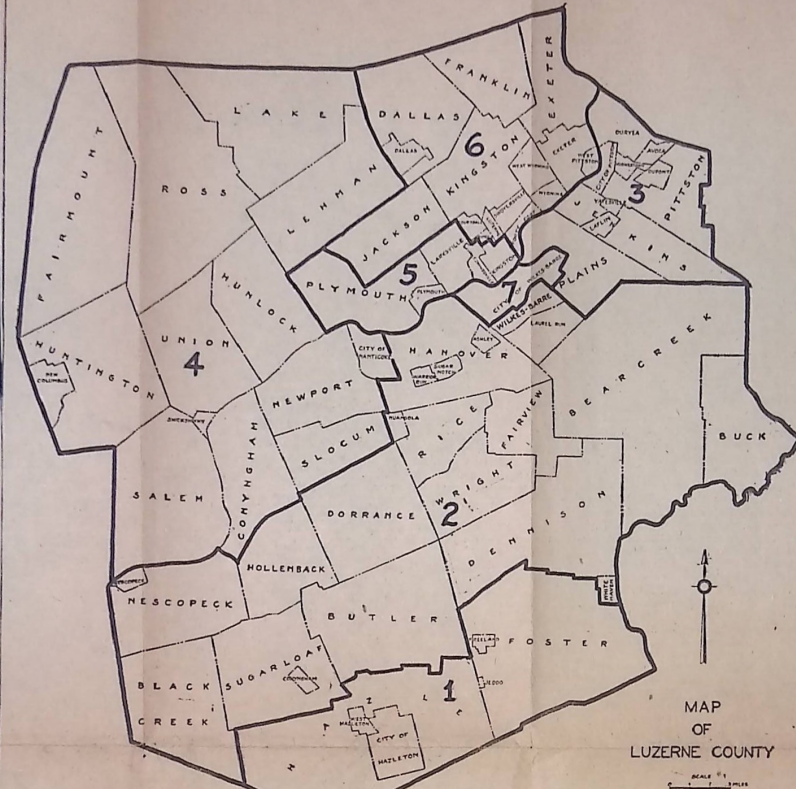


Luzerne County's Revised Legislative Districts



Geographical boundaries of the reapportioned seven legislative districts of Luzerne County are shown on the above map.

Under the reapportionment plan, passed by the Legislature last July and based on the last Federal census, it will be noted on the map that the First and Second Legislative Districts remain unchanged. The Third District gains Duryea Borough, formerly in the Sixth District. Lake and Lehman Townships are taken out of the Sixth and placed in the Fourth District. All Kingston Borough, which under the old divisions was

split with one half in the Fifth and the other in the Sixth, becomes a part of the Fifth District. Parsons and Miners Mills Sections of Wilkes-Barre, comprising the city's 17th, 18th, 19th and 20th Wards, are taken out of the Third District and placed in the Seventh, which under the new plan embraces the entire city and from number of registered voters and population, is the largest of the seven districts.

The county's number of voting precincts remain at 411 and at the May 18 Spring Primary county committeemen will be elected by Republicans and Democrats.

Two party district chairmen lose their office under the plan because territory where they reside has been placed in other districts. Both chairmen, Republican Herman C. Kersten and Democrat Edward Mazars, become ineligible to serve in the Sixth District. Their homes under the reapportionment are no longer in that district. One of the two representatives serving the Seventh District will be lost. The district's population does not entitle it to more than one representative. Present representatives are James J. Jump and Vincent F. Gutendorf.

County Loses One Representative; Kingston Moved to 5th District

Luzerne County will lose one representative in the State Assembly this year and a Republican legislative district chairman will be ineligible to serve because of non-residency under a reapportionment plan passed by the Legislature last July.

One of two representatives from the Seventh Legislative District which embraces Wilkes-Barre City in its entirety under the reapportionment, will not be a member of the next General Assembly. The district is James J. Jump and Vincent F. Gutendorf. At the May 18 primary voters will ballot for one candidate instead of two as they have in past years. Even with the addition of Wilkes-Barre Ward 17, 18, 19 and 20, comprising the Parsons and Miners Mills sections, formerly part of the Third Legislative District, the Seventh's population of 76,325 will not warrant two representatives. The population figures are those given in the last Federal census on which the reapportionment is based.

