

# Popular Traffic Appointments



D. R. Kennedy of Buffalo, as General Agent at Montreal; J. E. Parker, General Agent Steamship Traffic, Montreal to Toronto in the same capacity; and H. R. Mathewson to Buffalo, as General Agent, from the office of Assistant General Agent at Chicago.

Important changes in transportation circles just announced at the headquarters of the Canadian Pacific Railway affect six traffic men very well known throughout Canada and the United States, and offices at Montreal, Toronto, Buffalo, and in the Orient.

E. F. L. Sturdee, general agent of the Canadian Pacific at Seattle has already left to take the post of Acting General Passenger Agent in the Orient. In recent changes, Mr. Sturdee stands senior in the service of the Company which he joined as junior clerk in 1893 at St. John, N.B. During his thirty-one years of service he has made many friends all over the North American Continent.

Edward Stone, although he only joined the Chicago office of the Canadian Pacific in 1916 has had long and varied service with rail and steamship business and his appointment as general agent at Shanghai meets with

general appreciation. For three years Mr. Stone represented the Canadian Pacific as General Agent at Yokohama.

H. B. Beaumont, who held important posts in the European service of the Company, and has for the last few years been General Agent of Ocean Traffic in Toronto, is appointed to the Montreal office as Assistant General Passenger Agent, Steamships. Mr. Beaumont was for many years connected with the Allan Line which company was absorbed by the Canadian Pacific.

Other important appointments are those of D. R. Kennedy of Buffalo as General Agent at Montreal; J. E. Parker, General Agent, Steamship Traffic, Montreal to Toronto in the same capacity; and H. R. Mathewson to Buffalo as General Agent, from the office of Assistant General Agent at Chicago.

## NOT SO MUCH FRATERNAL INSURANCE

(Arthur Enterprise-News.)

Reading over the newspaper files of twenty years ago, one is often struck with the changed attitude which the community now takes to some of the activities of a score of years ago. One of these branches of Arthur's activities and the same applies generally all over the province, which is now regarded from a different point of view, is society insurance. Twenty years ago, Arthur seems to have had almost every fraternal insurance society that was on the go, and they all had their enthusiastic members. Their meetings, judging from the reports published, were well attended. The list of their officers was always handed to the editor and fraternal insurance was regarded as one of the splendid institutions of society in general.

Now there is a change. A number of societies still have local lodges or councils, but little is heard of them. To many, fraternal insurance has proven a disappointment. Many

when advanced years had been reached, had their rates raised to a prohibitive point, and there was nothing to do but quit and give up hope of leaving behind for wife or children the one or two thousand dollars which had been made by clever organizers to appear as the fulfillment of the greatest obligation to which the head of a family falls heir.

Many of the societies got off for a wrong start and had no alternative but to take the steps they did. In fairness to them, however, it must be stated that after all they gave value for the money they received in merely carrying the risk of their members from year to year. The man who from year to year had his family protected to the extent of say one thousand dollars for only eighty or ninety cents per month, received value even if there was no guarantee of permanency and the great majority of fraternal organizations have never yet failed to pay their obligations. They also did a lot of hard pioneer work in the field of insurance, to which many a widow and

small family is today indebted. The trouble was, the insurance was not written on a sound actuarial basis and trouble and disappointment could not but follow. The fraternity phase of the thing was a pretty enough idea, but in practice it never amounted to anything and so the fraternal insurance organizations today claim to be doing business on an approved actual basis, while a very few had correct rates from the start, but when once the confidence of the public has been rudely shaken, it is not easily restored.

In the affairs of the straight insurance companies, the opposite has taken place. Life insurance to-day is one of the most important factors in our commercial and private life. Every sound insurance company and it must be said that there are few if any insurance companies doing business in this country that are not sound, is prospering, is steadily becoming larger and this is as it should be.

No doubt it is true that opposites attract. Most of the hard cash is in soft hands.

## A LITTLE CONGO GORILLA

(By Herbert Beardsley.)

Of all the jungle creatures of Africa, undoubtedly the least known and most elusive is the gorilla. This animal, along with the okapi, solves one of the many animal riddles and mysteries of the Dark Continent.

The habitat of the young gorilla dealt with in this article, was the region around Fernan Vaz, French Congo, with open plains and also areas of dense jungles. This is a district traversed in all directions by native roads, with scores of villages scattered all over it and populated by several hundred people, with three trading stations and the colonial military post. Here the gorilla has lived from time immemorial and still lives. Not only does he survive in the midst of all this human population, but he subsists to a very great extent upon the resources of his human rivals.

