

appropriate registration book or card. His registration and the date thereof shall also be noted in the book marked "Applications of Unregistered Absentee Residents." The books herein provided for shall be open to inspection of any candidate or his duly authorized representative, and to the War Ballot Commission or its representatives.

239F. It shall be the duty of the Board to meet as frequently as may be necessary to examine promptly applications for Absentee Ballots, and unless the Board shall be unable to ascertain from an application the identity of the applicant or the address to which the Ballot requested is to be sent, or unless the Board determines to its satisfaction that the applicant is not an Absentee Resident, it shall, as soon as possible after receipt of the application, mail each Absentee Resident an Absentee Ballot, consistent with the said Absentee Resident's party affiliation, if any (but if the Absentee Resident has indicated no party affiliation, the Board shall be under no duty to send the said Absentee any Ballot whatsoever), Ballot Envelope, Return Envelope and Instructions. Beginning on November 4, 1946, the Board shall meet not less than once each week, up to and including the week of December 15, 1946, and at least twice during the week beginning December 22, 1946, and thereafter as often as may be necessary for the aforesaid purposes. Prior to November 4, 1946, the Board shall mail, postage prepaid, if postage is required, an Absentee Ballot, Ballot Envelope, Return Envelope, and the Instructions to each Absentee Resident from whom a proper application for such ballot has been received, within fifteen days (15) after receipt thereof; and after November 4, 1946, said ballots and other balloting material shall be mailed, postage prepaid if postage is required, as promptly as possible.

Not more than one Absentee Ballot shall be mailed to any one applicant unless the Board has reasonable grounds to believe that the Absentee Ballot previously mailed has been lost, destroyed or spoiled.

Should there be no contest in any political party entitled to hold a primary, then the Board of Supervisors of Baltimore City need not meet as herein otherwise required.

239G. The Board shall cause to be printed an adequate number of Absentee Ballots for each political party holding a primary election, of the three kinds of envelopes hereinafter described and of instructions. The words "Absentee Ballot" shall be printed in large letters in a clear space at the top of each of said ballots. The ward and precinct or polling place shall be left blank on the back and outside of said ballots and shall be filled in by the Board before being sent to any registered Absentee Resident, and, if the