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ELECTIONS

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The 1946 Primaries of the State of Maine



A Compilation Prepared under
the Direction of the Secretary
of State for the Benefit of
Candidates in the 1946 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, 1946, and must be filed with the secretary of state on or before April 15, 1946. 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 1%, and must not exceed 2%, of the total gubernatorial vote for all candidates cast in the 1944 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 1946.

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 1st Tuesday in July, 1946. 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 30 days next preceding any such election on the 1st 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 10 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 30 days prior to the day of election and a second report not later than 10 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 7 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 7 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 7 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 8 of the revised statutes are required to make a return within 15 days after the day of the primary election. Any political agent failing to make return within the time required shall be fined \$25 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 15 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 15 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 \$1,000 or by imprisonment of not more than 11 months.

NUMBER OF SIGNATURES REQUIRED AND PERMITTED ON PRIMARY NOMINATION PAPERS

The following schedule figured from the 1944 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 1946 June primaries:

	Minimum	Maximum
State at large	1876	3753
First Congressional District		
Counties: Cumberland, Oxford, Sagadahoc and York	706	1412
Second Congressional District		
Counties: Androscoggin, Franklin, Kennebec, Knox, Lincoln, Somerset and Waldo	697	1394
Third Congressional District		
Counties: Aroostook, Hancock, Penobscot, Piscataquis and Washington	473	946

County Officers

Androscoggin	214	427
Aroostook	117	233
Cumberland	325	650
Franklin	40	80
Hancock	58	115
Kennebec	188	376
Knox	60	121
Lincoln	55	109
Oxford	90	180
Penobscot	178	356
Piscataquis	47	93
Sagadahoc	52	105
Somerset	96	192
Waldo	45	89
Washington	75	149
York	239	477

REPRESENTATIVE CLASS DISTRICTS

Androscoggin County

	Minimum	Maximum
Auburn (entitled to three)	56	111
Lewiston (entitled to five)	109	219
Lisbon	11	23
Livermore and Livermore Falls	11	22
Mechanic Falls, Minot and Turner	11	23
Greene, Poland and Wales	6	13
Durham, Leeds and Webster	9	18

Aroostook County

Caribou	14	28
Fort Fairfield	7	15
Presque Isle	16	31
Houlton	19	38

	Minimum	Maximum
Dyer Brook, Littleton, Ludlow, Merrill, New Limerick, Oakfield, Smyrna, Hammond Plantation and Moro Plantation	5	10
Blaine, Bridgewater, Mars Hill, Monticello and E Plantation	5	10
Benedicta, Crystal, Hersey, Island Falls, Sherman, Macwahoc Plantation and the unorganized townships of Molunkus, Silver Ridge and South Molunkus	5	9
Amity, Bancroft, Haynesville, Hodgdon, Linneus, Orient, Weston, Cary Plantation, Glenwood Plantation and Reed Plantation	5	10
Limestone, Stockholm, Caswell Plantation, Cyr Plantation, Hamlin Plantation, Westmanland Plantation and the unorganized townships of Connor and 16 R-4	5	10
Grand Isle and Van Buren	7	14
Ashland, Castle Hill, Masardis, Portage Lake, Garfield Plantation, Nashville Plantation, Oxbow Plantation and the unorganized townships of Squa Pan, 9 R-4, St. Croix and 11 R-4	7	14
New Sweden, Perham, Washburn and Woodland	6	12
Chapman, Easton, Mapleton, Wade and Westfield	5	10
Frenchville, Madawaska, Saint Agatha and the unorganized townships of Guerette, Sinclair and 17 R-5	3	7
Fort Kent and Wallagrass Plantation Eagle Lake, Allagash Plantation, New Canada Plantation, St. Francis Plantation, St. John Plantation, tion, Winterville Plantation and the unorganized townships of 14 R-6, 15 R-6, 16 R-6, 16 R-12, 20 R-11 and 12 and 11 R-14	4	7

Cumberland County

Portland (entitled to seven)	144	288
Westbrook (entitled to two)	26	52
South Portland (entitled to three)	34	67
Brunswick (entitled to two)	27	54
Gorham	8	16
Bridgton	8	17
Freeport and Pownal	8	16
Cumberland and Falmouth	14	27
Cape Elizabeth and Scarborough	17	34
Baldwin, Sebago and Standish	8	16
Harrison, Otisfield and Windham	9	18
Gray, New Gloucester and Raymond	9	18
Casco, Harpswell and Naples	7	13
North Yarmouth and Yarmouth	8	15

