

Slow Runners Become Scarce.

Ball players in the big leagues who are slow on the bases are few and far between. The general impression that fast runners are a rarity is wrong. By this it is not meant that all ball players are the equal of Ty Cobb, Owen Bush, Eddie Collins, Hans Wagner, Tris Speaker, Larry Doyle and Josh Devore, but almost every man playing the game in the big circuits is much faster than the average person on his feet.

How often the remark is heard in the grand stand at a game, "Why, I can run the bases faster than that fellow!" All right to say, but the chances are a hundred to one that the person criticizing the player in a race around the bags with said player would be just about arriving at third base when his opponent crossed the plate.

Men like Cobb, Bush, Devore and Collins are extremely fast on the sacks and travel at incredible speed. Coupled with this speed each has the more important faculty of getting off fast. No other player in the country has anything on Cobb in this respect. So fast is he on the getway that catchers have been heard to say that he is usually halfway down by the time the ball leaves the pitcher's hand.

Any twirler with a slow delivery is a nightmare to a catcher with Cobb on the cushions, as the poor backstop is certain to draw down the comments of the fans for his failure to get the ball to second in time to nail the cyclonic Georgian.

Eddie Collins, the Philadelphia American great second baseman, is another whose speed on the bases is marvelous. This great young player goes into the base with terrific impetus and has a slide which makes him a hard man to place the ball on. Cobb and Collins on the same team would soon have half the backstops in the American league under the care of a limousine commission.

Josh Devore of the Giants is a wonderfully speedy man, and many players think he will be the Cobb of the National league. Probably no player in the older organization practices circling the bases more than Josh. Every morning the Giants' outfielder can be seen practicing running the bases.

Hans Lobert of the Philadelphia Nationals holds the record for circling the bags—that of 11 4/5 seconds, made in Cincinnati last fall. While Hans is remarkably speedy, his one big fault is that he is not very quick in getting away from the plate.

Many other players can travel as fast as Cobb, Devore or Collins once they get started, but they lack the fast starting ability and are therefore on an average at least a second slower in going from base to base.

One point that is generally overlooked in commenting on a ball player's ability to get down to first quick is the knack he has of getting rid of his bat with the least loss of time. By carefully watching the batters it will be seen that no two drop the willow the same way. Some carry it a few feet down the line, others throw it back of them, some toss it in front, while many have the knack of dropping the bat in such a way as to give them a leverage for a start, just as a jumper will use weights in making a broad leap. This matter of bat dropping is one of importance, and many players devote hours to acquiring the knack of doing it properly.

In successful base running the player who can go into the sack without diminishing his speed has a big advantage over his brethren who approach the station. Many players who would be known as speed kings on the bases are spoiled because of the fact that they are unable to overcome the tendency to slow up. These are the men who are oftentimes called slow on bases. It is lack of nerve rather than lack of speed with the legs that places the majority of ball players in what might be termed the "average" base running class.

Hurt in a Runaway.

Neilgh, Neb., May 20.—Special to The News: A team of horses hitched to a wagon that was loaded with 1,000 feet of lumber ran away from the driver, Roy Freeman, who sustained a fracture of the right limb between the knee and hip. He was thrown out and the wagon passed over him. The accident happened in front of the West school house in Greelan Bend. A doctor was called and the injured limb taken care of. He stated that Mr. Freeman was severely bruised and shaken up, aside from his broken member.

Commissioners Proceedings.

Madison, Neb., May 16, 1911, 1 p. m.—Board met pursuant to adjournment. Present Commissioners John W. Fitch, Burr Taft and Henry Sunderman. The minutes of the board meeting of April 11, 1911, were read and approved as read. The hour having arrived for opening the bids for the bridge contract for coming year, the bids of the Nor-arch Bridge company, Empire Bridge company, Thomas J. Crumell, The Midland Bridge company and Western Bridge & Construction company, all being accompanied by certified checks of \$2,000 each, were opened and compared. The bids of the Omaha Structural Steel Works and the Canton Bridge company, not meeting the requirements of the advertisement in regard to certified check, were not considered.

