

East Kildonan School House

By LES. BODIE



J. M. HAWRYLUK, B.Sc., B.Ed.

I first met John Hawryluk back in the early 30's when we played on the same basketball team in the Y.M.C.A. league. At that time he was attending University and in the evenings alternated his time between studies, basketball and playing in an orchestra to subsidize his activities.

John is principal of Polson School, the oldest school in the East Kildonan District, and is one of the well known members of our staff. He is commencing his 13th year with us, having spent seven years in Prince Edward as Science teacher and in charge of sports; the last five as principal at Polson.

Born in Winnipeg, he received his education in the City Schools and graduated from the U. of M. with a science degree. He later added B.Ed. to his name and is now completing work for his M.Ed.

Keenly interested in his chosen profession, he also shows the same enthusiasm for sports and music. An active participant in tennis, bowling, curling and golf, he has also played basketball, baseball and hockey. In the above sports he has won many trophies, in particular he has held the men's high in the Teacher's Bowling league for five consecutive years. An active member of the Winnipeg Canoe club, Palaminaki club and C.U.A.C.

Past president of the Teachers' Association No. 20, and chairman of Trial Board of Winnipeg Musicians Union.

In the musical field he devotes much of his spare time to encouraging young players with musical ability and was partially responsible in assisting some E.K. students who, as a 5-piece orchestra, made their debut last Friday evening, Sept. 26, in the Community hall.

He himself plays the violin, trumpet, and has been vocalist in an orchestra for many years, does choral work and has taken part in the Manitoba Musical Festival for the past two seasons.

He is very proud of his competent school staff and is very appreciative of the cooperation he has received during the past few years from his students and their parents. The response to school teas and other endeavours made possible the purchase of a \$650.00 sound projector which is used each week. Polson is the only school with this equipment.

Mr. Hawryluk, his mother and sister, Helen, on our Collegiate staff, are residents of Winnipeg, but formerly resided in East Kildonan for 11 years until the winter of 1941.

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