Franklin County

Jay and Wilton	14	27
Chesterville, Farmington, New Sharon and Temple	12	24

	Minimum	Maximum
Avon, Carthage, Industry, Madrid, New Vineyard, Phillips, Strong, Weld and the unorganized townships of Perkins and Washington	8	16
Eustis, Kingfield, Rangeley, Coplin Plantation, Dallas Plantation, Rangeley Plantation, Sandy River Plantation and the unorganized townships of Coburn Gore, Crocker, Freeman, Gore North of 2 and 3, Jerusalem, Jim Pond, Lang, Lowell, Redington, Salem and Wyman	6	12

Hancock County

Brooklin, Brooksville, Deer Isle, Sedgwick, Stonington and the unorganized townships of Bear Island, Eagle Island and Great Spruce Head	6	13
Bucksport, Castine, Dedham, Orland, Penobscot and Verona	11	22
Bluehill, Ellsworth, Surry and the unorganized township of No. 8 S.D.	13	26
Bar Harbor, Hancock and Trenton ..	12	24
Cranberry Isles, Lamoine, Mt. Desert, Tremont, Southwest Harbor, Swan's Island and Long Island Plantation Amherst, Aurora, Eastbrook, Franklin, Gouldsboro, Mariaville, Otis, Sorrento, Sullivan, Waltham, Winter Harbor, Osborn Plantation, Plantation No. 33 and the unorganized townships of No. 3 N.D.B. P.P., No. 10 S.D. and No. 21	7	15
	8	16

Kennebec County

Augusta (entitled to two)	51	102
Waterville (entitled to two)	48	96
Gardiner	14	28
Albion, Benton, Clinton and the unorganized township of Unity	7	15
Vassalboro and Winslow	13	26
Chelsea and Farmingdale	4	8
China, Pittston, Randolph and Windsor	10	20
Hallowell, Manchester and West Gardiner	11	23
Litchfield, Monmouth and Winthrop ..	12	24
Fayette, Mt. Vernon, Readfield, Rome, Vienna and Wayne	7	14
Belgrade, Oakland and Sidney	10	20

Knox County

Rockland (entitled to two)	24	48
Cushing, Friendship, Owl's Head, South Thomaston and Thomaston ..	9	19
Rockport, Union, Warren and Washington	9	19
Appleton, Camden and Hope	12	25
Isle - au - Haut, North Haven, St. George, Vinalhaven, Matinicus Isle Plantation and the unorganized township of Criehaven	5	11

Lincoln County		Minimum	Maximum
Alna, Jefferson, Newcastle, Waldoboro, Whitefield and Somerville Plantation	18	35	
Boothbay, Boothbay Harbor, Bristol, South Bristol, Southport, Monhegan Plantation and the unorganized township of Muscongus Island	19	38	
Bremen, Damariscotta, Dresden, Edgecomb, Nobleboro, Westport and Wiscasset	18	37	

Oxford County		Minimum	Maximum
Dixfield and Mexico	13	26	
Andover, Byron, Roxbury and Rumford (entitled to two)	26	51	
Buckfield, Canton, Hartford, Hebron, Peru and Sumner	7	13	
Paris, Woodstock and the unorganized township of Milton	10	19	
Lovell, Norway, Oxford and Waterford	14	28	
Brownfield, Denmark, Fryeburg, Hiram, Porter and Sweden	13	27	
Bethel, Gilead, Greenwood, Hanover, Newry, Stow, Stoneham, Upton, Lincoln Plantation, Magalloway Plantation and the unorganized townships of Albany, Grafton, Mason, Richardson, Township C, 4 R-1, 4 R-2 and 5 R-4	8	16	

Penobscot County		Minimum	Maximum
Bangor (entitled to four)	51	101	
Brewer	14	28	
Old Town	11	21	
Dexter and Garland	13	26	
Corinna, Exeter, Newport and Stetson	11	23	
Carmel, Dixmont, Etna, Kenduskeag, Levant, Newburg and Plymouth	9	19	
Alton, Bradford, Charleston, Corinth, Edinburg, Howland, Hudson, Lagrange, Maxfield, Seboeis Plantation and the unorganized township of Argyle	9	19	
Glenburn, Hampden and Hermon	7	14	
Milford and Orono	9	19	
Millinocket and the unorganized townships of Indian Township No. 3 (Norcross), Indian Township No. 4 (Perkins), I. R-7 and A. R-8 and 9	9	18	
Bradley, Clifton, Eddington, Greenbush, Greenfield, Holden, Orrington and Veazie	8	16	
Burlington, Enfield, Lincoln, Lowell, Passadumkeag and Grand Falls Plantation	10	21	
Chester, Lee, Mattawamkeag, Springfield, Winn, Woodville, Carroll Plantation, Drew Plantation, Lakeville Plantation, Prentiss Plantation, Webster Plantation and the unorganized township of Kingman	6	12	

