.00, 98.00, High Dressing.

Slaughter Steers Standard 1-2: Head, Wt Range, Avg Wt, Price Range, Avg Price, 3, 1010-1080, 1050, 82.00-87.50, 84.39, 8, 1115-1260, 1168, 85.00-88.00, 86.49, 4, 1305-1340, 1324, 84.00-86.00, 85.37.

Slaughter Cows: Percent Lean, Weight, Bulk, Low Dressing, Premium White, 65-70, Over 1600 lbs, 52.00-56.75, 46.00-50.00, Breakers, 75-80, Over 1400 lbs, 46.75-52.00, 40.00-46.00, High dressing 52.00-54.00. Boners, 80-85, Over 1200 lbs, 41.50-46.75, 38.00-41.00. Lean (Hi-Yield), 85-88, Over 1200 lbs, 41.00-42.75, 37.00-38.75. Lean, 88-90, Over 1000 lbs, 36.00-40.25, 31.50-35.25. Lean (Light-Wt), 85-90, 750-1000 lbs, 30.50-35.50, 27.50-30.00.

Slaughter Bulls: Yield Grade 1 1140-2145 lbs 49.50-58.00, mostly 50.00-54.00, high dressing up to 66.00, low dressing 46.25-47.25.

Calves: Compared to last Thursday, slaughter calves sold steady to 300 higher Holstein bull calves suitable for special-fed veal barns sold with a sharply higher undertone. Holstein heifer calves trended with a lower undertone, although the supply was comprised of a lot of lower quality calves. The PA Department of Agriculture graded 556 head of bulls for the graded sale, with an estimated 87 percent of the graded run going into veal barns.

Slaughter Calves Number 3 and Utility 60-120 lbs 55.00-84.00

Holstein Calves Going Into Special-Fed Veal Barns. Graded Number 1 Holstein bulls 120-128 lbs 117.00; 114-118 lbs 125.00, 94-112 lbs 140.00-162.00, 90-92 lbs 127.00, 80-88 lbs 85.00-89.00 Graded Number 2 Holstein bulls 112-124 lbs 127.00; 94-110 lbs 137.00-162.00; 80-92 lbs 83.00-88.00 Graded Number 3 Holstein bulls 105-130 lbs 82.00-84.00.

Holstein heifers 90-100 lbs 450.00- 470.00. Plainer Holstein heifers 90-115 lbs 400.00-450.00; 80-85 lbs 310.00- 420.00; 70-75 lbs 180.00-220.00 Weaker

Holstein heifers 90-105 lbs 260.00- 300.00, 80-85 lbs 180.00-280.00; 70-75 lbs 110.00-150.00, 60-65 lbs 100.00- 170.00

Sheep and Lambs Compared to last Monday, slaughter lambs sold steady to weak on very light offerings. Slaughter sheep sold mostly steady on a light run Buyer attendance was light with very light bidding activity.

Slaughter Lambs. Choice and Prime 2-3 30-40 lbs few individuals 140.00- 160.00; 40-50 lbs 132.00-140.00; 50-60 lbs 122.00-134.00, 60-70 lbs 116.00- 126.00, few singles 132.00; 70-80 lbs 109.00-120.00; 80-90 lbs 110.00-120.00; 90-100 lbs 98.00-113.00; 100-125 lbs 94.00-106.00, 125-150 lbs 85.00-94.00. Good 2-3 30-40 lbs 112.00; 50-60 lbs 112.00-116.00, 90-100 lbs 91.00-95.00.

Slaughter Sheep: Utility and Good 1-3 Yearlings 70-100 lbs 66.00-80.00; 150-200 lbs 50.00-58.00; Sheep 100-150 lbs 47.00-53.00, long fleeced 26.00- 40.00; 150-200 lbs 36.00-46.00. Bucks 150-200 lbs 37.00-42.00; 200-225 lbs 34.00-45.00

Slaughter Goats: Compared to last Monday, unable to establish an accurate trend due to light run. However, buyer attendance was good with moderate demand. All goats are sold by the head, with estimated weights.

Kids: Selection 1 40-60 lbs 78.00-88.00. Selection 2 20-40 lbs 44.00, 40-60 lbs 62.00-71.00, 60-80 lbs 68.00-83.00. Selection 3 20-40 lbs 28.00-32.00; 40-60 lbs 46.00-58.00; 60-80 lbs few 56.00-60.00.

Yearlings Selection 2 60-80 lbs 70.00-82.00, Nannies: Selection 2 50-70 lbs 51.00-64.00, pigmies 34.00-40.00; 70-100 lbs 57.00-69.00, 100-150 lbs 70.00. Selection 3 50-70 lbs 44.00-51.00; 70-100 lbs 45.00-57.00; 100-150 lbs 60.00.

