TO: DIRECTOR, CALIFORNIA FOREST AND RANGE EXPERIMENT STATION
FROM: FOREST SUPERVISOR - Lassen

DATE: November 3, 1947

Your memorandum of October 29.

The Burgess Springs cattle are at the McClelland ranch now.

We suggest that Mr. Hormay make any further arrangements regarding them with Mr. McClelland, as we hesitate to make any appointments for Mr. Hormay, not knowing his schedule.

It is possible that, since advance arrangements were not made that these cattle have been turned out and it may necessitate considerable work to get them up and separated.

By: Philip B. Lord, Acting
RR
MANAGEMENT
Ponderosa Pine Ranges
Burgess Spring

November 5, 1947

Mr. Pierce McClelland
Standish, California

Dear Pierce:

The Lassen Forest has informed me that the Burgess Spring cattle have arrived at Standish. As you know, I had plans of weighing these cattle and the others that were tagged and turned out on your forest allotment upon their arrival at the home ranch. It seems that I am a little late. Phil Lord expressed the thought that these cattle may have been turned out and that it would require considerable work to get them up for weighing. If this is the case, I hesitate to ask you to gather them. But if it is not too much of a job, I will appreciate having the opportunity to get the weights.

The cattle did exceptionally well at Burgess Spring this year. The meadow group gained about 240 pounds per head and the timber group about 230 pounds. The fall was mild and the cattle started to drop off appreciably just as they left Burgess Spring. As usual, I got them all gentled down and at times I found it difficult to get them off the scales. I bobbed their tails late in the season and loosened the neck straps from time to time as needed.

Will you please let me know by return mail whether or not it is practical to weigh the cattle. If so, what is the earliest date. I would like very much to make a weight comparison between the Burgess Spring cattle and those that were run on your outside range. This comparison can be made even if the weighing is delayed until this coming week.

Sincerely,

A. L. HORMAY

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Forest Ecologist

ALHormay: ED
Friend Sue:

The helpers are here on the ranch, and by themselves. So it won't be hard to get them. I thought that you would want to follow them again so I kept them in a handy place.

I won't be home any time next week, but I have a man here that can help you with them. It would help if you could send word to the ranch a day or so before you plan to be there so as that someone will be sure to be here to help you.

As ever,

M. McClelland

[Addenda]

[Handwritten note: "More cooperation and help from other sources"]
RR
MANAGEMENT
Ponderosa Pine Ranges
Burgess Spring

November 14, 1947

Mr. Pierce McClelland
Standish, California

Dear Pierce:

I received your welcome letter Wednesday. Sorry I couldn't get away from Berkeley this week as I thought originally. I plan now to be up to weigh the heifers this coming Wednesday, November 19, if it is satisfactory on your end. Your forethought in holding the cattle as you have for this weighing and your cooperation is ever so greatly appreciated. I will see you in a few days and hope the weather stays clear.

Sincerely,

A. L. Hormay

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