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The 1952 Primaries of the State of Maine

(With a Brief Calendar
of Important Dates)



A Compilation Prepared under
the Direction of the Secretary
of State for the Benefit of
Candidates in the 1952 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

Election Dates

- June 16—Primary Election
- Sept. 8—State Election
- Nov. 4—Presidential Election

Dates Relating to Nomination Petitions

- Jan. 1—Papers may be circulated
- Apr. 21—Final date for filing
(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 21, will be accepted.)

Dates for Filing Expense Accounts

- Feb. 1—First monthly return for candidates for U.S. Senator, Governor and Representatives to Congress, if expenses incurred.
- Mar. 1—Monthly return for candidates for U.S. Senator, Governor and Representatives to Congress.
- April 1—Monthly return for candidates for U.S. Senator, Governor and Representatives to Congress.

- May 1—Monthly return for candidates for U.S. Senator, Governor and Representatives to Congress.
- May 21—Return for **all candidates**, if expenses incurred.
- May 28—Weekly return for candidates for U.S. Senator, Governor and Representatives to Congress.
- June 4—Weekly return for candidates for U.S. Senator, Governor and Representatives to Congress.
- June 11—Final return for **all candidates**, together with proposed expenditures. Must be on file on or before 10:00 A.M. of this date.
- Sept. 23—Date all *state* election candidates must file expense report, whether or not expenses were incurred. Forms sent to candidates prior to State Election.

Candidates Nominated at Primary Elections

Successful candidates will receive notification of nomination together with a form for acceptance and expense return. Both of these must be filed within 7 days of receipt of notification as failure to do so will render the nomination void.

Inspections and Recounts

Primary Election—An inspection of the primary election ballots may be requested of the town or city clerk and the same may be granted after proper notification to the election officers and interested candidates. Within 10 days after copies of the tabulation have been forwarded to all candidates, candidates may request a recount alleging that there are errors in the returns and specifying the offices where such errors are alleged to have occurred.

State Election—Inspections may be requested in writing at any time after the election.

Requests for recounts must be made within 20 days from the date copies of the printed tabulation are made available alleging that the record does not correctly state the vote as actually cast and specifying the offices in which errors are alleged to have occurred.

SIGNING OF NOMINATION PAPERS

Primary nomination papers must not be signed prior to January 1, 1952, and must be filed with the secretary of state on or before April 21, 1952.

Nomination papers may be signed only by members of the political party named therein 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 political party named therein 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 aggre-

gate to at least 1%, and must not exceed 2%, of the total gubernatorial vote for all candidates cast in the 1950 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 1952.

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, radio 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, 1952. 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 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 an expense return within the specified time, whether or not expenses were incurred, 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 1950 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 1952 June primaries.

	Minimum	Maximum
State at large	2,412	4,823
First Congressional District Counties: Cumberland, Oxford, Sagadahoc and York	916	1,831
Second Congressional District Counties: Androscoggin, Franklin, Kennebec, Knox, Lincoln, Somerset and Waldo	874	1,748
Third Congressional District Counties: Aroostook, Hancock, Penobscot, Piscataquis and Wash- ington	622	1,243

County Officers

Androscoggin	268	536
Aroostook	184	368
Cumberland	412	823
Franklin	56	111
Hancock	74	148
Kennebec	245	489
Knox	74	148
Lincoln	64	129
Oxford	120	239
Penobscot	225	449
Piscataquis	52	103
Sagadahoc	63	126
Somerset	110	220
Waldo	57	113
Washington	87	174
York	322	643

REPRESENTATIVE CLASS DISTRICTS

Androscoggin County

	Minimum	Maximum
Auburn (entitled to three)	72	144
Lewiston (entitled to five)	133	266
Lisbon	13	26
Livermore and Livermore Falls ...	14	27
Mechanic Falls, Minot and Turner .	16	31
Greene, Poland and Wales	8	16
Durham, Leeds and Webster	11	22

