

that this suggestion requires an amendment to Rule 4 of Schedule A and Rule 5 of Schedule B to Section 32 of the Act.

With regard to the number of copies of the lists required to be prepared by the rural registrars, I may say that I think it might be advisable to amend Rule 9 of Schedule B to the effect that at least three copies of the list be sent to the returning officer for distribution to candidates. The preparation of the extra copies of the lists will, of course, entail an expenditure of about \$20,000.

The next point refers to the delivery of the final copy of the list which is intended for use at the poll. Under the amending Act of 1929, this final copy of the list is sent to the returning officer who forwards it to the deputy returning officer enclosed in the ballot box with the ballots and other supplies. I agree with Mr. Neill that there may be a few polls in remote sections of an electoral district where this procedure might not be workable and it might be advisable to amend the Act so as to give power to the returning officer, in certain cases, to instruct the rural registrar to send his list direct to the deputy returning officer instead of sending it to him.

Mr. KELLNER: What is that again?

The ACTING CHAIRMAN: It means that ordinarily the final list is enclosed in the ballot box and in remote sections it would be sent direct to the Deputy Returning Officer by the rural registrar.

The next point relates to subsection 5 of Section 34 of the Act. The necessary corrections have been made in the consolidation of this subsection.

The next point relates to the delivery of the list of the names of the deputy returning officers to candidates. In electoral districts where there is an interval of seven days only between nomination and polling days, I think that it is not advisable to ask the returning officer to supply a list of deputy returning officers to candidates ten or twelve days before polling day as it is a well-known fact that the list is generally completed only a short time before the poll is held. The poll clerks are appointed by the deputy returning officers who are instructed to send the names of the poll clerks to the returning officer as soon as the appointments are made. However, as most of the deputy returning officers only receive their appointments shortly before polling day, I do not think it would be practicable to ask the returning officer to have the list of poll clerks available for inspection before the time prescribed by Section 47 of the Act.

The insertion of the word "properly" after the words "are not" in the eighth line of Form 35, which appears on page 229 of the book of Election Instructions, seems to be necessary in order that the form may be made to conform to the provisions of the statute.

The last point raised by Mr. Neill refers to the return of candidates' election expenses, and, in my opinion, this is a matter to be dealt with exclusively by the Committee.

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The ACTING CHAIRMAN: I hardly know what business is to be taken up this morning, unless it is the statement Mr. Boys stated he intended to make. I think at the last meeting it was decided we would hear Mr. Boys, and I believe, Mr. Kellner has something to say.

Mr. BOYS: Mr. Chairman, I speak only for myself. I desire to speak as to certain work in connection with the Elections Act, but I think, before attempt-