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**JOHN MARTIN HAWRYLUK**  
B.Sc., B.Ed.

Principal of Polson School

One of our older members of the East Kildonan staff is John Martin Hawryluk, who has been with us the past 20 years.

Although Mr. Hawryluk participates in other activities, he is essentially and basically an educator. He is keenly interested in his chosen profession — teaching — and is very proud of it.

Born in Winnipeg, Mr. Hawryluk attended Machray and Aberdeen Schools. During his first year at St. John's Technical High School he played the violin in the school orchestra. Later he joined a dance orchestra and in this way "put himself" through university during the "lean 30's".

Some time later he "picked" up the trumpet and with his violin, fine tenor voice, he became first a librarian and then leader of an orchestra.

Politically speaking, Mr. Hawryluk needs no introduction. Since 1949 he has represented Winnipeg North in the Manitoba Legislature.

This year Mr. Hawryluk will be completing his 21st year in East Kildonan where he started as science and mathematics teacher and in charge of sports at Prince Edward School. For the past 14 years he has been principal at Polson School.

Mr. Hawryluk graduated from the University of Manitoba in 1933

with a Bachelor of Science degree and attended the Faculty of Education in 1934. Since that time all courses have been completed towards his Master of Education degree.

Through the excellent cooperation of the parents of his district, and the members of his staff and the pupils, Polson School has raised thousands of dollars in past years by means of school teas and bazaars. As a result, Polson School has acquired the reputation of being the best equipped school in all of Greater Winnipeg.

Such equipment includes the following: A public address system, a movie projector, portable screen, strip-film projector, new radios in each classroom, a portable typewriter, two portable gramophone machines, a recorder machine and \$100 worth of music appreciation records, a multigraph machine, extra supplementary readers for each classroom and library books, three sets of encyclopaedias, sports equipment, etc.

Mr. Hawryluk's hobbies are music and books. He has an excellent library of records and books at home.

Polson School choirs took part in the Manitoba Musical Festival and won trophies on three occasions.

Since early school years Mr. Hawryluk has taken an active part in all sports and in the past has won many trophies and cups for bowling, tennis, curling and golf. He has won the high men's single average trophy in the Winnipeg Teachers' Five Pin Bowling League ten times in the last 14 years.

For two successive years Mr. Hawryluk had been president of the Teachers' Association, Local No. 20, and was secretary for two years with the Winnipeg Teachers' Bowling Association. He is an executive member of the Ukrainian Business Men's and Professional Club, a member of the Ukrainian Canadian Legion, one of the first members and former president of the Ukrainian Male Voice Choir.

For many years he was a member of the Canadian Ukrainian Athletic Association and during the earlier years of the club he coached, supervised community sports and encouraged young boys to take an active part in various sports.

Mr. Hawryluk is married. He was formerly a resident of East Kildonan.