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County Clerk, Haskell County

MISS ALLEE IRBY, Deputy

Haskell, Texas, March 10 1918

My dear Mrs Hart- I hope you will.

Pardon me for my seeming neglect-
but- I am very sure you can and
will make allowances for me knowing
the sadness and heart-breaks which have
come into my life. I have not been
at all well this winter have suffered
more than usual, all this winter, Ethel's
family lies near us the little baby
has been sick nearly all winter is better
now, Joan her eldest- has been sick the
last week with measles, dear little woman
she looks so sad and seems at such
a loss it is pitiful to see her, all
her responsibilities seem so much
for her but- she is trying to be brave
for the childrens sake, but- every
one is remarking about her
looking so sad and lonely, it makes
my heart-ache to look at her but
I realize that- time alone can
heal such sadness,

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I hope you are all well and have
Edd with you, I suppose Herman is
still in the training camp on
in France nearly all our Haskell
Boys have gone. We just had a
letter from our eldest Daughter saying
her two eldest-Boys would leave in
about two months of course she
does not know but fears they
will be sent to France, I try to
cheer her up while my own heart
is almost-breaking, I don't remember
whether I have written you since the
death of Mrs Lewis, and Mr and Mrs
Fay Mr Lewis died Mar 1st - Mr and Mrs
Fay about 3 weeks later, they died within
10 days of each other, we have had the
hardest winter we've experienced since
coming to the west - very little snow
and less rain but cold hard weather
with lots of dust and wind, I shall be
glad to hear from you at any time
our

and as often as you have time
to write, it certainly cheers one
up to be remembered by our
dear friends, I am trying to
find out whether Mrs Wells
is living, but so far have not
succeeded so far. Edna still
lives at Ruler but I haven't seen
her for more than a year.

Remember us kindly to your
children with lots of love
and good wishes we are as
ever your true friends

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