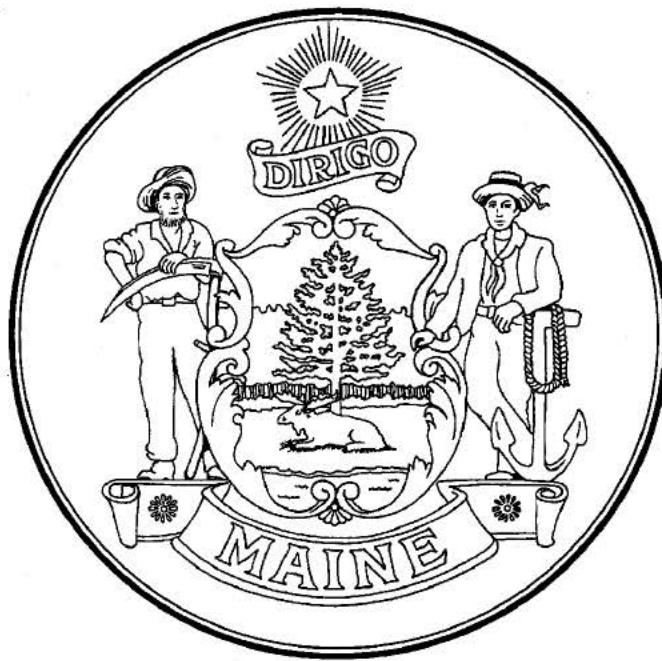


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The 1954 Primaries of the State of Maine

(With a Brief Calendar
of Important Dates)



A Compilation Prepared under
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dates in the 1954 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 21 — Primary Election

Sept. 13 — State Election

**Dates Relating to
Nomination Petitions**

Jan. 1 — Papers may be circulated

Apr. 19 — 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 19, will be accepted.)

**Dates for Filing
Expense Accounts**

(*Note:* The law has been changed with reference to reports of final expenditures. Please follow dates closely and see Page 6 for more details.)

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 26 — Return for **all candidates**, if expenses incurred.
- June 2 — Weekly return for candidates for U.S. Senator, Governor and Representatives to Congress.
- June 9 — Weekly return for candidates for U.S. Senator, Governor and Representatives to Congress.
- June 16 — Final return for **all candidates**. Must be on file on or before 10:00 A.M. of this date.
- June 17 — Meeting of Committee on Election Expenditures to investigate returns then on file.
- June 28 — Final return of expenditures for **all candidates**. This should be a resume of all expenditures made in connection with your campaign. The Committee on Election Expenditures will meet again within 10 days after June 21 to investigate these final reports.
- Sept. 28 — 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 official notification of nomination together with a form for acceptance. This 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 make written application to the Secretary of State alleging that the return of votes cast in any town does not correctly state the vote as actually cast and specifying the offices as to which 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 and towns in which errors are alleged to have occurred.

SIGNING OF NOMINATION PAPERS

Primary nomination papers must not be signed prior to January 1, 1954, and must be filed with the secretary of state on or before April 19, 1954.

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 aggregate to at least 1%, and must not exceed 2%, of the total gubernatorial vote for all candidates cast in the 1952 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 1954.

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.

CANDIDATE'S EXPENSES

It shall be unlawful for any candidate or for any person, firm, association, committee, organization or corporation on behalf of a candidate or for the pur-

pose of aiding the candidacy of any person, to make any expenditure or incur any liability unless reporting the same to the Secretary of State on the dates set forth on Page 3.

Any candidate, person, firm, association, committee, organization or corporation which shall expend any money or incur any liability in excess of \$5 without reporting it shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$1,000 or by imprisonment for not more than 11 months. It is suggested that a report of expenses be filed even though your expenses are less than \$5 in order that there will be no question regarding your failure to file a return.

The Committee on Election Expenditures will meet on June 17, 4 days prior to the Primary Election, at which time they shall make a preliminary investigation of all returns of expenditures. The Committee will meet again within 10 days after the Primary Election to make a final examination of such returns. Obviously, all candidates should make every effort to have their returns in the office of the Secretary of State by the meeting day of the Committee on Election Expenditures.

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.

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.

CONTRIBUTIONS

Any candidate for nomination, or person nominated as a candidate, may make voluntary payment of

money to any treasurer or political agent for any of the purposes permitted by Chapter 8 of the Revised Statutes provided, however, that no person other than a candidate shall, to aid or promote the success or defeat of any political party or principal, or of any candidate for public office, within 6 months prior to any election make a contribution of money or property to any person other than to a treasurer or political agent.

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, 1954. 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.

NUMBER OF SIGNATURES REQUIRED AND PERMITTED ON PRIMARY NOMINATION PAPERS

The following schedule figured from the 1952 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 1954 June primaries.