After a comparison of the bids, the bid of the Western Bridge & Construction company, being considered the lowest and best bid, was by unanimous vote of the board awarded the contract for construction and repair of bridges for the ensuing year.

On motion the Tilden National bank and Madison National bank were designated and approved as legal county depositories.

W. H. Field, clerk of the district court, made report of the findings of

the grand jury regarding the county jail, which report was ordered filed. W. H. Field, clerk of the district court, filed a certified copy of court decree in case of Amy J. D. Colegrove vs. Village of Meadow Grove, et al., enjoining said village and P. A. Peterson, county treasurer, from collecting certain village sidewalk taxes, and the clerk was ordered to file said decree. On motion the following official bonds were approved:

William Snyder, road overseer, road district No. 20; Andrew Wallin, road overseer, road district No. 12; Bennett Seymour, county surveyor; Madison National bank, depository bond.

Petition of residents of Shell Creek precinct, asking for appointment of E. W. Lyons as constable to fill vacancy, was presented and on motion E. W. Lyons was appointed constable for Shell Creek precinct to fill vacancy.

On motion the county clerk was instructed to draw warrant to F. A. Peterson, county treasurer, authorizing him to pay B. H. Baker, John Just and William Volk \$3.02 each, for overpaid school taxes and charge same to school district No. 5.

On motion the following bills were allowed:

- L. B. Baker, lumber R. D. No. 12 12.12
Ora D. Lyons, work C. D. No. 1 125.25
Ora D. Lyons, work R. D. No. 16 78.00
Gutra & Juelson, repairs R. D. No. 13 5.95
O. A. Sleeper, nails R. D. No. 8 3.50
Frank Hoelscher, work R. D. No. 26 14.00
Hume-Robertson-Wycoff Co., lumber R. D. No. 16 3.25
Henry Sunderman, nails for bridges 2.00
Krum & Warren, lumber R. D. No. 4 13.50
Dietler & Dankey, scraper and freight R. D. No. 24 8.75
Dietler & Dankey, two scrapers and freight 17.50
Hume-Robertson-Wycoff Co., nails R. D. No. 9 1.35
Howard Miller Lumber Co., lumber R. D. No. 21 37.71
Howard Miller Lumber Co., lumber R. D. No. 6 56.48
L. Burch, work R. D. No. 7 4.00
Gus Zimmerman, work R. D. No. 17 18.00
Clarence Cornell, work R. D. No. 7 16.60
A. W. Tillotson, work R. D. No. 7 30.50
Everett Cornell, work R. D. No. 7 4.00
E. J. Tillotson, work R. D. No. 7, assigned to Harry Barnes, Tom Kirby, wolf bounty 2.00
Frank Albracht, work R. D. No. 26 2.00
W. R. Snyder, work R. D. No. 20 42.50
George Hobus, work R. D. No. 6 47.50
Math Schaefer, jr., work R. D. No. 26 2.00
William Clasey, work bridges 5.00
Balsler Werner, work bridges 10.00
Hubbard Bros., ditching 95.00
Hubbard Bros., ditching 81.50
Hubbard Bros., ditching 60.00
C. P. Christiansen, surveying 10.00
Bennett Seymour, surveying 19.50
Axel Sanberg, rent for pauper 16.00
Charles Hansen, repair work 8.75
James M. Smith, salary and boarding prisoners 161.50
Nebraska Telephone Co., tolls A. C. Schmidt, wolf bounty 11.45
8.00
Wille Schwager, wolf bounty 16.00
Henry C. Richmond, copies new law 8.50
W. J. Smith, wolf bounty 8.00
Madison Motor Car Co., auto hire 4.50
Madison city, electric lighting 20.90
Dr. F. A. Long, commissioner insanity and medical services 43.00
N. A. Housel, office expenses 16.79
N. A. Housel, salary for April 116.66
John Horn, repairing vault 1.00
W. M. Halsey, livery hire 2.25
W. M. Halsey, feed for team 75
Smith-Premier Typewriter Co., supplies 3.30
Mark Carraher, wolf bounty 10.00
Charlie Johnson, wolf bounty 12.00
Matrau & Wille, coal for election 1.25
John Catron, livery 2.50
National Office Supply Co., supplies 10.00
Hume-Robertson-Wycoff Co., supplies for court house and jail 30.00
Thomas Pejar, wolf bounty 14.00
L. Bruce, plumbing, poor farm 35.60
Will Purdy, wolf bounty 18.00
C. S. Smith, salary and fees 252.95
Dr. Frank Jensen, services for pauper 108.50
Dr. H. T. Holden, medical services 7.00
H. B. Allen, supplies 217.75
H. Fricker, jr., road graders 249.70
S. F. McFarland, recording bonds and office expenses 18.25
W. H. Field, witness fees insanity cases, etc. 217.52
Gus Kaul, salary for April 50.00
Chicago Lumber Co., lumber, road district No. 1 9.20
H. Kilburn, register births and deaths 6.50
W. H. Harding, register births and deaths 1.25
B. H. Mills, register births and deaths 9.60
C. R. Rynearson, register births and deaths 11.25
Chas. Lethby, register births and deaths 12.25
M. L. Koehn, register births and deaths 21.50
Ray Speece, work, commissioner-district No. 2 10.00
J. T. Moore, assisting surveyor 7.00
C. Christiansen, floating roads 10.00
E. G. Melcher, work, commissioner-district No. 2 8.30
W. P. Dixon, freight paid 4.21
H. Sunderman, labor and mileage 90.65
Burr Taft, labor and mileage and freight paid 86.40
J. W. Fitch, labor and mileage 91.10
W. F. Davis, road oil spreader 100.90
W. A. Witzgman, clay for grading road 25.00
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W. L. Dowling, cash advanced for pauper 10.00
Gus Machmuller, work, road district No. 1 18.00
E. Dines, work, commissioner-district No. 2 12.00
Fred Hyerly, work, commissioner-district No. 2 8.50
Gus Teske, bridge work, claimed \$2.50, allowed at 1.50
Gus Teske, work, commissioner-district No. 3 11.00
J. W. Ransom, cash advanced for pauper 19.80
F. A. Peterson, jury fees, dipso cases, postage, etc. 697.98
On motion the board adjourned 7:30 p. m.
Madison, Neb., May 16, 1911, 7:30 p. m.—Board met pursuant to adjournment. Present, entire board.

