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# Riding Member opens 'action office'

**YORK-SIMCOE** - The voters in York-Simcoe should be commended for turning out in such strength (82 percent) to record their wishes in last week's federal election.

Of course, I must give a special thank you to those voters who chose to vote for me - some 45.6 percent. This P.C. vote was approximately 10 percent higher than the national average for the P.C. Party. Our win was most gratifying.

It is both easy and difficult to comment on election results. The morning after every election there are many columnists, observers and pundits who miraculously can tell exactly what was done right and what was done wrong in the preceding campaign. Theirs is the easy task. In my view, it is difficult to accurately assess the reasons why any group of voters choose to support one

candidate over another.

For campaign purposes, we divided York-Simcoe into five areas. While we carried each area, two areas had a significantly higher Progressive Conservative vote than the other three.

In Simcoe, we were approximately 2,000 votes ahead of our nearest rival which I feel reflects a return in Simcoe to their traditional Conservative voting pattern. In the 1968 election that area went Conservative, but only 300 votes. Trudeauism is gone now and the vote in Simcoe has returned to the P.C.s. The area has an unbroken record of voting Conservative since Confederation and I am pleased that that record has been continued with an increased Conservative vote in 1972.

Whitchurch-Stouffville also gave us

a significant margin - 1,200 votes. We carried all 27 polls in that area and I interpret the results as being partly a protest against the Trudeau government's plan to develop a second Toronto airport in Pickering. If the NDP vote is eliminated from the results in Whitchurch-Stouffville, we find the Liberals received 36 percent and the Progressive Conservatives 64 percent of the vote. It is probably just a coincidence, but in my April survey on the proposed airport, the residents of the same area indicated that they were 65 percent opposed to, 31 percent in favor of and 4 percent undecided about the airport.

The other three areas in the Riding - Newmarket - East Gwillimbury - Aurora - Oak Ridges - Lake Wilcox and King - Vaughan, while recording a good plurality for myself, did not show the large plurality that was demonstrated in the other two areas of the Riding. In these latter areas, the P.C. vote was more in line with local riding averages.

It now appears that Mr. Trudeau intends to form a government and meet Parliament. For a time, the P.C.s, when they had a one-seat margin, felt that they would likely be called upon to form the government. We are disappointed that this is now unlikely.

Certain decisive government measures must be taken, especially in the economic field in Canada. I earnestly hope that if Mr. Trudeau does form a

new government, he will have the courage to act decisively to introduce measures to create more employment, reduce taxes, and curb inflation.

Last Wednesday, I joined about 110 passengers on the first day of the experimental commuter run to Toronto. I was sorry that there were not more passengers on the train but perhaps its usage will pick up in coming weeks.

The train ride itself was most relaxing. It is certainly a better way to commute than by car.

This week, I am off to Ottawa to meet some of my new colleagues and to make preliminary arrangements for my stay in the capital.

With the two major parties tied in seats, the coming session will certainly be in-

teresting. I expect I will have a great many things to comment on, both nationally and locally as the weeks roll by.

In the meantime, my Action Office is now functioning in Newmarket at Suite 202, the Newmarket Plaza, 92 Davis Drive - telephone 895-1287. I would be very pleased to receive your enquiries, comments and suggestions at any time. Please call or write.



A side view of Stouffville from 1,000 feet up

With trees in full foliage, much of Stouffville remains hidden. However, looking north along the C.N.R. line, the new Albert Street apartment is plainly visible, also the High School and the Conservation Authority's man-made lake. The tall structure (centre-right) is the Main Street clock tower. —Jim Thomas.

## Banquet

The annual meeting and banquet, York County Federation of Agriculture, will be held Nov. 29 in Nobleton Hall. A dance will follow. Tickets must be obtained in advance. The secretary is Donald Kennedy, Markham.

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I am your M.P. regardless of which candidate you voted for and, if ever you need my help, write to me care of the House of Commons, Ottawa, or, in an emergency, call one of the three offices that I maintain in the riding, your call will be relayed on to me in confidence and I will do everything that is within my power to help you resolve your problem.

To those of you who worked so hard for me during the campaign, my special 'THANKS', all of your efforts were very much appreciated.

Sincerely,

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