

E.K. Police Dept. Moves To Watt St. Location Tuesday

East Kildonan's police department, after having its headquarters at 755 Henderson Highway, was moved Tuesday to the new building on Watt st. at Munroe.

The police and fire departments, now re-organized, will be known as the East Kildonan Safety Division, with Chief Einfeld in charge.

Besides Chief Einfeld, the staff will be composed of 24 uniformed combined policemen and firemen.

A radio monitor to intercept police calls has just been installed, "a device that will tell where our cars are," said Chief Einfeld.

In a recent statement to the Herald, Mayor Dryden said:

"Effective July 1, 1955, the present East Kildonan police and fire departments will be disbanded and re-organized under one separate department to be known as the East Kildonan Safety Division.

"This re-organizing is being made after very careful consideration, study and planning during the past two years by the East Kildonan council with a view of improving the efficiency of our fire protection.

"Each member of the East Kildonan Safety Division will be trained as policemen through the Winnipeg Police Training School and as firemen through the facilities of the Firemen's Training School by the Manitoba Fire Chiefs' Association, which gives expert instruction in fire fighting identical to and in the same manner as that given to firemen of the Winnipeg Fire Dept. These men will alternate as policemen and firemen on different shifts during different weeks.

"All present and new members of the existing police department have and are being thoroughly drilled in fire fighting and operation of the fire fighting equipment by a fully qualified fire fighting officer.

"I have every confidence that the combining of our police and fire departments will result in better fire and police protection for the residents of East Kildonan without the large increased costs which would be necessary to achieve the same degree of efficiency under two separate departments."

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