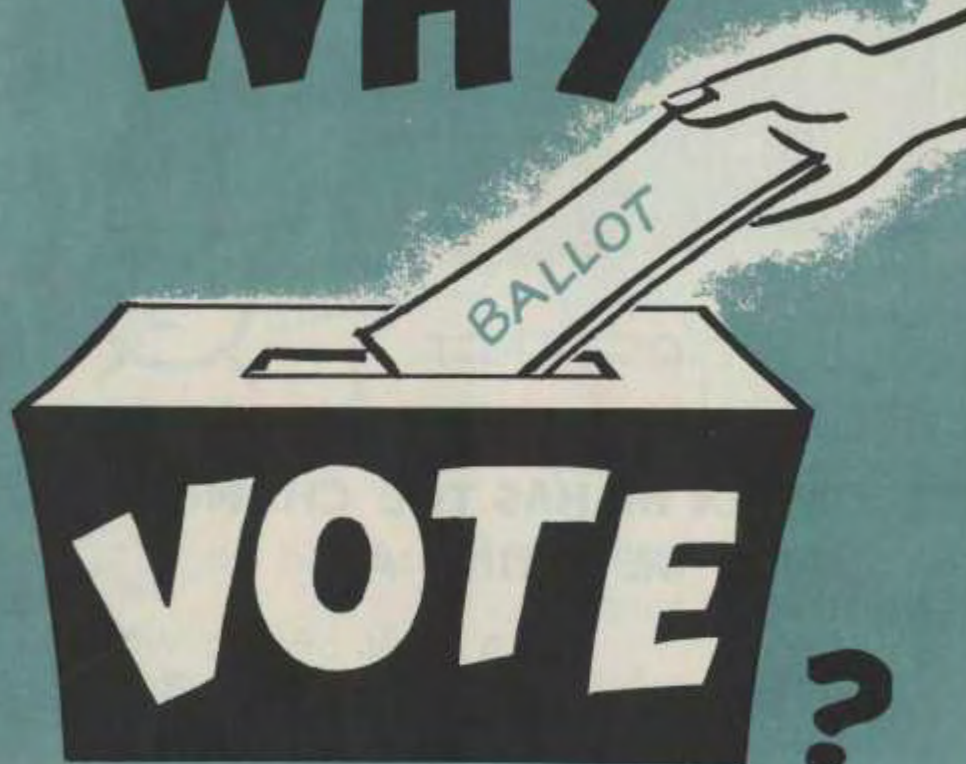


WHY



THE ABC'S OF
CITIZENSHIP



Did you know
that the word
"IDIOT"

comes from a Greek
word meaning
**"THE MAN WHO
DIDN'T VOTE"?**



IDIOT or NOT

**THE MAN WHO DOESN'T VOTE
WHEN HE HAS THE CHANCE
MAY BE ACTING AS:**

- (1) A TOOL of the WORST MACHINE BOSSES
- (2) A VICTIM of PRESSURE GROUPS
- (3) AN ALLY of CROOKS
- (4) A GENERAL INFLUENCE for BAD GOVERNMENT



HOWEVER, IN YOUR CASE,

WHEN YOU VOTE



- you help create **LEADERS**
(instead of "bosses")
- you help **POLITICIANS** reflect
the will of the **VOTERS**
- you become a **REAL**
American citizen
- and you are an influence
for **GOOD GOVERNMENT**

OF COURSE,
TO VOTE AT ALL--
YOU'VE GOT TO

REGISTER!



TO FIND OUT - **HOW**
- **WHEN**
- **WHERE** to REGISTER--



- call*
- (a) Local officials
 - (b) Newspaper
 - (c) Courthouse (ask for office handling registration)

to register
you may be
required to...

(1) IDENTIFY YOURSELF

under OATH

- (a) Name
- (b) Address
- (c) Place of Birth

(2) GIVE YOUR AGE

**(3) ESTABLISH YOUR
RESIDENCE**

also--

about $\frac{1}{3}$ of the
states require
a reading test.

**ONCE
YOU'VE
REGISTERED**

**(1) find out how
long it is**

good for--

- PERMANENT?
- ONE YR. ONLY?
- or UNTIL YOU
STOP VOTING?

(2) if you MOVE..

you must
register again

**(3) if a woman
MARRIES, she
must RE-REGISTER**



THEN -- BEFORE YOU VOTE

STUDY THE ISSUES



Remember -- every public issue is a political issue. The GOVERNMENT is your servant -- to carry out your wishes -- and local issues are just as important for you as state or national ones -- perhaps more important.

--AND THE CANDIDATES



Don't be misled by campaign "promises".

See how elected officials have voted. Look behind party labels. Think before you vote--

AND REMEMBER-- Contrary to some opinion-- the average professional politician (ie. elected legislator or official) is a **DECENT, HONEST** person who wants to do what's **BEST** and generally will **REFLECT** the attitudes, morals and wishes of the **PEOPLE** who **ELECTED** him.