	Minimum	Maximum
State at large	2,484	4,969
First Congressional District Counties: Cumberland, Oxford, Sagadahoc and York	953	1,906
Second Congressional District Counties: Androscoggin, Frank- lin, Kennebec, Knox, Lincoln, Somerset and Waldo	898	1,795
Third Congressional District Counties: Aroostook, Hancock, Penobscot, Piscataquis and Washington	634	1,267

County Officers

Androscoggin	261	523
Aroostook	154	307
Registry, Northern District	31	62
Registry, Southern District	123	245
Cumberland	457	914
Franklin	57	113
Hancock	84	168
Kennebec	267	535
Knox	79	159
Lincoln	62	125
Oxford	111	223
Registry, Eastern District	94	187
Registry, Western District	18	35
Penobscot	242	484
Piscataquis	54	108
Sagadahoc	66	131
Somerset	108	215
Waldo	63	126
Washington	100	200
York	319	638

REPRESENTATIVE CLASS DISTRICTS

Androscoggin County

Auburn (entitled to three)	73	145
Lewiston (entitled to five)	130	260
Lisbon	13	26
Livermore and Livermore Falls ..	14	28
Mechanic Falls, Minot and Turner	13	27
Greene, Poland and Wales	8	16
Durham, Leeds and Webster	10	20

Aroostook County

Caribou	16	32
Fort Fairfield	11	22
Presque Isle	21	43
Houlton	23	46

Aroostook County Continued

	Minimum	Maximum
Dyer Brook, Littleton, Ludlow, Merrill, New Limerick, Oakfield, Smyrna and Plantations of Ham- mond and Moro	6	12
Blaine, Bridgewater, Mars Hill, Monticello and E Plantation	9	18
Benedicta, Crystal, Hersey, Island Falls, Sherman, Macwahoc Plan- tation and the unorganized town- ships of Molunkus, Silver Ridge and South Molunkus	5	10
A m i t y, Bancroft, Haynesville, Hodgdon, Linneus, Orient, West- ton and Plantations of Cary, Glenwood and Reed	6	12
Limestone, Stockholm, Plantations of Caswell, Cyr, Hamlin, West- manland and the unorganized townships of Connor and 16 R-4	6	13
Grand Isle and Van Buren	6	12
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	16
New Sweden, Perham, Washburn and Woodland	7	15
Chapman, Easton, Mapleton, Wade and Westfield	7	14
Frenchville, Madawaska, Saint Agatha and the unorganized townships of Guerette, Sinclair and 17 R-5	10	21
Fort Kent and Wallgrass Planta- tion	7	13
Eagle Lake, Plantations of Alla- gash, New Canada, St. Francis, St. John, Winterville and the un- organized townships of 14 R-6, 15 R-6, 16 R-6, 16 R-12, 20 R-11 and 12 and 11 R-14	5	10

Cumberland County

Portland (entitled to seven)	189	378
Westbrook (entitled to two)	42	85
South Portland (entitled to three)	54	108
Brunswick (entitled to two)	31	63
Gorham	11	22
Bridgton	10	19
Freeport and Pownal	13	27
Cumberland and Falmouth	22	44
Cape Elizabeth and Scarborough ..	24	48
Baldwin, Sebago and Standish	10	20
Harrison, Otisfield and Windham	13	27
Gray, New Gloucester and Raymond	14	27
Casco, Harpswell and Naples	12	24
North Yarmouth and Yarmouth ..	11	23

Minimum Maximum

Franklin County

Jay and Wilton	21	41
Chester ville, Farmington, New Sharon and Temple	17	33
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	17

Hancock County

Brooklin, Brooksville, Deer Isle, Sedgwick, Stonington and the unorganized townships of Bear Island, Eagle Island and Great Spruce Head	12	23
Bucksport, Castine, Dedham, Orland, Penobscot and Verona	17	35
Bluehill, Ellsworth, Surry and the unorganized township of No. 8 S. D.	18	36
Bar Harbor, Hancock and Trenton	13	26
Cranberry Isles, Lamoine, Mt. Desert, Southwest Harbor, Swan's Island, Tremont and Long Island Plantation	12	24
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	12	24

Kennebec County

Augusta (entitled to two)	69	137
Waterville (entitled to two)	64	129
Gardiner	21	42
Albion, Benton, Clinton and the unorganized township of Unity	9	18
Vassalboro and Winslow	21	42
Chelsea and Farmingdale	8	16
China, Pittston, Randolph and Windsor	15	30
Hallowell, Manchester and West Gardiner	19	37
Litchfield, Monmouth and Winthrop	17	34
Fayette, Mt. Vernon, Readfield, Rome, Vienna and Wayne	10	20
Belgrade, Oakland and Sidney	14	29

