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Personal

Honorable Lloyd Stark,

Louisiana, Missouri

Friend Stark:

Quite by accident I happen to run across your mislaid letter concerning the Mercury reprinting the article from the Globe-Democrat at home last night. I was more than glad to help promote your candidacy. At present I can see no trouble for you in Monre county, as all the boys seem to be for you. I am going to offer you a sugestion concerning your campaign in this county which I hope you will accept. Get in touch with Judge W.W. Barnes, who is an assistant attorney-general living at Paris and who managed the Al Smith and Roosevelt campaign, capturing the banner both times. He is free from any factional alignment and would prove acceptable to everybody. He knows how to get the boys out to vote and who to vote for and is friendly to all the factions in Monroe county

without lining up with any of them. Write Roy Noel and Clarence Evans, and any other of your friends here and verify this suggestion. Harvey Davis of Madison was here today and was more than pleased with the suggestion of Barnes for the Monroe County campaign manager. This is a strong farm county and Hirth has never been able to gain a toe hold in it. I am a bit fearful of his method of his campaigning, but do not believe that he will do much better than Dearmont did, Dearmont got 1200 votes out of 7000 out of Monroe county. With best wishes,

Your friend,

T. V. BODINE

P.S. I cannot advise you on the Pendergast matter or the Park matter at this time. I know however that feeling is running high against both men and that the hearty agreement of 1932 no longer exists. I believe Roosevelt will sweep Missouri.