

Sod Turning Ceremonies For 4.5 Million Regional Comprehensive School

The River East School Board is planning a special sod turning ceremony on May 27th. at 10:00 a.m. at the school site, the corner of Kimberly and London. The ceremonies will involve more than the usual number of dignitaries because of the project being a joint effort of six school divisions and the Provincial and Federal Governments.

The development of this school complex comes as the result of almost five years of planning on the part of the six metro school divisions -- Fort Garry, Norwood River East, St. Boniface, St. Vital, and Transcona, Springfield. The capital costs are being covered by the province and special grants made by the Federal Government.

In this age of advanced technology, there is an ever-increasing demand for a 'comprehensive' type of education. This school, expected to open in September, 1971, will accommodate 1,200 vocational and academic students at the high school level.

Six bulldozers, operated by the chairmen of the six divisions, will turn the sod to signify the beginning of construction. The actual construction job was awarded to Peter Leitch Construction Co.

and is expected to begin this week.

A full release giving the details on the school will be distributed at the ceremonies.

RIVER EAST STUDENT TOPS IN MATHEMATICS



Ross Bradshaw, a grade eleven student at the River East Collegiate, placed first in Manitoba in a national mathematics contest. Ross is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Bradshaw, 2773 Henderson Hwy.

The Junior Mathematics Contest, sponsored by the University of Waterloo, involved 18,700 competitors (Grades IX, X, and XI) from Ontario, Manitoba, Saska-