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Mr. Frank H. Maxfield
84 Deering Avenue
Portland, Maine

Dear Frank:

Your letter in regard to reviving the Socialist Party in Maine has been mislaid, otherwise I would have answered it before this.

The provisions for nomination of candidates in cases where it is necessary to get a new party going, or getting a party going anew, are found in R. S. Chapter 7, Sections 30 to 38, inclusive, especially Sections 32, 33 and 34. Examination of Section 32 will show you just what you need to do.

Blanks may be obtained from the office of the Secretary of State.

Very truly yours,

Frank I. Cowan
Attorney General

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P. S. I have just found your letter. I find nothing in the statutes preventing any legal voter signing for an independent candidate, regardless of his political affiliations, due to the fact that your question does not apply to a primary. Your conclusion in the third paragraph of your letter is certainly correct. I am interested in your congratulations on the selection by the Republicans of a Presidential candidate. I believe that Mr. Dewey is a strong, intelligent, God-fearing, liberal-minded American citizen of the best type, who would use the high office of President to promote the best interests of the people as he sees them.

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