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After a great deal of thought, I am very upset about the time wasted trying to read the fuel gauges (sight tubes for fuel overhead in the Virus airplane). Years of flying would say to check the fuel quantity at a loss of power with no other indication is the lack of fuel. In-flight with the engine running rough it is virtually impossible to read the site gauges late in the day with us unload in the west. Neither the left nor the right sight gauge was readable.

Having flown the BD/Grumand single engine aircraft for many hours their site gage with the contrasting color little bead in the sight tube is a huge improvement compared to looking for the meniscus of the fuel. From the Dictionary is the definition of meniscus ((physics) the curved upper surface of a nonturbulent liquid in a vertical tube). The keyword here I feel is non-turbulent.

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