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When elections are instituted in the USSR are formulated a whole huge mechanical apparatus is started, the not only to ensure victory but to safeguard the state from any voice of dissent, either in absentees or oppositions. All possible voters (that is from the age of 16 up) are registered well beforehand by "agitators" who go around to every door in their district getting names and notifying all voters of their duty to the motherland in voting, in the case of the elections held throughout the Soviet Union on January 24 and February 20, 1962 to "elect" the Supreme Soviet, including Khrushchev, the Peoples Soviet (house of representatives) and the Soviet of Nationalities, the agitator came on election day all voters go to the polls, usually a school, and vote they are given a ballot which they solemnly drop into a box on the ballot is the single name of the candidate for each post. That all organized, everywhere to "vote" this system ensures a 99% turnout and predetermined victory. In each polling place there is a bottle for secret balloting (crossing out the candidate by writing in your own) under Soviet law anyone can do this, nobody does for the obvious reason that anyone who enters the bottle may be identified. There is a Soviet joke about the floor dropping out from anyone stepping into the bottle. But the fact is that if the entire population used the polling bottle they could beat the system, however years of mass discipline and fear have made the people afraid to attempt any such demonstration and with no means of communication at the hands of a would be candidate there is no way of communicating with the people and urging up support for a black horse candidate.

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