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The 1932 Primaries of the State of Maine



A Compilation Prepared
under the Direction of
the Secretary of State
for the Benefit of Can-
didates in the 1932
Primaries.

WHILE the Secretary of State is at all times very glad to furnish all possible information, candidates and others interested in the June primaries will save themselves much unnecessary inconvenience and will avoid needless delay if they will familiarize themselves with the following facts :

SIGNING OF NOMINATION PAPERS

Primary nomination papers must not be signed prior to January 1st, 1932, and must be filed with the Secretary of State on or before April 18, 1932. When filed there shall also be filed in writing the consent of the person proposed for nomination therein, agreeing to accept the nomination, if nominated at the Primary election, not to withdraw, and if elected at the State election to qualify as such officer.

Nomination papers may be signed only by members of the same political party as the proposed candidate, who reside in the electoral division in which the nomination is sought. Each voter may sign one nomination paper for the same office and only one, except in cases where more than one person is to be elected to the same office. Each such signer of a nomination paper must make his signature in person, in a legible manner, and add to it his place of residence. Ditto marks, indicating the residence, made by the person signing the nomination paper, will be accepted. One of the signers, or the person circulating the nomination paper, must make oath thereon that to the best of his knowledge and belief the signatures are genuine, that the persons signing are members of the same political party as the candidate, and that they reside in the electoral district or division in which the nomination is to be made.

The total number of signatures for the nomination of a candidate must amount in the aggregate to at least one per cent, and must not exceed two per cent, of the total gubernatorial vote for all candidates cast in the 1930 election in the electoral district or division in which the nomination is proposed. The appended schedule has been figured on this basis and is intended

to show accurately the minimum and maximum number of signatures required and permitted in each and every electoral district in the State in which nominations are to be made in the June primaries of 1932.

The name of the proposed candidate should either be printed or typewritten in order that there may be no misunderstanding as to the exact manner in which his name shall appear on the ballot. Particular care should be taken that the name of the candidate should be written and spelled the same on all the petitions circulated. All nomination papers, when filed with the Secretary of State, will be immediately opened, catalogued and subject to public inspection under proper restrictions. Candidates are urgently requested to give their post office addresses, as well as their residences, not only for their own protection but also in order that all communications sent out from this Department may reach them promptly.

ALL CANDIDATES TO BE NOTIFIED OF RESULT

The returns of the Primary election will be canvassed by the Governor and Council not later than the first Tuesday in July, 1932. As soon as possible thereafter there will be sent to each candidate whose name appeared on the primary ballot, a copy of the detailed tabulation of the vote cast in the electoral district or division in which he was a candidate.

CANDIDATES MUST FILE ACCEPTANCES AND EXPENSE ACCOUNTS

Successful candidates will be notified, by registered mail, of their nomination at the Primary election. Within seven days after the receipt of such notification the candidate must, by registered mail, file his acceptance with the Secretary of State. The failure of any candidate to file such acceptance within the specified time shall be deemed a refusal thereof and his name will not be printed on the September ballot.

Every candidate nominated at a Primary election shall, in addition to the acceptance of his nomination, within seven days after the receipt of the above mentioned notification, file with the Secretary of State an itemized expense account setting forth in detail all expenditures made and

all liabilities incurred in connection with his candidacy. The failure of any candidate to file a return of his expenses within the specified time will render his nomination null and void and if any statement in such return is wilfully false it will be deemed perjury.

Political agents and candidates appointed under the provisions of chapter ten of the revised statutes are required to make a return within fifteen days after the day of the primary election. Any political agent failing to make return within the time required shall be fined twenty-five dollars for each day for which he is in default unless he shall be excused by the court.

Candidates nominated in any political convention shall within fifteen days after the date of such convention file with the Secretary of State a return similar to the one required of candidates nominated at a primary election. Any person so nominated and failing to file a return within fifteen days renders his nomination void.

