



#### **\$2 MILLION SCHOOL STARTED IN NORTH KILDONAN:**

The sod was turned last Thursday afternoon to officially start construction on the new Junior High School immediately adjacent to River East Collegiate in North Kildonan. The school is designed for the new method of team teaching. The central area of the school will be a material resource centre with a large number of rooms coming off of that. Around the outside of the squared donut-type building will be a shops, home economics, music and art rooms, and a theatre with three teaching stations. The school will be built to handle a maximum of 900 students. The cost of the school will be paid for in grants from the Provin-

cial Government. It is expected it will be ready for fall enrollment next September. At the sod turning last week were, left to right: Architect Jerry McDonald; Trustee Robert Sanders, chairman of the Building Committee; Dr. W. Lorimer, Deputy Minister of Education; Superintendent D. Downie; Mayor David Pekary; Jim Smith, chairman of the River East Division Board; Nick Solilak, secretary-treasurer of the River East Division; Jim McDonald, director of Maintenance; John Potter, assistant superintendent of Secondary Education; and Henry Schmidt, who will be the school's first principal.

—Photo by Ralf Lilje-Gren.

# New Chief Peguis Junior High To Be Officially Opened Thursday

The official opening of the \$1.8 million Chief Peguis Junior High School at Rothsay and Sutton in North Kildonan will take place Thursday afternoon and evening.

James G. Smith, chairman of the River East Division Board, will lay the cornerstone at 4 o'clock.

An Indian Pow-wow dance will be performed by members of the Peguis Indian Reserve. It is thought that this will be a first for a Winnipeg school opening, if not all of Manitoba.

Premier Schreyer will officially open the school at a ceremony which will commence at 7:30 p.m.

A special presentation will be made to two descendants of Chief Peguis - Mrs. Amy Louise Clemons and Chief Albert Edward Thompson.

The school is built around a material resources centre which accommodates 200 students and 36 seminar rooms. The school also has a fully modern theatre suite which seats 320 and contains a full stage, projection facilities and an instructional television studio.

Chief Peguis (1774-1864) was Chief of a tribe of Saul-

teux Indians that inhabited part of the land in the proximity of the Red River Settlement. He is perhaps best known of all the Manitoba Indians and is particularly noted for his friendship to the whites, especially the Selkirk Settlers.

He extended a hand of

brotherly love on many occasions affording both food and protection for the white community.

He seems, in fact, to have been instrumental in preventing its complete annihilation after the Seven Oaks Massacre.



## happenings in River East School Division

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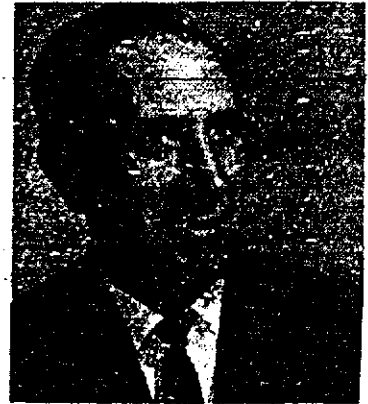
This is the sixth in a series which will introduce principals of schools within our division and hopefully inform the residents of some of the activities and curriculum taking place in these schools.

### PRINCIPAL OF ANGUS McKAY SCHOOL

The Principal of Angus McKay School is Peter F. Klassen. He is a native of Manitoba having received his high school education at the Mennonite Collegiate Institute situated at Gretna, Manitoba which is one of the oldest private schools in the province.

After graduating from teacher's college Mr. Klassen started his teaching career in southern Manitoba and later in Teulon. In 1953 he

ward School where he taught grade VIII children.



P. F. KLASSEN

During his teaching career in East Kildonan, Mr. Klassen has taught students at Miles Macdonell Collegiate, Morse Place, Melrose and John Henderson Junior High Schools.

Prior to his appointment as principal of Angus McKay



Chief Albert Edward Thompson (on crutches), of the Peguis Indian Reserve, an Indian from the reserve, and Henry Schmidt, principal of Chief Peguis Junior High School, smoke peace pipe after a powwow following the official opening Thursday by Premier Ed Schreyer of the \$1.8 million Chief Peguis Junior High School at Rothesay Street and Sutton Avenue, North Kildonan. Special presentations were made to Chief Thompson and Amy Louise Clemons, both descendants of Chief Peguis (1774-1864), chief of a tribe of Saulteaux Indians who inhabited part of the land near the Red River Settlement. The powwow dance was a first for a Manitoba school opening. The school has an enrolment of 850 students, but can accommodate 900 in Grades 7 to 9.

APRIL 22 1970 Cost of Building \$1,800,000.00

## OPEN HOUSE - CHIEF PEGUIS JUNIOR HIGH

### 1:00 REGULAR CLASSES IN SESSION

Public Welcome - Guides will be in attendance all day.

### 4:00 CORNERSTONE CEREMONY

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| 1. Remarks by School Board Chairman | Mr. J. G. Smith       |
| 2. Laying Cornerstone               | Mr. J. G. Smith       |
| 3. School Cheer                     | Cheerleaders          |
| 4. Indian Pow - Wow Dance           | Peguis Indian Reserve |

### 7:30 OFFICIAL OPENING

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| 1. O Canada   |   |
| 2. Prayer of Invocation and Dedication  | Rev. E.A. Isaac                                   |
| 3. Non Nobis Domine   | Glee Club   |
| 4. Chairman's Remarks and Introduction<br>of Platform Guests  |   |
| 5. Greeting from North Kildonan   | Mayor D. Pekary                                   |
| 6. Special Presentation to Descendants<br>of Chief Peguis - Mrs. Amy Louise Clemons<br>Chief Albert Edward Thompson |   |
| 7. "Frere Jacques"  | Band  |
| 8. Greetings from Dept. of Youth and Education  |   |
| 9. Introduction of Guest Speaker  | Mr. B. E. Glavin<br>Board Vice - Chairman         |
| 10. Official Opening  | The Honourable E. Schreyer<br>Premier of Manitoba |
| 11. Choral, "Chaconne"  | Band  |
| 12. Ceremonial Key Presentation   |   |
| (A) Builder   | Mr. B. F. Klassen                                 |
| (B) Architect   | Mr. G. D. Macdonald                               |
| (C) Board   | Mr. J. G. Smith                                   |
| (D) Superintendent  | Dr. D. A. Downie                                  |
| (E) Principal   | Mr. H. Schmidt                                    |
| 13. "Spirit of Peguis"  | Band and Glee Club                                |
| 14. God Save the Queen.   |   |

You are invited to tour the school at your convenience during the day. The Home Economics Dept. has provided refreshments in the Material Resources Centre to help make your visit more enjoyable.

Mr. K. M. Menders is the Director of the Band and Glee Club.