Aroostook County

Caribou	18	35
Fort Fairfield	11	22
Presque Isle	24	48
Houlton	26	51
Dyer Brook, Littleton, Ludlow, Merrill, New Limerick, Oakfield, Smyrna and Plantations of Ham- mond and Moro	8	15
Blaine, Bridgewater, Mars Hill, Monticello and E Plantation ...	10	20
Benedicta, Crystal, Hersey, Island Falls, Sherman, Macwahoc Plan- tation and the unorganized town- ships of Molunkus, Silver Ridge and South Molunkus	6	11
Amity, Bancroft, Haynesville, Hodg- don, Linneus, Orient, Weston and Plantations of Cary, Glenwood and Reed	7	13
Limestone, Stockholm, Plantations of Caswell, Cyr, Hamlin, West- manland and the unorganized townships of Connor and 16 R-4 .	7	14
Grand Isle and Van Buren	11	21
Ashland, Castle Hill, Masardis, Portage Lake, Plantations of Gar- field, Nashville, Oxbow and the unorganized townships of Squa Pan, 9 R-4, St. Croix and 11 R-4 .	10	20
New Sweden, Perham, Washburn and Woodland	8	15
Chapman, Easton, Mapleton, Wade and Westfield	7	13
Frenchville, Madawaska, Saint Aga- tha and the unorganized town- ships of Guerette, Sinclair and 17 R-5	11	22
Fort Kent and Wallagrass Planta- tion	10	19
Eagle Lake, Plantations of Allagash, New Canada, St. Francis, St. John, Winterville and the unor- ganized townships of 14 R-6, 15 R-6, 16 R-6, 16 R-12, 20 R-11 and 12 and 11 R-14	10	20

Cumberland County

	Minimum	Maximum
Portland (entitled to seven)	175	349
Westbrook (entitled to two)	41	81
South Portland (entitled to three) . .	48	95
Brunswick (entitled to two)	29	57
Gorham	9	18
Bridgton	9	17
Freeport and Pownal	13	26
Cumberland and Falmouth	16	32
Cape Elizabeth and Scarborough . .	20	39
Baldwin, Sebago and Standish	10	20
Harrison, Otisfield and Windham . .	11	22
Gray, New Gloucester and Raymond .	10	20
Casco, Harpswell and Naples	12	23
North Yarmouth and Yarmouth	9	18

Franklin County

Jay and Wilton	21	42
Chesterville, Farmington, New Sharon and Temple	15	30
Avon, Carthage, Industry, Madrid, New Vineyard, Phillips, Strong, Weld and the unorganized townships of Perkins and Washington .	11	22
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	8	16

Hancock County

Brooklin, Brooksville, Deer Isle, Sedgwick, Stonington and the unorganized townships of Bear Island, Eagle Island and Great Spruce Head	11	21
Bucksport, Castine, Dedham, Orland, Penobscot and Verona	14	28
Bluehill, Ellsworth, Surry and the unorganized township of No. 8 S. D.	16	32
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, 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	11	21

Kennebec County

	Minimum	Maximum
Augusta (entitled to two)	63	126
Waterville (entitled to two)	58	116
Gardiner	19	37
Albion, Benton, Clinton and the unorganized township of Unity	9	17
Vassalboro and Winslow	18	36
Chelsea and Farmingdale	7	13
China, Pittston, Randolph and Windsor	13	25
Hallowell, Manchester and West Gardiner	18	35
Litchfield, Monmouth and Winthrop	17	33
Fayette, Mt. Vernon, Readfield, Rome, Vienna and Wayne	9	18
Belgrade, Oakland and Sidney	14	28

Knox County

Rockland (entitled to two)	26	51
Cushing, Friendship, Owl's Head, South Thomaston and Thomaston	11	22
Rockport, Union, Warren and Washington	15	29
Appleton, Camden and Hope	14	27
Isle - au - Haut, North Haven, St. George, Vinalhaven, Matinicus Isle Plantation and the unorganized township of Criehaven	9	17

Lincoln County

Alna, Jefferson, Newcastle, Waldoboro, Whitefield and Somerville Plantation	23	45
Boothbay, Boothbay Harbor, Bristol, South Bristol, Southport, Monhegan Plantation and the unorganized townships of Muscongus Island	23	45
Bremen, Damariscotta, Dresden, Edgcomb, Nobleboro, Westport and Wiscasset	19	38

