

influence was consequently exercised upon late voters, by radio broadcasts and by the publication of early returns in extra editions of newspapers in the West. On account of objections raised to every remedy proposed, your Committee has decided that the matter should be brought to the attention of Parliament in order that it may be further considered.

Special reference should be made to a suggestion approved by your Committee to the effect that a revision of the Dominion Elections Act, embodying the recommendations made, together with such further amendments as may be found necessary, be prepared for submission to Parliament at its next Session. This is deemed necessary in order that election officers may have ample time to perform all preliminary work well in advance of the next general election.

Your Committee also gave careful consideration to many other suggestions that were received but not adopted. These suggestions are all contained in the Minutes of Proceedings and Evidence, and your Committee did not deem it necessary to enumerate them in this report.

Your Committee has received representations from Canadian citizens of Japanese origin, asking that the privilege of the franchise be extended to them, but your Committee is not prepared to recommend any alteration of the existing law.

Your Committee herewith submits for the favourable consideration of the House the complete list of suggestions which it has approved, as follows:—

1. That instead of having a permanent list of electors and an annual revision, the procedure followed in 1930, in the preparation and revision of the list of electors after the issue of the Writ for an election, should be again adopted.
2. That the Dominion Franchise Act should be repealed and the franchise provisions embodied in the Dominion Elections Act, as in 1930.
3. That a longer period of time should be given to the various returning officers to revise the arrangement of polling divisions of their respective electoral districts, and with that purpose in view the proposed new Dominion Elections Act should be passed not later than the year 1938.
4. That all incorporated cities or towns having a population of 3,500 persons or more be treated as urban polling divisions.
5. That the Chief Electoral Officer be empowered to declare urban any area in which the population is of a floating or transient character or in which a large number of persons are temporarily employed on special work of any kind.
6. That absentee voting be abolished.
7. That, where possible, all lists of electors for both urban and rural divisions be printed.
8. That a method of speedy payment of elections officers receiving a fixed fee be adopted.
9. That enumerators shall insert on their lists of electors the names of young persons who will attain 21 years of age on or before polling day.
10. That voters' lists be printed locally wherever and whenever possible.
11. That, in urban areas, a printed copy of the list of electors be sent by mail as soon as the printing is completed to each dwelling situated within the appropriate polling division, and a notice advising electors of the time and place of the sittings of the revising officers and of the location of the polling station be printed on each such copy of the list.
12. That the sending of a notification post card advising each elector as to time and place of poll be abandoned.