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The 1934 Primaries of the State of Maine



A Compilation Prepared under
the Direction of the Secretary of State for the Benefit
of Candidates in the 1934
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, 1934, and must be filed with the secretary of state on or before April 16, 1934. 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 1932 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 1934.

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, 1934. 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 EXPENSE ACCOUNTS

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.

All the above provisions shall apply to any club or group of voters organized for the purpose of or actually participating in any campaign on behalf of a candidate for nomination to elective office or tending either directly or indirectly to aid the candidacy of any person for any nomination whatsoever.

Any person accepting employment to aid, promote or further the candidacy of any person for nomination to elective office whose remuneration for such employment shall exceed the sum of \$5 shall, within 48 hours after accepting such employment, cause his name to be entered upon a docket as hereinafter provided and shall file in the office of the secretary of state a full and complete statement of the basis of compensation on which his services in behalf of such a candidate are being rendered.

Any person, firm, association or organization who shall receive money for labor, rent, printing, advertising or for any other service intended or designed to further the candidacy of a person for nomination to elective office or who shall furnish any such service or material on credit shall keep a careful and accurate detailed statement of the money received and the credit extended and preserve the same for a full period of 15 months following the date of the delivery or rendering of the materials or service. Every candidate for elective office and every person, firm, association, committee, organization, club, group of voters or corporation who shall hire, contract for, arrange or otherwise provide or secure any material or service intended or designed to further the candidacy of himself or of any other person for nomination to elective office shall keep a full, detailed and correct account of the money expended and the liabilities incurred and preserve the same for a full period of 15 months following the date of the delivery or rendering of the materials or service.

It shall be the duty of any person, whether candidate or political agent or interested worker, who arranges for any labor, rent, printing, advertising or other service intended or designed to further the candidacy of a person for nomination to elective office to advise each and every individual with or from whom he contracts such labor, rent, printing, advertising or other service of the requirements of the foregoing paragraph.

SUCCESSFUL CANDIDATES

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 of 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.

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 1932 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 1934 June primaries.

	Minimum	Maximum
State at Large.....	2412	4822
First Congressional District.....	805	1609
Second Congressional District.....	859	1717
Third Congressional District.....	690	1379
County Offices		
Androscoggin.....	227	453
Aroostook.....	162	322
Cumberland.....	400	798
Franklin.....	66	130
Hancock.....	94	187
Kennebec.....	237	472
Knox.....	97	193
Lincoln.....	69	137
Oxford.....	128	254
Penobscot.....	259	517
Piscataquis.....	60	119
Sagadahoc.....	55	108
Somerset.....	124	247
Waldo.....	83	165
Washington.....	118	235
York.....	240	478

REPRESENTATIVE CLASS DISTRICTS

Androscoggin County		
	Minimum	Maximum
Auburn (entitled to three).....	63	125
Lewiston (entitled to five).....	105	209
Lisbon.....	14	27
Livermore and Livermore Falls ..	13	24
Mechanic Falls, Turner and Minot	15	28
Poland, Greene and Wales.....	9	16
Webster, Durham and Leeds.....	11	21
Aroostook County		
Caribou.....	13	25
Fort Fairfield.....	8	15
Presque Isle.....	13	24
Houlton.....	18	34
Dyer Brook, Oakfield, Moro Plan- tation, Merrill, Smryna, New Limerick, Ludlow, Hammond Plantation, Littleton.....	10	19
Monticello, Bridgewater, Blaine, Mars Hill and E. Plantation... ..	11	21
Sherman, Island Falls, Hersey, Crystal, Benedicta, Silver Ridge, Macwahoc.....	9	17
Linneus, Hodgdon, Cary Planta- tion, Amity, Glenwood Planta- tion, Haynesville, Orient, Wes- ton, Bancroft and Reed Pl.....	8	14

	Minimum	Maximum
Limestone, Caswell Plantation, Connor, Hamlin Pl., Cyr Pl., Westmanland Pl. and Stockholm	10	19
Van Buren and Grand Isle.....	11	20
Ashland, Castle Hill, Masardis, Portage Lake, Oxbow Pl., Gar- field Pl. and Nashville Pl.....	6	10
Woodland, Washburn, New Swed- den and Perham.....	8	14
Easton, Chapman, Mapleton, Wade and Westfield.....	7	12
Frenchville, St. Agatha and Mada- waska.....	13	24
Fort Kent and Wallgrass Pl.....	12	22
Eagle Lake, Allagash Pl., St. Fran- cis Pl., St. John Pl., New Canada Pl., and Winterville Pl.....	12	23

