

Cudahy, Jean

March 24, 1936

Mrs. Joseph M. Cudahy
135 Grace Trail
Palm Beach, Florida

Dear Mrs. Cudahy:

Enclosed please find our statement for the month of February. There is one bill which came in that I did not count on at the beginning of the year. I shall still try to keep within the \$35,000.00 limit you set for the year, but I'm afraid I cannot absorb all of the \$1,401.89 and keep within the \$35,000. If it were not for this insurance bill and for the extra credit of \$250.00 (unused part of the \$300.00 check you sent) my statement for February would be \$2,150.92. I planned at the beginning of the year not to exceed \$2,600.00 for each of the first three months. Had it not been for this insurance bill I would be \$220.00 under my mark for the two months of January and February. Tiles for the new road cut through last fall, and a new horse mower will probably use up most of the \$220.00, but I will try during the year to get all of the \$1,401.89 I can included in the \$35,000.00.

Yesterday the temperature was seventy-six degrees. We had a heavy rain last night so the ground is much better settled. There is a very strong wind today which is drying the ground rapidly.

The men are still cleaning up mulch and dirt from the winter planting and some are working in the woods. I am glad we have all our moved trees trimmed and staked, as the rain and high wind would have tipped many of them.

The Garden Show is very nice this year. Saturday night and Sunday the Pier was crowded. Our exhibit seems to be attracting considerable attention and comment. We received an order today for thirty copies of the March Bulletin which gives a planting outline, points of which we illustrated at our exhibit at the Garden Show.

Mrs. Boettcher and Mrs. Watts were out recently making more definite plans for the Nature School. The day I judged at the Pier we had a luncheon in the Tea Room, and quite a number of women remarked that they were planning to attend the Nature School.

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Will you please tell Mr. Cudahy that we made out pretty well on our sheep. We have sold seventy-three for \$537.31 and have on hand seventeen ewes and eleven lambs which were born in February. We will more than pay all costs with the ewes and have the lambs for profit, besides getting 50¢ a bushel for corn and \$12.50 per ton for hay fed, also labor and other expenses included. I'll give Mr. Cudahy a report on what we are doing on the farms when he returns, unless he prefers it now.

I hope you are feeling rested after your strenuous efforts with the Palm Beach Garden Show. I presume it will not be long until we shall see you back here, and I can assure you that all of us Arboretum folks will be glad to have you making us occasional visits again.

Very sincerely,

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