

# East Kildonan — A City

The rural municipality of East Kildonan at 8 p.m. on Monday will be officially proclaimed as a city — the fourth in Greater Winnipeg, and the sixth in Manitoba. Henceforth, East Kildonan will be able to celebrate its civic birthday on the day that is dedicated also to commemoration of Canada's confederation.

From a practical point of view, the act of civic incorporation may sometimes seem to have little significance. The citizens of East Kildonan, in truth, will not wake up any differently on Tuesday morning than they did on Monday. There is, nonetheless, a magical attraction in the name of "city" and it is an attraction which can not be denied to East Kildonan, simply because

it is still a part of a larger metropolitan community.

It can be readily said, in fact, that East Kildonan has often accepted its metropolitan responsibilities with more grace than many of its Greater Winnipeg neighbors. It is unlikely to forget that the progress of which it is justifiably proud today has stemmed largely from the parallel growth of the metropolitan area, and from its own capacity to co-operate in that development.

It is in the knowledge of this spirit of friendly co-operation that provincial and municipal officials Monday will be extending to East Kildonan their congratulations on its incorporation, and their sincere wishes for the new city's prosperity.