

Leslie Bates

President,
Dutchess County
Realty Board.

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(from Bookkeeper)

INTRO TO
~~XXX~~ MR. BATES

The weather has been pretty chilly up here in Dutchess County. In fact I suppose this news broadcast sounds a bit cool and frosty, because just now a waiter spilled some ice-cream on the microphone. But we don't mind a little thing like that up this way. In fact one real estate man here has been trying to give the microphone a drink.

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Meanwhile I might as well explain that I live over at the other, the eastern end of Dutchess County. I have long wanted to pay a visit to Poughkeepsie. Over in Pawling if a fellow gets pretty good they say to him, "say you're too big for this town, you ought to go to Poughkeepsie". The trouble is, I live on a road that you can hardly get through with a horse and buggy. So I don't get around much. However, the snow helped tonight and I came over on skis, to have dinner with the Dutchess County Real Estate men and their ladies.

Sitting here of course is Mr. Leslie Bates, President of the Dutchess County Realty Board. He looks

as if he might have something to say. I can see
oratory in his eye. What is it Mr. Bates? What's
the big idea?

Mr. Bates:

I see you're just a modest real estate man.

For Mr. Bates:

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the United States lives here. Mr. Wengathau, Secretary of
the Treasury, has a home here. Vincent Astor's famous
estate is up the river. J. P. Morgan's shop room, the
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FOR MR. BATES AND MR. THOMAS

For Mr. Bates.--

Why, the big idea is Dutchess County. The first county in the state, and the first county in the United States!

For L. T.

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For Mr. Bates--

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For L. T.

Marvelous roads? They are, except the one I

live on. Anyhow you're right, one hundred percent.

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WALDORF

Hotel ~~managers~~ are breathing freely once more.

The strike of cooks and waiters in New York ~~has~~ is at an end. The Union accepted the terms and agreement suggested by the Regional Labor Board. One of the subjects that interested the Board was the starting of the strike,, which was begun because one of the assistant cooks at the Waldorf-Astoria was discharged for incompetence. That's what the hotel claimed. Mrs. Herrick, acting Chairman of the Regional Labor Board made the following statement today: "We have carefully investigaed all the facts surrounding the calling of the strike, and our investigation discloses that it was unjustified. The procedure followed by the Union wasunwarranted and improper". So declares the Chairman of the Regional Labor Board.

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KIDNAP.

There was great excitement all over Iowa today because of the threat to kidnap J. N. Darling the famous cartoonist whom many of us know better as "Ding". Darling, who lives in Des Moines, was expected home today with an escort of federal agents to protect him. "Ding" said he felt quite flattered at the notion that kidnappers should consider him **rich** enough to be material for the practice of their craft. We learn ~~today~~ that agents of the Department of Justice got wind of this plot to kidnap "Ding" while the famous cartoonist was on his way from Des Moines to Washington. Evidently there is no nonsense about it be-

MEXICANS.

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STAMPS.

There was a near riot at Rockefeller Center New York at the opening of that National Stamp Exhibition on the thirty-fifth floor of the great R. C. A. Building. ~~in New York~~. And the crowds *that are* still jamming in have broken all records. An amazing number of people are keen on this hobby. Stamp fans are flocking to Rockefeller Center at the rate of ten thousand a day. Some ^{are} traveling hundreds of miles to see the treasures on exhibition. One enthusiast, Doctor Holland Davis, Secretary of the American Philatelic Society, came all the way from Denver. Another collector traveled twenty-four hundred miles.

On the opening day sales of stamps at this National Stamp Exhibition were the largest **ever** made

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made in one day, in the history of the U. S.

Philatelic Agency under whose auspices the show is being run. One million, a hundred and eighty thousand stamps changed hands on that occasion.

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One feature of the show is a frame full of signatures of the Presidents, including one of Lincoln when he was a plain member of Congress, and again after he became President. Theodore Steinway is showing the signature of Paderewski made when the great pianist was Premier of Poland.

Katherine Mayo.

Author: Mother

India ;

Soldiers — what

next.

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INTRO. TO KATHERINE MAYO

A few minutes ago, just as the soup came on, I was talking to a famous woman at the table here. Ever so often you hear a discussion about - who the most famous woman in the world is? Well, a couple of years ago quite a few people would have answered Katherine Mayo, the author of "Mother India". Katherine Mayo leaped into renown with that sensational book. Now she has produced another, powdered with dynamite. Anything Katherine Mayo writes is likely to have a stick of dynamite tucked away somewhere. Her latest book is called: "Soldiers - What Next", published by Houghton Mifflin. It deals with the Veterans of the World War. It tells of abuses and the laws pertaining to Veterans, and in particular, Katherine Mayo draws a scathing indictment against the way in which many disabled Veterans have been neglected, the disabled Veterans and their dependents.