The Republican chairman, whose residence will become a part of the Fifth Legislative District, is County Commissioner Herman C. Kersten. Presently Kersten is in the Sixth Legislative District and is the Republican chairman for it. Under the reapportionment all of Kingston, comprising 10 voting districts, becomes a part of the Fifth District,

whose Republican chairman is George E. Gwilliam, Plymouth. Before reapportionment half of Kingston was in the Fifth and the other half, the part Kersten lives in, was in the Sixth. The Sixth District also loses Lake and Lehman Townships which become part of the Fourth Legislative District and it loses Duryea to the Third Legislative District, of which former Register of Wills John Shively is the GOP chairman.

The Democratic chairman of the Sixth, Edward Mazars, also loses his chairmanship because he lives in Duryea. The six other Democratic district chairmen, Attorney Robert J. Gillespie, First Clarence Engler and Stanley Mihalick, Second; Roscoe Mulcahy, Third; Karner Nikowick, Fourth; Benjamin Maurer, Fifth; and Patrick J. Finn, Seventh, are unaffected.

The First and Second Legislative Districts remain unchanged under the reapportionment. Only Kersten loses out as a district GOP chairman under the plan. In the First Emory Shanno continues as chairman. In the Second County Commissioner Robert Lloyd is the Republican head. Shively remains GOP boss in the Third. Nanticoke Councilman Bert Andrews continues as Republican chairman in the Fourth and Gwilliam in the Fifth. Wilkes-Barre Councilman Oliver J. Price takes over for more who rule over at Seventh District Republican chairman.

The reapportionment does not increase nor does it decrease the number of voting districts in the county. They remain at 411 and county committeemen will be elected by the voters at the May 18 primary. Committeemen are elected and not nominated at a primary every two years.

The county electorate will nominate candidates for seven representative seats and a senator from the 26th District at the April 6 election.

ELECTION NOTICE

Election of officers of Anthracite Post No. 283, VFW, will be held on Tuesday evening, March 16th. Polls will be open from 6:00 P. M. to 9:00 P. M. Regular meeting will begin at 8:00 P. M.

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proaching primary. The State Senate seat is now held by Senator T. Newell Wood, Harvey Lake.

The reapportionment plan going into effect is based on the last Federal census. The census figures by legislative district with Republican and Democratic registrations for the November 3, 1953, general election are shown in the accompanying table and are further broken down by municipalities to give a political picture of figures for each under the reapportionment.

Legislative District	Rep.	Dem.	Cons.
First	22,145	6,009	41,256
Second	13,220	5,500	42,720
Third	12,254	10,200	32,346
Fourth	12,254	6,211	42,720
Fifth	29,821	8,423	34,420
Sixth	19,842	47,423	292,241

FIRST LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT

Municipality	Rep.	Dem.	Cons.
Duryea Borough	800	811	3,211
Freeland Borough	2,407	310	5,370
Lehigh Township	1,240	1,240	4,210
Lehigh City	1,240	1,240	4,210
Jacks Borough	1,240	1,240	4,210
West Lawrence Boro.	2,407	420	4,210

SECOND LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT

Municipality	Rep.	Dem.	Cons.
Ashley Borough	1,407	1,229	5,240
East Creek Township	213	181	1,240
East Creek Township	213	220	2,110
East Township	1,240	41	2,110
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THIRD LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT

Municipality	Rep.	Dem.	Cons.
Lama Borough	1,217	1,228	4,401
Duport Borough	1,217	1,228	4,401
Delaware Township	1,217	1,228	4,401
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FOURTH LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT

Municipality	Rep.	Dem.	Cons.
Conowingo Township	118	419	2,711
Fairmont Township	213	213	1,240
Holmes Township	213	213	1,240
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FIFTH LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT

Municipality	Rep.	Dem.	Cons.
Kingston Borough	1,217	1,228	4,401
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