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JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS - ANNUAL REPORT - 1977

TO: Jefferson County Board of Supervisors,
County Building,
Watertown, New York

First day of central registration - December 2, 1976 continued thru October 11, 1977. One day local registration, Saturday, October 15, 1977; 12 noon to 9:00 P.M. with 940 registrations.

This office registered 3,818 mail registrations during the year. There were a total of 4,291 voters registered in 1977.

Primary Enrollment published February 28, 1977 containing 37,615 voters.

Furnished enrollment lists for village and school elections from March thru June. There are 20 villages and 12 school districts in Jefferson County.

1,000 mail registrations were mailed to the high schools to register the 18 year olds in their senior classes.

Primary day - Thursday, September 8, 1977: 12 noon to 9:00 P.M. with county wide primaries in the Conservative and Liberal parties. There were 11 towns with Republican primaries for various positions within the town.

28,636 of 40,278 registered voters cast their votes for 340 candidates in the November 8, 1977 general election. Because of town and ward contests, 34 separate ballots and machine supplies had to be furnished.

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There were 1,204 applications for absentee ballots. This number includes 255 servicemens applications.

Re-canvass of voting machines started November 9, 1977 and was completed on November 14, 1977.

This office conducted an election inspector school for two weeks during which we trained 351 inspectors. There were also 45 election inspector exams given and certificates sent to those who attended the school.

The fair week booth was not the most successful inasmuch as only 84 voters were registered.

There was one Supreme Court Decision rendered in Syracuse concerning the legality of certain Conservative petitions.

1,595 post cards were sent to those voters who haven't voted in the last two years.

Respectfully

H. Barrett Hayes, Clerk
Board of Elections

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