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Dear Mother:

We have put in a pretty faithful day today. The boss wrote asking for an abstract we were working on and we have been rushing to finish it, and at that, will not get it done by the time he said he would like to have it. This has been a good week to work—much cooler than last week. We have done a lot of work this week after getting started. The B. & O. was over an hour late on Monday morning and that caused me to miss a train from Wheeling up here. I did not get here until about 11:30. Dugest did not pull in until about noon Tuesday, so I put in my time on what little work I had ahead until he got here. He was sick and did not begin until Wednesday morning. We started an index of their Chancery proceedings here on Wednesday but had to quit it when the boss's letter came for the abstract. I am getting accustomed to their system until I like it much better than I did at first.

It is raining here just a little this evening. There has not been scarcely any rain here. While you were getting large rains up there they were not getting any here. There have been only two or three little showers here since we came. The rain I spoke of was over and the sun shining before I finished the next sentence.

I do not think that I will come home this week. I wrote to Ed Kuhn and am going out there (to Hundred) over Sunday. While going or coming I have a little work to do at Wheeling on a title. I think I will do it Monday on my way back. I have not seen Ed for years and decided that this would be a good time to go down. I would like to go to Burton some week while down here, also.

I had a letter from Mary this week and as I understood it she expects to get home about Tuesday week.

I guess the railroad strike was settled. I was glad to hear that.

I understood, from what Hufford said, that Bennett had a haystack burned by lightning and James Fonner, a barn, on last Sunday evening. The storms seem severe in that section this year. I guess the storm was the cause of the train being so late on Monday morning.

I had a letter from Ira and one from James Hall this week.

Your son,

Guy