

Refinery Expansion Protested

A petition presented by A. Reid, 561 Trent ave., with 2,172 signatories, was before the regular meeting of East Kildonan Council Monday night, protesting the proposed closing of Munroe ave. from Watt st. to the C.P.R. tracks for the purpose of industrial expansion.

The petition was worded in the following terms:

"We, the undersigned, do hereby protest the proposed closing of Munroe ave. from Watt st. to the C.P.R. tracks and the sale of land on Munroe ave. to the Radio Oil and Gas Co., or any other oil company for the purpose of expanding the present refinery facilities, as such expansion will be a menace to the present and proposed schools, and the health of the children. It will also tend to lower the value of property and will create an extra fire hazard."

The petition was the outcome of a request by the local oil refinery for purchase of additional land north of their property which had come before a previous Council meeting. At that meeting the petitioners asked that the company's request be "hoisted" for two weeks so that time might be given for a canvass of the district. At that meeting the petitioners' "hoist" request was granted.

