

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ELECTIONS - 1956

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors of the County of Jefferson:

In accordance with Section 34 of the Election Law, we herewith submit the following report of the Board of Elections for the year 1956:

<u>1956 Enrollment</u>					
	Rep.	Dem.	Lib.	Unaff.	Total
City of Watertown	6,342	2,906	19	190	9,457
Towns	11,185	4,723	43	223	16,174
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Totals	17,527	7,629	62	413	25,631

One Primary Election, in lieu of a spring and fall primary election heretofore held in Presidential years, was held on June 5, 1956. The Primary Election vote was as follows:

	Rep.	Dem.	Lib.
City of Watertown	1,473	322	3
Towns	4,081	542	9
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Totals	5,554	864	12
Per cent of enrolled voters	.316	.113	.193

<u>1956 Registration</u>			
		Males	Females
City of Watertown	14,506	6,821	7,685
Towns	31,138	15,476	15,662
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Totals	45,644	22,297	23,347

Central Registrations, from May 1st to September 20th, numbered 1634, far more than in the last comparable year, 1952, in which 966 voters registered centrally. Under a new law, persons confined by illness or physical disability or absent from the state because of business, occupation or duties were allowed to register by absentee registration. 103 voters were registered by this method. Military applications totaled 490 and hospitalized veterans 13.

977 regular absentee ballots and 490 military ballots were mailed out, of which 884 regular and 446 military ballots were returned in time to be distributed and canvassed on Election Day.

The General Election vote was as follows:

City of Watertown	14,130
Towns	24,662
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Total vote	38,792

We sincerely appreciate the cooperation extended to this office by the Board of Supervisors, the various committees, the Clerk of the Board, the Purchasing Department, the Sheriff's office and the City Police Department.

Respectfully submitted,

Marford H. Jerome

Ernest L. Gascis

Commissioners

Dorothy C. Farmer
Clerk.