The gorilla is strictly diurnal in habit and prowls in broad daylight and visits every village garden and plantation, gathers thousands of pineapple plants, many chickens, and still eludes the traps and decoys set for him. This singular fact is that these animals never have been seen approaching the village gardens and no one knows just how they manage to reach them without being discovered. In retreating, however, they appear to be quite indifferent about being seen, as a dozen at one time have been observed returning to the jungle after making their raids. They cover their approach to a village garden by the clever tactics they employ and their system of scouts, pickets and signals, carried out with such skill and precision as to defy all attempts to circumvent them. Seemingly, a sort of ingenious radio system has been invented. Every movement of the band appears to be directed by one in command; but one mystery is how he communicates his directions or his warnings of danger. Everything is done in silence, and no signal so far has been detected; yet the concert of action indicates that they are prompted by some definite means which all observe and understand.

Strikingly intelligent are the precautions the gorilla takes to safeguard his family. On their raids for food supplies the young ones are left concealed in the jungle and only the adults venture out. The adult male gorilla makes a fairly comfortable bed at night by plucking soft leaves, ferns, mosses, etc., and piling them in a well-chosen spot where he lies down in the same manner to sleep as a human being. In this wise the father keeps guard at night while his family sleeps in a rude bed of leaves built up in the trees some distance above the ground.

## A Nasty Ship.

A fellow convalescing in the hospital wrote to the newspaper describing his experience, and in speaking of his cheerful surroundings he said: "There are six fine windows in my room." The linotype operator inadvertently left the "n" out of "windows" and the man's wife took a flying trip to the hospital to see how her husband was getting along. We can't say that we blame her very much.

## SPEED OF RAILWAY TRAINS

(Philadelphia Press.)

Among the fast records of railway trains for short distances are the following:

New York Central and Hudson River, one mile in thirty-two seconds; Pennsylvania, five and a half miles in three minutes; Burlington Route, two and one-fourth miles in one minute and twenty seconds; Plant System, five miles in two and a half minutes; Philadelphia & Reading, four and eight-tenths miles in two and a half minutes.

The fastest time on record for a distance of over 440 miles was made by the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern from Buffalo to Chicago in June, 1905, when the distance of 525 miles was covered in seven hours and fifty minutes. The fastest long-distance run less than 440 miles was on the New York Central, on Sept. 11, 1895, from New York to Buffalo, 436½ miles in 407 minutes. The average speed was sixty-four and one-third miles an hour, with two stops and twenty-eight slowups, and on January 1, 1903, from Albany to Buffalo, 302 miles, in 295 minutes.

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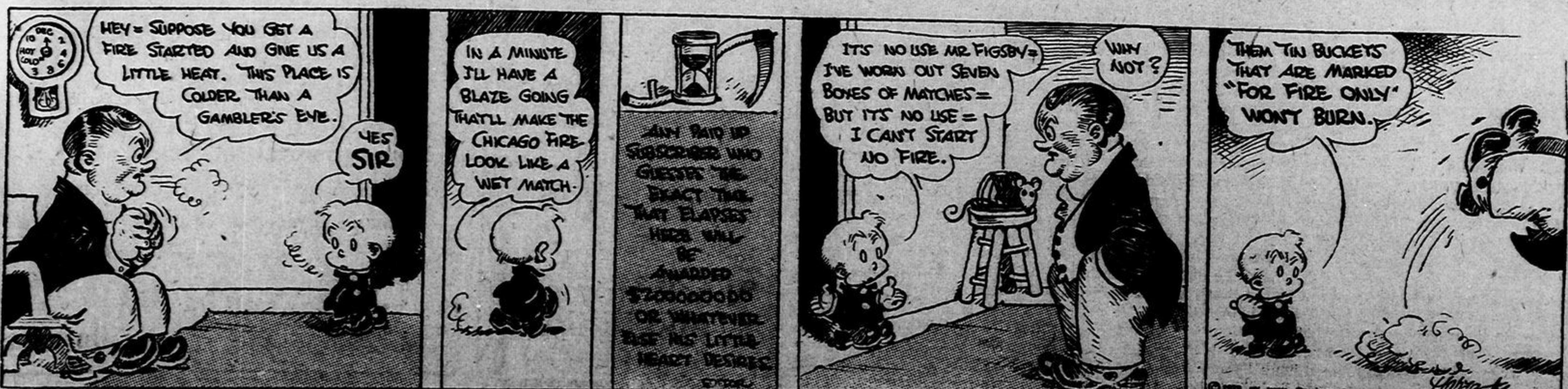
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