

SMALL TOWN TALES POLITICS FOR A DAY

Each year shortly before election day the citizens of St. Leon, a small town in the midwest State of Indiana, demonstrate their active interest in politics by declaring a local holiday. They devote the entire day to discussions of the political campaign with their neighbors, and to becoming better acquainted with the candidates who seek their support. This tradition in St. Leon begins with an impromptu parade down Main Street with the band playing and the people joining the procession. Later the candidates present their views and answer questions on campaign issues. These and other activities are indicative of the voter's interest in politics and in his purpose—to elect leaders who are representative of the people.

6-6 After the speechmaking has ended, the townspeople gather in small groups outside the barn to exchange views and talk over what they have heard and seen. Candidates seeking to represent them in elective offices take this opportunity to meet and shake hands with the voters, invite their support and answer questions on issues of public interest. (57-21418)

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Elections

Después de que han terminado los discursos, la gente del pueblo se reúne en grupos fuera del local para cambiar impresiones y charlar acerca de lo que ha visto y oído. Los candidatos que están buscando el representarles aprovechan esta oportunidad para unirse a ellos, darles la mano, invitarles a que les apunten y contestar a las preguntas acerca de temas de interés público. El pequeño pueblo de San León, en Indiana, vive antes de las elecciones unos días de fiesta en que la banda recorre las calles de la localidad y las gentes se unen a ella.

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