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Ickes vs. Carter

WITH liberal use of the jagged vocabulary for which he is famous, Secretary of the Interior Harold L. Ickes has taken a swing at Fort Worth's Amon Carter. Mr. Carter's Star-Telegram had launched an editorial thrust at Mr. Ickes and sundry other New Dealers who have been coming down to Texas to promote a Roosevelt third term in opposition to Native Son Jack Garner.

Mr. Ickes said Mr. Carter called him a "carpetbagger," and then went off in rhetorical flight from there. We don't know yet what Mr. Carter is going to say back to Mr. Ickes, but if these two highly vocal rugged individuals decide really to make something out of it, the exchange will be well worth hearing.

Whatever Mr. Carter's reaction may be, he can at least reflect that he has been called down by an expert. Mr. Ickes' sharp and ready tongue has had many duels before now, in some of which he has come off second best.