

Contract For Building East Kildonan Schools Goes To Local Contractor

By Arn McEwen

Twenty-four hours after East Kildonan residents approved the \$180,000 school bylaw for construction of two six-room elementary schools the School Board held another special meeting in order to select a contractor for the work.

After much deliberation on 11 tenders previously submitted, a decision was finally reached on one bid which complied with all the board's specifications.

The contract was then awarded to Peter Koop, a local contractor, who fortunately has just completed work on two new schools in North Kildonan and is ready to commence immediate preparations in our district.

A telephone conversation with Mr. Koop confirmed the fact that machinery, tools and equipment are already on the Munroe ave. site and the contractor assured us of his full co-operation.

With prompt action from sub-contractors there is every hope that both schools will be opened in September.

Last night Sports Chairman Alex. Inglis started the ball rolling on the subject of field days when he conducted a meeting of teachers and principals representing sports activities from all schools. The teachers decided:

- To hold a field day (grades 7 to 11 inclusive) on Miles Macdonell school grounds on May 15th (or May 19th if weather is unfavorable).
- Inspector Day to officially open the meet.
- To arrange installation of a public address system.
- To arrange for a canteen stand.
- Elementary schools (grades 1-6 inclusive) to organize their own individual sports day, to be held on its own schools grounds.
- To build three new sand jumping pits on the field day grounds, and replenish old pits at other schools in the district. This to be done immediately in order that practice can be started now.

To this last point I might add that winners from this field day will compete May 28 at Sargent Park in the S.C.A.A. (Suburban Collegiate Athletic Association); and it is only natural that we hope East Kildonan will be in the headlines that day.

So come on, gang; let's smooth out those muscles now and work for new

Trans-Canada Route Gets Endorsation Of Government

The route of the Trans-Canada Highway west of Winnipeg as proposed by the Province of Manitoba has been approved by the Federal Government at Ottawa.

This announcement was made by the Minister of Public Works, Hon. Wm. Morton, following word received from the Minister of Resources and Development at Ottawa, Hon. Robert H. Winter.

The road recommended is as follows:

- From the westerly limit of the City of Winnipeg through St. James and Headingly, diverting from the existing location of No. 1 Highway approximately 5.3 miles west of Headingly and crossing the Assiniboine River;
- Then directly west to the intersection of the Canadian National Railway;
- Then westerly adjacent to and north of the Canadian National Railway to the inter-section with the existing No. 1 Highway approximately two miles east of Portage la Prairie;
- Then westerly through Portage la Prairie along existing route of No. 1 Highway to the town of Sidney.

The Provincial Department of Public Works is preparing detailed construction plans for submission to Ottawa for approval by the engineers in the Department of Resources and Development and it is anticipated actual grading operations will be carried out this summer.

Arbor Day

Arbor Day — the day set aside for planting and transplanting forest and other trees in Manitoba — will be observed Monday, May 4th, it has been declared by Hon. R. D. Robertson Minister of Agriculture and