

# CHOPPERS WIN IN BIG GAME No Places for Whittlers

By R. C. Brown

### Idler Busy Doing Nothing.

An idler is a man who counts the ink blots on his blotter in his spare time, and his spare time is all the time. You can tell one a mile away, if there is a telegraph pole in the vicinity, for he either will be leaning up against the pole or whittling at it with the dullest blade in his knife.

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There used to be an idler in my town. He was a most industrious idler; if that man had put the energy he used up in idling into some good business he would have been a general of finance. He used to sit on a comfortable cushion in a rocking chair on the front porch and whittle a stick, while his wife took in washing and bought him new trousers every time he wore the seat out. His office hours were from 8 a. m. till 10 p. m., and he was continually at work. So soon as he would finish one stick he would begin on another. But do you think he would chop wood? Not on your life. He was a whittler. Now, there is all the difference in the world between a chopper and a whittler. One great big difference is that you sit down to whittle, and it is quite necessary that you stand up to chop.

If you are a whittler, cut it out right now; break the blade off short and don't borrow the money to buy another knife. There is, of course, a certain undeniable fascination about whittling, but, you know, the men who make the chips are those who chop. Maybe you don't care for the chirs. If you don't, so to the Fiji islands—you're electe—all they do there is to He on the sands until their backs get hot and then roll over and warm over the breakfast. Yes, the Fiji islands—you're elected—all they do there is to He on the sands until their backs get hot and then roll over and warm over the breakfast. Yes, the Fiji islands is surely the ideal place

NCE there was a man and he idled his life away and he died. Now, they say, he is working overtime making pitchforks to make up for what he didn't do here.

This is probably not true; what "they" say generally isn't. But it all goes to show that people feel that the idler will have to make up for his lost time at one time or another, either here or hereafter.

And he will.

But usually—yes, always—he gets his punishment on this earth.

Some of us have a curious idea of hell; we think we can put it off until we die—um—um—you can't put it off —you'll get what's coming to you right here and plenty of it.

### Sure Cure for Whittling Habit.

a sure one. Lots of us have gotten to some one who does.

This is it: Take the whittle cure.

maybe it will stop ringing from sur-

### Success Impossible for Whittler.

### Keep Eyes Off Clock and Work.

Don't keep looking at the clock to-But Chicago's no place for you if you morrow afternoon and wonder who are an idler. We don't do it here, you glued the hands down, as you usually

in the country where the industry flourishes with any success—
and complains that he has lost money through having listened to the siron for him in case of a "fall" and all is in readiness for the slaughter. The sucker is persuaded to invest his roll. All the preparations are made with the utmost secrecy. The prospect is told—that it will be better for him in case of a "fall" and the siron for him in the and complains that he has lost money through having listened to the siron songs of wire tappers. Yet if a reward of \$10,000 were offered for the production of any one man in the United States who could accomplish one half rection. States who could accomplish one half rection.

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Real wire tapping is not done any
more. The only persons that are done
are the foolish victims that let confiience men take their money away from

In a couple of recent novels wire tappers figure. But any of the experts who pose as wire tappers and who collect bounty money from foolish investors would laugh at the manner in which men of their class are depicted ping," about which there

## "Tapper" Generally a Liar.

To begin with, an alleged wire tapper is generally a liar. He would not know what wire to tap and it is pretty good ing except a hook.

The sucker gets the hook at the betting that he could not tap a wire if hands of the wire tappers with unfallone were pointed out to him and he

### How the "Rube" is "Worked."

The modus operandi of the so-called wire tappers is to convince somebody who has money that he can make a great deal more by paying them money of Wellington during the Peninsular The modus operandi of the so-called to tap wires which communicate with

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the feats which these victims of "wire tappers" say their despoilers claim to be able to perform no one would appear to claim the reward.

In truth, the wire tapper is a case of the triumph of a ghostly criminal who has no local habitation, no name, and absolutely no success in the line in which he asserts that he is an expert.

Real wire tapping is not force any which men who are supposed to be honwhich men who are supposed to be hon-est have fallen into their hands by try-ing to overreach somebody else.

It will help a great deal to the understanding of this question of "wire tapping," about which there is so much talk, but of which there is really so little understood, if it is known that there are no wires tapped at any time, and that the whole thing is a confidence game, and that no matter how glitter-ingly the hook is baited, it can be noth-

ing regularity. Many victims have been known to come back for a second application. Some of the old time wire tappers have taught the details of their were furnished with the tools.

But he does not need any tools. All tappers have taught the details of their that he needs is a convincing manner, winning address and the gift of gab.