The following report was filed by the board:

"We, the undersigned county commissioners of Madison county, Neb., having viewed the route of the drainage ditch prayed for by the petition of John P. Dederman, which petition, together with a good and sufficient bond, was filed in the office of the county clerk on April 11, 1911, hereby find that said ditch will benefit the property adjacent thereto and be conducive to the health of that community, the route described in said petition being the most practicable route, do therefore grant the pray of said petitioner."

"Dated at Madison, Nebraska, this 16th day of May, 1911.
J. W. Fitch,
"Harry Haft,
Henry Sunderman,
County Commissioners of Said County."

On motion the county surveyor was ordered to survey a proposed drainage ditch, commencing at the northwest corner of the northeast quarter of section twenty-five (25), in township twenty-four (24), north in range two (2), west of the Sixth principal meridian, running thence south one-half mile, thence east one hundred rods (100), thence south sixty rods (60), thence east thirty rods (30), thence south fifty-five rods (55), thence in a southeasterly direction to a point twenty rods (20) east of the northwest corner of the northeast quarter of section thirty-one (31), in township twenty-four (24), north, in range one (1) west of the Sixth principal meridian, thence in a southeasterly direction about forty rods (40), to a natural water course commencing on the northwest quarter of said section thirty-one (31) and emptying into the Elkhorn river in the south part of said section, the survey and report of surveyor to be made in accordance with sections 5506, 5507 and 5508, chapter 15 of Cobbe's compiled statutes of 1909.

