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States' Rights

Most of the Issue's Friends Have Nothing New To Say Before the chorus of Governors began to reach its full strength of 48, it might be well to define the limits of this States' Rights plea...

local WPB office nor City officials know to what to expect.

It seems likely on the basis of experience in other cities, where such experiments have been abandoned as too expensive, that the crew will never come.

New Peril

It Faces Germany With the Sudden Collapse of Italy

The military possibilities arising from the Italian crisis are, as various experts have hastened to announce, so far reaching as to threaten the change of the entire course of the war.

Slow Army & Navy

The Merry-go-Round

By Drew Pearson

WASHINGTON LAST September the War Department announced it would convert enough Army posts along the Atlantic seaboard from oil to save 15,000,000 gallons of oil per year.

Real fact, however, is that neither the Army nor the Navy has stirred itself about converting oil to coal. OPA officials estimate that if the armed forces really wanted to, they could save tons of fuel oil along the Atlantic coast...

Cox Committee Clowns

Congressman Cox's investigation of the Federal Communications Commission has degenerated chiefly into a name-calling contest in which Chairman Larry Fly is the main target.

Hollywood Sit-Down

Hollywood moguls have been staging a polite sit-down strike against the Army's training films produced by production ace, Lt. Col. Frank Capra.

film for the Army. Although called training films, his pictures are much more than that, complete liberal education for any good American.

Flying Senators

There was a lot of classroom opposition to the trip of the Five Flying Senators to inspect the North African, Australian and Pacific fronts this Summer.

Majority Leader Alben Barkley of Kentucky replied that the War Department was footing expenses. To this Lucas retorted:

"I wish to state emphatically that if any money is to be requested, I will not vote a single dime for the trip."

In reply to further questions by economy-minded GOP Senator John A. Danaher of Connecticut about the "any valid attacks" on the proposed trip, Barkley stated that that would depend on "future events."

FDR and Farmers

FDR's latest of political opinions for some time have been trying to decide how seriously the President has lost the farm vote.

"All my life," he says, "the farm organizations have been begging for parity. That has been their slogan: Parity for farm products."

"So the farm organizations are left without an issue. But they can't survive without an issue. They have to have something to battle for, or farmers would not support him."

He Who Laughs Last

By Dorman Smith



Tom Wolfe's First Biography

By Burke Davis

A MAN by the name of John Stally Terry, a professor of English at New York University, is writing a biography of Thomas Wolfe.

Intimate letters behind him. Mr. Terry sets out upon his task with one of the golden opportunities of a lifetime.

We will trust Mr. Terry to write a faithful, compelling biography of Tom Wolfe, the strange, self-dramatizing, self-driving and highly confident man.

We hope, for the first biography of Tom Wolfe of which we have heard that the author will be content to recall the drab scenes of Tom Wolfe's life, and the way of the writing of the moving words he behind. We believe it will be a most interesting and most appreciative world-wide readership to

make his own pictures of the crowded, lusty pages of his books. For Tom Wolfe was not a Carolinian nor a Southerner nor an American, but a man of the earth, and, like most of the men of this earth, in many a weary generation.

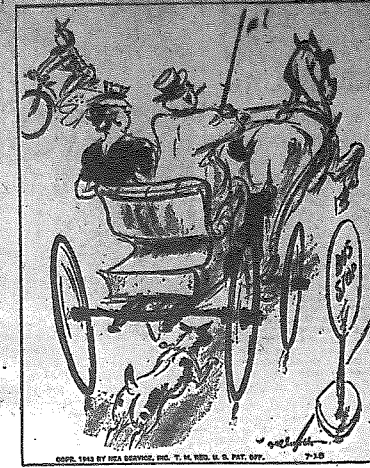
Tom Wolfe believed in himself from the start so fervently that his early letters to his mother picture him as an over-dramatic youth, mending letters of greatness without a sign to guide family or friends.

We don't know how such an artist, burning with such a spark of intolerance and misunderstanding of his kind of life and talent continued until his death. We do believe that the gentility of his life in Chapel Hill helped to foster his genius.

In September, Tom Wolfe will have been dead five years, five years in which his stature has increased in the eyes of the public far more than in the years of his life.

It is our hope that Mr. Terry's biography, which we eagerly await, will contribute greatly to the coming of that day final and complete recognition of Tom Wolfe, who is destined to tower among writing men of all ages.

Side Glances



"Buying the horse and buggy wasn't a bad idea, George, but please stop telling everybody you courted me in a rig just like this!"

Everyday Counselor

By Rev. Herbert Spough

ARE you a good listener? They are greatly in demand. An interested listener is always a welcome addition to any group because most of us prefer to talk and, about ourselves.

The answer to that last question is not difficult. The reason is that what they may see will distract them from what they are talking about. I have sat in many audiences and never realized until I became a public speaker, how one man's actions can become so distracting to the speaker.

If you really want to help a public speaker, give him your attention, wear a pleasant expression, and try to look interested; perhaps you will be even if you aren't interested, you will help him get through that much quicker.

When the revolution in Germany does come, it will be so complicated and so apparently so confused an enterprise that I fully expect the minds of a number of Western observers to give way quietly under the strain.

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Confusing The German Way

By Samuel Crafton

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This will not be a revolution on our behalf. In fact, none of the German revolutionary movements are going to be revolution on our behalf. We have by this time persuaded ourselves that the German people are going to rise happily in revolt one day for the sake of being occupied by us.

So, the cry for peace will rise higher. It may take the form of a multitude in Paris, probably with a few hundred names to offer. This movement may set up something like a pre-democratic government, but, again, not for the purpose of surrender to the Allies, nor for inviting the Allies to take over the government.

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Missing Man

DAYMOND CLAPPER has called his editors that he may be unable to send back his column for several days. When Mr. Clapper was last heard from he was just leaving North Africa.