



BUILDING PERMITS IN EAST KILDONAN REACH NEAR MILLION MARK

The construction of new homes and a school in East Kildonan in the first six months of 1949 almost reached the \$1,000,000 mark. J. W. Battershill, municipal engineer, announced Tuesday. This is just double the previous high set during the same period last year.

The construction from the first of the year to June 30 consisted of 149 residences and the new school for the Parish of St. Alphonsus. The total value amounts to \$914,250. This more than doubles last year's January to June

St. Alphonsus Parish Building \$60,000 School

Construction of a new six-room school for St. Alphonsus Parish was started this week. The building, which will measure 56x88 feet, will be erected at 345 Munroe ave., between Roch and Brazier. Besides the classrooms there will be an office and library.

It will be built on concrete piers, and will be solid brick. The building will be hot water heated. It is planned to have the new school occupied in the fall.

The cost of the two-storey building will approximate \$60,800.

The contractors are Peter Letch Construction Ltd. and the architects Green, Blankstein, Russell and Associates.

TO CRACK DOWN ON SIDEWALK RIDERS IN EAST KILDONAN

Bicycle riding on sidewalks in East Kildonan is going to be curbed.

At the regular meeting Monday night council instructed the police to check bicycle riding on the sidewalks, as it was considered menace to public safety.

The decision was made as result of two accidents within the municipality recently, and brought to the attention of the meeting by Councillor Suttie. He stated child on Greene ave. had been "caught behind the ear" by the handlebar of a speeding sidewalk rider, and the other accident took place on the highway. He contended that many cyclists appeared to have no discretion about speed

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Religious Needs Stressed At Opening Of New School

The new \$62,000, completely modern St. Alphonsus school, which replaces the old school at Brazier street and Munroe avenue, East Kildonan, was officially opened Sunday by Hon. R. F. McWilliams, lieutenant-governor of Manitoba.

The school, a two-storey structure, includes a cafeteria and is designed to accommodate 350 children.

Most Rev. Gerald C. Murray, coadjutor-archbishop of Winnipeg, told the gathering religious education was necessary to live a good life.

He felt education in public schools was insufficient due to a lack of religious training.

"Teachers," he continued, "are not primarily delegates of the government. They must realize their responsibility and obligation to impart a training comparable to what the students would receive in a good home."

Dr. R. O. MacFarlane, deputy

minister of education, and Mayor J. L. Bodle of East Kildonan, also spoke.

The building was blessed by Most Rev. G. C. Cabana, coadjutor-archbishop of St. Boniface.

Other speakers included Father K. Kennedy, rector of St. Alphonsus; John A. Stanley and Mrs. Joseph Nolan. Chairman was J. A. Trejger.

Mayor MacLean Scores Manitoba On Relief Aid

Manitoba is doing less to help those on relief than any other province in the country, Mayor G. C. MacLean of St. Boniface charged Monday night at a meeting of the civic health and licence committee.

A motion, sponsored by Mayor MacLean, was passed asking that

New St. Alphonsus Church Official Opening Sunday

The official opening of the new St. Alphonsus Church, Munroe and Brazier, will take place on Sunday. Masses will be held at 7, 8.30, 10 and 11.30 a.m. and 1, 4 and 7 p.m.

The Solemn Blessing at 3 p.m. will begin with Most Rev. Maurice Baudoux, Archbishop of St. Boniface, leading the Procession of 4th Degree Knights, Cubs, Guides and Brownies from the old church to the new. Father P. J. Collison will offer the Ceremonial Mass.

A silver tea, which will be opened by Premier Duff Roblin, accompanied by Mrs. Roblin, will be held in the school auditorium (old church) from 2 to 9 p.m. It will be convened by the Catholic Women's League. Mrs. J. T. Mills, president, will receive with Mrs. E. McPike, general convener.

Assistants are: Mrs. F. Knight, exchequer; Mrs. L. Lebel, servers; Mrs. J. Nolan, decorations and tables; Mrs. R. J. Baxter, pourers;

Mrs. R. O'Dowda, invitations; Mrs. N. Payne, sandwiches; St. Patrick's Circle, dainties; and St. Michael's Circle, tea and coffee.

St. Alphonsus was founded in December, 1913, by Very Rev. A. Duke, C.Ss.R., who took residence on Martin avenue. The first High Mass was celebrated June 21, 1914. One hundred and forty-five families made up the parish six months later.

A permanent church was completed in 1916 and a parochial school, staffed by Sisters of St. Joseph of Toronto, was opened in 1921. A new parochial school was built in 1950 with an expansion in 1954. A second school was completed in 1957.

At the present time St. Alphonsus numbers over 1,200 families of cosmopolitan origin.

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