

Residents of Flooded Area In East Kildonan "Get On With The Job"

Displaying a spirit strongly reminiscent of post-blitz Britain, the good people of East Kildonan's flood-damaged area are making a gallant and successful attempt to rehabilitate themselves and to restore their homes to make them liveable once again.

The residents of Leighton, Greene, Hazeldell and the other flooded avenues in East Kildonan can be seen these days working around their homes tearing up floors and ripping plaster off the walls.

The big question mark in most of their minds is "How much of the cost is the government going to stand?" "Can we go ahead with the repairs or do we have to wait for the government's o.k.?" These are the chief problems that the people are faced with at the present time.

None of them, however, have taken the attitude of "Let George Do It." They all realize that if they ever want to get back into their homes by fall they will "have to get cracking themselves," as one resident put it.

Covering most of the flooded area Tuesday evening a Herald reporter discovered that most of the residents were naturally quite despondent when they first saw their homes, but after everyone started to throw out their floors they realized that everyone around them was in the same fix and soon saw that there was nothing else for it and they would just have to put up with it. The spirit of the people is nothing short of remarkable.

Although it was very warm outside fires were on in some of the homes in an endeavour to dry the house out more quickly. In almost every instance water could still be wrung from the insulation taken from the walls.

One of the first persons called on was Mrs. Ronnie Seatter, 118 Leighton ave. Mrs. Seatter informed us that they had four feet of water in the living room, ruining of course, the walls and floors. The furniture, with the exception of the stove and frig., had been moved upstairs. She explained that the stove and frig. had been left in their accustomed positions in order that the neighbors working on the dikes might be given regular meals.

Mrs. T. C. Riley, 100 Leighton ave., had just about all the water she wants to see for awhile—about five feet over the main floor. Lying in a low spot at Woodlawn, Mrs. Riley said they had carried about ten bags of muck and mud out of the basement Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Collard, 38 Leighton ave., have a green card on their door which gives them permission to re-occupy. This o.k. is for sanitation only and, of course,



BILL FRASER

548 Chalmers ave., was one of six Winnipeg lads chosen to fill in on one of the two touring English football teams that played at Osborne Stadium Saturday afternoon. A member of Winnipeg Scottish, Bill gave a good account of himself. Known throughout the hockey world as "Legs" Fraser, Bill during the winter months tends goal for the Ottawa Senators in the Quebec Senior League.

SALVATION ARMY HALL ON HESPELER AVENUE BEDDING, CLOTHING DEPOT

The Salvation Army hall, 205 Hespeler ave., will be open for a distribution centre of clothing, bedding, etc., commencing today from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 2 to 4 p.m. The above mentioned articles will be supplied free of charge to any family or individual affected by the recent flood.

Should it not be convenient for persons in need of clothing and bedding to come to the centre, just mail a list of your requirements to Captain R. B. Weddell, 314 Union ave., and an effort will be made to meet the demand.

Persons making application through the mail are asked to be sure and state time and place of

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