		Minimum	Maximum
East Millinocket, Medway, Patten, Mount Chase Plantation, Stacyville Plantation and the unorganized townships of 2 R-6 (East Division), 2 R-6 (Davidson), 2 R-8, 8 R-7 and 3 R-8	9	18	

Piscataquis County		Minimum	Maximum
Blanchard, Greenville, Monson, Shirley, Wellington, Willimantic, Eliottsville Plantation, Kingsbury Plantation and the unorganized townships of Big Squaw Mountain, Chesuncook, French Township, Kinco and Little Squaw Mountain	9	17	
Abbot, Bowerbank, Brownville, Guilford, Parkman, Barnard Plantation and the unorganized townships of Katahdin Iron Works and Williamsburg	13	26	
Dover-Foxcroft and Sangerville	14	27	
Atkinson, Milo, Sebec, Lake View Plantation and the unorganized townships of Medford and Orneville	12	23	

Sagadahoc County		Minimum	Maximum
Bath (entitled to two)	33	66	
Bowdoin, Bowdoinham, Georgetown, Richmond and the unorganized township of Perkins	10	20	
Arrowsic, Phippsburg, Topsham, West Bath and Woolwich	10	19	

Somerset County		Minimum	Maximum
Skowhegan	20	40	
Fairfield, Mercer and Smithfield	14	29	
Cornville, Detroit, Palmyra and Pittsfield	16	32	
Cambridge, Canaan, Harmony, Hartland, Ripley and St. Albans	8	17	
Athens, Madison and Solon	16	31	
Anson, Embden, Norridgewock and Starks	10	21	
Bingham, Moscow, New Portland, Brighton Plantation, Caratunk Plantation, Dead River Plantation, Dennistown Plantation, Flagstaff Plantation, Highland Plantation, Jackman Plantation, Moose River Plantation, Pleasant Ridge Plantation, The Forks Plantation, West Forks Plantation and the unorganized townships of Askwith, Attean, Bigelow, Concord, Holeb, Lexington, Long Pond, Misery Gore, Moxie Gore, Rockwood, Sandwich Academy Grant, Sand Bar Tract, Seboomook and all the other unorganized townships north of Bingham, Brighton, Concord and Lexington	12	23	

Waldo County		Minimum	Maximum
Belfast	11	22	
Belmont, Freedom, Knox, Liberty, Lincolnville, Montville, Morrill, Northport, Palermo and Searsmont	10	20	

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	Minimum	Maximum
Brooks, Burnham, Jackson, Monroe, Swanville, Thorndike, Troy, Unity and Waldo.....	12	23
Frankfort, Islesboro, Prosect, Searsport, Stockton Springs and Winterport.....	12	24

Washington County

Calais.....	14	28
Eastport.....	4	7
Addison, Beddington, Cherryfield, Columbia, Deblois, Harrington, Milbridge and Steuben.....	10	19
Beals, Columbia Falls, Cutler, Jonesboro, Jonesport and Machiasport..	12	24
Centerville, East Machias, Machias, Marshfield, Northfield, Roque Bluffs, Wesley, Whitneyville and the unorganized townships of Marion, No. 18, No. 26 E.D. and No. 27 E.D.....	12	24
Alexander, Charlotte, Cooper, Crawford, Dennysville, Meddybemps, Pembroke, Perry, Robbinston and No. 14 Plantation.....	7	15
Lubec, Whiting and the unorganized townships of Edmunds and Trescott	7	13
Baileyville, Danforth, Princeton, Talmadge, Vanceboro, Waite, Codyville Plantation, Grand Lake Stream Plantation, No. 21 Plantation and the unorganized townships of Baring, Brookton, Forest City, Indian Township, Kossuth, Lambert Lake, No. 5, Topsfield and 10 R-3.....	10	20

York County

Biddeford (entitled to three).....	54	109
Saco.....	23	46
Sanford (entitled to two).....	45	90
Berwick and South Berwick.....	16	32
Kennebunk and Kennebunkport.....	16	32
North Kennebunkport, Old Orchard Beach and York.....	19	38
Lebanon, North Berwick and Wells..	13	25
Buxton, Dayton, Hollis and Lyman..	9	19
Cornish, Limerick, Limington and Parsonsfield.....	13	26
Acton, Alfred, Newfield, Shapleigh and Waterboro.....	10	19
Eliot and Kittery.....	20	40

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 mind of anyone in relation to the primaries.

HAROLD I. GOSS, Secretary of State.