Knox County

Minimum Maximum

Rockland (entitled to two)	26	53
Cushing, Friendship, Owl's Head, South Thomaston and Thomaston	14	28
Rockport, Union, Warren and Washington	13	26
Appleton, Camden and Hope	18	35
Isle-au-Haut, North Haven, St. George, Vinalhaven, Matinicus Isle Plantation and the unorganized township of Criehaven	8	17

Lincoln County

Alna, Jefferson, Newcastle, Waldoboro, Whitefield and Somerville Plantation	21	42
Boothbay, Boothbay Harbor, Bristol, South Bristol, Southport, Monhegan Plantation and the unorganized townships of Muscongus Island	23	45
Bremen, Damariscotta, Dresden, Edgecomb, Nobleboro, Westport and Wiscasset	19	38

Oxford County

Dixfield and Mexico	15	30
Andover, Byron, Roxbury and Rumford (entitled to two)	31	62
Buckfield, Canton, Hartford, Hebron, Peru and Sumner	9	19
Paris, Woodstock and the unorganized township of Milton	13	25
Lovell, Norway, Oxford and Waterford	17	34
Brownfield, Denmark, Fryeburg, Hiram, Porter and Sweden	15	29
Bethel, Gilead, Greenwood, Hallowell, Newry, Stoneham, Stow, Upton, Plantations of Lincoln, Magalloway and the unorganized townships of Albany, Grafton, Mason, Richardson, Township C, 4R-1, 4R-2 and 5R-4	12	23

Penobscot County

Bangor (entitled to four)	69	138
Brewer	19	38
Old Town	23	46
Dexter and Garland	13	27
Corinna, Exeter, Newport and Stetson	13	25
Carmel, Dixmont, Etna, Kenduskeag, Levant, Newburg and Plymouth	8	17

Penobscot County Continued

	Minimum	Maximum
Alton, Bradford, Charlestown, Corinth, Edinburg, Howland, Hudson, LaGrange, Maxfield, Seboeis Plantation and the unorganized township of Argyle ...	11	21
Glenburn, Hampden and Hermon	11	22
Milford and Orono	14	28
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	14	28
Burlington, Enfield, Lincoln, Lowell, Passadumkeag and Grand Falls Plantation	14	28
Chester, Lee, Mattawamkeag, Springfield, Winn, Woodville, Plantations of Carroll, Drew, Lakeville, Prentiss, Webster and the unorganized township of Kingman	7	14
East Millinocket, Medway, Patten, Stacyville, Mount Chase Plantation and the unorganized townships of 2 R-6 (East Division), 2R-6 (Davidson), 2 R-8, 8 R-7 and 3 R-8	11	22

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 ..	17	35
Atkinson, Milo, Sebec, Lake View Plantation and the unorganized townships of Medford and Orneville	13	26

Sagadahoc County

Bath (entitled to two)	35	69
Bowdoin, Bowdoinham, Georgetown, Richmond and the unorganized township of Perkins ...	13	26
Arrowsic, Phippsburg, Topsham, West Bath and Woolwich	18	35

Somerset County

	Minimum	Maximum
Skowhegan	21	41
Fairfield, Mercer and Smithfield ..	18	36
Cornville, Detroit, Palmyra and Pittsfield	17	33
Cambridge, Canaan, Harmony, Hartland, Ripley and St. Albans	12	24
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, Sand Bar Tract, Seboomook and all the other unorganized townships north of Bingham, Brighton, Concord and Lexington	12	24

Waldo County

Belfast	19	37
Belmont, Freedom, Knox, Liberty, Lincolnville, Montville, Morrill, Northport, Palermo and Sears-mont	15	31
Brooks, Burnham, Jackson, Monroe, Swanville, Thorndike, Troy, Unity and Waldo	14	28
Frankfort, Islesboro, Prospect, Searsport, Stockton Springs and Winterport	15	30

Washington County

Calais	17	35
Eastport	9	18
Addison, Beddington, Cherryfield, Columbia, Deblois, Harrington, Milbridge and Steuben	14	28
Beals, Columbia Falls, Cutler, Jonesboro, Jonesport and Machiasport	9	18
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.	15	30
Alexander, Charlotte, Cooper, Crawford, Dennyville, Meddybemps, Pembroke, Perry, Robbinston and No. 14 Plantation ..	9	19

Washington County Continued

	Minimum	Maximum
Lubec, Whiting and the unorganized townships of Edmunds and Trescott	10	21
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	16	31

York County

Biddeford (entitled to three)	71	142
Saco	40	79
Sanford (entitled to two)	61	121
Berwick and South Berwick	18	37
Kennebunk and Kennebunkport ..	22	44
North Kennebunkport, Old Orchard Beach and York	31	63
Lebanon, North Berwick and Wells	17	33
Buxton, Dayton, Hollis and Lyman	12	24
Cornish, Limerick, Limington and Parsonsfield	11	23
Acton, Alfred, Newfield, Shapleigh and Waterboro	11	22
Eliot and Kittery	25	50

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.