

The Roundup

By WILBORNE HARRELL

**CRITIQUE**—Richard Wilkinson, in a recent article in the Saturday Review in which he discussed the disappearance of the old pulp magazines from the literary scene, made this passing comment, "I am still a pulp writer", and further amplifies his statement by saying that he hopes some day they will return. But whether or not these magazines will return, I don't know, but I am in accord with Mr. Wilkinson in deploring the passing of the pulps. For, by and large, they published real literature, exploited good writing and were the training ground for many present day top-flight authors. Earl Stanley Gardner, H. Bedford Jones, Donald Barr Chidsey and Ben

Ames Williams were first published in the pulps, to mention a few. The Dr. Kildare stories first appeared in Argosy. And as I remember, the old pulp Argosy-Allstory published some of the best writing then produced. The present day Argosy is a slicked-up version of the original Argosy, and bears no resemblance to that magazine except in name. In my opinion, the new Argosy is an inferior magazine. Inevitably, though, as Mr. Wilkinson points out, the pulps also published much hack writing and supplied a not-so-hard-to-crack market for hack writers — including myself. I sold a short story to an obscure pulp for which I was paid a

cent a word. (You didn't get rich writing for the pulps, but a prolific producer could make a darn good living). In retrospect, if the sale of that lone short story to the pulps meant anything to me, it did have the effect of giving me the ambition to be a writer. And I am still writing, for there is a saying that a writer is a person who doesn't have the sense to know when he is licked. And, who knows, some day I may write something worth reading.

**PHIL OSOPHER SAYS**—Nickels and pennies have little value nowadays—except as additives.

Castro must go.

**Maola Introduces New Milk Carton**

A new wax-free plastic-coated milk container is being introduced here this week by Maola Milk and Ice Cream Company.

The package is considered a revolutionary development in the improvement of sanitation and efficiency in the distribution of fluid milk products.

Kenneth G. Reesman, general manager, said the improved milk container has received enthusiastic approval from both food stores and homemakers in other markets where it is now being used.

According to Reesman, this carton represents "a basic step forward in the safeguarding of milk between the pasteurizing process at the dairy and the kitchen table."

Maola's new carton is the result of 11 years of research and development by the Sealright Company, Fulton, N. Y., packaging specialists for the dairy industry. It is shipped to the dairy in the form of flat pieces which have been sterilized in the mill operations.

At the dairy, the various pieces are automatically fed in-

to the Sealking machinery, which sterilizes them a second time, forms them into cartons, fills, seals, and releases them ready for delivery.

Floyd Hartley, manager of Maola's Williamston branch, emphasized the advantages of the twin-pak design of the half-gallon twin-pak separates into individual sealed quarts for easier storing and longer freshness, according to Hartley.

He added, "the twin-pak is the modern half-gallon carton and features the 'pour one, store one' convenience which marks today's trend toward fractionalized packaging."

Hartley also stressed the importance of Maola's new the no-wax and double-sterilization features of plastic-coated carton. He pointed out that the cartons are stronger and sturdier because the sides and bottom are welded at 550 degrees F. Also, the pouring surface of the carton remains completely sanitary, protected by the exclusive sterilized foil seal.

Maola's present marketing area covers 35 counties in Eastern North Carolina, extending from Virginia to the South Carolina line. Employees number approximately 363 and the company purchases milk from 80 Grade A producers in Eastern North Carolina. Additional milk is supplied from various points in Western North Carolina.

**Ag Secretary Gives Advice On Peanuts**

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In January the U. S. Department of Agriculture, under the peanut price support program, announced the pre-planting price support level for all peanuts in the United States at \$221.00 per ton. This price was for the average of all types. Before that announcement, the Peanut Price Differential Com-

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mittee, composed of producers and shellers from all the major peanut producing areas, met, reviewed the facts and figures concerning the peanut pricing program, and came up with recommendations to the Secretary of Agriculture upon which he could base his announcement of the interim price for each type of peanut. On March 29th, following these recommendations, the Secretary of Agriculture announced the following prices by types for the average net ton: Virginia type \$234.01; Valencia type suitable for roasting, \$234.01; Spanish type Southeastern area, \$226.17; Spanish type Southwestern area, \$216.93, and runner type, \$208.49. These prices are based on 85% of the January, 1962, peanut parity price. The peanut support prices for 1962 cannot be below the above figure; however, the supply and parity price conditions on August 1st could be such that the Secretary would raise these prices but in no case would he lower them.

The Virginia type prices are based on \$3.109 per percent SMK, 7c per pound for loose shelled kernels, 7c per pound for other kernels, and 60c for each one percent of extra large kernels. The extra large premium was 40c per each percent extra large kernels in 1961. The higher premium on extra large kernels is upward

but the lower sound mature kernel rate of \$3.109, compared with \$3.20 for 1961. Discount for sound split kernels will be 40c per ton for each percent of splits above five percent. Deduction in weight will be made for moisture in excess of 8% for Virginia type. Loans and purchase agreements on the 1962 crop will be available to any individual producer and grower association from the time of harvest through January 31, 1963. Loans will mature on May 31, 1963, or earlier upon demand by the Commodity Credit Corporation. Discounts for excess foreign matter will be at the rate of \$1.00 per ton for each full one percent of foreign matter in excess of four matter or moisture in excess of

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Generally speaking, the average ton price as announced in this interim announcement is the same as last year, except for the increased premium on extra large, which means that as in prior years it is most important for all peanut growers to exercise their best efforts

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