The men that are swindled by wire tappers belong to that class of men that are ensiest to swindle—the men that are ensiest to swindle—the men that are themselves trying to swindle somehold else.

application. Some of the details of their be a fallure in the supply of "exportenced men with a great secret, who are in a position to make a great deal of money in a short time." But unfalling as the supply of wire tappers is, the demand for their services never fails either.

### Opposition to Trousers.

to tap wires which communicate with racetracks or stock markets, and by making use of the inside information so obtained increase their roll many fold. Sometimes the suckers are taken to offices in the downtown district of Chicago and are shown telegraph instruments. Messages are sent and received over these instruments in the presence of the sucker. But he does not know that the wires end in the next room.

Shown a Real Wire.

Having been convinced by this manifestation in which the telegraph plays such an important part that the "wire tapper" has the necessary equipment with which to tap wires the sucker is driven out into the suburbs where he is shown the wire that it is intended to tap. The prospect, as the sucker is called in "wire tapping" circles, is persuaded to invest a small sum of money in the during the Peninsular war.

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# There's only one way out, but that is WELL DIGGERS FACE PERILS out by the same path. If you don't Dodge Death in Deep Pits

By Joseph Gokle

Get up when the slarm goes off- 66TT well. And then the man in the these it's best to leave underground at the top heaves. And he does At length comes the time when the this as often as there is ma- drill must be used. No more rock can terial at the bottom to fill be pried up with the pick or broken off the bucket; which is no bucket at all, with the hammer. Pick and spade are but only a box more or less strong. All sent up, drills and cleaner and a rag the bexes I have ever seen were more are sent down. The rag is to be wound

or less constitutionally weak. Well diggers are proverbially indif- keep the water that is always used when ferent to the sword of Damocies. They conditions permit from splashing out of get used to dodging half a ton of rock the hole up into the face of the driller. dropped from a height. They acquire a fastened to the end of a slender stick sublime contempt for little things like and made cup shaped to scrape out the that. Being dug out of a forty foot mud formed by the mixture of rock dust that. Being dug out of a forty foot mud formed cavela is, for them, only a bid for fame. We admire their nerve.

The ham

Flaw in Rigging Endangers Worker. The ropes around the box formed handles, after the manner of the oldfashioned carpet bag, and were attached to the well rope with a double hitch.

The well rope was, in turn, attached to the windlass by some wire nails, driven one-half or three-quarter ways in, and then bent over and pounded down. The weight of rope and bucket never came weight of rope and bucket never came begins his acquaintance with giant pow-

The hammer goes merrily on at the rate of sixty licks to the minute; more or less. This is hard work. A blacksmith ould tire at it. When the width of the would tire at it. When the width of the well admits, the man at the top comes down to lend a hand. Then both men take turns at striking and turning the drill. To do either of these well requires a certain knack gained only by

on these nails directly. The man at the der by being pervous and over cautious time being reduced from competency to top, who elevated the filled bucket by in handling it, and therefore becomes the bitterest and most degraded poverty winding its rope on a windlass, was al- awkward. This leads to accidents, at last hired himself out to a baker as ways to remember to stop one turn at least from the nailed end. If the rope became too short by reason of the well becoming too long, a new and longer rope was procured.

The command "heave" meant to wind up the windlass.

# SALOON BUSINESS IS CASH cept the short course in agriculture, was in pharmacy, I was imbued with the show is the remedy. Bills Are Too Hard to Collect

"slate" nowadays practically is non-existent. It may be all right to Some Hints From the "Barkeep." "hang up" the butcher, the baker, and Saloons have signs displayed often to all the rest, but drinks usually are for discourage the asking of credit.

cash over the bar. The operation of this matter of pride on the part of the drinker is assisted by the reluctance of the dispenser of liquid refreshment to keep books. Once started it is not easy to stop, and always there are many about the ordinary bar-room who would take advantage of it. They spend some money, and refusal might drive them away. So the rule is invariably in most bars that money is the only language understood.

## Saloon Debts Are Bad.

It is hard to collect a debt contracted for drinks. The courts feel that judgment given for liquor sold for drink, if there is a possibility of hurting the family of the debtor, is a bad judgment to give, and saloonkeepers find it is considerable work to collect such debts. Of course, some bars have their

steady customers, who run an account and settle regularly—a sort of special class—but these cases are rare enough to excite comment, and usually the negotiations are conducted quietly, and do not come to the notice of the general patron. Failure to settle promptly usually stops credit, unless some good reason is shown for the temporary disarrangement of the scheme:

With money coming in as fast as the goods go out, the liquor seller is in better condition to discount bills and carry on his business than the unfortunate seller of other goods, who must wait for his money—sometimes because the customer spends too much cash over the bar.

