

City Born On Dominion Day

East Kildonan officially became a city in a food store parking lot Monday night.

Against the background of a drive-in theatre, junior high school and a highway hotel, Manitoba's sixth and newest city was officially proclaimed.

An estimated popsicle - sucking, pop - guzzling crowd of 8,750 persons perspired in luxuriant sunshine as Premier D. L. Campbell handed a copy of the city's original charter to East Kildonan mayor George N. Suttie.

The time was 8:43 p.m. when Premier Campbell turned to Mayor Suttie on the outdoor stage, and said:

GOOD WISHES

"The time has now arrived. You are a city. Congratulations, good wishes and prosperity to all of you."

East Kildonan thus joined the ranks of its city brothers in Manitoba — Winnipeg, St. Boniface, Brandon, Portage la Prairie and St. James.

The city charter ceremonies at

Muscular Dystrophy Meet Set Thursday

A meeting to establish a Manitoba chapter of the Muscular Dystrophy association of Canada, will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday at Moore's restaurant. An earlier report incorrectly stated that the dinner would be held on Wednesday.

951 Henderson highway climaxed a day of recreation and entertainment in the new city of 20,100.

A 31-float, 20-minute parade regaled curb-lined youngsters and ushered in provincial and municipal dignitaries to the makeshift outdoor parking lot platform.

Highlighting the procession was the pride and pulchritude of East Kildonan — 17-year-old Georgina Raines, Miss East Kildonan.

The Grade 11 student at Miles Macdonnell collegiate is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Raines, 232 Munroe avenue. Last March she was selected East Kildonan community club's carnival queen.

Morning festivities featured a mass gym display by elementary grade students at the East Kildonan recreational centre, a junior and senior track and field meet — and a tricycle-bicycle contest.

A little league baseball game, the beauty contest (Misses Edna Fredrick, 733 Prince Rupert avenue and Joan Slamp, 318 Fearn avenue were chosen princesses), and a horse show brought out nearly everybody in the area during the afternoon. A giant outdoor dance on the spot where the city was officially christened wound up the excitement in the evening.

DEDICATION ACT

Leading the shirt-sleeved crowd in hymn preceding the official dedication act were Rev. P. J. Collison, pastor of St. Alphonsus of Liguori church and Rev. F. J. Ison, pastor of St. Stephen's Anglican church.