Expenditures made in behalf of all candidates for office to be voted for in the state as a whole or in any congressional district by the candidate or any person, firm, association, committee, organization or corporation, such expenditures to include either printing, publication, postage, clerk hire, newspaper advertising, renting of halls or other places, soliciting agents, hauling voters, or any other act or thing calculated to induce or procure any person or persons to vote for any candidate for office, shall be filed during the period prior to the thirty days next preceding any such election on the first day of each month next after such expenditure is made or a liability is incurred and thereafter such a report shall be made each week, such weekly reports to be made so as to reach the office of the Secretary of State not later than ten o'clock in the forenoon of Wednesday in each week.

Candidates for representatives to the legislature or for any county office including state senators shall make one report thirty days prior to the day of election and a second report not later than ten o'clock in the forenoon of the Wednesday next preceding such election.

The last report provided for shall include in addition to such expenditures as have been made

and such liabilities as have been incurred up to the time of the making of such report a statement of such sum or sums, if any, as such candidate, person, firm, association, committee, organization or corporation proposes to make or incur thereafter in connection with such campaign.

Similar returns are required of any person whose name is to be presented before any political convention as a candidate for any office, the return to be made seven days prior to the convention.

Failure on the part of any candidate, person, firm, association, committee, organization or corporation to make reports as provided for shall be punished by a fine of not more than one thousand dollars or by imprisonment of not more than eleven months.

NUMBER OF SIGNATURES REQUIRED AND PERMITTED ON PRIMARY NOMINATION PAPERS

The following schedule figured from the 1930 gubernatorial tabulation is intended to show accurately the number of signers which is required and permitted on Primary nomination papers in each and every electoral district or division in the State of Maine in which nominations are to be made at the 1932 June Primaries.

	Minimum	Maximum
State at Large	1495	2989
First Congressional District....	512	1022
Second Congressional District..	597	1193
Third Congressional District...	387	773

County Offices

Androscoggin	169	337
Aroostook	70	139
Cumberland	245	488
Franklin	39	76
Hancock	67	132
Kennebec	155	308
Knox	87	172
Lincoln	40	78
Oxford	92	183
Penobscot	133	265
Piscataquis	36	70
Sagadahoc	27	52
Somerset	62	122
Waldo	49	96
Washington	83	165
York	149	297

REPRESENTATIVE CLASS DISTRICTS

Androscoggin County

	Minimum	Maximum
Auburn (entitled to three).....	46	90
Lewiston (entitled to five).....	79	157
Lisbon	13	24
East Livermore, Livermore....	9	17
Mechanic Falls, Turner and Minot	8	15
Poland, Greene, Wales.....	7	13
Webster, Durham, Leeds.....	10	18

Aroostook County

Caribou	4	6
Fort Fairfield	2	3
Presque Isle	6	10
Houlton	10	19
Dyer Brook, Oakfield, Moro Pl., Merrill, Smyrna, New Limerick, Ludlow, Hammond Pl., Littleton	3	5
Monticello, Bridgewater, Blaine, Mars Hill, E. Plantation....	5	8
Sherman, Island Falls, Hersey, Crystal, Benedicta, Silver Ridge, Macwahoc	5	8
Linneus, Hodgdon, Cary Plantation, Amity, Glenwood Pl., Haynesville, Orient, Weston, Bancroft, Reed Pl.	4	6
Limestone, Caswell Pl., Connor, Hamlin Pl., Cyr Pl., Westmanland Pl., Stockholm	4	6
Van Buren, Grand Isle.....	9	17
Ashland, Castle Hill, Masardis, Portage Lake, Oxbow Pl., Garfield Pl., Nashville Pl....	3	4
Woodland, Washburn, New Sweden, Perham	4	6
Easton, Chapman, Mapleton, Wade, Westfield	3	4
Frenchville, St. Agatha, Madawaska	5	9
Fort Kent, Wallagrass Pl.	6	11
Eagle Lake, Allagash Pl., St. Francis Pl., St. John Pl., New Canada Pl., Winterville Pl...	6	10

Cumberland County

Portland (entitled to seven)...	110	218
Westbrook (entitled to two)...	28	55
South Portland (entitled to three)	18	35
Brunswick (entitled to two)...	17	33
Gorham	6	11
Bridgton	7	12
Pownal, Freeport	9	16
Cumberland, Falmouth	6	10
Scarborough, Cape Elizabeth..	10	18
Sebago, Baldwin, Standish....	8	14
Harrison, Otisfield, Windham..	8	14
Gray, Raymond, New Gloucester	10	19