Cumberland County

Portland (entitled to seven).....	191	380
Westbrook (entitled to two).....	35	68
South Portland (entitled to three).	36	71
Brunswick (entitled to two).....	27	52
Gorham.....	11	20
Bridgton.....	10	19
Pownal and Freeport.....	10	19
Cumberland and Falmouth.....	13	25
Scarborough and Cape Elizabeth..	15	28
Sebago, Baldwin and Standish... ..	11	21
Harrison, Otisfield and Windham.	13	24
Gray, Raymond, New Gloucester..	14	26
Harpswell, Casco and Naples.....	11	21
Yarmouth and North Yarmouth... ..	10	19

Franklin County

Jay and Wilton.....	19	37
Farmington, Chesterville, New Sharon and Temple.....	20	39
Carthage, Weld, Avon, Strong, Phillips, Madrid, New Vineyard, Industry, Perkins Plantation and Washington Plantation... ..	15	28
Rangeley, Rangeley Pl., Sandy River Pl., Lang Pl., Dallas Pl., Coplin Pl., Eustis, Kingfield, Freeman, Salem, unorganized townships and Redington.....	13	24

Hancock County

Deer Isle, Stonington, Sedgwick, Brooklin and Brooksville.....	15	29
Bucksport, Dedham, Orland, Ve- rona, Penobscot and Castine... ..	15	28
Ellsworth, Surry and Bluehill.....	20	38
Bar Harbor, Trenton and Hancock Mt. Desert, Southwest Harbor, Cranberry Island, Swans Island, Long Island, Tremont and La- moine.....	14	27
Gouldsboro, Plantation No. 33, Aurora, Amherst, Mariaville, Otis, Osborn Pl., Waltham, East- brook, Franklin, Sullivan, Sor- rento and Winter Harbor.....	15	29

Kennebec County

Augusta (entitled to two).....	55	108
Waterville (entitled to two).....	55	108
Gardiner.....	21	40
Clinton, Albion, Unity Plantation and Benton.....	13	25

	Minimum	Maximum
Vassalboro and Winslow	18	35
Chelsea and Farmingdale	8	15
Windsor, Randolph, Pittston and China	15	28
Manchester, Hallowell and West Gardiner	15	28
Monmouth, Winthrop and Litchfield	16	30
Readfield, Mount Vernon, Rome, Wayne, Fayette and Vienna	12	23
Sidney, Belgrade and Oakland	15	29
Knox County		
Rockland (entitled to two)	35	69
Thomaston, South Thomaston, Friendship, Cushing and Owls Head	16	30
Rockport, Warren, Union and Washington	17	33
Camden, Hope and Appleton	17	32
Vinalhaven, North Haven, St. George, Matinicus, Isle au Haut, Criehaven, Muscle Ridge and Hurricane Isle	14	27
Lincoln County		
Alna, Waldoboro, Whitefield, Jefferson, Somerville and Newcastle	26	50
Southport, Boothbay Harbor, Bristol, South Bristol, Boothbay and Monhegan	24	46
Bremen, Damariscotta, Nobleboro, Edgcomb, Dresden, Westport and Wiscasset	21	40
Oxford County		
Mexico and Dixfield	15	29
Rumford, Roxbury, Andover and Byron (entitled to two)	33	65
Canton, Hebron, Peru, Buckfield, Sumner and Hartford	14	27
Paris, Woodstock, Milton Plantation and Franklin Plantation	16	30
Oxford, Norway, Lovell, Waterford	19	37
Fryeburg, Denmark, Brownfield, Hiram, Porter and Sweden	17	33
Hanover, Stowe, Albany, Bethel, C. Surplus, Gilead, Grafton, Greenwood, Lincoln Pl., Lynchtown Township, Magalloway Pl., Mason, Newry, Richardson, Stoneham, Upton, Township C, Township Four, and all other unclassified territory	16	30
Penobscot County		
Bangor (entitled to four)	80	159
Brewer	20	38
Old Town	22	42
Dexter and Garland	15	29
Newport, Corinna, Exeter, Stetson	18	34
Plymouth, Etna, Levant, Dixmont, Newburg, Kenduskeag, Carmel	13	25
Corinth, Charleston, Hudson, Bradford, Lagrange, Argyle, Alton, Edinburg and Howland	13	25
Hampden, Hermon and Glenburn	11	20
Orono and Milford	14	26
Millinocket and East Millinocket	14	26

