Subject: Re: Here's the plot, what's the title?
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Summary:

> Article , from rcb@rti-sel.UUCP (Randy Buckland)
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| > > The main character repeatly gets drunk and suffers from blackouts.
| > > During his blackout periods he manages to invent machines.
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| > Your friend may be thinking of "The Proud Robot" by Henry Kuttner.
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| I don't think that is it. I remember the story as being about an inventor
| who during his last blackout made a machine that eats dirt through a hose
| and produces an almost invisible clear cable. He had three contract:

Sounds like another of Kuttner's "Gallegher Plus" stories. The only
one I've been able to find so far (not big on SF around here...) had
him invent an elixir that could either slow things down a lot, or speed
them up a lot. And he had a contract (make something that would be ab-
solutely safe for Great White Hunter types to hunt).

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    Who said you had to be (a) a poor programmer or (b) a security hazard
        to be a hacker?