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Elections - 1950
(June)

The 1950 Primaries of the State of Maine



A Compilation Prepared under
the Direction of the Secretary
of State for the Benefit of
Candidates in the 1950 Primaries

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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:

**BRIEF CALENDAR
OF IMPORTANT DATES**

- Jan. 1—Nomination papers may be circulated.
- Feb. 1—Return of expenditures to be filed by candidates for Governor and Representatives to Congress if expenses have been incurred.
- Mar. 1—Return of expenditures for above candidates.
- April 1—Return of expenditures for above candidates.
- April 17—Final date for filing nomination papers. (No papers will be received in the Secretary of State's office after 5.00 P.M. but envelopes bearing a postmark as having been received in Augusta not later than midnight, April 17, will be accepted.)
- May 1—Return of expenditures for Governor and Representatives to Congress.
- May 24—Return of expenditures to be filed by all candidates, if expenses incurred.
- May 31—Weekly filing of expense returns by candidates for Governor and Representatives to Congress.
- June 7—Weekly filing of expense returns by candidates for Governor and Representatives to Congress.
- June 14—Final expense return filing for **all candidates** together with proposed expenditures. (All weekly filings of expense returns to be received in the Secretary of State's office on or before 10.00 A.M. of the dates set forth above.)

June 19—Primary Election Day.

July —Successful candidates to file acceptance and return of expenditures on blue form. **THIS IS IMPORTANT** as failure to file either of the above, whether or not expenses have been incurred, within 7 days after you receive notification of nomination will render such nomination void.

July —Final date for requesting inspections and recounts—within 10 days after copies of tabulations of the votes have been sent to all candidates.

Sept. 11—Date of State Election.

Sept. 26—Final date for filing return of expenditures in connection with state election. A return must be made whether or not expenses are incurred. Forms sent to candidates prior to state election.

SIGNING OF NOMINATION PAPERS

Primary nomination papers must not be signed prior to January 1, 1950, and must be filed with the secretary of state on or before April 17, 1950.

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. Women should sign their given name and married surname. (Mary Jones and not Mrs. John Jones.) 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 person proposed for nomination must sign the petition in the space provided, 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.

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 1948 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 1950.

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.

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.

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, 1950. 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.

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 of any expense or liability in excess of \$5 as provided by Sec. 37 of Ch. 4 of the Revised Statutes shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$1,000 or by imprisonment for not more than 11 months.

NUMBER OF SIGNATURES REQUIRED AND PERMITTED ON PRIMARY NOMINATION PAPERS

The following schedule figured from the 1948 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 1950 June primaries.

	Minimum	Maximum
State at large	2,225	4,450
First Congressional District Counties: Cumberland, Oxford, Sagadahoc and York	876	1,753
Second Congressional District Counties: Androscoggin, Frank- lin, Kennebec, Knox, Lincoln, Somerset and Waldo	790	1,580
Third Congressional District Counties: Aroostook, Hancock, Penobscot, Piscataquis and Wash- ington	558	1,117
County Officers		
Androscoggin	255	509
Aroostook	143	286
Cumberland	377	755
Franklin	56	111
Hancock	68	136
Kennebec	220	441
Knox	63	126

	Minimum	Maximum
Lincoln	50	100
Oxford	108	216
Penobscot	223	445
Piscataquis	49	98
Sagadahoc	51	102
Somerset	97	193
Waldo	50	100
Washington	76	152
York	340	680

REPRESENTATIVE CLASS DISTRICTS

Androscoggin County

	Minimum	Maximum
Auburn (entitled to three)	72	145
Lewiston (entitled to five)	127	254
Lisbon	11	21
Livermore and Livermore Falls	13	27
Mechanic Falls, Minot and Turner	14	28
Greene, Poland and Wales	7	14
Durham, Leeds and Webster	11	21

Aroostook County

Caribou	14	29
Fort Fairfield	9	17
Presque Isle	18	36
Houlton	23	46
Dyer Brook, Littleton, Ludlow, Merrill, New Limerick, Oakfield, Smyrna and Plantations of Hammond and Moro	6	11
Blaine, Bridgewater, Mars Hill, Monticello and E Plantation	6	12
Benedicta, Crystal, Hersey, Island Falls, Sherman, Macwahoc Plantation and the unorganized townships of Molunkus, Silver Ridge and South Molunkus	5	10
Amity, Bancroft, Haynesville, Hodgdon, Linneus, Orient, Weston and Plantations of Cary, Glenwood and Reed	6	11
Limestone, Stockholm, Plantations of Caswell, Cyr, Hamlin, Westmanland and the unorganized townships of Connor and 16 R-4	6	12
Grand Isle and Van Buren	6	11
Ashland, Castle Hill, Masardis, Portage Lake, Plantations of Garfield, Nashville, Oxbow and the unorganized townships of Squa Pan, 9 R-4, St. Croix and 11 R-4	8	15
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	12	24

