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Christmas Night-

My dear Mr. Eccles:

A radio report tonight says that you have demanded of Senator Byrd that he stop "name calling" and cooperate with the New Deal.

Possibly the strangest phase of the New Deal is the mulish refusal of New Dealers to realize that informed and intelligent Democrats are literally fed up to the teeth with the New Deal and New Dealers.

We are all Democrats down here and this is true of every man and woman I know. I know politicians who pay lip service and who will continue to pay it just as long as it is a paying investment. I know job holders

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and check receivers who will continue to receive and to pay tribute to the donor. I know near-illiberates who still labor under the delusion that the New Deal is the Democratic Party. I know radicals who quite naturally consider it their spiritual home.

I speak of Democrats who went to the polls down here and sent the "purged" back to Congress.

Why should Senator Byrd cooperate with the New Deal? To us he represents the real spirit and the real principles of the Democratic Party. He and men like him will save the Democratic Party if it is to be saved. Our party may, in time, wipe out the disgrace and scandal of this venal administration.

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It ill becomes a new dealer to accuse anyone of name calling. Mr. Roosevelt's vocabulary reeks with vicious invectives. I give you Mr. Dekes. Robert Jackson. Senator Guffey. Senator Minlon. Senator Schwelmbach. And other amateur fihrers.

Personally. I hope our party takes the licking of its life in 1940 for I consider it too dishonest in its administration of government to be entrusted with the destiny of our people. I consider its trend towards centralization and regimentation the greatest menace to democracy that ever threatened this nation.

Candidly Yours,
Edith Dickey Moses