On motion the following claims were allowed:

- Western Bridge and Construction Co., on contract 2,000.00
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Madison Cemetery association perpetual maintenance of lots 60.00
Mrs. Anna Otto, boarding pauper 11.42
On motion the county treasurer was authorized to make the following transfer of funds in his office:
From 1909 county general fund to 1910 county general fund, \$1,000.
From 1909 bridge fund to 1910 bridge fund, \$26.14.
From 1909 commissioner district No. 1 fund to 1910 commissioner district No. 1 fund, \$1,894.
From 1909 commissioner district No. 2 fund to 1910 commissioner district No. 2 fund, \$41.57.
From 1909 commissioner district No. 3 fund to 1910 commissioner district No. 3 fund, \$25.74.
On motion board adjourned to meet May 31, 1911, 1 p. m.
S. R. McFarland,
County Clerk.

Battle Creek News.

Battle Creek, May 20.—Special to The News: There will be no service at the Lutheran church Sunday morning on account of the absence of Rev. J. Hoffman, but in the afternoon at 2 o'clock Rev. George Bloedel of Battle Creek Heights will occupy the pulpit here.

The Baptists put down a new cement sidewalk on the north side of their church property on Herman street.

Mrs. Verma Mannheim arrived here last week from Reno, Nev., for an extended visit at the home of her grandfather, P. H. Ingoldsbay.

Mrs. Rose Krivanek was here Saturday from Meadow Grove visiting relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles McBride of Norfolk were visiting here from Saturday till Monday with relatives and friends.

John Reeves is here for an extended visit from Curlew, Cherry County.

Joseph F. Srb and family were visiting the fore part of this week with relatives and friends at Howell, Colfax County.

Chas. Warnke was here on business Saturday from Meadow Grove.

Emil Hans came up from Pilger Saturday for a visit with relatives.

John Chase of Clearwater is visiting here at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Chas. Hueston.

M. W. Nicolay, jr., was here from Beemer Saturday and Sunday for a visit with his parents.

A boy arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Hacker last week.

T. L. Curas went Wednesday to the Soldiers Home at Leavenworth, Kan., for recuperation.

Jesse Hoover is back again in the Morris drug store as prescription clerk.

Lincoln E. Burch is sick and under a physician's care this week.

manhood had to be stopped this week on account of the sickness of contractor Chas. Werner. Fred Eyl is going to have a large modern house put up at his farm five miles southwest. Joseph Dietrick and A. F. Gardels, two of our prominent business men, went down to Omaha Tuesday on business. Ernest Cutkoski, who studies civil engineering at the state university at Lincoln, came here Monday to spend his summer vacation with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Massmann, sr.

Mrs. August Schlinkus was taken to the Sisters of Mercy, St. Bernard hospital Monday for treatment.

Mrs. G. N. Cornelius went to Wisner Tuesday for a visit at the home of her sister, Mrs. Wm. Farley.

Claus Borchers came home from the Wayne normal college Wednesday to help his father this summer on the farm.

A Small Fire.

Fire in a heap of frame paper crates behind The News building called out the department late Saturday afternoon. No damage was done.

Great Forest Fire in Japan.

Tokio, May 20.—Forest fires in Hokkaido, the northernmost of the island groups of Japan, are devastating a vast territory of land. A number of villages already have been destroyed. Troops have been sent out and every available man is fighting the flames. The fire line is almost sixty miles in length. It is impossible this afternoon to estimate the number of fatalities or the amount of damage resulting from the conflagration.

The Gregory Booster Trip.

