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| GOVERNMENT BY ALPHABET <br> The American people have been yelling for years for simplified government, and they now have it, <br> It has been initialed so generously that if one should miraculously be able to memorize all the first letters of all the bureaus and departments under which the government now operates, you would probably conclude that he was reciting the Chinese alphabet. <br> The NRA and the RFC started all of this mis-chief-making off, somebody having rightly interoreted the American mood as being hostile to repeating the full name of these vital agencies of government and, therefore, in the interest of convenience and brevity, initial letters were chosen and are now fairly well established in the public mind. <br> Nobody is referring to the National Recovery Administration or the Reconstruction Finance Cor-poration-you could almost chop a cord of wood or walk up town before you can get those long terms away from the tongue. It is now NRA and RFC-just like that, and off you go to the main body of whatever it is you have to say. <br> But the trouble is that the precedent has been carried to vicious extremes. They have got so now that every little tom-tit of a department in Washington takes its stand in line with the artistry of initialing and emblazons itself before the public in this abbreviated fashion. <br> The practice has gone so far that long ago The Observer lost count and does not now pretend to parade the totality of the lettered agencies, but among them, at least, are the AAA, PWA, FERA, CCC, TVA, FCT, ECWP, DLD, FDIC, FFCA, FCA, F HC, FRSC, HOLC, OIB, SHD, ICC, FBR, BOIR, BOAI, FTC? <br> And in addition to all of these, the western farmers are demanding that the government do something for them PDQ, while foreign governments continue to hand Washington their IOU's. -Charlotte Observer. <br> BOOTH'S BIRTHDAY <br> New York theatrical organizations held a memorial service Sunday to inaugurate the celebration of the birth of Edwin Booth, the great American actor who was born Nov. 13, 1833. The birthday of Mr. Booth deserves to be observed in many cities in which he appeared with his troupe of ac- |  |
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always drew crowds of theatergoers.
Edwin Booth may be said to be the foremost of
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 lina Board of Health for a term of four
years. Dr. J. T. Burrus of High Point is the retiring President. Dr. Reynolds, who years, has served as President of the Buncombe County Medical Society and the
State Medical Society. Al Smith made a visit to the White House yesterday and
dent. A told the newspaper men that it
was a "social visit" and that politics was not discussed. That is probably a fact, but
the country will be slow to accept the statement at its face value. It is so easy President can't get together without con-
cocting political schemes. However, this is the first "social visit" Al has made t Roosevel since York. They don't visit often
nor of New
enough to be regarded as old political chums.

Diunken drivers on the public highways he people who use the roads. One of the greazest known menaces to the safety o drunken driver of a motor vehicle; and le oe remembered that one does not have angerous on the roads. Slight intoxica ion unfits a person for safe and carefu riving of a motor vehicle. Even those erance" promulgated by certain of tem perance promulgated by certain of our nder the influence of alcohol withou meres of the highways.

The dollar is lower today than it ha been for 17 years, says Washington. Bu it's just as hard to get.
Although the blue eagle has become quite popular, the turkey remains the

Italy is thinking of introducing an entirely new form of government. But Mus solini, by any other name, still is Mussolini
Jimmy Durante, comedian, has filed hi name for copyright. He wouldnt dare file
his nose.

