Essential Once a Year

One a year, whether we need it or not, we have an old-fashioned habit of clearing off the top of our desk. Women do their spring cleaning much later in the year and the only reason we can give for selecting a year-end date for desk clearing is the fact that new calendars and desk padsand memos always require changing right after December.

We didn't find any lost cheques or other valuable papers or documents when the cleaning was being done. But what an accumulation of clippings, articles and material which we had laid aside to peruse at a future time of more leisure. But it never was done and after many years of experience we have found that what hadn't been accomplished in 1952 would soon be crowded out by 1953 material and the task of catching up would be endless.

The job of clearing a desk is one that cannot be done hurriedly. It must not be interrupted and what an interesting way to spend an hour or so the last day of every year. Two of the requirements necessary for lengthy periods between clean-up are a fair sized desir top- a system(?) of orderly piles which you alone understand and some large drawers in the desk which can contain some of that material which cannot be discarded every year. Desk drawers will take a longer period between clean-up times and it's just as good in July as in December. We might add the desk drawers of this editor's desk are being left until July. But what a lot of unfinished reading that year-end clean-up has revealed every year for many years. Does one ever get caught up?

Prime Minister Winston Churchill is on another visit to North America and no doubt journalists will get a new supply of quotable

A New One Every Minute

There's always something new to learn about. Until last Friday we didn't know about an azel. The word is pronounced like hazel without the "h" so we presume we have spelled it correctly. We came across it in one of the big city stores where a man was demonstrating a little gadget that would sharpen anything from a razor to a lawnmower. We've always been interested in listening to the sales lingo of these specialists in demonstrations who invariably sell an article at half the price of that listed on the container.

Well this new thing in Toronto stores which he called an "azel" came into the sales talk quite unexpectedly. He was showing how dull one of his demonstration knives had been made. It just wouldn't cut anything and to prove it he drew it across his throat and explained that if it were sharp it would sever his head from his body and his head would be out there in the "azal" and he would be behind the counter without any head.

It took us some little time to grasp just where the azel was located for rolling chopped off heads into or whether it was a new kind of elevator or escalator, and then we looked up and found a little sign right in front of the demonstrator which said "Aisle 14" and we discovered our spelling and pronounciation weren't at all modern and we slipped away down another alleyway between two displays which was marked Aisle 11 and kept our eye on these newest things that were introduced to us for the first time in 1953. What wonderful things can be accomplished with this wonderful English of ours and how confusing it can become to even the natives.

-----Oh for the optimism of youth that are getting fun out of buying skis and winter sports equipment with what is left over after the Christmas spending.

Holding the Line

In spite of the fact that the newsprint price was increased effective the first of the year and that a boost in freight rates comes into effect at the same time, the price of your Free Press will remain unchanged. The reason is simply the fact that we purchased an extra stock of newsprint before the price became effective and have enough on hand to maintain our present price.

Perhaps it's a hopeless hope but anyway we like to hold the price line and perhaps sales tax or some of the other taxes which enter into the cost of newspaper production will assist in main

taining present prices before another supply ha to be purchased.

We think it's a helpful indication of a change in thinking that some prices have stopped climbing and in some instances have been lowered For some time now price increases have been go a good deal more uncertain than ing a merry circle with no one getting a great deal of benefit. It's been getting a habit in many lines Councillor Swackhamer had the to accept price increases with a shrug and the comment that the increase will be passed on to the customer. In the meantime, prices of farm products have been declining and other-products will have to keep in line if they are going to con- thanklessly voted out or humilitinue to be in demand.

Taxes form a large part of all costs of pro- | were Mr. Robert Holmes-and Mr | ing the Christman holidays ductions and it is only reasonable to anticipate that governments will set a trend in attempting to Agnew bring prices more in line by decreases. In the meantime, we are glad to assure our readers that the home town paper has no immediate increasesin prospect, --

Not only did we have a green Christmas but the New Year didn't bring any white blanket for this district. It may change before

Leaders Pass On .-

One of Ontario's most colorful and forceful Premiers, Mitchell F. Hepburn has passed from the scene. He was the youngest man ever to hold that position. Last summer when we toured some Ontario farms with a group of agriculturists from Halton and Peel it was again our privilege to meet him on his farm near St. Thomas. We will recall one of his remarks at that time. He said he had been raised on the farm, he had come back again the part of the various colonies. to the farm and it was there he was happiest and hoped to spend the rest of his life.

It was also our privilege to visit his farm School in some measure for their Inquaurator Dies home with a group of newspaper editors when he was Premier of Ontario. On that occasion he was not able to be home owing to a big strike in Oshawa. We met him on many occasions and while we didn't always agree with his viewpoint, we found him very fair and very understanding.

Many a man who has gained public prominence has found greatest happiness in the more simple life. His farm holdings, his methods and his leadership in public and farm life of Canada made an impression which will live long after him. The strenuous demands of public life take an early toll and Mr. Hepburn was just in his 57th

Last week it was Hon. Gordon Conant who Ir passed away and only a few months ago George McCullough died in his early life with many years seemingly ahead of him.

The test of good manners is being able to put up pleasantly with had ones

Objectionables to Remove

With the 1953 motor vehicle license plates used. now available, the motorist can abolish that objectionable little sticker that was in the lower right hand corner of every windshield. The battered, ferable bent and rusted plates that have done service for two, years can also be replaced with nice new ones at any time that motorists want to make the change. It would appear that the plates made in 1951 were not made sturdy enough to stand the rigors of our Canadian conditions or the boisterous ways of the Canadian motorists.

