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McCaskill Outlines YDC Objectives At Eighth District Conference At Biscoe

Tasks facing Young Democratic clubs in the south today, and ways and means of getting more work going in the North Carolina Eighth YDC district in particular, were discussed at an Eighth District conference held Saturday evening in the high school cafeteria at Biscoe, called and led by Jeff Wilson, of Biscoe, Eighth District chairman.

Representatives were present from Moore, Montgomery, Richmond and Scotland counties, with those of the Moore County Young Democratic club predominating. The conference followed a delicious steak dinner served by Mrs. Jeff Wilson and other ladies of the community. A major piece of business was the unanimous endorsement of a resolution prepared by Lamont W. Brown, newly elected president of the Moore County club, pledging support to H. Clifton Blue, Moore County representative to the General Assembly, for president of the North Carolina YDC in the event that he becomes a candidate.

Withholds Decision
Mr. Blue, who was present, received this vote of confidence with an expression of deep appreciation, adding that he preferred to withhold a definite decision as to his candidacy until the state convention, Thursday, Friday and Saturday at Greensboro.

If a strong candidate appeared who would hold the state organization together and build up its work he would rather give him his support than contest the office with him, he said, and would not himself run unless he felt he was sincerely needed. In any event, he said, the considerable strength of the Eighth district should go for harmony and unity within the ranks.

It was reported that the Montgomery and Moore County clubs had already given Blue their unanimous endorsement.

Spreading Interest
Discussion of ways to get more activity under way, and objectives of the Young Democratic clubs, was led by Hubert McCaskill, of Pinehurst, who last week concluded two years of service as chairman of the club described as "the most active in North Carolina"—that of Moore county. "If there is a club more active anywhere I'd like to see it," said Mr. McCaskill. "In Moore we have a group of men and women who are truly political minded. We work on the principle that the more people are interested, the better government we will have and we are trying to interest everybody." This is done, he said, through meetings where everyone has a chance to talk; where invited speakers give a new slant on things political in order to stir more thought, and where candidates and incumbents in state and national office are also invited as often as possible, for better acquaintance with the electorate. Getting everyone registered and getting out the vote he also stressed as duties of the YD clubs. An interesting report was also given by Evert King, Jr., of Troy, chairman of the Montgomery County club, and Giles Y. Newton, of Gibson, long a figure in state political affairs, gave a general review of the political situation today.

Open Forum
The discussion was enlivened by questions asked and ideas advanced by Geo. Steele and John Page, Jr., Rockingham, who with Chairman Clyde Causey had no activity to report from down their way but were anxious to see things get moving. The meeting proceeded to a general discussion of political affairs, party regularity and the position of the Demo-

cratic party today.

Chairman Wilson read letters from Rep. C. B. Deane and his secretary, John A. Lang, Jr., of Carthage, extending good wishes though they were unable to be present. He gave a reminder of the state convention, at which it is anticipated the district will be strongly represented, and also of the Eighth District rally to be held at Carthage at 2:30 p. m., Monday, October 11.

Mr. Wilson has announced that he is not a candidate for re-election to the office of district chairman, for which Mr. McCaskill, of Pinehurst, is at present the only avowed candidate, subject to elections to be held at the caucus at Greensboro next Saturday morning.

Present were, from Moore, Hubert McCaskill, Pinehurst; H. Clifton Blue, Al Cruce, Raymond Wicker, Aberdeen; Paul C. Butler, Mrs. Valerie Nicholson, Southern Pines; Earl Ferguson, Monroe Chappell, H. A. Borst, Vass; T. B. Caddell, C. C. McCaskill, Howard W. Frye, Carthage.

From Montgomery, Jeff Wilson. Biscoe; Evert King, Jr., Paul Wallace, Troy.

From Richmond, Clyde H. Causey, George Steele, John Page, Jr., Rockingham; from Scotland, Giles Y. Newton, Gibson.

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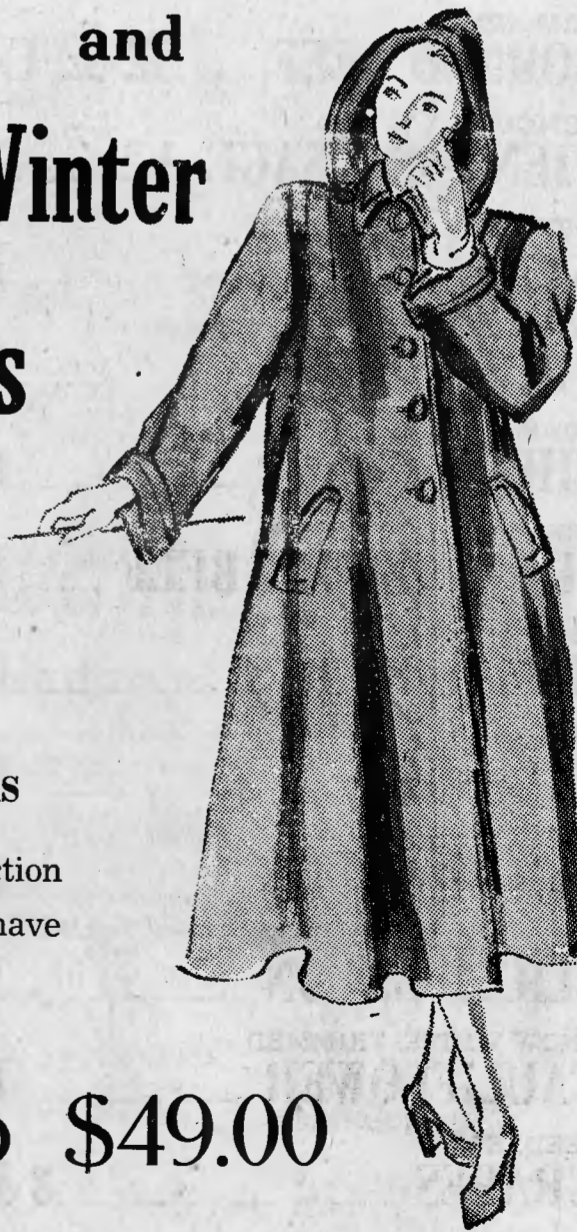
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