

East Kildonan-Winnipeg Merger Parley Scheduled

The question of amalgamation between the municipality of East Kildonan and the city of Winnipeg will be discussed Oct. 11 at 3:30 p.m. at a meeting of city and suburban representatives.

At that time, the city will attempt to get a clearer picture of the municipality's financial condition and improvement plans.

Ald. V. B. Anderson was elected chairman of the special committee at its first meeting Monday.

Unless the provincial and municipal governments get together on a plan for a metropolitan area, there was little hope for amalgamation, remarked Ald. C. E. Simonite. It would cost "millions"

to bring the services in East Kildonan up to Winnipeg's standards, he declared.

Compromise Plan

Ald. Frank Chester suggested a compromise: a metropolitan area based on such services as police and fire departments. "We wouldn't have to take over the schools then."

Ald. James Black questioned the advisability of taking in municipalities in poor financial condition. However, he agreed the city could use land in East Kildonan.

"Unless we are prepared to adopt a policy of taking in the other municipalities, we are just wasting our time," declared Ald. Anderson.

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