There are many veterans here tonight. So maybe we can get Miss Mayo to tell us what she considers the most important point in the problem of the Veteran. Will you Miss Mayo?

FOR KATHERINE MAYO

There is one thing Mr. Thomas I should like to tell everybody here and everybody in this country. The man who is disabled fighting for his country has never had the square deal he deserves. He has been talked about. He has been showered with fine words. He has been used as a shield, as camouflage. He has been pushed forward to enable others to gain their ends and benefit themselves. The loyalty and sympathy that the disabled Veteran inspires has been made a tool for others to use in pushing projects of their own.

I think that we Americans have missed one point, which is that the man who lost his eyes, his limbs, his bodily confidence in the fight against the enemy in France is entitled to more than we can ever give him. We owe him a debt that a payment in material things can never compensate. We think that because we have given him a material pittance we have done justice, when in fact we have sacrificed the honor of our war-wounded men. We have allowed them to be used and exploited - until their heroism and their sufferings have been confused with the designs of a crowd of self seekers.

TREATY.

Miss Mayo, here is one that will interest you.

John Bull and the Russian Bear are arm in arm once more. An odd couple. A trade agreement was signed in London today. The gist of it is that ~~the~~ England and Russia are going to do more business with each other. Each of them promises to buy more goods from the other. Furthermore Russia agrees to resume the chartering of British ships for their import and export trade. The agreement to be sure, is only temporary. It can be cancelled on six months notice. However, it makes relations between the two countries a lot more friendly.

EXPEDITION.

The disaster to the Russian icebreaker, the ship that was crushed in the Arctic, is having more serious consequences than we realized yesterday. There are approximately one hundred people, the scientific staff of the expedition and the crew of the ship, stranded on the ice, off the coast of Siberia. The intention of the Soviet government was to send planes to the rescue in answer to the expeditions radio calls for help. But now it turns out it will not be practicable to use planes. There is no place for them to land. Consequently the Russian authorities have found it necessary to organize a relief expedition of sixty dog teams to go and rescue those marooned scientists and mariners. Meanwhile of course the food problem becomes serious.

AUSTRIA

We seem to have come to the end of that dramatic Austrian story. There seems to be no doubt today that the Socialist revolt has finally suppressed.

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AUSTRIA. The Government of Chancellor Dolfuss announced today that the revolution collapsed entirely. One clear ~~symptom~~ symptom is the fact that street cars and buses are running in the city of Vienna. All the barricades have been torn down and removed. The troops are back in their barracks, where they belong. Cafes and restaurants are permitted to open once more until ten o'clock in the evening. And the theatres will open tomorrow. A survey of out-lying districts shows that law and order have been restored throughout all Austria.

A bit of news from Rome is of the highest interest. (Mussolini has sent an unofficial note to both John Bull and to Paris, in which he suggests that Great Britain and France join him in a declaration that the three Powers will not tolerate any interference with Austria's domestic affairs. In other

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words a gentle hint to the followers of Hitler:

"Hands off Austria or you will have us to deal

with". What the big Powers fear most at present

is a Nazi Putsch in Austria. This note is

Mussolini's answer to that threatening possibility.

HITLER.

57 Rumors continue to come from Europe, in spite of insistent denials, that it is Hitler's purpose eventually to restore the monarchy and put a Hohenzollern on the throne. The London Express declares that the Hohenzollern whom the Chancellor has picked for the job is Prince Alexander Ferdinand, a grandson of the former Kaiser. This Prince Alexander Ferdinand is a son of Prince August Wilhelm, popularly known as Auwi. His mother and father are divorced. The mother who was before her marriage a princess of the Danish royal family, is now living in extreme poverty in Copenhagen. When she became the wife of Prince Auwi she was known as the beautiful Princess

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Alexandria-Victoria. Today she is plain Mrs. Arnaud Ruemann.

The rumor factory declares that Hitler has refused to let the former Princess see her son, Prince Alexander-Ferdinand. She was divorced in nineteen twenty at which time the custody of the boy was given to the Prince. Since then every attempt on her part to see her son has been in vain.

To be sure, Hitler, a few weeks ago issued a denial that he was contemplating a Hohenzollern restoration. Nevertheless the London Express claims to be accurately informed that this young princeling has been picked for the job Kaiser Bill once held.

GREELEY.

Here's a bit of judicial humor: A young man appeared in a police court in Washington today accused of having been ^{a-}too _^let us say - too convivial. The magistrate found him guilty and said "What is your name?" The lad replied "Horace Greeley". "The deuce you say", replied the judge, "Well you should go west, young man, but you're going south, you're going to spend ten days at Occoquan". Occoquan is the penal institution owned by the District of Columbia, some twenty miles south of Washington.

Well, it's time for me to start west, south and east now. I'm bound for Reading, Pennsylvania; Hazleton in the Anthracite Country and then Worcester, Mass. — so so long until Monday.