	Minimum	Maximum
Harpwell, Casco, Naples.....	9	16
Yarmouth, North Yarmouth...	6	11

Franklin County

Jay, Wilton	13	24
Farmington, Chesterville, New Sharon, Temple	15	29
Carthage, Weld, Avon, Strong, Phillips, Madrid, New Vineyard, Industry, Perkins Pl., Washington Pl.	8	14
Rangeley, Rangeley Pl., Sandy River Pl., Lang Pl., Dallas Pl., Coplin Pl., Eustis, Kingfield, Freeman, Salem, Redington and unorganized townships..	5	8

Hancock County

Deer Isle, Stonington, Sedgwick, Brooklin, Brooksville..	10	19
Bucksport, Dedham, Orland, Verona, Penobscot, Castine..	7	13
Ellsworth, Surry, Bluehill....	17	32
Bar Harbor, Trenton, Hancock Mt. Desert, Southwest Harbor, Cranberry Island, Swans Island, Long Island, Tremont, Lamoine	13	24
Gouldsboro, Pl. No. 33, Aurora, Amherst, Mariaville, Otis, Osborn Pl., Waltham, Eastbrook, Franklin, Sullivan, Sorrento, Winter Harbor....	12	23
	10	18

Kennebec County

Augusta (entitled to two).....	37	73
Waterville (entitled to two)....	41	80
Gardiner	12	23
Clinton, Albion, Unity Pl., Benton	9	17
Vassalboro, Winslow	11	21
Chelsea, Farmingdale	6	11
Windsor, Randolph, Pittston, China	9	17
Manchester, Hallowell, West Gardiner	9	17
Monmouth, Winthrop, Litchfield	9	16
Readfield, Mount Vernon, Rome, Wayne, Fayette, Vienna.....	8	14
Sidney, Belgrade, Oakland.....	9	16

Knox County

Rockland (entitled to two)....	32	62
Thomaston, South Thomaston, Friendship, Cushing and Owls Head	13	25
Rockport, Warren, Union and Washington	17	33
Camden, Hope and Appleton..	13	25
Vinalhaven, North Haven, St.		

	Minimum	Maximum
George, Matinicus, Isle au Haut, Criehaven, Muscle Ridge and Hurricane Isle.....	12	23

Lincoln County

Alna, Waldoboro, Whitefield, Jefferson, Somerville and Newcastle	17	32
Southport, Boothbay Harbor, Bristol, South Bristol, Boothbay and Monhegan.....	12	23
Bremen, Damariscotta, Nobleboro, Edgecomb, Dresden, Westport and Wiscasset....	12	23

Oxford County

Mexico and Dixfield.....	9	17
Rumford, Roxbury, Andover and Byron (entitled to two)..	25	49
Canton, Hebron, Peru, Buckfield, Sumner and Hartford..	9	17
Paris, Woodstock, Milton Plantation and Franklin Plantation	13	24
Oxford, Norway, Lovell and Waterford	15	29
Fryeburg, Denmark, Brownfield, Hiram, Porter and Sweden	11	21
Hanover, Stowe, Albany, Bethel, C. Surplus, Gilead, Grafton, Greenwood, Lincoln Plantation, Lynchtown Township, Magalloway Plantation, Mason, Newry, Richardson, Stoneham, Upton, Township C, Township Four, and all other unclassified territory..	12	23

Penobscot County

Bangor (entitled to four).....	41	81
Brewer	9	16
Old Town	15	29
Dexter, Garland	6	11
Newport, Corinna, Exeter, Stetson	10	18
Plymouth, Etna, Levant, Dixmont, Newburg, Kenduskeag, Carmel	7	13
Corinth, Charleston, Hudson, Bradford, Lagrange, Argyle, Alton, Edinburg, Howland...	7	13
Hampden, Hermon, Glenburn..	5	9
Orono, Milford	8	14
Millinocket, East Millinocket..	8	14
Orrington, Holden, Eddington, Clifton, Bradley, Greenfield, Veazie, Greenbush	7	12
Burlington, Lowell, Passadumkeag, Enfield, Lincoln.....	6	11
Lee, Springfield, Carroll, Winn, Webster, Prentiss, Chester,		