Gregory, S. D., May 20.—Special to The News: The Gregory Commercial club with twenty-five large touring cars in line, all owned by members of the club, elaborately decorated with banners and pennants bearing appropriate mottoes left Gregory with 200 Gregory boosters Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock making stops at Pixon and Carlock, S. D., Janison and Naper, Neb. The parade spent the night at Naper, leaving at 8 o'clock Thursday morning with stops at Butte, Neb., Fairfax, Bonsteel, St. Charles, Herick and Burke, S. D., reaching Gregory at 6 o'clock in the evening. They carried with them the Gregory I. O. O. F. band, an institution of which Gregory is justly proud, who gave a short concert at each town at which the procession stopped. The tour was a grand success, an enthusiastic welcome awaiting the boosters at every town visited. The unanimous expression was that a town which could send out such a train of boosters was unquestionably a real live wire. Only one accident marred the program. One of our townsmen, Lew Nollkemper, lost control of his car on a steep hill near St. Charles, the car backing down and off a high hill, turning over several times, the occupants receiving severe bruises, but miraculously escaping serious injury.

It is the intention of the club to send out another train of automobiles to other surrounding territory in the near future.

The Auto Accident.

St. Charles, S. D., May 20.—Special to The News: The car of Lew Nollkemper of Gregory, who was one of the Gregory boosters went in the ditch two and one-half miles east of here. He was coming up the steepest hill in Gregory county and his engine refused to work. The car started back down hill and became unmanageable. It turned in the air as it left the road and landed on Mr. Fard, a lawyer. He sustained a badly mangled leg. The car was badly broken up. It fell twenty feet.

An Ad Club is Born Here.

The Norfolk Ad club was born last night. And the child is doing well. With the avowed intention of boosting for the best interests of Norfolk, securing new enterprises, advertising the city advantages to the world and taking a responsible part generally in the upbuilding of the city, the new organization was determined upon by two dozen men who gathered informally at the Bullock offices and talked about Norfolk and its future. The new club already has a charter list of twenty-four members, and expects a great many more.

Officers of the Ad club are: President—W. H. Blakeman, Vice President—Ed Engles, Secretary—C. B. Cabanis, Treasurer—C. J. Bullock.

Dues of the club will be \$2 per year, payable semi-annually in advance. The plan of doing things will be by committee. It is not the aim of the club to conflict with the Commercial club, but to co-operate with that organization in boosting for a greater Norfolk.

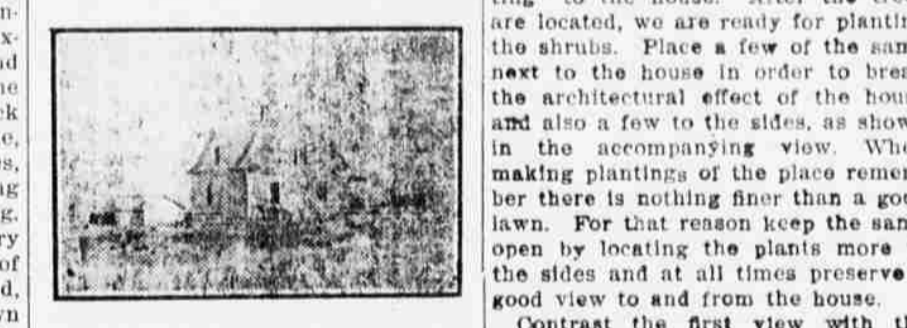
Among those at last night's meeting was N. P. Dodge of Omaha who explained how an ad club works in Omaha. Mr. Dodge said that Norfolk is a good town and that people outside know it. He pointed out some of the needs of the city, as they impressed him. He said Norfolk needs a new hotel, to better accommodate the public; it needs a municipally owned street car line from the Junction depot to the business center; it needs an oiled road to the Junction; it needs cluster lights on Norfolk avenue, such as are used at Fargo, N. D., Boone, Ia., Marshalltown, Ia., and many other cities, and which would add wonderfully to the city's attractiveness. He said Norfolk ought to make an effort to secure a college.

Everybody present at the preliminary meeting last night, expressed faith in Norfolk and its possibilities. Getting the city's advantages to the right people, it was argued, would do much in bringing in outsiders to locate new enterprises. The spirit of the club will be to boost for Norfolk and everything in it, first, last and all the time, in a systematic way.

THE HOME BEAUTIFUL
ORNAMENTAL EFFECT OF A FEW TREES AND SHRUBS PROPERLY PLANTED
(By V. V. WESTGATE, Department of Horticulture, University of Nebraska.)



