

A *CONFEDERACY OF DUNCES*, by John Kennedy Toole, Louisiana State University Press, 1980.

Thanks to John Kennedy Toole's mother, author Walker Percy who helped her find a publisher, and to Louisiana State University Press, we can all now read this marvelous comic novel which Toole wrote in the sixties. (He killed himself in 1969.) We read somewhere that one reason certain "big" publishers rejected the book was that Toole, being dead, would be unable to hype it on television.

In any case, it is now in print and we can all enjoy the saga of Ignatius Reilly, his life and hates. He is a ridiculously obnoxious oaf that one can't help loving. So are the octogenarian Miss Trixie (who bites) and the spectacular Jones (Whoa! Ooo-Wee!!)