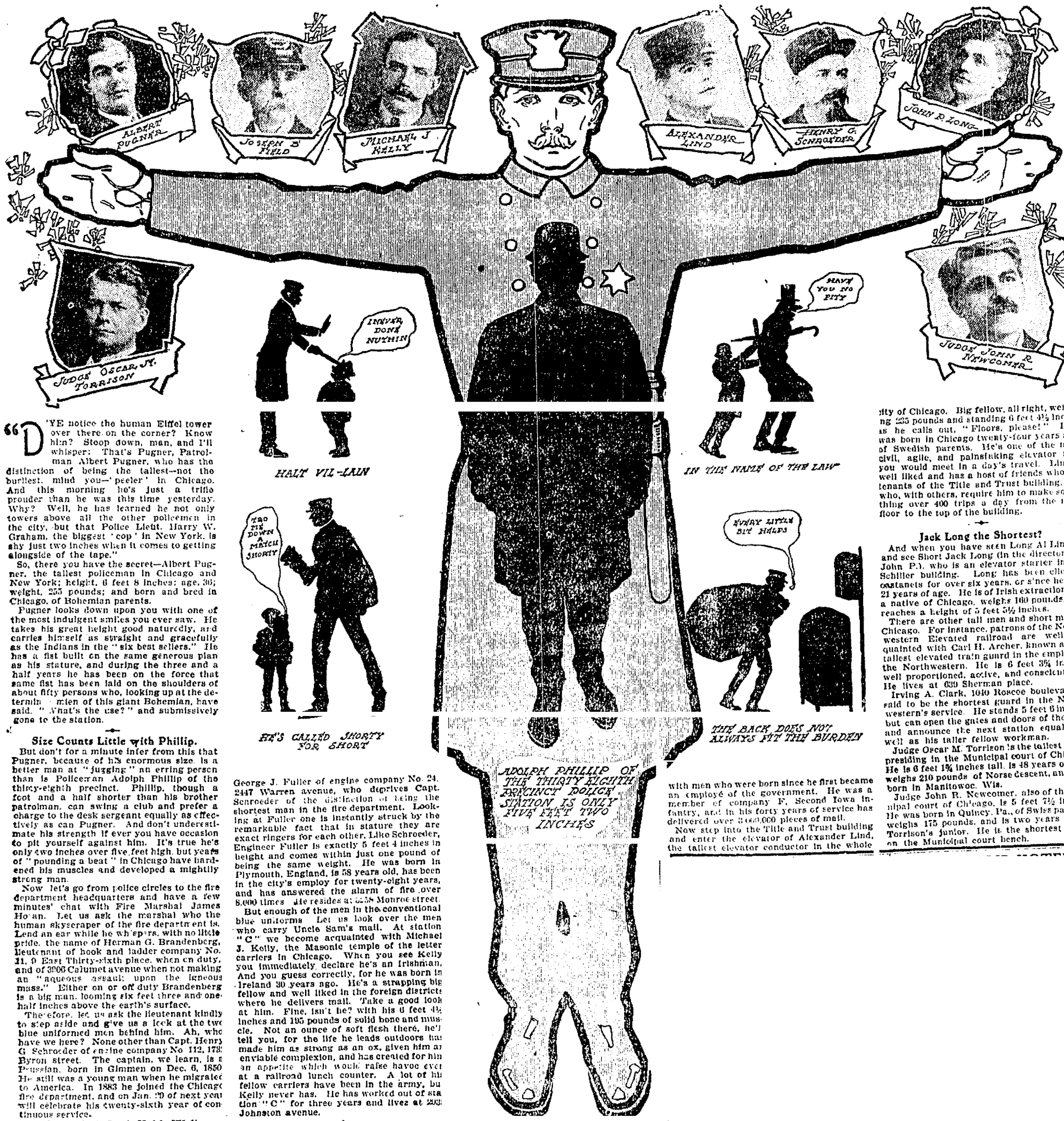


Chicago's Tallest Policeman Is a Giant of 6 Feet 8 Inches; Her Shortest Fireman Is Only 5 Feet, 4 Inches.



"D'YE notice the human Eiffel tower over there on the corner? Know him? Stoop down, man, and I'll whisper: That's Pugner, Patrolman Albert Pugner, who has the distinction of being the tallest—not the burliest, mind you—"peeler" in Chicago. And this morning he's just a trifle prouder than he was this time yesterday. Why? Well, he has learned he not only towers above all the other policemen in the city, but that Police Lieut. Harry W. Graham, the biggest "cop" in New York, is shy just two inches when it comes to getting alongside of the tape."

So, there you have the secret—Albert Pugner, the tallest policeman in Chicago and New York; height, 6 feet 8 inches; age, 36; weight, 235 pounds; and born and bred in Chicago, of Bohemian parents. Pugner looks down upon you with one of the most indulgent smiles you ever saw. He takes his great height good naturedly, and carries himself as straight and gracefully as the Indians in the "six best sellers." He has a flat built on the same generous plan as his stature, and during the three and a half years he has been on the force that same flat has been laid on the shoulders of about fifty persons who, looking up at the determined men of this giant Bohemian, have said, "What's the use?" and submissively gone to the station.

Size Counts Little with Phillip.
 But don't for a minute infer from this that Pugner, because of his enormous size, is a better man at "juggling" an erring person than is Policeman Adolph Phillip of the thirty-eighth precinct. Phillip, though a foot and a half shorter than his brother patrolman, can swing a club and prefer a charge to the desk sergeant equally as effectively as can Pugner. And don't underestimate his strength if ever you have occasion to pit yourself against him. It's true he's only two inches over five feet high, but years of "pounding a beat" in Chicago have hardened his muscles and developed a mightily strong man.