Oxford County

Dixfield and Mexico	15	29
Andover, Byron, Roxbury and Rumford (entitled to two)	35	69
Buckfield, Canton, Hartford, Hebron, Peru and Sumner	10	20
Paris, Woodstock and the unorganized township of Milton	14	28
Lovell, Norway, Oxford and Waterford	20	40
Brownfield, Denmark, Fryeburg, Hiram, Porter and Sweden	15	30
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	20

Penobscot County

Minimum Maximum

Bangor (entitled to four)	59	117
Brewer	16	32
Old Town	21	42
Dexter and Garland	14	27
Corinna, Exeter, Newport and Stetson	12	23
Carmel, Dixmont, Etna, Kenduskeag, Levant, Newburg and Plymouth	9	17
Alton, Bradford, Charleston, Corinth, Edinburg, Howland, Hudson, LaGrange, Maxfield, Sebouis Plantation and the unorganized township of Argyle	11	22
Glenburn, Hampden and Hermon	9	18
Milford and Orono	15	29
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	29
Bradley, Clifton, Eddington, Greenbush, Greenfield, Holden, Orrington and Veazie	12	23
Burlington, Enfield, Lincoln, Lowell, Passadumkeag and Grand Falls Plantation	14	27
Chester, Lee, Mattawamkeag, Springfield, Winn, Woodville, Plantations of Carroll, Drew, Lakeville, Prentiss, Webster and the unorganized township of Kingman	7	13
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	12	23

Piscataquis County

Greenville, Monson, Shirley, Wellington, Willimantic, Plantations of Blanchard, Elliottsville, Kingsbury and the unorganized townships of Big Squaw Mountain, Chesuncook, French township, Kineo and Little Squaw Mountain	10	20
Abbot, Bowerbank, Brownville, Guilford, Parkman, Barnard Plantation and the unorganized townships of Katahdin Iron Works and Williamsburg	14	28
Dover-Foxcroft and Sangerville	14	27
Atkinson, Milo, Sebec, Lake View Plantation and the unorganized townships of Medford and Orneville	13	26

Sagadahoc County

Minimum Maximum

Bath (entitled to two)	34	68
Bowdoin, Bowdoinham, Georgetown, Richmond and the unorganized township of Perkins	11	22
Arrowsic, Phippsburg, Topsham, West Bath and Woolwich	18	35

Somerset County

Skowhegan	21	42
Fairfield, Mercer and Smithfield	16	32
Cornville, Detroit, Palmyra and Pittsfield	18	36
Cambridge, Canaan, Harmony, Hartland, Ripley and St. Albans	12	23
Athens, Madison and Solon	17	34
Anson, Embden, Norridgewock and Starks	12	23
Bingham, Moscow, New Portland, Plantations of Brighton, Caratunk, Dennistown, 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, SandBarTract, Seboomook and all the other unorganized townships north of Bingham, Brighton, Concord and Lexington	14	27

Waldo County

Belfast	14	28
Belmont, Freedom, Knox, Liberty, Lincolnville, Montville, Morrill, Northport, Palermo and Sears-mont	12	24
Brooks, Burnham, Jackson, Monroe, Swanville, Thorndike, Troy, Unity and Waldo	16	31
Frankfort, Islesboro, Prospect, Searsport, Stockton Springs and Winterport	14	28

Washington County

Calais	15	29
Eastport	8	15
Addison, Beddington, Cherryfield, Columbia, Deblois, Harrington, Milbridge and Steuben	14	27
Beals, Columbia Falls, Cutler, Jonesboro, Jonesport and Machiasport	7	13

	Minimum	Maximum
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.	13	25
Alexander, Charlotte, Cooper, Crawford, Dennysville, Meddybemps, Pembroke, Perry, Robbinston and No. 14 Plantation	9	18
Lubec, Whiting and the unorganized townships of Edmunds and Trescott	10	19
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	12	24

York County

Biddeford (entitled to three)	78	156
Saco	40	80
Sanford (entitled to two)	58	115
Berwick and South Berwick	16	31
Kennebunk and Kennebunkport ...	19	38
North Kennebunkport, Old Orchard Beach and York	36	71
Lebanon, North Berwick and Wells	16	31
Buxton, Dayton, Hollis and Lyman	12	24
Cornish, Limerick, Limington and Parsonsfield	10	20
Acton, Alfred, Newfield, Shapleigh and Waterboro	11	22
Eliot and Kittery	24	47

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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