

Now, as to the papers. I presume that all the Liberal papers in the riding will be willing to give hearty support. They should, however, be seen at once and an understanding reached that they will do special work throughout the campaign. I have been wondering whether it would be desirable to pay for a small amount of advertising space in the leading conservative papers, and run from day to day some complimentary references to my work from such persons as Mr. R. L. Borden, or from the conservative press of the Dominion. I have a number of these, and perhaps they could be used to advantage in this way. You will doubtless have a special press committee; as you know, too much importance cannot be attached to their work. I am not sure whether the North Waterloo papers have cuts of myself, and as photographs may be of some assistance in this connection I am mailing you some under separate cover. As soon as it is known that I am going to run, cuts could be immediately made.

Would you let me know at what hotel I should stay in Berlin? It is of course desirable to stay at a hotel, and if the party side is all right, it would be well, I think, to pick out the best.

It has been suggested to me by one of the organizers that it is desirable to have as many names on the nomination paper as possible, and these of all classes of persons, farmers, workmen, professional men, etc. To this end would it not be well to have nomination papers prepared at once and put into the hands of delegates and others from different parts of the riding. A list of several hundred names appearing on nomination day might have a good effect.

My idea is that the battle will be most easily won by antagonizing as little as possible our Conservative friends. While I feel we should at all times hold to our own colours there are some, I understand, of the other party who are willing to give open and hearty support. Some consideration at different points along the way to all such may go a long way. George DeBus, for example, will, I think, work tooth and nail for me, and there may be others. As far as we can we should make it known that we have an alliance which is for the good of the riding as a whole. It is not as though the parties today were divided on any great issue. Perhaps in connection with Sir Wilfrid's meeting, if the situation is carefully canvassed before that day there may be a number of persons to whom a word from the Premier or one of the Ministers would go a long way. It would be well, I think, to have this side carefully studied out. In this connection you might work quietly concerning the carrying of mails by the street railway. I would be glad if you would let me have a statement in regard to the matter at your early convenience, so that