

Lebanon, Ind. Ky.
Feb 6/08

Dear Rhoda

Well kid I guess you
think of me a long time
about writing. Which I
have but this is really
the first good opportunity
I have had. I have
been worked very hard
since I saw you
last. At that time
to write you from
Corbin last trip

but thought I would
wait until I get
back here. I know I
am simply crazy
to see you but
you never expect
to come back to
Lebanon any more
it does look ~~like~~
to me like you
could if you want
ed to. I think I
will come home
next trip. I get

So I am afraid
I am not going
to get to write very
much more. Maybe
the next time I
start to write you
he won't be here
So I will close
for this time
As I expect you to
write to me some
I remain the
same loving
A. P.



Miss Rhoda Evans.
Piquet.
Ky.

NEW HARDESTY HOTEL

LEBANON, KY. March 16 1908

My dear Rhoda - I just finished
my supper a little while ago
and I am so confounded lone-
some that I dont know what
to do. Actually I feel like just
crying. It seems like there has
been a death in the family or some
thing terrible had happened. If
I could only have you all to my
self tonight - "this long night I will
have to spend all alone" - I would
be the happiest ever was. you said
this afternoon that you would "think
of me tonight". I wonder if you are?
I certainly sympathize with you if
you are one half as lonely as
I am. Just to think of it! I have
been here two nights and you
so near and yet so far. Of course
I enjoyed your hospitality this

afternoon. I was awful proud to be so highly honored and I think it was mighty sweet of you to say that I was the only one, or am the only one, that you would do as much for. Of course I know that you was handing me a "jolly" but it sounded mighty nice to a hungry and famished soul like mine. It just seems that every thing has been against me in the last few years. I am no good to anybody. I'll tell you what! there has got to be a change! My health is nearly gone and I am on the road to the "bad lands". "It is a long road that has no turn". I hope the turning point will turn up soon and that things will come my way. Yes I know

I have been very fortunate in a financial way but happiness ^{and} health cannot be got with money. It has been said—"Men are only boys grown tall—hearts don't change much after all." How true that is. Our surroundings may change, our fortunes vary, but a true heart never. Our little hour sometimes may change an eternity. I would rather spend one hour in love's paradise than ages in the desert of indifference. I remember reading an article recently which said "Married men do not sin, dear sisters—but if they do, you need not waste valuable time which might be devoted to making your own hour more congenial in discussing why they do so with women not so attractive as their wives—they don't! Of course this does

not apply to you; it merely hits the lads who are everlastingly gossiping about the man who is unfortunate. But I must stop this rambling ^{and} go to bed. I am writing this in my room - all alone with my self. I have to get up at 5 o'clock in the morning and I need some rest if I can get it. Write me a long letter real soon Rhada at #309 Madison Ave in care of a VanWormer. I will look for you when I get back. Dont disapoint me. I will be back here in a few weeks and I am living in hopes. I will keep you fully posted as to my movements. Again thanking you for the pleasant time I had in your company this P. M. I will say good night. Try and keep a cozy corner in your heart for me, even tho I may seem unworthy. I am, and always hope to be - yours without a struggle - Frank M.

April 16 - 1908 -

Dear Rhoda -

I have been thinking and thinking till my old head is nearly ready to burst. Guess I will be a fit subject for the bare yard if I keep it up so I am going to try and work off some of my thoughts by telling you about it. In some respects I am aw glad that I had that talk with you Tues. P. M. and again I am sorry - glad to find out your motive which prompted you to ask me those questions but sorry to know it was curiosity and only curiosity that you wanted to know for. Rhoda I am hurt thru and thru by this confession. I had dared to hope that it was for better reasons than this that you expected me to lay open my heart and most sacred secrets for. But you said it was "only a woman's curiosity." Do you call that true friendship? So that the way you would want me to treat you if you were in my shoes? If so, all well and good, but I am willing to give you the benefit of the doubt and I hope to hear you say in answer that you were not so unfeeling as all that. But why did you say this when I asked you for your reasons for wanting so much about my leaving this N. C. if it is not true? In one breath you stated that you could not meet me as suggested because I am tired and in the next you said that you guess that I was not tired very strong. Well we will let that be as it may but I can assure you one thing and it is this - it all lays entirely in your hands as to whether we are ever any more to each other than we now are. I have tried my best to get you to see things in a different light but you are not inclined to do so.

