

Park Name Honors Long-Time Resident

A lovely expanse of Parkland in East Kildonan was named Anderson Park at an unveiling ceremony Thursday afternoon honoring a man who has lived in East Kildonan for more than half a century.

Mr. Edwin Anderson, who has lived in the same house he built back in 1921 at 227 Munroe ave., was so honored at an interesting service witnessed by a good number of Mr. Anderson's relatives and friends.

Chairman for the special occasion was Councillor Alf Penner, of Kilnorth Ward. Others taking part were Mr. Peter Fox, Speaker of the Manitoba Legislature, Mrs. Joseph Jorowski and Mr. Cliff Stirling of the Community of East Kildonan, and Rev. E. A. Isaacs of the River East Mennonite Brethren Church.

Mr. Penner and Mr. Anderson jointly unveiled a plaque at the park located on Raleigh st., just south of McLeod ave.

The six acre site houses two soccer pitches and a playground for small children.

Mr. Anderson was born at Goodlands, Manitoba, near Deloraine, and lived on a farm as a boy.

As soon as he completed his home on Munroe ave.,



Peter Fox, M. L. A., congratulates Mr. Anderson, while Mrs. Jorowski and Mr. Penner look on.

he began to beautify his property with flowers and shrubs, at the same time encouraging his neighbours to do likewise. It wasn't long before the neighbours were in friendly competition with each other.

On November 11, 1921 Mr. Anderson, along with Dave Allan, took sapling elms from the banks of the Red River and planted them on the boulevard of Munroe ave.

Through the years he has done much to promote horticulture in this area, and his own personal awards date back to 1924.

It was in that year, and again in 1925, that he won the Kildonan Horticultural Award. Forty-five years later he was still at it winning the East Kildonan Horticultural Society's award for the best home grounds under 50 feet in 1970.

As Mrs. Jorowski, in her

remarks about Mr. Anderson said: "He has given us a living legacy of trees, shrubs and flowers, a better understanding of beauty and now he has given us his name for this park. We are grateful."

Besides his many friends who attended the unveiling ceremony were his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Timlick, and granddaughter, from Trenton, Ontario.