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Dear Mr. Giddens:

I am slow in answering your letter of February 21st but I am slow in all matter of things these days.

It's an interesting letter. I am sending on to Harry Scherman your comment about THE LAST BEST HOPE OF EARTH.

Very interesting that you should have been in South America at the time when you were interested in the way the oil producer appeared there in the early days. I hope you will go on with your investigation of this migration of oil men. The article of which you send a copy, I am returning it as you requested, is very interesting and whets the appetite for more.

Here is something on which I should like your opinion. I am hoping with the coming of the spring to be able to do a little more with the classifying of my papers. Are you still interested in the list of articles I have written, magazine and syndicate stuff never put in book form. There is more of it than I realize. I have printed or manuscript copies of most of it, but I don't want to encumber your files. Let me know just how deeply you want to go into the subject and I'll conform.

I am hoping to get off considerable quantity of Lincoln notes and pamphlets this spring.

As I have been figuring it, the best thing to do with my Brother's and my petroleum notes is to send them to Titusville. My Brother left the fullest collection of oil maps I have ever seen, as well as pamphlet matter and interesting notes. This, with my stuff, would make a bulky bequest. Do you agree that Titusville is the best place for it?