Bills: Selection 1 individual 100-150 lbs 110.00. Selection 2 70-80 lb 74.00-87.00, few pigmies 50.00-68.00; 100-150 lbs 80.00-93.00; 150-250 lbs 110.00-120.00. Selection 3 70-100 lbs 61.00-78.00; 100-150 lbs 75.00-85.00

Wethers: 50-70 lbs 66.00-79.00, weaker 54.00-55.00, few pigmies 40.00- 53.00, 70-100 lbs 77.00-80.00

around a \$00 discount to the cash trade, closing at 95.80 on Thursday. Boxed beef cutout values, have dropped sharply over the past month and this week was no exception as Choice cuts are from around 165.00-167.00, Select at about 143.00 The Holstein steer and slaughter heifer runs were both very light this week in the County Slaughter cows sold 100-400 lower for the week Slaughter bulls sold steady to 100 lower. The cattle supply this week in Lancaster County included 780 slaughter steers, 135 slaughter heifers, 1265 slaughter cows 157 slaughter bulls, and 534 head of feeder cattle

Slaughter Steers High Choice and Prime 2-4 1230-1475 lbs 103.00-110.00, mostly 104.00-105.00, fancy 109.00-115.00 Choice 2-3 1160-1475 lbs 99.00-104.25, mostly 100.00-103.00, fancier from 104.50-105.00, full 97.00-100.00, Charolais-crosses 102.00-105.50 High yielding Choice 1-2 1165-1410 lbs 105.00-110.50, heavy single 1545 lbs 103.00 Choice 4 1230-1480 lbs 94.00- 97.50, few full 88.50-93.50 Select and low Choice 2-3 1045-1460 lbs 94.00- 99.50, mostly 97.00-98.00, few 1015 lbs 97.50, full 92.00-94.25, Charolais-crosses 95.00-100.00 Select 1-2 1020-1470 lbs 88.00-93.50, mostly 90.00- 92.00, higher yielding 95.00-100.00 Standard 1-2 1010-1340 lbs 82.00-88.00, mostly 84.00-87.00 Returning to feed package 1085 lbs 92.00

Holstein Steers Choice and Prime 2-3 1445-1545 lbs 90.00-93.25 Select and low Choice 1-3 1455-1515 lbs 85.50-88.75 Select 1-2 1235-1530 lbs 75.50- 81.00

Slaughter Heifers Choice 2-3 1005-1290 lbs 100.50-102.00, few 97.25-97.50 Select and low Choice 2-3 1015-1400 lbs 90.00-93.00, up to 95.50 Select 1-2 1095-1390 lbs 84.50-87.00

Slaughter Cows Percent Lean, Weight, Bulk, Low Dressing Premium White, 65-70, Over 1600 lbs, 52.00-56.75, 46.00-50.00, Breakers, 75-80, Over 1400 lbs, 46.75-52.00, 40.00-46.00, High dressing 52.00-54.00. Boners, 80-85, Over 1200 lbs, 41.50-46.75, 38.00-41.00. Lean (Hi-Yield), 85-88, Over 1200 lbs, 41.00-42.75, 37.00-38.75. Lean, 88-90, Over 1000 lbs, 36.00-40.25, 31.50-35.25. Lean (Light-Wt), 85-90, 750-1000 lbs, 30.50-35.50, 27.50-30.00.

Slaughter Bulls Yield Grade 1 1140-2145 lbs 49.50-58.00, mostly 50.00- 54.00, 66.00-69.00, low dressing 45.50-47.25

Calif Summary This week in Lancaster County, slaughter calves sold steady to 300 higher Holstein bull calves suitable for special-fed veal barns sold steady to form early in the week, with late week prices trending sharply higher Holstein heifer calves sold steady to weak, with prices sharply lower at times The PA Department of Agriculture graded 1417 head of bulls and heifers at the two graded sales in Lancaster County this week

Slaughter Calves Number 3, and Utility 60-109 lbs 30.00-86.00 in the graded sale Standard and Utility in the regular sale 55-125 lbs 50.00- 75.00 weaker 10.00-45.00

Calves Going Into Special-fed Veal Barns Monday- Holstein Bulls 90-125 lbs 120.00-155.00 80-90 lbs 105.00-140.00 Plainer-type Holstein Bulls 90-125 lbs 90.00-120.00, 80-90 lbs 90.00-100.00 Weaker Holstein Bulls 90-125 lbs 62.00-85.00

Lancaster County Weekly Cattle

New Holland, Pa. Report Supplied By USDA Friday, October 31, 2003

THIS WEEK LAST WEEK CATTLE CAI VES 2871 2027 2816 1956

This week in Lancaster County, slaughter steers sold mostly steady. The quality of the supply this week was made up of a lot of average Choice cattle, with packages of high Choice and Prime steers remaining hard to come by. However, prices for Choice steers are from 100.00-104.00, which is around 30.00 more than producers were planning on receiving when they put them on feed. The western direct feedlots let go of the bulk of their cattle on Thursday with the black-headed Nebraska steers trending 1.00-\$0.00 higher, from mostly 101.00- 105.00. Dressed sales ranges from 160.00-162.00, mostly steady to 2.00 higher. The Mercantile Exchange was very volatile this week as limit-up and limit-down days have become the norm. The October live cattle contract will soon leave the board, closing at 101.80. November is currently holding