	Minimum	Maximum
Fort Kent and Wallagrass Plantation	7	13
Eagle Lake, Plantations of Allagash, New Canada, St. Francis, St. John, Winterville 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	8	16

Cumberland County

Portland (entitled to seven)	164	330
Westbrook (entitled to two)	33	66
South Portland (entitled to three)	42	83
Brunswick (entitled to two)	27	55
Gorham	10	20
Bridgton	8	17
Freeport and Pownal	10	20
Cumberland and Falmouth	16	32
Cape Elizabeth and Scarborough	20	40
Baldwin, Sebago and Standish	8	18
Harrison, Otisfield and Windham	11	23
Gray, New Gloucester and Raymond	9	19
Casco, Harpswell and Naples	8	16
North Yarmouth and Yarmouth	7	15

Franklin County

Jay and Wilton	23	46
Chesterville, Farmington, New Sharon and Temple	15	31
Avon, Carthage, Industry, Madrid, New Vineyard, Phillips, Strong, Weld and the unorganized townships of Perkins and Washington	11	21
Eustis, Kingfield, Rangeley, Plantations of Coplin, Dallas, Rangeley, Sandy River and the unorganized townships of Coburn Gore, Crocker, Freeman, Gore North of 2 and 3, Jerusalem, Jim Pond, Lang, Lowell, Redington, Salem and Wyman	7	14

Hancock County

Brooklin, Brooksville, Deer Isle, Sedgwick, Stonington and the unorganized townships of Bear Island, Eagle Island and Great Spruce Head	8	17
Bucksport, Castine, Dedham, Orland, Penobscot and Verona	15	31
Bluehill, Ellsworth, Surry and the unorganized township of No. 8 S. D.	13	25
Bar Harbor, Hancock and Trenton	12	24
Cranberry Isles, Lamoine, Mt. Desert, Southwest Harbor, Swan's Island, Tremont and Long Island Plantation	9	19
Amherst, Aurora, Eastbrook, Franklin, Gouldsboro, Mariaville, Otis,		

Minimum Maximum

Sorrento, Sullivan, Waltham, Winter Harbor, Plantations of Osborn, No. 33 and the unorganized townships of No. 3, N.D.B. P.P., No. 10 S.D. and No. 21 10 20

Kennebec County

Augusta (entitled to two) 54 109
 Waterville (entitled to two) 55 110
 Gardiner 19 38
 Albion, Benton, Clinton and the unorganized township of Unity 8 15
 Vassalboro and Winslow 18 37
 Chelsea and Farmingdale 5 11
 China, Pittston, Randolph and Windsor 11 22
 Hallowell, Manchester and West Gardiner 15 29
 Litchfield, Monmouth and Winthrop 14 28
 Fayette, Mt. Vernon, Readfield, Rome, Vienna and Wayne 8 17
 Belgrade, Oakland and Sidney 13 25

Knox County

Rockland (entitled to two) 23 47
 Cushing, Friendship, Owl's Head, South Thomaston and Thomaston 10 21
 Rockport, Union, Warren and Washington 10 20
 Appleton, Camden and Hope 12 25
 Isle - au - Haut, North Haven, St. George, Vinalhaven, Matinicus Isle Plantation and the unorganized township of Criehaven 7 13

Lincoln County

Alna, Jefferson, Newcastle, Waldoboro, Whitefield and Somerville Plantation 20 40
 Boothbay, Boothbay Harbor, Bristol, South Bristol, Southport, Monhegan Plantation and the unorganized townships of Muscongus Island 16 32
 Bremen, Damariscotta, Dresden, Edgecomb, Nobleboro, Westport and Wiscasset 16 32

Oxford County

Dixfield and Mexico 15 30
 Andover, Byron, Roxbury and Rumford (entitled to two) 34 67
 Buckfield, Canton, Hartford, Hebron, Peru and Sumner 8 16
 Paris, Woodstock and the unorganized township of Milton 10 21
 Lovell, Norway, Oxford and Waterford 17 34

Minimum Maximum

Brownfield, Denmark, Fryeburg, Hiram, Porter and Sweden 14 28
 Bethel, Gilead, Greenwood, Hanover, Newry, Stoneham, Stow, Upton, Plantations of Lincoln, Magalloway and the unorganized townships of Albany, Grafton, Mason, Richardson, Township C, 4 R-1, 4 R-2 and 5 R-4 10 21

