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SECRETARY HAROLD Ickes at least explains one thing to our satisfaction in his exchange of letters with Amon Carter in which he comes out second best, and that is, he admits what we have long believed, that he considers W. P. A. funds or other government gratuities are something to be given out to those in high favor with the government. The idea of making blood money of government funds is repulsive to all intelligent citizens and the sooner we knock this whole conglomerated new deal with its hypenated Democrats and Socialists into a cocked-hat the better off the country will be. Mr. Ickes explains that he has "come to Texas bearing gifts—rich gifts" when in reality he means to say that he is taking the taxpayers money and using it purely as a political pay-off.