



**EAST KILDONAN'S WALL OF STONE:** Work on the stone wall to prevent further river bank slippage in East Kildonan was completed last week. Further work will be done on facing the remainder of the slope to the top of the bank. Scene at the left is taken from the top of the wall looking north to where it terminates at the bottom of Helmsdale

avenue. Upper right shows a corner of J. Kenick's home at 728 Kildonan Drive, which is now but 11 feet from the crumbling bank. Lower right shows some of the trucks hauling stone through the opening in the wall at the bottom of Bronx avenue, which is about the centre of the wall.

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# 9-Foot Wall of Stone Built To Halt River Bank Erosion

It may not compare with the Great Wall of China, but certainly the wall being built on the banks of the Red River along Kildonan Drive is the largest undertaking of this type ever seen in Winnipeg.

In an effort to prevent further river bank slippage, and what would ultimately mean the loss of one or two homes, East Kildonan Council plunged into the project almost single-handedly last fall.

They have been promised aid up to 37½ per cent from the provincial government, but were never able to get any assistance federally.

The work, which was started three weeks ago, was completed last week by the Kleinfelder Co. at a cost of \$23,000. The property owners and the city of East Kildonan will assume 62½ per cent.

Starting at the bottom of Neil Place, the nine-foot high wall runs to past Helmsdale ave., a total of 2,100 feet. The base of the wall is as wide as 27 feet in some places and approximately eight feet wide at the top.

The material, which was taken mainly from the quarries at Stony Mountain, with some coming from Garson and various stores of waste rock in Winnipeg, weighs slightly in excess of 16,000 tons.

Ald. Bodie, who was instrumental in getting a lot of the paper work ironed out with provincial government officials last summer, stated

this week that "It is the intention of Council to take immediate action to protect the most threatened areas of the bank from further collapse."

This "immediate action" will be to place a layer of stone from the wall up the slope to the top of the bank. Last week City Council made application to the Rivers and Streams Board for permission to proceed with this important phase of the job.

Ald. Bodie stated Tuesday he had received authorization from R. D. Robertson, minister of public works, that the additional work be proceeded with under the previous agreement.

Council now is hoping for colder weather to allow the trucks and bulldozers back down the bank to complete the job before the spring thaw.

Two to three feet of the wall will be visible when the river reaches its normal level following the spring run-off.

## Gets Winnipeg North Liberal Nomination



**MRS. NINA PARTRICK**

In spite of the worst weather experienced this year, the Winnipeg North Liberal nomination meeting at St. John's Technical High School Wednesday night was well attended. Because of the failure of power service, as a result of the storm, candles were brought into play — quite an unusual experience at any meeting.

Harry Walsh, president, presided, and in his remarks brought forward the broad principles of Liberalism.

Mrs. Nina Partrick was nominated by Mayor George Suttie, who in his address outlined Mrs. Partrick's many contributions to community organizations and to her experience as a member of the School Board since 1952.

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