One can scarcely imagine a farm home more restful and inviting than the one pictured at the beginning of this article, and yet it is not expensive in dollars and cents to obtain a farm home similar to this. It is only a matter of time. The shrubs and trees shown, the value of which can now be scarcely estimated, cost in the beginning but a very few dollars and the house is of simple inexpensive design. What a change we would have in our Nebraska landscape if every farm house formed part of a picture similar to this, and not only a change in the landscape, but even in the people, as it is impossible for individuals to come in contact with the beautiful without being benefited by the same.



Many farmers realize that something ought to be done in the way of ornamenting their places, and yet they do not know exactly what to do. For that reason a few rules on what to accomplish may well be given. As trees form part of the permanent effect of the place, be careful to plant them in their proper locations and with care. In using trees, first provide for a windbreak by planting evergreen trees, such as the Austrian or Scotch pine, as an evergreen gives the needed winter protection. Also use a few trees near the house for shade and a few to the rear in order to give the proper background or "setting" to the house. After the trees are located, we are ready for planting the shrubs. Place a few of the same next to the house in order to break the architectural effect of the house and also a few to the sides, as shown in the accompanying view. When making plantings of the place remember there is nothing finer than a good lawn. For that reason keep the same open by locating the plants more to the sides and at all times preserve a good view to and from the house.

Contrast the first view with the second. Which type of place would you choose to make your home? It is true there is a seemingly great difference between them and yet if a dozen trees and twice as many shrubs were properly planted on any place similar to the second one shown it would make an effect comparable to the first.

NEW STATE RECORD FOR MILK AND BUTTER
ROXANNA PARTHENA SETS HIGH MARK FOR NEBRASKA DAIRY COWS
(By A. L. HAECKER, Nebraska State Farm)

For several years there has been a rivalry among the dairy stock breeders of Nebraska as to which county holds the highest record for milk and butter produced in one year. The Dairy Department of the University of Nebraska has a Holstein-Friesian cow, named Roxanna Parthena, who has completed a splendid record. On the second day of March she completed a yearly record of 21,617.3 pounds of milk and 881.89 pounds of butter.



It is interesting to note that this cow has given a calf each year, along with a splendid production of milk and butter. We can learn from such a record as this the possibility of dairy cows when given good feed and care. The milk from this cow has been sold in the city market at 10 cents per quart, and as she produced about 10,000 quarts, she has made for the department a yearly record of 21,617.3 pounds of milk and 881.89 pounds of butter. This defeats the state record over 2,000 pounds of milk and nearly fifty pounds of butter. This record certainly deserves more credit when we consider that it was made by a twelve-year-old cow that has served well and long as a great breeder. Roxanna has been in the herd for nine years and has given a calf each year, along with a splendid production of milk and butter.

The fact that a cow is of a pure breed is no assurance that she will be a good producer. There are many "scrub" pure breeds. The only safe rule is that of the scales and tester, which show actual results. Men must be more interested in dairying in the future," says Professor C. H. Eckles, "whether they want or not. It will be the result of economic laws, from which there is no appeal."

Look for the business opportunity ads that are worth answering—for one of them, some day, will help make your fortune!

Try a News Want-Ad.

ident of the association, Friday. The office was formerly held by John M. Sherwood of Neosho, Mo. Mr. Hartford has been a member of the insurance committee for some time. Chairman Hartford will attend the meeting of the N. P. A. at St. Louis next September, when he makes his annual report.

Low Round Trip Fares.

Atlantic City, New York, Boston and other Eastern Summer Resorts daily, June to September inclusive. Favorable stop over privileges and liberal limits. For particulars apply to Ticket agents, The North Western Line.

Young Man Ends Life by Hanging.

Pago, Neb., May 20.—Special to The News: John Brodehous, about 24 years old, hung himself in a barn about six miles north of Pago yesterday afternoon. He was the hired man of Adolph Julius and was apparently rational heretofore, although addicted to the use of liquor. His parents live about eight miles northwest of Plainview. There is said to be a strain of insanity in the family, two members of it now being in the hospital for the insane at Norfolk. John was a pleasant fellow to meet and a hard working man. The family moved here from Plainview several years ago.

