

Largest Boys' State Convenes June 15

*Elections Take Top Priority
As Campaigns, Debates Open*

The addition of 20 more boys than ever before accepted is the big change in this year's Cornhusker Boys State which will be held on the University campus June 15-21.

Warren E. Baker of Lincoln, office manager for Boys State, says 324 applications have been accepted for the 18th annual event sponsored by the American Legion Department of Nebraska.

The previous high was 304 and Baker said the total membership will continue to climb whenever more facilities are made available.

This year's addition is due to the completion of Burr Hall the new men's dormitory on Ag Campus. Still, some 30 applications had to be refused.

High school juniors from all but four of Nebraska's 93 counties will be in attendance when the convention opens. Of the four counties not represented three do not have American Legion posts.

In membership this year will be boys from 261 different towns in the state. This also is a record.

The boys will again be divided into eight towns making up two counties. There will also be two political parties, the "Federalists" and "Nationalists," present.

Early in the week elections will be held to select officers for state, county and city offices. The primary and general elections take place much the same as in regular state and local elections. The boys spend much of their time campaigning and this is one of the most interesting events of the week, Baker said.

After the officers have been selected morning and early afternoon hours will be spent debating and working on problems which confront our government officers.

This gives the boys a chance for training in citizenship and an opportunity to look at different forms of government, the manager stated.

This is the real purpose of Boys State.

Late afternoon and evening hours give the boys a chance to participate in sports and other planned activities.

American In Paris Is Sunday Movie

The Academy Award winner, *American in Paris*, starring Gene Kelley, Leslie Caron, and Oscar Levant, will be in full color in the Union Ballroom, Sunday night, June 15 at 7:30 p.m. A Tom and Jerry cartoon will precede the movie.

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