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BEHIND WIGGIN

NUMBED by the shocks of repeated sen-
ate committee revelations, the mind
does not easily follow the crude career of Al-
bert H. Wiggin as head of the Chase National
bank group. The picture of this man selling his
own bank short and profiting by the crash to
the extent of many millions of dollars is par-
ticularly sickening.If the country is looking for a scapegoat,
Mr. Wiggin certainly is running Mr. Mitchell,
his National City bank competitor, a close race.

But simply to blame Mr. Wiggin and Mr.

Mitchell for financial racketeering is to miss

the point. This sort of thing happened in too
many American banks to be accidental. It
was not mere chance that brought men of the
Wiggin and Mitchell type to the control of the
two largest banking institutions in the coun-
try, if not of the world.Our system seems to have put a premium
on such men, according to them; its highest
responsibilities, its greatest honors, its rich-
est rewards.Since these men and their methods were
more or less worshipped by the nation dur-
ing the boom, the public should take unto it-
self some of the blame it now heaps upon its
late idols of Wall Street.As long as our banking system permits
bankers to be gamblers with other people's
money, it is somewhat childish to cry over the
discovery that gambling sometimes is rather
unscrupulous business.Certainly profound and sweeping reform in
our banking laws is essential. But even that
will do little good unless our entire public con-
ception of banking is changed.If the function of the banker is to get rich,
it is rather cheap to whine about the Wiggin's.Only when personal profit is ruled out as
a major motive for the guardian of other
people's money, only when banking is raised to
the professional level of public service will
we get rid of financial shysters in high places.

WHAT IS SUCCESS?

WHAT makes a man a success in life? Just
what is the prize most worth getting,
and how do you go about winning it?There are dozens of answers to those ques-
tions, some of them right, some of them
wrong, and some a little bit of each. But once
in a while you run into something that hints
that the best answer may be simpler, and dif-
ferent, from anything you had supposed.Suppose you listen for a minute to the story
of a lad named Jack Cicuto.Jack was an orphan. He was reared in the
famous home at Mooseheart, Ill. He got into
his teens, finished his high school course, and
set his heart on getting more education. So
presently he found himself a student at John
Carroll university, in Cleveland.It's not so easy to work your way through
college in the midst of a depression, but Jack
did it. He not only earned his way, but man-
aged to pay for a \$1,000 insurance policy to
take care of three brothers and his kid sister,
back in Mooseheart.He played football, too—good football. He
was half back on the university team; for all
that he was a pint-sized chap.Well, Jack fell ill this fall and was taken
to a hospital. Pretty soon he knew that he
wasn't going to get well. He didn't have any
relatives to sit by his bedside and comfort
him, being an orphan. He just had his reli-
gious faith—and the knowledge that he still
had a little work to do.So, dying, Jack asked for pen and paper
and wrote a note to three of his football
buddies. He told them about his insurance
policy, asked them to see that it got straight-
ened out for the sake of his brothers and
sisters, told where they could find the few
odd dollars he had in his room. And then,
with his pen straggling all over the paper, he
concluded:"I am gradually growing weaker. But I
am happier than I ever have been. I am
making wondrous prayers. It would be im-
possible for me to do any more. Tell all the
fellows I said, 'So long! I'll see you all in
heaven.'"

Now, that's all there is to this story. But

Here Are Some Puzzlers and Their Answers

Q—How far is it from Indian-
apolis circle to the Grassify
Fisheries near Martinsville?

A—Thirty-one miles.

Q—What is the number of in-
surance agents and officials in the
United States?A—The 1930 census enumerated
29,308 managers and officials, and
256,927 agents; total 286,235.Q—Give the population of
Manchester, England?

A—766,333.

Q—Name the latest pictures in
which Elissa Landi has appeared?A—"The Masquerader" and "I
Loved You Wednesday."Q—When and how often has
Young Stribling fought Primo
Carnera?A—They fought twice, first in
London, Nov. 17, 1929, when Strib-
ling lost on a foul in the fourth
round, and second in Paris, Dec.
7, 1929, when Stribling won on a
foul in the seventh round.Q—Where was Noel Conrad's
opera "Bitter Sweet" first pre-
sented abroad and in the United
States?A—It was presented first at His
Majesty's theater, in London, and
opened in New York City at the
Ziegfeld theater, Nov. 5, 1929.Q—If a notary public in In-
diana should move from one
county to another, would it affectin any way the taking of
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ing?A—The first week drew 426,378;
second, 411,224; third, 571,401;
fourth, 785,780, and the fifth week,
655,417. The average daily atten-
dance during the next four weeks
was more than 100,000, and dur-
ing the next two weeks it had
advanced to around 200,000 daily.An average daily attendance of
21,166 dailies, 522 dailies with Sun-
day editions; 49 tri-weeklies; 375
semi-weeklies; and 11,546 weeklies.

A—Where is the highest point

more than 200,000 has been re-
corded since.Q—How can a sheepskin diplo-
ma be smoothed for framing?A—Moisten it with water and
dry it under tension, as stretch-
ing over a frame.Q—Is the guillotine still used
for execution in France?

A—Yes.

Q—What nationality was the
late Joseph Pulitzer, founder of
the Pulitzer prizes?A—His father was Magyar
Jewish and his mother Austr-
ian German and he was a naturalized
American.Q—Where in the Bible is the
verse "A man shall forsake his
mother and father and shall
cleave unto his wife?"A—Genesis 2:24 and quoted by
Jesus in Matthew 19:5 and Mark
10:7.Q—Is there a premium on 5-
cent pieces, dated 1883, without
the word cents?

A—No.

Q—Give the number of daily,
weekly, tri-weekly and semi-
weekly newspapers published in
the United States, Canada and
Newfoundland.A—In January, 1933, there were
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A—Where is the highest point

in continental United States east
of the Mississippi river?A—Mount Mitchell, Yancey
county, N. C., has an elevation of
6,684 feet.Q—What is the area of the
State of Vatican City?

A—108.7 acres.

Q—How long has the Saturday
Evening Post been published?A—Continuously since it was
founded as the "Pennsylvania
Gazette" by Benjamin Franklin in
1728, except for a few weeks when
the British occupied Philadelphia
during the revolutionary war.Q—How many footbal fatalities
occurred in 1932?

A—Thirty-seven.

Q—In playing euchre, can a
player demand a new deal if he
receives all nines and tens?A—There is nothing in the
rules for euchre that permits
calling for a new deal simply be-
cause a player's hand contains
nothing higher than nines and
tens.Q—How much did the United
States pay for Alaska?A—The purchase was made
from Russia in 1867 for
\$2,000,000 in gold.Q—What three American cities
have the largest areas?A—Los Angeles, first; New York
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third.

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