

### Boys Stand in Line 4 Hours to Enroll for Camp

Dick Devereaux and Keith Ray First to Sign Up for Outing at Columbus "Y" Camp.

The popularity of the Y. M. C. A. camp, Camp Sheldon, at Columbus, Neb., was proven yesterday morning when two boys stood in line from 4:30 in the morning until 8:30 in order to be first and second to enroll for the camp period which begins June 20. The occasion was the first day for registrations for the camp and prizes were offered for the first three boys to enroll. First prize was a Camp Sheldon skull cap, second a sterling silver Y. M. C. A. pin, and third a bronze Y. M. C. A. pin.

Dick Devereaux, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Devereaux, was the first boy in the line, arriving at the "Y" at 4:30 a. m., and was followed five minutes later by Keith Ray, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Ray, 204 South Twenty-fifth avenue. Both are freshmen in Central High school. Third in line was Arthur Brown, 14, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Brown, 113 North Thirty-first avenue. Both he and Keith Ray carried off the highest honors at camp last summer. Raymond and Earl Swenson, sons of Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Swenson, 1502 North Thirty-fifth street, were fourth and fifth, respectively.

Thirty-five boys had enrolled, with their camp fees paid, up until Saturday night.

Boys will leave Omaha for Camp Sheldon Wednesday, June 20, on special cars over the Union Pacific railway and will return Saturday, June 30. E. E. Mickelwright will be camp director, George H. Benolken will be assistant camp director, and Oscar Blatter will be camp physical director.

The camp is open all Omaha boys more than 12 years of age. Boys need not be "Y" members in order to attend. The number of boys who can go is limited, however, and the first to enroll with have the best chance of going. Parents who are interested should phone E. E. Mickelwright, camp director, at the "Y," and literature about Camp Sheldon will be mailed to them. The camp is operated for Omaha boys under the direction of the boys' work committee composed of J. H. Beveridge, Dr. Frank G. Smith, J. S. Hedlund, J. G. Masters, E. E. McMillan, W. D. Clark, Herman Crowell and Victor B. Smith.

### Magnificent Megeath Home for Children, Elegantly Equipped, Now Realized and Open



Top: The J. G. Megeath Home for Children, given to the Masonic lodge by Mr. and Mrs. George W. Megeath as a memorial to Mr. Megeath's father. It is at 2137 South Thirty-third street. Lower left: A photograph of boys at play on the home lawn. Lower right: Mr. and Mrs. George W. Megeath as they appeared informally last summer while watching a group of Masonic boy charges on a picnic at their home.

James G. Megeath Home for Children has been opened at last. A year ago Mr. and Mrs. George W. Megeath of Fairacres gave to the Masonic lodge as a memorial to Mr. Megeath's father a huge home at 2137 South Thirty-third street, a palace of spacious halls, beautiful gardens, enchanting pergola-shaded walks and summer cottages.

Twelve months of preparation have made their vision come true. The laughing of 27 youths now rings through the big chambers of the building. The number will be increased immediately to 40.

As soon as the big house is connected with a brick garage that will be converted into a dormitory the guest list will increase to 100.

Equipped for All Needs. Rapid expansion of its program, which looked to the care of about 25 youths when the Masonic Home for Boys was at Twenty-second and Davenport streets, calls for increased facilities and the Masonic lodge will soon for the first time engage in a general financing campaign.

One hundred thousand dollars will be the capital represented when all of the improvements are made on the home.

It will operate its own laundry, including many modern improvements, and already has in operation its own ice plant, valued at \$2,000 but given to the home with the compliments of the York-Allen Manufacturing company. One turns an electric switch and soon has big cakes of ice at one's disposal. The refrigerating plant cools a big icebox in which meats and other perishables are stored.

And there's a private hospital. Located at the end of the pergola lead-

ing from a beautiful garden, it is a pretty brick cottage where James Megeath was wont to while away his summer afternoons. When one of the home's boys becomes ill he'll be removed to its luxurious hospital.