. . ALL OTHERS CASH.

## CREDIT DEPARTMENT ON ROOF. TAKE ELEVATOR.

........... CASH TODAY. CREDIT TOMORROW.

### These are a few of the gentle ways adopted to ward off asking for credit, and now and then some waggish saloon-

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keeper evolves some new and striking formula with the end in view of discouraging the touch.

More often a drink is given freely if the case seems needy, but credit would be refused the same person if asked.

### Too Many Quail in Colorado.

From the Rico News.
Their fields so overrun with quail. that that their grain crops are being ruined, the farmers of Montrose county have appealed to State Game Commis-sioner Farr to declare an open season on

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A few years ago a shooting club imported a large number of California quall into Montrose county and these birds have increased so rapidly that they are now said to be a menace to the ranchmen. Thousands of quall settle on a promising field of grain at one and in a few hours it is completely stripped and valueless.

"Kelly's Kandy Kitchen?"

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Denmark has 1,156 local jabor unions,
It is one factor of the prosperity of with a total membership of 90,811.

# RUSH YOUR OPPORTUNITIES Big Men Had Small Starts

By John A Morris

PEAKING of being alive to opportunities," said "Philosopher Phil" to a crowd of loungers in Grant park, "reminds me of how a Chicago boy got a job in that city several years ago. He had applied at many places where he thought boys might be wanted, but No' always had been the appeared. On his way home had been the answer. On his way home he stopped on a side street where a crowd was trying to look into the window of a gayly decorated store. Happening to gaze upward he saw a boy about his own age and size leaning far out of a fifthy-story window curiously inspecting the crowd below and trying to see what was going on.

"Look out dere, you! he shouted quickly, 'you'll fall out."

"He had scarcely finished speaking when the boy above lost his hold on the window sill and fell to the sidewalk below.

Areopagus (according to a law borrowed from the Egyptians) to account for his manner of living. Thereupon he produced the gardener for whom he drew water and the woman for whom he lived through the actual labor of his hands. It is said that the judges so admired his conduct that they ordered 10 minae (about \$160 in our money) to be paid him out of the public treasury."

"Masons and bricklayers can boast of Ben Johnson, who worked at the building of Lincoln's inn with a trowel in his hand and a book in his pocket. Hugh Miller, the geologist: Allan Cunningham, the sculptor and writer, and Edwards

### Runs for Dying Man's Job.

"Without waiting to view the mangled remains, this Chicago 'kid' marked the place with his eye, took the elevator and was soon on the fifth floor.

"Arriving at the proper place he inquired for the manager. Being told the manager was busy the boy said he'd wait awhile.

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same may be said of Menedemus and Asclepiades, two Grecian philosophers, who were both so poor that at one time they hired themselves out as bricklayers' laborers and were employed in carrying mortar to the tops of buildings.

his hand and a book in his pocket. Hugh Miller, the geologist; Allan Cunningham, the sculptor and writer, and Edwards and Telford, the engineers, were all originally masons and bricklayers, Among distinguished carpenters might be mentioned Inigo Jones, the architect; Harrison, the chronometer-maker; John Harrison, the chronometer-maker; John Hunter, the physiologist: Professor Lee, the orientalist; John Gibson, the sculp-tor, and Romney and Opic, the painters. "From the barber shop came Jeremy

manager was busy the boy said he'd wait awhile.

After a few minutes the manager came out of an inside office and Jimmy struck him for a job.

"The gentleman smiled pleasantly.
"No,' he said, 'we have one office boy and that is all we need at present.'
"Yep!' said Jimmy, not dased in the least, but, it seems to me I ought to be it. The boy wot you had fell outer der winder a few minnits ago. He's dead, an' I cum to get der sit.'
"As investigation proved the truth of his words, he was hired.
"Now," went on the philosopher, looking at his finger mails attentively, "this story may sound heartless, but that boy was alive to opportunities. The first boy was dead and someone had to have the firm to ascertain its loss and admensioners applied he might not have obtained the situation."

Dase From Labor.

America Offers Examples.

"Abraham Lincoln, as you probably know, was a rail-splitter and General U. S. Grant was a tanner. Andrew Johnson, one of the presidents of the United States, was a tailor, and so ignorant was he that he did not know how to read or write until after he reached manhood, when he was taught by the woman who afterward became his wife. One of the prominent members of the English parilament at one time was a bootblack in London.

"John Bunyan, the author of 'Pilgrim's Progress,' was a tinker; Watt was a maker of mathematical instruments, and Stephenson was an engine fireman. Bewick, the father of wood engraving, was a coal miner, and Herschel, the astronomer, played the might not have obtained the situation."