	Minimum	Maximum
Orrington, Holden, Eddington, Clifton, Bradley, Greenfield, Veazie and Greenbush	12	23
Burlington, Lowell, Passadumkeag, Enfield and Lincoln	13	24
Lee, Springfield, Carroll, Winn, Webster, Prentiss, Chester, Woodville, Mattamiscotis, Mattawamkeag, Maxfield, Lakeville and Seboeis	11	20
Patten, Mt. Chase, Stacyville, Drew, Kingman, Medway, Davidson, Grand Falls, Summit, and all other unclassified territory	11	20
Piscataquis County		
Greenville, Monson, Wellington, Shirley, Willimantic, Blanchard, Elliottsville Pl., Kingsbury Pl., and all other territory not otherwise classified	12	22
Brownville, Guilford, Abbot, Parkman, Williamsburg, Bowerbank, Barnard Plantation and Katakadin Iron Works	17	32
Dover-Foxcroft and Sangerville	18	34
Lake View Pl., Medford, Orneville, Milo, Sebec and Atkinson	16	30
Sagadahoc County		
Bath (entitled to two)	29	57
Bowdoin, Bowdoinham, Richmond and Georgetown	13	24
Arrowsic, West Bath, Topsham, Woolwich and Phippsburg	14	26
Somerset County		
Skowhegan	24	47
Fairfield, Smithfield and Mercer	21	41
Palmyra, Detroit, Cornville and Pittsfield	16	30
Harmony, St. Albans, Ripley, Hartland, Cambridge, Canaan	14	27
Madison, Solon and Athens	20	38
Anson (North), Starks, Norridgewock, Embden and Concord	15	29
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	17	32
Waldo County		
Belfast	25	48
Belmont, Liberty, Lincolnville, Searsport, Morrill, Palermo, Northport, Montville, Freedom and Knox	20	38
Thorndike, Unity, Burnham, Troy, Brooks, Jackson, Waldo, Monroe and Swanville	21	40
Searsport, Islesboro, Stockton, Prospect, Winterport, Frankfort	19	37
Washington County		
Calais	19	37
Eastport	13	25

	Minimum	Maximum
Milbridge, Cherryfield, Beddington, Steuben, Deblois, Harrington, Addison and Columbia . . .	19	36
Columbia Falls, Beals, Jonesport, Machiasport, Jonesboro, Cutler . . .	15	29
Machias, Roque Bluffs, Whitneyville, Northfield, Wesley, Cenville, Marshfield, East Machias, Number Eighteen Pl., Marion . . .	15	28
Dennysville, Crawford, Number Fourteen Pl., Perry, Pembroke, Meddybemps, Cooper, Alexander, Robbinston and Charlotte . . .	12	22
Lubec, Trescott, Edmunds and Whiting	12	23
Danforth, Baileyville, Brookton, Topsfield, Princeton, Vanceboro, Baring, Waite, Lambert Lake, I Township, Forest City, Talmadge, Codyville, Grand Lake Stream, Number Twenty-one Pl., Kossuth and Number Five Pl.	17	32
York County		
Biddeford (entitled to three)	56	110
Sanford (entitled to two)	37	73
Saco	29	58
Berwick and South Berwick	16	31
Kennebunk and Kennebunkport	15	29
York, Old Orchard Beach and No. Kennebunkport	19	36
Lebanon, North Berwick and Wells	18	35
Buxton, Dayton, Hollis and Lyman	13	25
Cornish, Limerick, Limington and Parsonsfield	13	25
Acton, Alfred, Newfield, Shapleigh and Waterboro	12	23
Kittery and Eliot	15	29

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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