	Minimum	Maximum
Woodville, Mattamiscontis, Mattawamkeag, Maxfield, Lakeville, Seboeis	6	10
Patten, Mt. Chase, Stacyville, Drew, Kingman, Medway, Davidson, Grand Falls, Summit, and all other unclassified territory	5	8

Piscataquis County

Greenville, Monson, Wellington, Shirley, Willimantic, Blanchard, Elliottsville Plantation, Kingsbury Plantation, and all other territory not otherwise classified	6	11
Brownville, Guilford, Abbot, Parkman, Williamsburg, Bowerbank, Barnard Plantation and Katahdin Iron Works	10	18
Dover-Foxcroft and Sangerville	12	22
Lake View Plantation, Medford, Orneville, Milo, Sebec and Atkinson	10	18

Sagadahoc County

Bath (entitled to two)	11	20
Bowdoin, Bowdoinham, Richmond, Georgetown	8	14
Arrowsic, West Bath, Topsham, Woolwich, Phippsburg	9	17

Somerset County

Skowhegan	14	26
Fairfield, Smithfield and Mercer Palmyra, Detroit, Cornville and Pittsfield	7	12
Harmony, St. Albans, Ripley, Hartland, Cambridge and Canaan	6	11
Madison, Solon and Athens	11	21
Anson (North), Starks, Norridgewock, Embden and Concord	8	14
Bingham, New Portland, Moscow, Bigelow, Brighton, Caratunk, Dead River, Dennistown, Flagstaff, The Forks, Highland, Jackman, Lexington, Mayfield, Moose River, Pleasant Ridge, West Forks Plantation, and Long Pond Plantation	8	15

Waldo County

Belfast	17	32
Belmont, Liberty, Lincolnville, Searsmont, Morrill, Palermo, Northport, Montville, Freedom, Knox	12	23
Thorndike, Unity, Burnham, Troy, Brooks, Jackson, Waldo, Monroe, Swanville	12	22

	Minimum	Maximum
Searsport, Islesboro, Stockton, Prospect, Winterport, Frankfort	10	18

Washington County

Calais	11	21
Eastport	9	17
Milbridge, Cherryfield, Beddington, Steuben, Deblois, Harrington, Addison and Columbia	11	21
Columbia Falls, Beals, Jonesport, Machiasport, Jonesboro and Cutler	13	25
Machias, Roque Bluffs, Whitneyville, Northfield, Wesley, Centerville, Marshfield, East Machias, Number Eighteen Plantation, and Marion	13	25
Dennysville, Crawford, Number Fourteen Plantation, Perry, Pembroke, Meddybemps, Cooper, Alexander, Robbinston and Charlotte	8	14
Lubec, Trescott, Edmunds and Whiting	10	18
Danforth, Baileyville, Brookton, Topsfield, Princeton, Vanceboro, Baring, Waite, Lambert Lake, I Township, Forest City, Talmadge, Codyville, Grand Lake Stream, Number Twenty-one Plantation, Kossuth and Number Five Plantation	11	21

York County

Biddeford (entitled to three)	34	67
Sanford (entitled to two)	26	50
Saco	11	21
Berwick, South Berwick	14	27
Kennebunk, Kennebunkport	8	15
York, Old Orchard Beach, North Kennebunkport	10	20
Lebanon, No. Berwick, Wells	13	24
Buxton, Dayton, Hollis, Lyman Cornish, Limerick, Limington, Parsonsfield	9	17
Acton, Alfred, Newfield, Shapleigh, Waterboro	9	16
Kittery, Eliot	10	19

The endeavor in the above has been to cover nearly every contingency which may arise in connection with the circulating and filing of Primary nomination papers. Should any further information be desired, however, this Department will cheerfully and freely furnish it and the Election Department of this office will gladly attempt to clear up any doubt which may arise in the minds of anyone in relation to the Primaries.

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