

## Discuss program

A committee of five county councillors will meet to discuss what projects the county should undertake under the winter works incentive program organized by the provincial government.

A new county works building, an addition to the county buildings and an addition to the Manor are among those projects being considered.

The recommendation will come to county council at the inaugural meeting Jan. 11.



## Greetings

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Challenges MP Morison

## MP Morison welcomes chance to defend seat

If John Morison is again going to represent Halton-Wentworth Liberals in the next federal election he'll have to defend Norm McGuinness in a race to carry the Grit ticket.

Opposition is not new to Morison. He is a veteran of two contested nomination victories and three elections. He won his first election in 1963, was re-elected in 1965 and again in 1968.

### Seat contested

When he learned his seat was being contested, the MP said a contest could be "healthy" but his main concern was that Halton-Wentworth be represented by a government member. In a press release he said, "This means it is essential the Liberal party come out of this united and field a winner."

"I've won two contested nominations and three elections which many expected me to lose. The riding had only previously been won by Liberals on two occasions since Confederation."

### Proven winner

"I am not so sure local Liberals upon reflection will gamble a seat that can't be held by any other than a proven winner," he said. He said he'd welcome the contest as an opportunity to defend his own record, both as a backbencher and a parliamentary committee chairman.

# Burlington man challenges MP John Morison for seat

Halton-Wentworth MP John Morison has some competition for his seat in parliament at Ottawa, and it comes from within the ranks of his own party.

Norm McGuinness, a marketing manager of Westinghouse Canada and a resident of Burlington, announced Monday he will contest the Halton-Wentworth Liberal party's federal nomination meeting, slated to be held around the end of February. Morison, the present MP, has been in office for seven years.

### Doesn't know record

"I have only met him once and I don't know anything about his record," McGuinness told this newspaper. "I feel every seat

should be contested and I felt it was time I gave it a try." McGuinness announced his intentions to challenge Morison to a riding executive meeting on the weekend.

Morison, who lives in Dundas, held the Wentworth federal riding before it was lumped with the Burlington-Nassagaweya area and renamed Halton-Wentworth in the last federal election. An election is being rumored for 1972.

McGuinness has lived in Burlington since 1960 and has been involved in a number of community activities, including service as chairman of the citizens' committee which was instrumental in acquiring the new Burlington Central Library.

He is presently a library trustee, and chairman of the finance committee of the South Central Regional Library System.

### Ecologist

He also served as treasurer for the 1969 Western Ontario Drama League festival in Burlington and was 1970 chairman of the McGill Alumni fund drive for the Hamilton area. He's a member of the Bruce Trail Association and the Save-the-Lakeshore Committee and is a professional engineer.

A native of Montreal, he received his B. Sc. in electrical engineering from McGill University and a Master of Business Administration degree from the University of Western Ontario.

McGuinness is 39 years old, married with four children, and resides at 234 Pomona Av. in Burlington. His wife Marie-Therese holds degrees in Arts and Science from the University of Saskatchewan, and in

Journalism from the University of Western Ontario, and comes from a politically active family. Both her father and sister were Liberal MLA's in Saskatchewan.

## Choralliers make draw

The Choralliers staged a Christmas dance with a buffet supper at the Legion hall Saturday night.

Their Christmas draw was made and winners are Pat Kentner, C. Davidson, K. Halford, H. Dawson, W. Toth, D. Rokery, S. Denny, Helen Campbell, C. Frauw, D. Gibson, J. Lockery, C. Gathof, S. Wolske, Mrs. Daigle and J.C. Carey.

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## Christmas Greetings

On that first Christmas, a special Star shone bright over the Mother and Child. May the Christmas star of peace, joy and happiness shine bright over you and yours for Christmas and all through the year.

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## Power line worries hikers

Twelve concerned members of the Bruce Trail Association met in Belfountain to discuss implications of the proposed Ontario Hydro power line through Chinguacousy on the Bruce Trail.

A spokesman said the meeting was called to draw attention to the Bruce Trail Association.

P. E. Dams, Fifth Line, West Chinguacousy, said he was under the impression the escarpment was protected by a bill which states that the escarpment must be left for recreational use.

Mr. Dams said the result of the meeting will now go to the Bruce Trail Association's head office.

He said letters have been sent to Premier William Davis and other people in the area, protesting the proposed route for the power line.

Mr. Dams said this would affect the whole of Brampton and Toronto if the hydro lines went through the trail.

"It is funny that with a stroke

of the pen from point A to point B the hydro people can take over everything," said Mr. Dams.

### Some willing

Mr. Dams said some of the farmers in the area are anxious to have the line go through. He said the farmers have in mind the \$3,000 an acre Hydro would pay for land which it would then rent back to the farmers for \$1. a year.

"This area should be preserved the way it is," said Mr. Dams. "People who want the line to go through have never lived in the city."

He said if satellite towns are needed they should be surrounded by a greenbelt. He cited Bramalea as an example where a satellite town was set up in the middle of nowhere and a few years later it is a part of Toronto.

"I don't think it is a monetary thing at all," said Mr. Dams. "We just have to keep our conservation areas as they are."

## Santa has many Christmas helpers

Santa is sometimes pictured as traveling by rocket or jet plane. However, his favorite mode of transportation is still the famous reindeer-drawn sleigh. It remains a wonder that he is still jolly, when he has to cover the world in one night.

The explanation may be found in the number of helpers that he has, and also the fact that Christmas Eve is not the only day for delivering gifts.

St. Nicholas, a real bishop, was the first "Santa." Many legends grew up around his name, and many centuries after his death on Dec. 6, about 342 A.D., he was honored as a friend to the young. Dec. 6 became "Children's Day," and St. Nicholas, traveling by horse, brought gifts to reward children for good behavior.

In Scandinavian and some other countries, Santa gets help from St. Lucy, who is responsible for the distribution of gifts on her day, Dec. 13.

Many Spanish children expect The Three Kings to bring them gifts on Epiphany, Jan. 6. They, too set out shoes filled with straw and grain for the horses the Kings ride.

Whatever the gift-giving date, Santa has a host of helpers to lighten his load. In addition to St. Lucy, Scandinavian countries have the Tomtar, little grey bearded men who are said to hide gifts for boys and girls on Christmas Eve. The Christ Child or Kristkind brings the gifts in many countries.

In Italy the traditional gift giver is Befane, sometimes described as a benevolent fairy and sometimes as a witch. Legend says that she misdirected the Magi or that she refused to shelter the Holy Family. Now she goes around the world, in repentance, seeking the Christ Child and doing good to children on Christmas Eve.

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