

Dear Ida

Iola Ray
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Of your letter from Rawhusta we are
and are all very glad to know you are
feeling better, but of course are all worrying
too about your further trip. You seem to
be strong, toward a more exciting section
anyway & that will cheer. They seem very
sorry not to meet you, but like you is about
all we and I guess she is hard to have a
change before long.

They have kept at the market until
Midcontinent is now 170 just $\frac{1}{2}$ and all
in about 16 days. They buying 60% too, tho
there is a rumor that they may take it all
after Feb 1st. The heavy oil is about 60
and hardly pay to pump. It gets 75% of
the regular change, but started at 180.

We changed lines just in time so the new one
has a contract with the S.O.C. and the old line is
shut down & can't see the shift at all. If the
market goes lower I expect we will be in the
same shape. Its too bad that we spent the
money to fix the lease up, but we thought we
had a sure sale of it, and did have if things
hadn't broke just when they did. It all fig-
ures out that we can just about afford to
run the properties and they will make a
little money to pay on it. - but how they
will ever pay out their investment is a
question. I feel worse & do not know what
what is our gain. The Clarks will have to
carry their loss of it, but its a come to have
you loaded up so and we keep clear.

Of course if the big operations do just as
I think they will have to. Things may change
suddenly, but the Oil Companies are playing
to store and going to do it with cheap oil, and
they'll keep it up as long as they can. They
want cut - Sacolung on the last 2 cuts of
crude, and the proportion is all out of balance,
the fuel oil is very low. It all goes back to
Europe in a way and until it gets adjusted

we are no bad. I wrote Daniels & Phelps are
urging an Embargo on us for Europe. Better
put a tariff on Mexico. & see how they like
that for their Navy & Shipping. Bears are about
at around \$3.00 and they put up the money
to build this plant. Looks good with our fuel
is now 75¢. I guess we can live out here by
keeping down the rent but we may have to dig
single corns for meat. We killed the big ten
at Sopoka. I was quite a conspicuous figure
for a day. Enclose you Shipping from Kansas City.
Big Journal which you can send to the girls of
you want to, to show them their Dad is still
alive even tho' dead. I don't think so much
of the Gov. after I sized him up. Think he is
quite a politician. Some of us were no "sports".
Daniels tho' tells him I thought his proposed
offices "well plugged" in each county were
offices "political pluggers". His Dad something
like this up every year for 4 years. Tho' they
have good land now which he says can't be
improved. We are expecting a 37. poor morning
rice week.

I felt & I got up at 4³⁰ & spent what was
left of the day Wednesday hunting ducks. Got
4 nice ones and wish you could taste them.
I think will rig up a Camp outfit and get
into the Ozarks this summer fishing & hunting.
Don't look as tho' this serves for anything
else to do. Of course it makes no both matters
and his energies to build and the only answer
is to keep out of doors. I wouldn't
care & would be content for the time it takes
if we were not in debt. But I suppose there
are hundreds just the same for sex statistics
seems to point to big demand and no
over supply. in fact for permanent normal
conditions that is the situation, and I feel
with money so scarce if things do adjust in
general. there will be too little oil soon. for
drilling & wild catting must stop.

Penn is now 4²⁵. Last break was
25¢ both east & west. Frank from Sarah
& John William Day live about wages. I think
we have to cut.

Take good care of yourself & don't go too far.
Write soon May