I left J. P. for Cin. about an hour after I got in from Brodhead Tues. P. M. Got back this A. M. Had a very successful trip in a business way. I hope you enjoyed the rest of your trip to Lebanon better than you did the first half. Guess you did not get lonesome from all appearances when the train pulled out. But it is mail time. I must close this "spasm" as you so appropriately term my letters. I only wish I could write real letters but I guess it is not in me. However in conclusion I want to say that when all is said and done, and I have cashed in my little pile of worthless checks;

When my unfruitful mission on this earth is ended and you judge
long enough in your quest of a "good time" to realize all; then,
and only then, will you know and fully realize what I
have suffered. May you never have to go thru what I have
even tho you are, as you claim, powerless to grant what little
I have asked. No doubt it is best that fate has willed
it thus. Your young and useful life may bring sunshine and
happiness to some one who is more worthy than I; for I
am fully convinced that if I had led a different life
that all would be different. Forgive me for anything I
may have said in this letter and always remember that no
matter what people may tell you about me in the future,
if my actions ever suggest that I am not what I should
be, try and have a kindly feeling for me, as you know
and only you will know, I tried to be better.

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My dear old girl
I'm all in. Why did
you keep me up
so late? I'm crazy
about you dear.
Love you better all the
time. Cant you see
I am not jesting or
I wouldn't be up
so early after "last
night" if I did not
love you. But kid a
one sided love will
soon grow cold unless
you give me some
encouragement. Just
my luck to fall
in love with some
one who cant love

me. Its funny that
the cupids connected
with my love affairs
are always playing
for place. and never
pick a winner.

Guess I'll have to content
myself with an "also ran"

If I fail to land you.

But guess you are not
on to this horse talk.

So I'll stop and get
busy. I shall expect a
long busy letter from
the dearest you on earth
Sat on 23. Shall I
be disappointed?

(More than likely) Why
won't you love me dear?

always

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CYNTHIANA, KY., June 23 1908

My Dear Rhoda:

I arrived back in
"Cincy" again Sunday and
am out on a 3 weeks trip
in Ky. Are you "Happy"?

Received your postal
from "Coxs Creek" the other
day and notice you will
not be here until ~~August~~.

I will be in Lebanon
about July 7th do hope
I will get to see you
then for I am crazy to
see you kid.

Have not time to
write much tonight, if
you get this in time please
write me at Winchester Ky
to Brown Proctoria Hotel. I will
be there next Sunday

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A. R. AGNER, Proprietor

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CYNTHIANA, KY., _____ 190

Do hope you can arrange
it to be home July 2nd if
not let me know if there
is any place else I can
see you.

Have lots of news
to tell you when I see
you.

"As Ever"
F.A.M.

Please pardon Brevity³
but I am in an awful
hurry.

THE COMMERCIAL HOTEL
CYNTHIANA, KY.
A. R. AGNER - PROPRIETOR



Miss Rhoda Evans
Bardonia
~~Lebanon~~
Ky.

LEBANON N.Y.
JUN
24
6AM
1908
REC'D.

BALDWIN N.Y.
JUN
24
11AM
1908
REC'D.

Danville Kentucky -

Jan 3/09.

Dear Rhoda

This is Sunday night.

Long how I wish I was
down at your house
with you in our little
Cosy Corner. I would

Simply love you to death
as all there do too I.

Child I know I never
wanted to see you half
as bad as I do tonight
when are you coming
to Danville. Don't put
off coming too long.

For I can't do without

Seeing you much longer.
By the way do you know
the fellow here by the name
of Hays. A Railroad man
He told me yesterday.
He knew you. He is
sure a fine fellow
& like him fine. This
at a country place
to have first & last
see much better than
of Lebanon. I am not
going to ~~see~~ ^{wish} you
much news for I wish
you to come so I
can tell you. This is
all I wish have time to

write tonight. Come up
just as soon as
you can. And away
just as soon as
you get this:
upstairs in the same
old way

338-5 St

Hancock

I'll make this no a
line planer.

337-5 St

Campbellville, Ky. 9/6/09.

Miss Rhoda Evans

Perick, Ky.

Dear darling:

Oh my child how
I would like to see you
to day. now child I had to
stay at Lebanon until 9 o'clock
last night got home all ch.
about 10. Do to day feel
well. Hope you do. say
I did not tell my folks
where I was gone. sat.
I told them you was going
to Lebanon. but did not
tell them any when else.
So Mr. & Mrs. Wallen was
up here Sun. & they told.

them where I was so
this morning when I got
up they said you did
not tell us when you was
gone but we found out.
I say well I have had
a good time while you was
gone, now dear if I could
be with you all the time
I would be pleased to do it
I know because I do love
you so much & you seem
so dear to me I hope
you some times will
think as much of me
as I do you, I thought I
would not wait until you
was my letter to write
well in fact I just called

not wait so baby Bailey
please write me as soon
as you get this tell me
all the news, write long
letters, I would have sent
you a post card this
a.m. but could not get
half on it & wanted
to tell the one I do love
so much, now girl you
know I love you, so now
you know us you mind.

