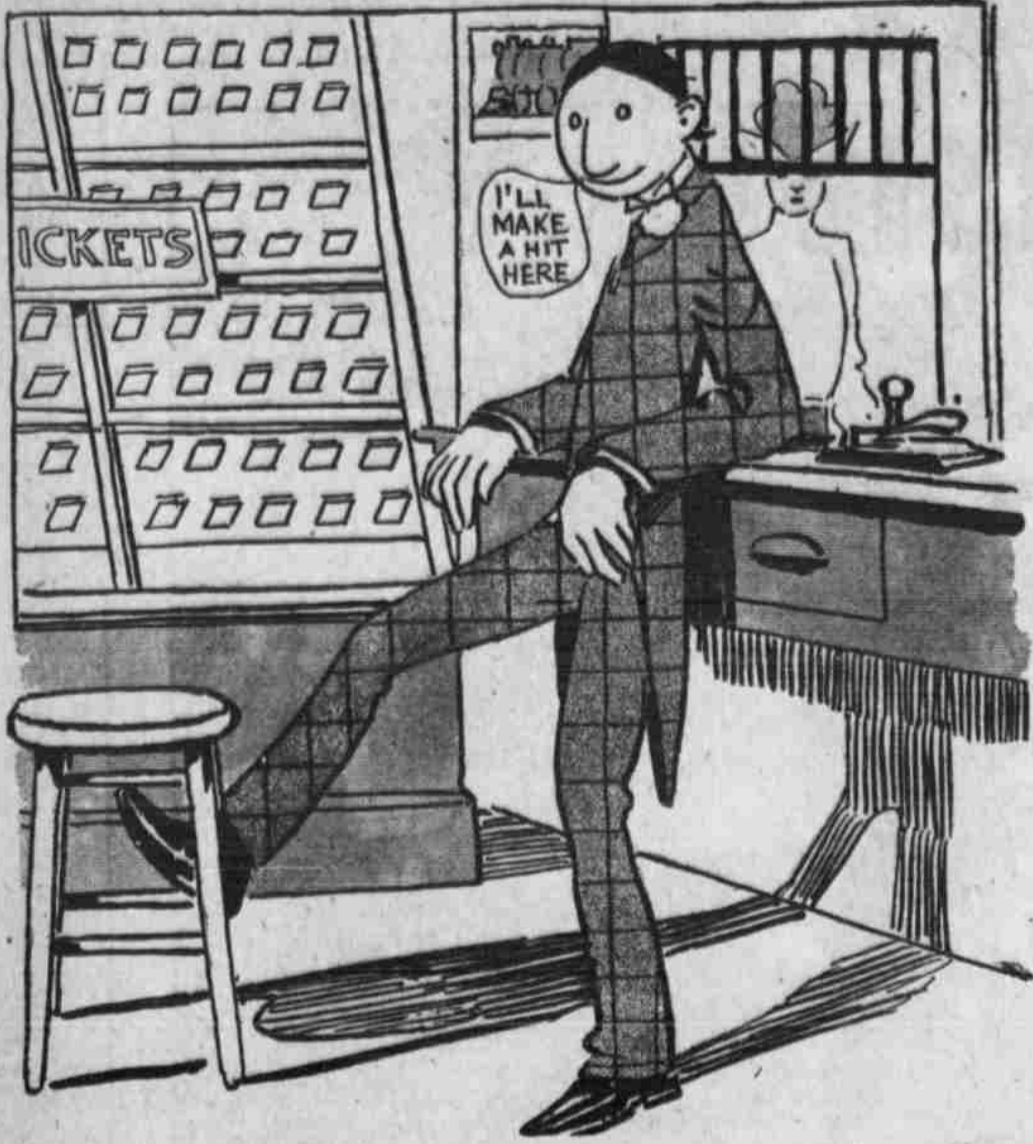


THE CAREER OF CHOLLY CASHCALLER



"At last I believe I have found my sphere in life. I find, too, upon research, that half our wealthiest men began life in the railway business. Who knows, but I— Ah, my first patron."



"Good morning, ma'am. A ticket? Yes, ma'am, that's what we sell here. No, ma'am, I didn't suppose you wanted to buy a ton of coal. Of course, I knew you wanted to get a ticket. Where did you wish to go?"



"Yes, ma'am, as you say, your cousin Sallie is quite ill, and you have had to give up your visit to Cincinnati. Now, a ticket to Cincinnati will cost you \$8. The round trip rate is"—



"Certainly, ma'am, I'll wait until you say where you want to go. To Springfield? Springfield, Illinois, Massachusetts, Ohio, Missouri, or where, ma'am?"



"—you mistake me utterly. I was NOT getting smart. I am NOT a FLIP person. I beg of you not to report me. How was I to know— O, there she is gone."



"And they discharged me just because I asked her what Springfield she wanted. The superintendent said I ought to have sold her a ticket to the Springfield this road reaches. He says I am too obliging to sell tickets, anyhow. I believe I will try farming."

ALICE GETS A NEW CLOAK

