

R. R. No. 2,  
Dundas, Ontario,  
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Dear Mr. Guess:

You will read in the press that I have decided to support Jim Allan in his candidacy for the leadership of our Party.

I believe you will be interested in knowing why I reached this decision.

I have been privileged to serve on the Cabinet with all the leading candidates. I know from experience that they are able and dedicated men. Each would contribute in his own special way to the growth of the Province if chosen for the important office.

But I believe that Jim Allan's unique breadth of experience, his seasoned judgment, his proven administrative record - and his extensive rural background - will best serve the interests of our Party and our Province.

One of the best measures of a minister's ability is the efficiency and morale of the department when he leaves it. In my opinion, there are no departments in the government which have higher morale and greater efficiency than those administered by Jim Allan.

Both Mr. Cass and I can speak from first hand experience as present ministers of departments which he led through very trying times.

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He has held the portfolios of Highways, Transport and Public Works. His present responsibilities as Provincial Treasurer and Minister of Economics bring him into direct contact with every phase of provincial affairs.

His close association with Mr. Frost will assure smooth implementation of programs now in hand. His vigour and imagination will assure dynamic programs for the future.

I have tremendous admiration for this man who quietly and firmly gets things done. I ask you to give him your support too.



Ray Connell