School Notes.

The senior class is planning a picnic for Tuesday of next week. They expect to go to grounds a mile east of Hadar.

This afternoon occurred the American history examinations for the senior class. The state questions will be used.

Last evening occurred the annual junior-senior banquet. The two classes with teachers and superintendent gathered at the home of Guy Parish, the president of the Junior class. The rooms were beautifully decorated in pink and green, the Junior class colors, and masses of white flowers. At 6:30 the young people repaired to the parlors of the Congregational church, where the banquet was served. The decorations here were in purple and white, the senior class colors. The tables were arranged in form of a U. The candelabra had purple shade, four de lis and white narcissus were arranged artistically to help out the color scheme, and the place cards were also in purple and white. The banquet was in four courses and was most daintily served by ladies of the Congregational church. Guy Parish was toastmaster, and well did he perform the role. Following is the program of toasts: "The Biggest Yet," Earl Schurz, '12; "A Parting Shot—" "Tis the last time that I shall e'er address ye, but ye'll soon find some new torment or bless ye," Harry Steiner, '11; "Twas Ever Thus," Miss McVeigh; "Subjunctives," Gwendolyn Hughes; "The Parting of the Ways," Martha Winter; "Norfolk High," Mr. Hunter. The company then returned to the Parish home, where they were soon guessing silhouettes of the juniors. They then enjoyed another contest in which the letters of the alphabet formed the answers. The merriment reached its height, however, in the presentation of "Scenes From the Life of a Senior," in which the various jokes on seniors which had been stored in the memories of the juniors were cleverly represented by the latter class. After the music the goodbyes were said, all declaring the juniors and the Parishes most excellent hosts.

TO KILL DANDELIONS.

The smiling, golden faced dandelion may be a great subject for a poet's muse or for the rhapsodical mummering of big city editorial writers, but in Norfolk this spring the dandelion has cast aside his one-time modesty and is taking on too many airs. Lawns all over town are fairly overrun with this harbinger of summer and housewives who distractedly exhort fathers and small sons to root out the pest may find solace in this dandelion antidote that is taken from Suburban Life: "Dandelion infested lawns can be cleared of this noxious weed by about three applications of a solution of copperas (iron sulphate). Copperas can be bought at almost any drug store for a few cents a pound. One and one-fourth pounds of the copperas are put in a gallon of water, and when thoroughly dissolved the solution is sprayed upon the leaves. A common sprinkling can is of no use in applying; force of some sort must be used, such as that provided by a bucket pump, spraying pump or even a hand atomizer, where only small areas are infested. Every portion of the dandelion leaf must be covered. "A second application must be made in two or three weeks; with a third and possibly a fourth, late in the summer, if any of the dandelions start to grow. The solution of copperas will blacken the grass for a short time, but it soon recovers, and after a watering and mowing will appear darker green than before. Do not allow the solution to get on the cement or stone walks, as it produces a permanent yellow stain."

LIGHT FINGERED TRAMPS.

Police Confiscate Some of the Beer Hoboes Are Enjoying.

Stealing a blanket from one man and selling it to a relative is the charge against one of the many tramps who have made their appearance in the city again. Friday afternoon one of the tramps confiscated a blanket from a wagon of Fred Sporn and a few moments later endeavored to sell it to a relative who recognized the blanket and held it for the police. Another tramp stole a lap robe and concealed it under some paper at the rear of The News plant, where a farmer found it.

Chief of Police Marquardt came upon two of the hoboes enjoying some of the amber colored liquor and with the assistance of night Patrolman O'Brien arrested them both. The beer was confiscated after one of the tramps pleaded that he be allowed to drink it up.

Hartford Heads National Committee. Charles E. Hartford has been appointed chairman of the insurance committee of the National Firemen's association. Mr. Hartford received the appointment from Hugo R. Delts, pres-