

## Assignment:



## Books

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### Writers and books briefly!

The late John Kennedy Toole's delightful, zany novel *A Confederacy of Dunces* (LSU Press) has taken the novel by storm. It has kicked up mostly very favorable reviews in all sections of the country, even though New Orleans' residents insist you can't really appreciate it if you haven't lived near the French Quarter where the story is set. The latest word is that you may soon be seeing Toole's bizarre hero, Ignatius Reilly, in the movies: Scott Kramer of 20th Century Fox has purchased the motion picture rights to the book. A paperback version of the novel is due out in late fall.