AMERICA HAS BEEN BUILT AND IS BOSSED BY

YOUR BALLOTS



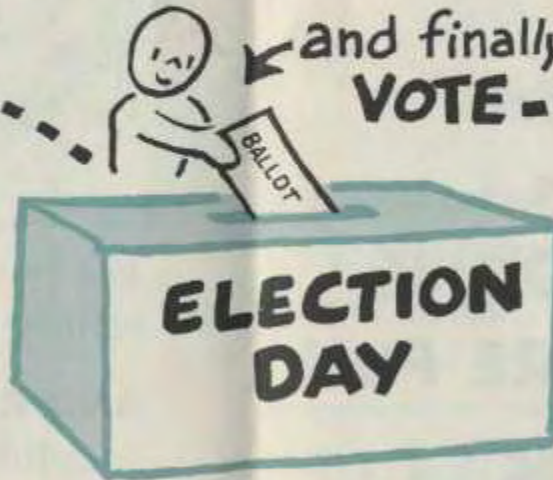
YOU --attend these important meetings to help screen and choose candidates



THEN VOTE and choose candidates.. sometimes more important than the election itself



and finally **VOTE**



TO CHOOSE--

LOCAL OFFICES

such as...

- MAYOR
- COUNCIL
- SCHOOL BOARD etc.

STATE OFFICES

such as

- GOVERNOR
- SENATOR
- REPRESENTATIVES etc.

NATIONAL OFFICES

- PRES. & VICE PRES.
- SENATOR
- CONGRESSMAN

Your vote makes you a member of America's only "RULING CLASS"



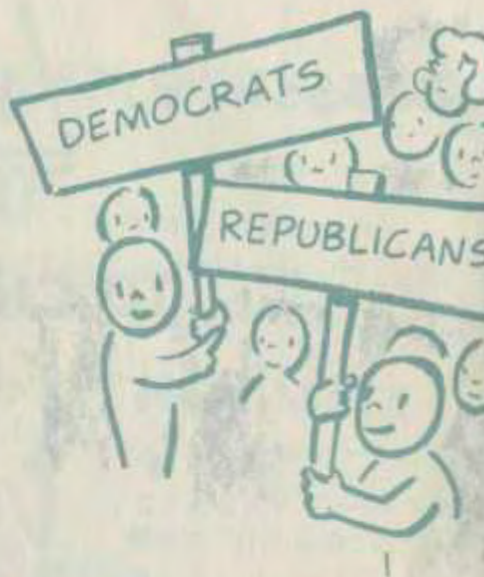
YOUR VOTE COUNTS

YOUR PRECINCT
(300 to 1,000 VOTERS)

about **165,000** PRECINCTS in the U.S.

GOVERNMENT OF, BY and FOR THE PEOPLE

what can
poor little
me do?



As a citizen
you can

GET MORE DONE
and **HAVE MORE FUN**
if you **WORK**
WITH OTHERS



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You can take part in

YOUR PARTY

PURPOSE:

- (1) to define issues
- (2) to select candidates



(a) Find out about candidates and issues



(b) Get others to register

- call on them
- take them to registration point



(c) Get others to vote

- drive them to polls
- baby sit while they vote



(d) Work at party headquarters

- as receptionist, clerk or phone operator



(e) Distribute literature

- booklets
- posters
- flyers



(f) Attend party meetings..

join precinct clubs, young people, women's groups, etc.

2 You can work with fellow-members of **CLUBS**

and other organizations to which you belong



P.T.A.
CIVIC
VETERANS
LODGES
GRANGE
LEAGUE of
WOMEN
VOTERS
ETC.

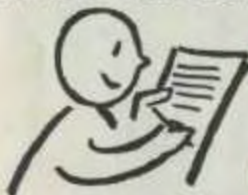
on a non-partisan basis

- to (1) get **EVERY** member to **VOTE**
- (2) get **CANDIDATES** to explain **ISSUES**
- (3) organize **CIVIC AFFAIRS** committees to promote better citizenship

3 You can get to know your **ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES**



SENATOR CONGRESSMAN MAYOR COUNCILMAN GOVERNOR etc.



- (1) Make a **LIST** of them
- local, state and national
- (2) **ASK THEM** what they think—
or ask them for more information on issues that interest you

(3) **TELL THEM** what you think... **IT'S EASY..**

be serious
honest
courteous
praise as well
as criticise



Just sit down and WRITE THEM A NOTE

no form letters or post cards

Simply
address ↘

Senator U.S. Senate, Washington 25, D.C.
(or) Congressman U.S. House of Representatives
Washington 25, D.C.
(or) Governor State House, Capital City
(or) Senator " " " "
(or) Representative... " " " "



REMEMBER--

POLITICS is the BUSINESS of
running **YOUR** government

It's concerned with--

- YOUR human DIGNITY
- YOUR personal FREEDOM
- YOUR general WELFARE

So.. POLITICS is YOUR BUSINESS
lest government

OF
BY
FOR

} the
people



perish from the earth



SO WHAT ?

SOOO...



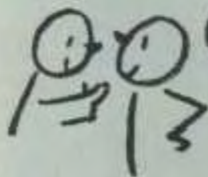
1 Be sure to register



2 Find out { when
where
how } to Vote



3 Decide { whom
what } to Vote for



4 Urge others to do likewise

and.. **5 VOTE..**