German public house keeper. Laplace was the son of a poor peasant of Beau-mont-en-Auge, near Honfleur, while the father of Sir Isaac Newton was a small freeholder near Grantham.

# Small Wages Laid to Fortunes.

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Top, and down goes the bucket on the run.

Perhaps some pebbles that adhered to the sides or bottom of the bucket fall, bringing their message below. It is surprising how big a small, insignificant pebble grows and how loudly it talks by the time it reaches the bottom. The man in the well looks up to watch the bucket and catches a speck of gravel mayhap on the nose.

"Look out below!" sings out the Top, "Wow!" yells Below, "is it a cavein? I caught all of Spokane county on me nose!"

Careful Preparations for Blasting.

Perhaps he says other things, too, but

Top, and down goes the bucket in the winding of the bucket was the facetiously refers to the come a chemist—chemist, not a pill of sput," as he facetiously refers to the powder. But though he forgets nothing—in the winding in the "spup," as he facetiously refers to the powder. But though he forgets nothing in the group." as he facetiously refers to the come a chemist—chemist, not a pill of powder. But though he forgets nothing in the come a chemist—chemist, not a pill of powder. But though he forgets nothing in the come a chemist—chemist, not a pill of powder. But though he forgets nothing in the come a chemist—chemist, not a pill of powder. But though he forgets nothing in the come a chemist—chemist, not a pill of powder. But though he forgets nothing in the powder. But though he forgets nothing in the come a chemist—chemist, not a pill of powder. But though he forgets nothing in the come a chemist—chemist, not a pill of powder. But though he forgets nothing in the come a chemist—chemist, not a pill of powder. But though he forgets nothing in the come a chemist—chemist, not a pill of powder. But though he forgets nothing in the come a chemist—chemist, not a pill of powder. But though he forgets nothing in the come a chemist—chemist, not a pill of powder. But though he forgets nothing in the come a chemist—chemist, not a pill of power. But though he forgets nothing in the come a chemist—chemist, not a pill of powder. But though he forgets nothing in the com

aforesaid overpowering ambition to become a chemist-not a pill roller, mind

## Looking for a Chemical Job.

After the first year in the pharmacy school, having viewed the wonderful successes of the patent medicine drug cure? That's obtaining something unhouses of Detroit, I determined to get in der false pretenses. That's burglary. on the fruits of this remarkable busi- Not for me."

unsophisticated. It looked like burglary

"A job, eh."

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The foxy faced individual with a bald pate beamed.

How I ever happened to climb the four flights of dusty stairs to this musty office I do not know. I evidently looked for opportunity with the idea that it was in disguise and lurking in a dark corner where it would be hard to find. But I had been drawn to the door through the grime of which I had read the ingenious, novel and enterprising sign: One "K" sufficed for the trio,
What originality! What a fine conception of the value of advertising. In
what village have you not read the sign,
"Kelly's Kandy Kitchen?"

"We'll forgive you that. Besides, you asp

to get in touch with the commercial

end of the business.
"O!" he said.
"Yes," said I. "Yes," said I.
"Ever been sick?" he asked. "Some," said I.
"Know the good doctors of this

"Most of them."

"You're hired on probation." "But I—"
"Certainly. Your work will be easy.
You won't have any hours. Your office will be under your hat. You will start tomorrow. Tomorrow night I want you to bring me Dr. P——'s prescription for kidney trouble of the ordinary sort. We've got a great name for the remedy, one that will sell like hot cakes and the

## "Just Be Sick Some More."

ALOONS come nearest to floing a cash business of any institutions.

Getting a drink "on tick" is repugnant to most men, and the

ALOONS come nearest to floing a the saloon above other lines of trade and helps greatly to do a large business of any institutions.

Getting a drink "on tick" is repugnant to most men, and the "But I don't know Dr. P. well enough to ask him for his favorite prescription "Pish, pish, you weary me. You told

"Well, be sick some more." "What, lure this doctor into the belief that I am sick and thus get his secret

With my brief year's study at Ann Arbor laboratories wrapped up in a red bandanna handkerchief, so to speak, I started out in furtherance of the aforesaid aim.

Now, don't hurry about seeking out out the easiest job on earth. You won't get it. It's so good it is taken. Yet when it was open I spurned it. I was unsophisticated. It looked like burglary I left the Kendale Kemical Kompany

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grading it was plowed four and onehalf inches deep and harrowed.

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application of the residuum, which was
repeated until one gallon had been applied to each square yard. The surface
was then smoothed and rolled.

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the road became dusty and another spplied to each square yard. The surface
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