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allowing the Liberal nomination to stand and not entering the field. As, however, at their convention they nominated a farmer who has been an outstanding Liberal for years, members of the Executive agreed with me that it would be unwise for me, as Leader of the Party, to be placed in a position of apparent antagonism to the Farmers of the Province by accepting a nomination which would mean a contest with the Farmers' candidate.

Is there not danger of a somewhat similar situation arising in Assiniboia, unless a Liberal convention is held some time before the Grain Growers' convention on the 25th? Would it not be possible to have some candidate chosen as a Liberal standard-bearer who would be acceptable to the farmers? From letters I have received from the West, and from talks with friends here, it would seem that if either Mr. John Stewart or Mr. Waddington would agree to run, either of them would be acceptable to the farmers. Mr. Waddington's name appears upon the call which the Grain Growers have issued, but that does not make him less a Liberal, and should make his candidature definitely acceptable to the Grain Growers, were he to be put in nomination at a Liberal Convention. Mr. Stewart's high integrity and splendid reputation as a prosperous farmer and public-spirited citizen would appear to make him not only an excellent candidate, but would ensure our having on the Liberal side in the House of Commons a member from Saskatchewan whose influence would be very great in every desirable way. Do you not think it would be possible to have a convention called, and one or other of these gentlemen induced to accept the nomination in the event of it being tendered to them?

I think the country, not less than our Party, will regard the by-election in Assiniboia as the most significant of any of the eight elections which are being held. I shall be glad to act on any suggestion you may