

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ELECTIONS - 1959

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors:

In accordance with Section 34 of the Election Law, we herewith submit the following report for the year 1959:

The 1959 Enrollment, composed of the 1958 city registration of 10,724 and the 1958 vote in the towns of 19,917, plus one enrollee who did not vote, totaled 30,642. After the party affiliations were stamped in two registers, the names, addresses and parties as listed by IBM were checked, collated and distributed by this office. 150 copies of each district were printed, with 80 sets of the City of Watertown enrollment and 50 sets of the Town Enrollments bound into books.

	<u>1959 Enrollment</u>				
	Rep.	Dem.	Lib.	Unaffiliated	Total
City of Watertown	7,008	3,419	39	258	10,724
Towns	13,908	5,635	64	311	19,918
Totals	<u>20,916</u>	<u>9,054</u>	<u>103</u>	<u>569</u>	<u>30,642</u>

Petitions were filed by the Republican, Democratic and Liberal Parties for four county offices, delegates and alternate delegates to the Fifth Judicial District Convention, members of the Republican County Committee, and in 17 towns, Republican candidates for town offices. A total of 382 names appeared on the ballots for the three parties for the Primary Election held September 15, 1959.

The Primary Election vote was as follows:

	Rep.	Dem.	Lib.	Non-Partisan
City of Watertown	2,209	891	11	3,137
Towns	5,149	399	3	
Totals	7,358	1,290	14	3,137
Per cent of enrolled voters	.352	.142	.135	.292 per cent of registered voters

The 1959 Registration was as follows:

		Males	Females
City of Watertown	9,696	4,615	5,081
Towns	29,979	14,878	15,101
Totals	39,675	19,493	20,182

From May 1st through September 19th, 936 persons registered centrally at the Board of Elections office. This is an increase of 297 over Central Registrations for 1958 and twice as many as registered centrally in 1957, a comparable year. Registration by persons confined by illness or physical disability or out of the state on business totaled 19, military and dependents 137 and hospitalized veterans 9. There were 337 regular absentee ballots mailed and 137 military ballots for a total of 474. 81 military ballots were returned before Election Day and 31 were forwarded from Albany on November 24th for the final, second canvass of votes for all offices and the nine amendments and one proposition.

The vote at the General Election on November 3, 1959 was:

		Per cent of registered voters:
City of Watertown	8,936	.922
Towns	18,013	.601
Total vote	<u>26,949</u>	

Respectfully submitted,

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