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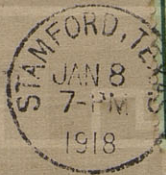
Dear Mrs Hart.

I received your letter &
was glad to hear from you. I want to say
it is certainly sweet of you to tell me
that I could let anything I wanted
stay at your house. I had thought of
taking everything but I hated to move
the piano & Wason part. The Endicotts
I think will continue to stay. I showed
Ed your letter and he had a talk
with Mr Endicott and he said it
was alright for me to leave anything
or everything. So when I took my
things out they said it would look
very bare in the house so after
conferring with Ed I decided
to leave everything as it was
but told the Endicotts it was
subject to removal - either for

shipment or sale, but as everything
is so dry & people are leaving who
can, that sale for them is far off I
think. When I get to San Antonio
I expect to have Vernon with
us as often as he will come, and
when you get ready to come, there
the strange latch will be on the
outside and a hearty welcome
awaiting you ^{on inside}. I don't know what
the arrangements will be as
yet, for we were disappointed in
getting the place we thought we
could get. so I shall give up
my room the 15th of this month
and go on there. will possibly
have to board for a while, but

may hear any day they have pro-
cured apartments. - Ed & I are
invited out to the Emersons for
dinner tonight. - Ed is busy packing
to get off by Friday. - It makes me
right glad to think of all of leaving -
Mrs Morton was over last night
I told me all about the wedding -
and also Vernon - said he looked
as handsome as best man - I had
a cord from your mother and she
wrote she had been very busy. She
wanted Mrs McGuin's address, so
I phoned Mrs Morton and sent some
to her right away and she had not
been able to find her. I hope you
and Vada had a pleasant Xmas
and will have a happy & prosperous
New Year I don't realize that Xmas

was here although I was nicely remem-
bered, but I was busy getting Murphy
off and did not have time to look
at my presents enough to remember
what I got - Carrie wished her to come
by Sunday & she only had to say
by Saturday to get ready - I want
to go to town on a little
business this afternoon as well
have to hurry and get off for
I want to be here when the
Americans send their Cox for Ed
& me - Ed answered the phone
& told them we would come
& then told me, & I told him
of course I would go - This may
be the last meal we will
take together for a long time as
I had to quit feeding Ed to pack
& I don't cook much for myself - With
lots of love for you & Viola - I am sincerely yours
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