Now let's go from police circles to the fire department headquarters and have a few minutes' chat with Fire Marshal James Hoan. Let us ask the marshal who the human skyscraper of the fire department is. Lend an ear while he whispers, with no little pride, the name of Herman G. Brandenberg, lieutenant of hook and ladder company No. 11, 9 East Thirty-sixth place, when on duty, and of 3906 Calumet avenue when not making an "aqueous assault" upon the igneous mass. Either on or off duty Brandenberg is a big man, looming six feet three and one-half inches above the earth's surface.

Therefore, let us ask the lieutenant kindly to step aside and give us a look at the two blue uniformed men behind him. Ah, who have we here? None other than Capt. Henry G. Schroeder of engine company No. 112, 172 1/2 Byron street. The captain, we learn, is a Prussian, born in Glimmen on Dec. 6, 1850. He still was a young man when he migrated to America. In 1883 he joined the Chicago fire department, and on Jan. 20 of next year will celebrate his twenty-sixth year of continuous service.

Schroeder's Luck Holds Well.
 Schroeder is a robust, alert, and sharp-eyed little captain, and has been called upon to participate in fighting between 7,000 and 8,000 fires. He has had some narrow escapes from death, but, aside from a few minor cuts, scratches, and bruises, he has been unusually lucky. He is 5 feet 4 inches high, weighs 145 pounds, and resides at 2815 North Secley avenue. It might be mentioned in passing that the captain is particularly proud of the two bugles that adorn his hat and denote his rank of captain.

And next our eyes fall upon Engineer

George J. Fuller of engine company No. 24, 247 Warren avenue, who deprives Capt. Schroeder of the distinction of being the shortest man in the fire department. Looking at Fuller one is instantly struck by the remarkable fact that in stature they are exact ringers for each other. Like Schroeder, Engineer Fuller is exactly 5 feet 4 inches in height and comes within just one pound of being the same weight. He was born in Plymouth, England, is 53 years old, has been in the city's employ for twenty-eight years, and has answered the alarm of fire over 8,000 times. He resides at 625 1/2 Monroe street.

But enough of the men in the conventional blue uniforms. Let us look over the men who carry Uncle Sam's mail. At station "C" we become acquainted with Michael J. Kelly, the Masonic temple of the letter carriers in Chicago. When you see Kelly you immediately declare he's an Irishman. And you guess correctly, for he was born in Ireland 30 years ago. He's a strapping big fellow and well liked in the foreign districts where he delivers mail. Take a good look at him. Fine, isn't he? with his 6 feet 4 1/2 inches and 185 pounds of soft flesh there, he'll tell you, for the life he leads outdoors has made him as strong as an ox, given him an enviable complexion, and has created for him an appetite which would raise havoc ever at a railroad lunch counter. A lot of his fellow carriers have been in the army, but Kelly never has. He has worked out of station "C" for three years and lives at 233 Johnston avenue.

Great Contrast in Size.
 What a contrast, you declare, when you take your eyes from Kelly and focus then on Joseph B. Field, the Lilliputian of the mail carriers. Field, who has been a carrier for forty years, is 5 feet 1 1/2 inches tall. He was born in Manchester, N. H., seventy-one years ago, and is an out and out American. He entered the postal department in 1861. Both before and after the Chicago fire he served the public from the main office. He delivered only registered mail for ten years, or until that special service was dis-

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continued. He was the first carrier sergeant ever appointed in the United States and led the letter carriers' division in the Peace Jubilee parade. For six years Mr. Field has been connected with the Englewood post-office station, and works each day side by side

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city of Chicago. Big fellow, all right, weighing 235 pounds and standing 6 feet 4 1/2 inches as he calls out, "Floors, please!" Lind was born in Chicago twenty-four years ago, of Swedish parents. He's one of the most civil, agile, and painstaking elevator men you would meet in a day's travel. Lind is well liked and has a host of friends who are tenants of the Title and Trust building, and who, with others, require him to make something over 400 trips a day from the main floor to the top of the building.

Jack Long the Shortest?
 And when you have seen Long Al Lind go and see Short Jack Long (in the directory as John P.), who is an elevator starter in the Schiller building. Long has been clicking castanets for over six years, or since he was 21 years of age. He is of Irish extraction and a native of Chicago, weighs 160 pounds, and reaches a height of 5 feet 5 1/2 inches. There are other tall men and short men in Chicago. For instance, patrons of the Northwestern Elevated railroad are well acquainted with Carl H. Archer, known as the tallest elevated train guard in the employ of the Northwestern. He is 6 feet 3 3/4 inches, well proportioned, active, and conscientious. He lives at 639 Sherman place. Irving A. Clark, 1040 Roscoe boulevard, is said to be the shortest guard in the Northwestern's service. He stands 5 feet 8 inches, but can open the gates and doors of the cars and announce the next station equally as well as his taller fellow workman. Judge Oscar M. Torrison is the tallest jurist presiding in the Municipal court of Chicago. He is 6 feet 1 1/4 inches tall, is 48 years of age, weighs 210 pounds of Norse descent, and was born in Mantowoc, Wis. Judge John R. Newcomer, also of the Municipal court of Chicago, is 5 feet 7 1/2 inches. He was born in Quincey, Pa., of Swiss parents, weighs 175 pounds, and is two years Judge Torrison's junior. He is the shortest jurist on the Municipal court bench.