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Jefferson City, Mo., July 30th, 1936.

Hon. Lloyd Stark,
Along Line,

Dear Major:

I have just received first reports of activity from our Young Democrats, thru Joe Hansman, Editor of Young Democratic paper. Joe hands me firsthand reports of his work done to date. Herewith:

Joe Kenton, who does considerable traveling, contacted Grover James, Joplin, Mo., prominent among young democrats in Joplin District, who canvassed Court House and City Hall employees. Almost to a person, all Stark.

Hansman contacted Stanley Clay, young lawyer, and prominent in Joplin younger politics, who, in turn has contacted all three young democratic club membership, and reports no Hirth sentiment. All Stark.

Warden Sanders called Newton County for us and got the candidate in that county for sheriff, who has been nominated his fifth trip (forget name). The Sheriff of Newton reports his estimate in his campaigning, Stark will get approximately - 2,900 votes. Hirth a possible 600, but since we have contacted him, will get right back over the county and do everything to pull down the 600 Hirth sentiment.

As this report is being written up, Joe Kenton telephones in and tells Hansman he has arranged to get immediately into Lawrence, McDonald, Dade, Newton & Berry counties and will work right up to the last gun's fire.

Hansman has called Tex Roberts, young editor, Diamond. Tex says he will get in touch

with every key man in the district and have them out on the line. Also, will work personally in the district during the remaining days of this Primary.

Hansman called H.R. Long, Editor, Crane, Stone County. He is getting in touch with all young democrats and will also make a personal canvas of the county. There is down there a small percentage of M W A., but they are mostly republican members and will cut but little ice. Democrats of the order OK Stark.

Contacted Jack Earthing of Christian County. Farthing will give the county a thorough going over, and reports things look extra bright.

Rosie Fink, Chairman of Sixth District has already called all chairmen in District. He will go over to headquarters and pick up 250-300 Stark statements on Fraternities, take them and see that the District is thoroughly canvassed with them, also making all counties personally right up to gun's last shot. He is also leaving at Stark headquarters a list of names for statements to be mailed to. He will report a followup as to sentiment or reaction from them. We suggest you wire headquarters and tell Ledbetter to see that statements are mailed and no neglect about them.

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Paul Williams called and is sending out 75-personally dictated and signed letters. Joe Hansman is also sending out an equal number of personally dictated and signed letters to various counties.

Dewey Ruth and Kenneth Corbitt, Vernon County, are mailing out statements in the county and will both stay out personally during rest of the primary scattering your statements.

They contacted Charley Green, Osceola, StClair County. Charley has touched off all

the boys down there and they will stay in the field right up to poll closing.

Mrs. Rebecca English, Secretary's office (state) - Bates County, will take down with her Friday statements and get them scattered in County. And will personally work and get others right out on the job.

Now, you can rest assured the Young Democratic Clubs are doing their level best, not playing but I have them right down to hard tacks thru loyal co-operation of Paul Williams and Joe Hansman. I won't be able to get further reports, but the whole thing will be handled in a 100% way from now on, and no false reports made. Williams and Hansom are checking and doubling checking these angles for us.

I am leaving for Kansas City to take up the work in the First Ward there (down town district), and you watch our smoke. Things are most bright and you have nothing to fear. We won't get tangled up in the general election but will keep a calm exterior at all times, and with a weather eye to the state ticket. This is a gospel that must be taught and thoroughly absorbed by all. The National ticket is being carried along in the drought, old age and relief utterances. State, first last and all the time. The theme song of your general campaign must be business, business and more business, and I don't give a d— for all the judgment of the Board advisors. I know whereof I speak. So let's get down to tacks and put Missouri over in a big way, once this thing is over - Wednesday. Big guns must be turned loose with fury, but the campaign must be fought along lines of aggressiveness, not a defensive campaign. There will be no defensive campaign. You are not responsible for any of Park's stuff, but offer a clean fighting front of business administration in your regime.

You are Missouri's next governor, sleep well on that. I have made but few false predictions. I think them out way down the road, when a lot of the boys sleep and twiddle pencils. I want you to win, because I like you and have nothing but an honest intention for you for the future. I have none of the band-wagon ideas in the back of my head or what shall be done in the future. I am anxious to see you go and keep on going.

Goodbye and the best of luck. Sally will get this down to you.

Yours,