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September 21st. 1927.

James Goldie, Esq.,
Rainbow Ranche,
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Dear Mr. Goldie:-

Your letter of August 26th. was received, and to-day I have your letter of September 16th., from which I note that the Wealthy pack was over the estimate, it also seems to have been of very good grade. Our experiment with the Fordson tractor has evidently been costly. I also note what you say about filling in the blanks in the orchard, and I am all in favor of this. Why do you have to bud back the grafted trees in the north-east ten acres to the varieties originally planted? It looks as though irrigation water would always be a problem in that valley.

With reference to financing, if our demand loan at date of August 26th. stood at $6400.00, we must have used a considerable amount of our own cash as working capital. We should disburse our cash as soon as it is available. Dormer has written to me two or three times about this, he has been at great expense over there as I have also here, so that as soon as you can see your way to financing through the year, you should disburse the cash as it comes in. Dormer has been greatly worried by lack of information received from you with regard to operations and prospects of the ranch for the year. In both the letters you have written me covering this you said that you were forwarding copies to him, so that I did not send them on.

I understand from the Vernon News that our payments will be paid very much earlier this year than they have been in the past. Why should we not make a disbursement to cover expenses the same as we did last year, and then pay all the balance in dividends? In paying dividends the books will naturally show that D. G. McAllister will receive the half share of any dividends paid. From your estimate of 35,000 cases, we should have about $18,000 to disburse, providing we only received an average of .40¢ per box better than last year, as I gather from your letter that our expenditure has not been any greater, if as great. We appear to have received .60¢ a box better for our Wealthies, and .26¢ better for the crabs.

The Vernon News and the Bulletin come regularly and are of great interest.

With regard to marketing for next year, it is impossible at this distance to form an opinion as to what we should do, the local conditions are so intricate and intermixed that only a person who is

on the ground is in a position to weigh the subject properly.

I note that you expect to be in Toronto early in November, and I expect to be here then. I will be very glad to see you. The main thing is now to get all available money disbursed at the earliest possible date.

I hope that your family is progressing well and that everything moves all right at the ranch during the packing and shipping. Will Mrs. Goldie be coming East with you?

Yours very truly,

J. E. McAllister

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