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It's September 18 Ya Know

...When I was a Pup....

This was the Calendar Date that we always Figured We had to be

started Picking by.....



....And Now-a-Days.... We have some Pals that have been Harvesting for 5 Weeks or More Already !!!

AndI also remember **Nothern Spys** planted 40' x 40' 27 Trees-per-acre.... Where most of those 27 Trees were nearly 28 Ft-Tall... Guys using 26 Ft.Wooden Ladders and were pickn 90-100 Bushel per Tree ... And, a really awesome Worker could Pick 1 and 1/2 Trees per Day.....

Andthe "**Goin-Rate**" for Picking was 15 Cents-Bu.....

....But Hey... I was Born when the Dead Sea was only just a little bit Sick....

******MSU-Phil is seeing where Irrigation is again making a Huge Difference !!!**

Even on these Years where we seemingly get really nice timely Rains.... He's seeing that anywhere there is HiDensity Systems on "9"RootStock, the Water really Pays-Off with great Fruit-Sizing. He has seen some 8 Yr.Old on "9" that are really hurting for Fruit-Size....not on Water.

Phil said sometimes you can get by with the "26" Root on Clay-Loam.....But *not on Sand*.

******The CA-Lime-Trucks Situation gets worse instead of better.** The Folks in the Florida and Texas Storm Areas are Paying the Trucks "Whatever it Takes" This Quote from a Transport-Industry-Guy is **still true** ...only worse.... "**For every Load of freight a Driver gets under, he had 10 other choices he could have taken.**"

******If Any Ya'll** have any extra Harvest-Help You could Share....??? Pls let me know....??? I know of a couple Guys that are a bit behind.

******Some Calendar Events We Certainly Want You to be Aware Of.....**

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- M.B.G.Association---BusTour Day -- Wedn--Sept. 27 - 2017**
- Great Lakes Expo -- Dec.5-Tues---Dec.6-Wedn--- Dec.7-Thurs**
- NorthWest Michigan Orchard & Vineyard Conference Tues-Jan.16 & Wedn.-Jan.17**
- Redox University - Grand Traverse Resort - Thurs - Jan. 18 - 2018**
- MDA-MSU-RUP-Test-Day -- Wednesday - Feb. 7th - 2018**
- Reisters Grower Services Winter Meetings**
 - *Tues-Feb-13th-Ridge**
 - *Wedn-Feb-14th-SouthHaven**
 - *Thurs-Feb-15th-TraverseCity**

Details to Follow on all of the aboveThat MBG Bus Tour thing is only for "Members" and their Associates

Praying Blessings of Safety & Efficiency & Great Harvest Workers and Weather on Your Weekr