If he is not ungrateful and responds by getting well, maybe they'll let him run two blocks down the street to a tract of eight blocks that the Megeaths threw in for good measure. It will be the playgrounds. Except for the connection to the garage, or dormitory-to-be, the big home was found almost ideally suited to boyish needs. But when Mr. Megeath built it he didn't figure, apparently, on having to keep clean the faces and hands of 27 to 100 boys and did not install enough wash basins. That has been corrected by digging a basement room and installing wash basins and shower baths and lockers.

Boys Like Grown-ups. Someone has labeled youth. "The boys are like grown-ups," declared J. H. Noble, superintendent of the home. "Some keep clean without a bit of urging, but there are others who emulate untidy adults. Two long rows of basins preface the defeat of dirt, nevertheless."

The home contains an amusement room and has an excellent library, already well supplied with juvenile books of a general range. In the library is a big picture of George W. Megeath. "How did that thing get there?" he is said to have asked when he saw it. Masons could not get a picture from him, but one came from "somewhere."

The home is for homeless boys at large, not particularly for the sons of lodge members. Some of the guests are sent by juvenile court; others are recommended by Masons.

For Homeless Boys Only. "The only fixed rule," Superintendent Noble said, "is that a boy must be homeless. A youth with a home can't come in to crowd out one really in need of help."

Trustees of the home are Herbert L. Underwood, Charles C. Haynes, Alexander C. Reed, Eddy G. Wilmoth, William N. Paxton, Frederick W. Thomas, B. Edwin Oviatt, Guy R. Spencer, William H. Rodabaugh, Arthur C. Panoast, Raymond V. Cole, Everett C. Sawyer, William H. Warwick, Lester R. Stonecker, Charles E. Foster, Thomas F. Wilos, Ben F. Marti, and Tinley L. Combs, who is president.

### Trinity of Joys for Creighton's Boys This Week

Three-Day Carnival in Union Jamboree, Music Fest, Class Banquets and Ball.

Creighton university is fast completing plans for its annual carnival, which will be held April 19, 20 and 21.

Three events will stand out: The "union jamboree" on April 19; the musical festival on April 20; the union ball and departmental banquets on April 21. Creighton will be host at its jamboree to 500 graduate students from Omaha High schools. They will be received in the university gymnasium at 8:30. A program for the occasion includes the dental quartet, the saxophone sextet, Fitzsimons and his ukulele, the glee club, solos by Matt Severin and Cliff Long, band music and boxing contests. The music festival will be held in the university auditorium and will be open to the public. Stanley Jean Letovsky and Sammy Carmell are on the program. The Glee club, the saxophone sextet and the university orchestra will also contribute to the entertainment. The union ball of the 21st will be the last of the season and will be marked by the selection and initiation of 1923 members of Alpha Sigma Tau, honorary fraternity. They will be picked from their classes during a march beneath an arch. Departmental banquets will precede the ball. They will begin at 6, under auspices of the junior, sophomore and freshmen classes and seniors will make their farwell collegiate appearances as guests.

### Europe's Smallest Army Enlarged to 500 Troops

Brussels, April 14.—Europe's tiniest army has been discovered. The grand duchy of Luxembourg recently announced it was about to put into effect a reorganization of its army which would double the strength of its similar forces. The fear arose that this might forecast fresh disturbances in turbulent Europe. But fear subsided when it was learned that the increased army will include only 500 men. Its equipment is so scant that when a baby was born to the grand duchess a few weeks ago the army had to borrow guns from France before it custom to herald the new arrival.

### Human Cries of Parrots Save Them from Cremation

Philadelphia, April 14.—"Help! Help! Mamma! Oh, Mamma! Papa! Help!" Firemen hearing these screams from a smoke-filled room in the burning house of Samuel Golder here, fought their way through the blaze to find two green parrots gyrating about in the cages filling the air with their cries. They were rescued.

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