

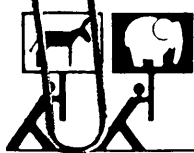
Chronological: Walter Reed AMC, I'm Proud To Be An American Asian Pacific Heritage

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The nation has been warned

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We are in clear and present danger of "civic illiteracy"*. Voter apathy will lead to the loss of the freedom Americans cherish.

We are doing something about it.

We are the NATIONAL STUDENT/PARENT MOCK ELECTION.

SENATOR

SOME INTERESTING
FACTS COMPILED BY
THE NATIONAL
STUDENT/PARENT
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Virginia Beach, VA Election Headquarters

What difference does one vote make?

Dan

- ✓ One vote made Oliver Cromwell Lord Protector of the Commonwealth of England in 1645.
- ✓ One vote caused Charles I to be executed in 1649.
- ✓ One vote elected Thomas Jefferson president in 1800.
- ✓ One vote made Texas part of the U.S. in 1845.
- ✓ One vote saved President Andrew Johnson from impeachment in 1868.
- ✓ One vote changed France from a monarchy to a Republic (1875).
- ✓ Less than one vote per precinct, in one state, elected Woodrow Wilson President (1912).
- ✓ One vote made Adolph Hitler head of the Nazi party (1923).
- ✓ A change of one vote per precinct in three states in 1968 would have made Hubert Humphrey president instead of Richard Nixon.
- ✓ In 1988?

*The Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching.



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- universal sequencers of the olden

- I can recount countless stories of discrimination -
it's not new

off - that is the part of story of most Americans -
- Pilgrims, Irish, Blacks, Jews, Asians,
Hispanics, etc, etc -

- We who have been targets of discrimination
soon forget the pain & indignities of prejudice
& discrimination - especially when a new
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