

Farm and Stock Mart

(Washington, D. C., for the week ending Dec. 19, 1923.)

Live Stock and Meats

Chicago live prices generally 35c lower than a week ago, closing at \$7.27 for the top and \$6.25-7.15 for the bulk. Medium and good beef steers 25-35c lower at \$7.75-11.60; butcher cows and heifers 40c lower to 25c higher at \$5.25-11.50; feeder steers 15-50c off at \$4.75-8.55; light and medium weight veal calves steady to 25c higher at \$7.75-9.75. Fat lambs 65-75c lower at \$10.50-12.75; feeding lambs 25-50c lower at \$10.75-12.25; yearlings 50-60c down at \$8-10.75 and fat ewes steady to 25c lower at \$4.50-7.50. Stocker and feeder shipments from 12 important markets during the week ending December 7 were: Cattle and calves 83,565; hogs 8,274; sheep 43,498. In eastern wholesale fresh meat markets beef is weak to \$1.50 lower; veal, lamb and mutton weak to \$1 lower and pork lions weak to \$1 lower. Dec. 17 prices good grade meats: Beef \$14-17.50; veal \$13-19; lamb \$23-25; mutton \$14-16; light pork lions \$14-16 and heavy lions \$11-14.50.

Fruits and Vegetables

Potato markets about steady. New York round whites closed at \$1.50-1.65 sack and bulk per 100.

Sound eastern markets, \$1.25 f.o.b. northern round whites \$1-1.15 in Chicago, 85c f.o.b. Apple markets now little change. Eastern York Imperial \$3-3.75 per barrel in eastern cities. Midwestern Jonathans 55-5.50 in Chicago. Eastern onions tend lower at \$2.25-2.75 sack and per 100 pounds. Midwestern stock fairly steady at \$2.25-3. Danish cabbage steady at \$21-24 bulk per ton in Chicago, slightly lower at \$25-30 other markets, \$10-21 f.o.b. Florida Wakefield \$1.25-1.50 per 1-2 bushel hamper in New York. Florida lettuce big Boston type mostly \$1.25-1.75 per 1-2 bushel hamper leading markets.

Hay

Usual holiday dullness prevails in hay market and demand is limited to best grades. Poor grades slow sale. Receipts not large in all markets and scarcely equal to demand at Chicago and St. Louis. Stocks exceed demand at Minneapolis. Quoted Dec. 15: No. 1 timothy, Boston \$29.50, New York \$30, Phila. \$29, Cincinnati \$24.50, Chicago \$27, St. Louis \$28.50, Minneapolis \$18. No. 1 alfalfa Kansas City \$26.50, Minneapolis \$22.50. No. 1 prairie Kansas City \$15, St. Louis \$19 Minneapolis \$15.

Feed

Colder weather resulted in improv-

ed demand for feedstuffs in most sections. Gains of from 50c-\$1.50 were recorded in wheatfeeds. Better absorption of transit stocks was noted. Oil meals continue draggy but mill prices hold firm. Resellers quoting linseed meal at \$1 to induce buying. Corn feeds dull and slightly easier.

Grain

Wheat markets weak and unsettled during week but slightly firmer at close. Cash grain in fair demand by mills but lower grades slow. Corn lower as favorable weather continues. Receipts heavier. Country selling to meet tax and holiday needs. Oats steady and practically unchanged. Quoted Dec. 17, 1923: No. 1 dark northern spring Minneapolis \$1.12-1.23. No. 2 hard winter Chicago \$1.07-1.11 1-2; St. Louis \$1.08. No. 2 red winter Chicago \$1.09 3-4, St. Louis \$1.12. No. 2 23 1-2; Longhorns 23 3-4; Square yellow corn Chicago \$72 1-2c; No.

3 yellow St. Louis 71 1-2c. No. 3 white oats Chicago 43 3-4c, Minneapolis 39 1-2c; St. Louis 44c.

Dairy Products

Butter markets unsettled during week altho steady to firm at close today. Demand sluggish and confined to top grades. Retail outlets appear smaller at high prevailing. Production appears to be holding up remarkably well for the season. All operators cautious. Imports continue in moderate quantities. Today's closing wholesale prices on 92 score butter: New York 54c; Chicago 53-1-2c; Phila 54 1-2; Boston 54c. Cheese markets featured by declines early in the week which however failed to bring about any activity. Demand very slow and buyers lack interest. Dull trading expected until the first of the year. Wholesale prices at Wisconsin primary markets December 15: Single Daisies 23 1-2c; Longhorns 23 3-4c; Square Prints 23 3-4c.

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For dairy farmers who find it impossible to become members of a dairy improvement association, the dairy improvement club seems likely to offer an effective means of improving their herds and learning better dairying methods.

For the dairymen who have less than 10 cows, the expense of membership in the improvement association is rather high on account of the cost of maintaining the tester who is employed by the association.

In the dairy improvement club, the farmer keeps his own records and takes his own samples, which he sends to some central point to be tested for butterfat.

During the year, club meetings are held for discussion of the herd records, feeding methods, and similar problems. At these meetings records are frequently displayed on a blackboard and the discussions led by a representative from the state college.

One of the first of these clubs formed in New York State was in Carner, Ulster County, where it was organized in September, 1922. Some of the members find that they prefer the club plan to that of the association. As one club member expressed it:

"Any dairymen who will not wait the milk at least twice a month and take samples bi-monthly would also not take the time to study his herd record book if he was in a regular association, and thus he could not secure the greatest benefit from the organization."

Among the best of New Year resolutions is to save money. It is going to be easier in 1924 than in any recent year, but the job needs determination and perseverance.

Homespun Yarn

Fruit-cake or pudding for Christmas tastes better if made a while beforehand.

Why not keep a cash account? Bulletin H 126 from the state college at Ithaca tells how.

Aunt Ada's axioms: Children who are too much curbed may lose their enthusiasm, without which the best of life's later tasks cannot be done.

There isn't any relish more delicious with winter meats than fresh apple-mint jelly. Try making it in small batches and see how good it is.

A pair of scissors deserve a place in every kitchen. They are better than a knife for trimming fish and steak, and clipping out the pin feathers from chickens.

In trying to teach children a great deal in a short time, they are treated not as tho the race they were to run was for life, but simply a three-mile heat.—Horace Mann.

Just before the family comes home for dinner it's well for the homemaker to take a little rest. She'll find it easier to get the meal on the table, and to keep cheerful and unworried while doing it.

Agrigraphs

The latest and most hopeful alliance among the professions is that of farmers and bankers.

The extension service of your state college of agriculture is all that its name implies. Let it have the opportunity to serve you.

Rebuilding is not necessary to make most farm homes attractive. Paint and shrubbery plantings will work wonders.



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