Pennsylvania Livestock Auction

Waynesburg, Pa. Thursday, Oct. 30, 2003 Report Supplied By Auction

CATTLE STOCK COWS 45 00-51 50 SLAUGHTER COWS Utility & Commercial 44 50-52 00, Boner & Boning Utility 40.00-44.00, Cutter & Boning Utility 35.00-39.50; Canner & Low Cutter 30 00-34 50, Shells 30.0 & down.

BULLS. YIELD GRADE 1 1500#-2000# 51 00-57.00; YIELD GRADE 2 1000#-1400# 38.00-60.00

FEEFER STEERS: M & L 1 300-500# 80.00-117 00 250-280# 80.00-107 00, M 600-900# 70.00-103.00. HEIFERS: M 1 & L 1 300-500# 78 00-91 00, L 1 400-650# 60.00-94.00.

BULLS: M & L 1 300-620# 70.00-102.00. CALVES. Veal Prime 70.00-85.00; Choice 60.00-84.00; Good 35.00-70.00; Farm Calves #1 Holstein Bulls 90-120# Few 35.00-95.00, #2 Holstein Bulls 80-100# Few 10.00-50.00; Beef - Bull & Hfrs./Hd. 35.00-90.00.

HOGS: Barrows & Gilts #1-2 210-255# 42.00-54.50; #2-3 255-280# 40.00-50.00; Sows #1-3 300-500# 24.50-35.00; Feeder Pigs 1-3 15-20# 5.00-22.00/Hd. 1-3 25-35# 10.00-23.00/Hd.

LAMBS: High Choice 80-100# 80.00-100.00. Choice 40-75# 85.00-118.00, Feeder Lambs Good 65.00-96.00; Sheep 35.00-55.00, Fat Sheep 35.00 and down.

GOATS: Large 45.00-110 00/Hd; Medium 30.00-71.00/Hd; Small 10 00-30.00/Hd HORSES: Horses 19 00-51 50, Ponies 20.00-48.00.

Jersey Shore Livestock Market, Inc.

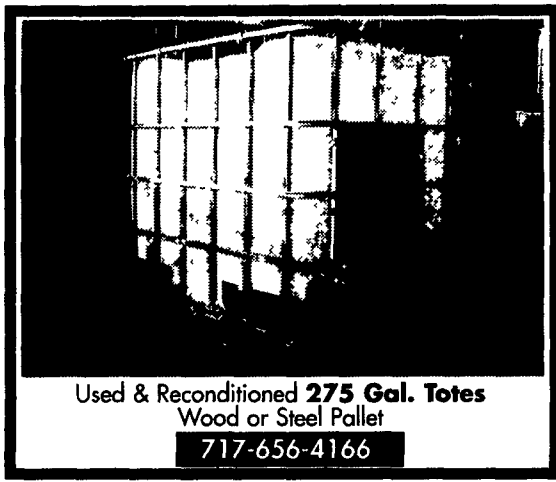
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RETURN TO FARM CALF: 100-500. GOOD VEAL: 70.00-99.00. COMMON VEAL: 20.00-69.00. CHOICE STEERS 94.00-104.00. SELECT STEERS 70.00-93.00. COMMON STEERS 52.00-69.00. COMMERCIAL COWS: 43.00-52.00. CANNERS/CUTTERS 33.00-45.00 SHELLS. 24.00-32.00 CHOICE HEIFERS 80.00-95.00 SELECT HEIFERS 70.00-79.00 COMMON HEIFERS: 48.00-69.00 GOOD FEEDERS: 70.00-83.00 COMMON FEEDERS: 45.00-69.00 BULLS 40.00-54.00

Greencastle Hay

Greencastle, Pa. Report Supplied By Auction Thursday, October 30, 2003

HAY 14 loads' STRAW 1 load MISC 1 load. TOTAL 16 loads ALFALFA 3 00 BALE, ROUND BALES 26.00 BALE MIX HAY 45 00-152 50, 3 00 BALE, ROUND BALES 15 00 BALE STRAW 2 50 BALE



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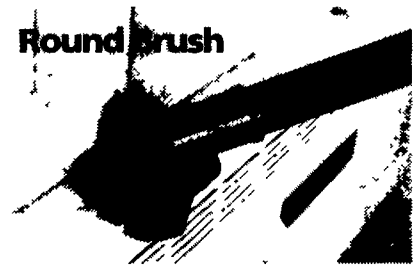
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