Penobscot County

Bangor (entitled to four) 59 118
 Brewer 16 33
 Old Town 19 37
 Dexter and Garland 13 26
 Corinna, Exeter, Newport and Stetson 11 23
 Carmel, Dixmont, Etna, Kenduskeag, Levant, Newburg and Plymouth 8 16
 Alton, Bradford, Charleston, Corinth, Edinburg, Howland, Hudson, LaGrange, Maxfield, Seboeis Plantation and the unorganized township of Argyle 11 21
 Glenburn, Hampden and Hermon 8 17
 Milford and Orono 16 32
 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 15 31
 Bradley, Clifton, Eddington, Greenbush, Greenfield, Holden, Orrington and Veazie 11 21
 Burlington, Enfield, Lincoln, Lowell, Passadumkeag and Grand Falls Plantation 16 32
 Chester, Lee, Mattawamkeag, Springfield, Winn, Woodville, Plantations of Carroll, Drew, Lakeville, Prentiss, Webster and the unorganized township of Kingman 7 15
 East Millinocket, Medway, Patten, Plantations of Mount Chase, Stacyville and the unorganized townships of 2 R-6 (East Division), 2 R-6 (Davidson), 2 R-8, 8 R-7 and 3 R-8 11 23

Piscataquis County

Blanchard, Greenville, Monson, Shirley, Wellington, Willimantic, Plantations of Elliottsville, Kingsbury and the unorganized townships of Big Squaw Mountain, Chesuncook, French township, Kineo and Little Squaw Mountain 8 16
 Abbot, Bowerbank, Brownville, Guilford, Parkman, Barnard Plan-

	Minimum	Maximum
tation and the unorganized townships of Katahdin Iron Works and Williamsburg.....	14	28
Dover-Foxcroft and Sangerville....	13	26
Atkinson, Milo, Sebec, Lake View Plantation and the unorganized townships of Medford and Orneville.....	13	26
Sagadahoc County		
Bath (entitled to two).....	28	56
Bowdoin, Bowdoinham, Georgetown, Richmond and the unorganized township of Perkins.....	10	20
Arrowsic, Phippsburg, Topsham, West Bath and Woolwich.....	13	25
Somerset County		
Skowhegan.....	22	43
Fairfield, Mercer and Smithfield....	14	28
Cornville, Detroit, Palmyra and Pittsfield.....	15	31
Cambridge, Canaan, Harmony, Hartland, Ripley and St. Albans	8	16
Athens, Madison and Solon.....	15	30
Anson, Embden, Norridgewock and Starks.....	11	22
Bingham, Moscow, New Portland, Plantations of Brighton, Caratunk, Dead River, Dennistown, Flagstaff, Highland, Jackman, Moose River, Pleasant Ridge, The Forks, West Forks 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.....	11	24
Waldo County		
Belfast.....	13	27
Belmont, Freedom, Knox, Liberty, Lincolnville, Montville, Morrill, Northport, Palermo and Sears- mont.....	11	21
Brooks, Burnham, Jackson, Monroe, Swanville, Thorndike, Troy, Unity and Waldo.....	13	26
Frankfort, Islesboro, Prospect, Searsport, Stockton Springs and Winterport.....	13	27
Washington County		
Calais.....	13	27
Eastport.....	8	17

	Minimum	Maximum
Addison, Beddington, Cherryfield Columbia, Deblois, Harrington Milbridge and Steuben.....	8	17
Beals, Columbia Falls, Cutler, Jonesboro, Jonesport and Machiasport 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.....	10	19
Alexander, Charlotte, Cooper, Crawford, Dennysville, Meddybemps, Pembroke, Perry, Robbinston and No. 14 Plantation.....	7	14
Lubec, Whiting and the unorganized townships of Edmunds and Trescott.....	7	15
Baileyville, Danforth, Princeton, Talmadge, Vanceboro, Waite, Plantations of Codyville, Grand Lake Stream, No. 21 and the unorganized townships of Baring, Brookton, Forest City, Indian Township, Kossuth, Lambert Lake, No. 5, Topsfield and 10 R-3	13	25
York County		
Biddeford (entitled to three).....	90	181
Saco.....	44	88
Sanford (entitled to two).....	61	121
Berwick and South Berwick.....	15	31
Kennebunk and Kennebunkport....	21	43
North Kennebunkport, Old Orchard Beach and York.....	34	67
Lebanon, North Berwick and Wells	15	29
Buxton, Dayton, Hollis and Lyman	13	26
Cornish, Limerick, Limington and Parsonsfield.....	13	26
Acton, Alfred, Newfield, Shapleigh and Waterboro.....	12	24
Eliot and Kittery.....	22	45

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.

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