

East Kildonan Residents May Vote In April On \$166,000 By-law For New Schools

By Arn McEwen

The money bylaw for the construction of two new six-room schools, which had been approved earlier last week by the Public Utilities Board, was given second reading by the trustees of the East Kildonan School District.

Immediately after the reading, the papers were delivered to the municipal offices in time for their Monday evening meeting. Council could then begin to prepare the municipality bylaw which would provide for the submission to electors of the request (the bylaw) of the School Board to borrow \$166,000.

In other words, when council has drawn up the bylaw, we will then know when the voting is to take place, and will have the bylaw advertised for three weeks in the Elmwood Herald.

This special vote by East Kildonan residents will be an important day for all parents. It will mean an end to staggered and over-crowded classes this fall, only if you vote in favor of the money bylaw.

It is now apparent to the Board that the solution is the construction of two six-room elementary schools and it is hoped that the residents and parents will support this decision at the voting time (possibly towards the end of April).

There may be some question about who is eligible to vote on this bylaw. Any person who has reached 21 years of age, who is a resident in the municipality of East Kildonan at the time of taking the vote, and whose name appeared on the last (October, 1952), revised list of electors, will be eligible to exercise his democratic right.

The Board has requested all school children, especially those up to grade V who will ask their parents for suggestions, to submit a name for each of the proposed new schools — one six-room on Woodlawn at Roberta and the other six-room on Munroe ave. between Watt and Roche streets.

This means a bit more work for our busy teachers, but the Board feels we should all have a try at this naming business, and the children certainly are interested.

There was even a rumor of some cash awards being given out to the winners. If it turns out that we have a duplication of names which have been considered as winners, then we will make a draw to choose the winning entry.

The Board is pleased to welcome Alex. Inglis, who was recently elected by acclamation, to fill the vacancy created by Mr. Vidler. Mr.

Inglis has accepted the responsibility as new chairman of sports.

At a meeting Wednesday night the Board authorized architects Prain and Ward to call for tenders for the construction of two proposed six-room elementary schools.

Along with the urgency of having proper accommodation this fall for 400 (or more) additional pupils, and considering the time which we have to build the schools before school opening this fall, the Board's opinion is that if we call for tenders now (even before the bylaw has been approved by the residents in the forthcoming vote) we will not have lost any valuable time after the bylaw vote, and we will have gained much hope to have the problem solved this year.

Local Civil Defence Aids "Victims O

A man with a piece of glass through his hand, a woman with the edge of a broken bone jutting out of her arm, these cases and others, victims of an imaginary air raid, were viewed by those attending the inaugural meeting of the local Civil Defence first aid station at Lord Selkirk School Wednesday night.

This is the first unit in Greater Winnipeg to get organized. Alto-

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Viola Horch, 164 Martin ave., won the contralto solo, grade B com-