

speckled eggs. If we should find a nest with four blue eggs in it, we could be pretty sure that it was the nest of a rather than of a or a dove.

17. Boys and girls know my name. And mothers and fathers, too. Big folks love me. You do, too. The first letters in the first four sentences of this paragraph spell my name; so write it here

29. "Naive" and "unsophisticated" are frequently confused. The former suggests a type of behavior which is artless, spontaneous, and free from the restraints of custom. The latter implies fully as great lack of knowledge of social usage, and, in addition, conduct which is primitive and perchance inelegant. Thus, the youth was the first to enter the car, and his little sister warmly kissed him in the presence of the king. We may also say that a country boy iswith respect to city life and customs.

As can be seen from the paragraphs each one is harder than the preceding one. A child who got from two to eight paragraphs correct was considered to have second grade reading ability. A child who had from nine to 17 paragraphs correct has a reading ability corresponding to third grade. The fourth grade standard is 18 to 26 paragraphs correct, and so on. These standards were determined by the authors of the test by giving it to thousands of children. The average score made by fourth grade children for example is considered the standard for fourth grade. Similarly the average score made by thousands of sixth grade children is considered the standard for sixth grade. Throughout our grading of the list these standards have been used.

Results: There are many interesting results from the 100,000 ballots which were returned to us. It has not been possible in the short time we have had to begin to exhaust the study of these ballots. Fifty thousand of them were filled out on 800 books, each of which had enough ballots to grade. The other 50,000 ballots were filled out on 8,500 different books. Not any one of these 8,500 different books was read by 25 or more children, the minimum number necessary to make a reliable grading possible. Much more study can be made of the sort of books which were balloted upon by this large number of children, and yet which did not have enough slips on any one book to grade.

Out of the 50,000 ballots on the 800 graded books, 22,000 were filled out by boys and 31,000 by girls. This may have been because girls do more reading than boys or it may have been because girls were more careful about filling out ballots than the boys.

Besides having more ballots from girls than from boys we found that there seemed to be a tendency for girls to have a higher degree of reading ability. For example, in many cases 11 year old boys had a reading ability corresponding to sixth grade, while 11 year old girls had a reading ability corresponding to seventh. This is not always the case but it is more often true than is the reverse situation.

Because in the differences in the ages and reading ability of the boys and girls who read and like certain books, all data has been handled separately for boys and girls.

Study Reading Ability

For each book read by 25 or more children, a study was made of the average reading ability of the children who enjoyed it. For example, the average reading ability of the children who enjoyed "Tom Sawyer" corresponds to the standard for seventh grade, so this book has been placed on a seventh grade list. The average reading ability of the children who enjoyed "The Dutch Twins" corresponds

to the fourth grade standard, so "The Dutch Twins" has been placed on a fourth grade list.

The graded list of books (being published as "The Winnetka Graded Book List") resulting from the ballots filled out by these 36,750 children consists largely of books which these children apparently selected freely. Some books may have been recommended by teachers and others included in certain courses of study but these seem to be a small minority.

(To Be Continued)

Students Burn "Dummy" to Close Football Year

New Trier High school students will burn the football "dummy" after the final practice of the year this afternoon. There will be a general celebration by the students and Superintendent Frederick E. Clerk will give a brief address. The final game of the season will be played Saturday, when the warriors of the Gray and Green meet Evanston high school, ancient rivals of the local eleven.

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