To _____ me some
time this year, tell all
the folks Hello for me
would I like to see
them before I left sat
night but did not want

to bother them. Tell treated
me so fine, & of course
gain did I & did appreciate
it so much well every thing
at the party was gone
when I passed there, but
I saw one of the boys.
I saw that was there.

He said there was a large
crowd, but he said it.

Kindly rain then I told
him had not been for
that rain, this would
of been two more there.
He said that there
would of been several
more there had not
been for that rain.

Child keep me posted &
& as soon as you get
back from that fair
& want to come up if
you come home on Sat.
Telephone me at Campbell
& Yvonne come up soon,
& then again. The 4th we
went that he nice well
I guess you are tired
of reading this foolish
talk. & hoping to hear
from you in return mail.
With much love,

yours truly,
M. Brown

C-Ville. Ky. 11-16-09

Miss Rhoda Evans.

Perick, Ky.

My own darling:

I hope

it is to day.

well kid, I love you
so I can hardly wait.

want to see you soon
I will be there all. ok.

about the time I was
the other day. well.

I certainly appreciate

those nice compliments.

but the Madam was a

girl could take your
place in my eye.

Oh yes that trip to B.ville
would be just fine.

but of course I will come
by my "self."

Mr Tandy can come if
he wishes dont you
think that's all O.K.

I do. just a few
min ago recd your
letter how did you
dont know how much
I do love you.

I have heard so many
compliments on you
I could not write
them all down
on a Tablet.

I will be out to your house
about 10 o'clock.

if it suits you & if
not I suits you better.
about 1 o'clock write.

Me as soon as you
get this, either will
suit me all O.K., of course
you read the word
say they train has changed
time & will leave Leaven
one hour & 15 min.
sooner than usual,
of course I do not like
that much. How did
you & Edna can go to B. Vill.
not work.

you tell her I can not
get to see you so
often as she can
so you may expect me
just on time -

your answer

W.D.

with love to my kind.

B. Vile. 12-3-09.

Miss Rhoda

Penick

Near Old Creek
J.

am in Campbellville
now. have been to
every mail for a
week, but up to present
time had not
heard a word from
you. Now did you
go back or not.
Will that come up.
I have not seen
her. You is extra.
all your folks going
to B. Vile. Ky.
Don't you not call
me up Don't write

if possible.

Hope you all have
a nice trip.

wish I could be
with you all.

will be up in a week.
am away. That's the
second time. Just

have to make days
of school. Mr. Tordy

& Devin is sending
at Columbia now.

They are until they
20. Lesly told me.

Mrs. Tordy ask me about
you but I guess.

The Red Sea of America.

I hope you is going
back & see them.

Don't forget any
date. I will

date. I will

see Johnson on
the spot.

I am going
to take a hunt
tomorrow. wish
you could be with
me. do you?

Day kid I wanted
you any thing
to see you. Oh yes,
it seems like a year,
does it seem that
long to you?

So with love.

Jenn quas
Walt

well dear little baby doll.
I did not get to see
Mr. Gandy at all. He has
gone back to Columbia.
I guess his bro & Law
were at the Traiz Sun
night to meet him but
he was not there
wish I could see him.
Say the man I got
that horse from Cat.
said he all was going
to get P. Hill so
telephoned to Benich.
up the Pike two or three
times. Said I should
not drive his horse
then. what do you think?

P.

Campbellville, Ky. 10-26-09
Mrs. W. M. Brown.
Benich, Ky.

Dear Rhoda:

My ever little
darling today finds me
still looking for you as
every. Oh how I wish
I could see you because
I do love you so well
My dear. that I can
not study about any
thing but you Oh how

B.

yes & by the way I can trade
Compliments with you too.

I will tell it to you when
I see you. well bid you
Cant imagine how I did
hate to leave you home
Sun Afternoon. I would of
give any thing in reason to
of stayed two or three more
days longer. Oh well it would
of just been as good to left
you then as it were when
I did. Well Mrs. Saworth
lady is going to finish
our pictures up by
this is not any of them
any good. it is bad.
because I did want to
have those pictures so bad.
just that how nice they would
be to look at some quiet day.
we will try it again some
time soon. Oh how bad I want
to hear from you tonight. hope
this be a letter saying that
will take me one hour to read.
then I would be as happy as a
ever.

6-Ville, Ky. 12-8-09.

Miss Rhoda Evans.

Benick, Ky.

My friend:
yes, I will
at M. J. Humans.
by 1-30 will come
out with that man
if he will make
his self be known
I don't believe I know
Hiram I will be at
the Bobbett Hotel.
So, can come arrange
this you will tell him
all about copying.
Recd your letter
was you wrote soon

you must kindly
tell when I can
see you even
if that fellow doesnt.
Come with me
I dont know any
thing about that
country. If it rains
& get the river
Past crossing how
then do with out
seeing you 4 more
years

Now kid I hope
I will get to see
you. of course
I am down you
have to go. but I
will see you.

write me again
this week. I do
like to hear from
you. I notice the
bird hunter
got to see you
I will take my
part in writing
a letter
W.B.

