CARUTHERS, Calif.—The farmer who put up his land as bail for Angela Davis claims he has come upon such hard times that he is leaving his farm here in search of work.

Rodger McAfee, 33, placed classified ads in two Northern California newspapers, the Visalia Times Delta and the Fresno Bee, seeking work as a milker or herdsman.

He said repercussions from his support for Miss Davis had put him into an economic tailspin, sending bill collectors to his door and blocking credit he needs to operate his 405-acre farm.

McAfee, who describes himself as a “humanitarian Communist,” put up his farm in lieu of $100,000 bail for Miss Davis, who has since been acquitted of charges of murder, kidnapping and conspiracy in the Marin, Calif., shooting of August, 1970.

He claims that life has not been the same for him since. He said he originally had 72 cows, but some were poisoned and others were sold to meet expenses. He has only 27 left.

Threats have been made against him and his family, and he has been forced to seek psychiatric help, he said.

As a result he has transferred ownership of his farm to his wife and five sons. The land will be leased and his family will go with him, if and when he finds another job, he said.

“I want a job as a milker or herdsman or anything else where I can occupy my time constructively and have a sane environment for my family,” he said.