W.B.
just rec'd a telephone
call. This
Walter your gunner
is about dead. Expect you
better dismiss & send at
once if you want to see
him alive. your
mother

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Campbellsville Hotel

G. B. HENDRICKSON, PROP.,

Campbellsville, Ky., Dec. 22nd 1909

Dear Sid:

Am sick
but hope to be better by
~~and~~ write me all your people
aim to do & what you need.
if nothing happens I will
be going on the spot now
I had already had the
Breets fixed out but
had it changed so I saw
the oval. wish I could see
you

with love

as ever.

W.B.

M.B.

Came very near getting
killed to night, will
explain

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Wauville Kentucky

Dec 12/08.

Dear Rhoda.

Your letter received this
afternoon. And you
let this child I was
tickled to hear from
his dear little girl
Once more. It brings
things to mind that
I haven't thought of
for months. Sister
Lizzie wanted to know
what had happened
to me just as soon
as I got back from
town. She said I

looked like a bird
let out of a cage
and I told her
I thought I had enough
to make me look changed
I had just got a letter
from my best girl. and
it was the first one
in three or four months
she said she was
going to write you
and have you to
write me a letter over
day. I told her I
wished she. and
if she could get
you to write one letter

a week it would be
more than I could
do. The reason why
she was talking this
way. I have had the
flu for a week. And
besides that I have
been real sick. I
have been in bed
over half the time
this week. But when
I got up this morning
I was feeling lots
better than I have
for a week and
since I got your
letter I am recovered

well. Kid I certainly
feel sorry for you
just you and your
mother having to
go through the winter
alone. I think you
might let me come
and stay with you
I need some place
to winter. I am a
real good hand to
feed and milk. And
the best fellow to
get stove wood you
ever saw. You tell
mother about me. And
I believe she will send

here by my self writing
to you. than to call
Susky tonight by the
way. I dreamed last
night of being with
Jack Graham in
Indianapolis. WE WERE
going to take you and
Allen to ~~wonderland~~
port. what do you
suppose ever made
me have a dream
like that I often
think of the night
we walked over there
and some times have
a big laugh all by

My self. We certainly
had a time out
at Indianapolis didn't
we did. do you know
we will ever have another
as good a time as
we had out there. well
we must live in hopes
any way and maybe
we will have just as
good a time some
other place. we could
have just as good
a time here in
Danville if you
will ever take up
ill let you see these

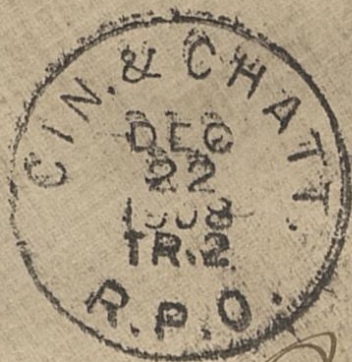
To Danville while I'm
here. And if you dont
come I will allways
think you dont care
any thing for me.
do you know any boddy
in Lancaster? I go
over there real often
sister Jennie lives
1 1/2 miles on the other side
of the Richmond Pike
I know nearly all the
girls in that town
Lancaster turns out
some pretty high Steppers
I was over there Tuesday
night to a party and

I certainly had a time
I met a Miss Collins
from Louisiana and
she was sure a warm
member. I think I
made a hit with her. I
am going over to see
her tomorrow I hope
it will be pretty afternoon
so I can take her out
dining. I think I can
make some speed. See
do you ever see Boyle
I know. I would love
to see the old. you
know I use to be in
love with that whole

Family. I heard Cecilia
had a Boy. I wonder
if she named it for me.
She said she would.
If she ever had one.
You spoke of seeing
Cleva. how does she
look. Is she as bowlegged
as ever. How does Miss
Dixie look since
she got her divorce
I may get her yet. you
cant always see
you. The last time
I saw her she was
looking pretty good.
I guess I will have

to look her up when
I come down. If
you don't care. Who's
pushing Clyde I like
to for God her God bless
her little heart. I would
love to see her and
squeeze her up real
good. Do you ever
see Dr Campbell
Some one told me
he was giving May
Osborne the dead watch
that little girl had
better watch that
fellow or he will fix
her clock. Kid I am

I love you better than
any girl I ever was
with. And I always
expect too. Well I guess
I have wrote enough
for this time. So
I will say good
night. And go to bed.
Write me a long letter
just as soon as
you get this.
Yours with all
my love.
A. P.



Miss. Rhoda Evans.

Perick.

Kentucky.