Whatever material or workmanship is to blame will have to be taken into consideration if any move is made to have license plates serve for a two year period. There has been an agitation for some time to issue permanent plates for the lifetime of the car. The permanent plates remove an annual nuisance to the public and would eliminate much government administration involved in the yearly plate change. Permanent plates, manufactured of better material, make the work of police easier and do not detract from the appearance of cars. An examination of British license plates will clearly show the difference in material and workmanship. Another item in favor of the longer use of plates is the fact many skinned knuckles are avoided in changing the plates each year. But for 1953 the corner sticker goes cut as soon as you get the new markers and the new bolts and you get those battered and bent and rusty numbers removed that have done duty since 1951

MAY HAVE SEEMED BETTER

Back in 1903

Thursday morning January 8, 1963

The municipal election on Mondeath or taxes. The contest was strongest support. Worthy citizens sacrifice time,

comfort and personal interests in business and without exception after a few years' service they are Jan. Brown, farmer Other councillors are George Hynds and John the home of the bride's parents,

were W. R. Kenney, Dr. McKeague, H. Grindell, W. H. Denny, Rev. II A. MacPherson, R. B. Johnson, Elected to the Free Library Board were John Cameron, H. P. Moore, T. T. Moore, A. J. Mackinnon, B. Henderson, A E Smith, BD and the reeve.

There are two articles in the Canadian Magazine for January. issue a notable one. John Ridding ton describes "The Doukhobot Pilgrimage" with a sympathetic and penetrating insight. The other is an illustrated description of the Wirelss Telegraph Station at Glace Bay, Nova Scotia.

Mr Chamberlain has made some fine speeches in South Africa continual appeal to colonials forget all petty jealousies strikes home. It will be surprising if his visit is not found to have left behind a more reasonable attitude on

The immense crowd that assembled in the town hall on New Year's Mutual Fire Aid night repaid Knox Church Sunday work in preparing for the cantata, "Santa Claus at his best". Mr. A. T. Mann and Miss Jean Smith have established their reputations as conductors of chorus music. Mrs. J. H. Matthews as directress had her hands full. The Sunday School orchestra in full array furnished music that delighted the audience. The following officers were in

stalled in Walker Lodge A.F. A. J. McKinnon; W.M., A. JD, J. R. Kennedy; I.G. M. Mc.

Household Gleanings it a time, will cure a cold

a handle over a box in which to and the Oakville Kiwanis club bring in chips. The dirt will not. He is survived by his wife, the sift through as when a basket 's' former Cecily (Kitty) Greenfield,

pimples. Hot water and a piece Edward Lauder, Toronto and a sisof flannel for a face cloth are pre- ter, Mrs. Malcolm Stewart, Toronto

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1000 am.-Sunday Sthool That!

100 a m .- Morning Worship, Sub-

00 pm - Evening Worship Kod

Thought for the Week

Men will be slaves to the lords of

war until they surrender to the

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FIRST SUNDAY AFTER

EPIPHANY

January 11th, 1953

700 p.m.-Evensong and Sermor.

All Welcome

CONFIRMATION CLASSES

Monday, January 12th

7.15 p.m.—Young Peoples' Class

Those interested are welcome.

8.30 a.m.-Holy Communion.

10.00 a.m.-Church School.

11.00 a.m.+Beginners' Class.

8,00 p.m.-Adults' Class.

Both in the Rectory.

Rector -

achromes and hymns on

ject. The Mystic Pillar (New

Back in 1933

day was an unexpectedly hot one, end of the year and the book baland the result -well, elections are ancing tasks principally over the regreship to appear on the cars now

the honest effort to transact public dent and the Vice President teams rest rooms in a central location. and the president won ated. The two condidates elected ments of Agriculture in Acton at the head of the poll this year resumed again on Tuesday follow

Elected to the board of education

either of which would make the officials for the year

A M, on the evening of the Festival of St. John, the Evengelist: IPM. lack. Brown; S.W., D. M. Henderson; J W., Wm. Cooper; S.D., C. Shaw; Donald; O.G., J. Kenney, Sr.; Stewards, F. McIntosh, R. B. Scott; Chaplain, Rev. R. H. McPherson; Sec. W. Stark; Treas J Kenney.

Vaseline, taken half a teaspoonful

Dry grapes with the stems, for mes they are almost as good as Hospital Board

chimneys better than anything.

Thursday, January 5, 1933

Now for the worst of news the

The opening cutling game of the segson was held at Acton Arena on Munday night It was the time honored contest between the Prost

The three months' course which is being conducted by the Depart-

A pretty wedding took place at when Lorens Elizabeth only daugh ter of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Laush brook was united in marriage to Mr. Archibald H. Darvell, son Mr. and Mrs C A Darvell After two postponments the local O.HA schedule got under way a.

The Acton sextette lost their first game to Georgetown 3.0 Acton Council met for the in augural meeting on Tuesday appointed standing committees and

BORN RAMSDEN At Acton Colorio on

Tuesday, December 20, 1932, t Mr. and Mrs. L.C. Ramuden, daughter.

LONGSTREET At Guelph Gen eral Hospital on Thursday even tog, December 29, 1932, Murray Clayton Longstreet, beloved husband of Elma Lane

OBITUARY

The retiring reeve of Oakville, Russell Lauder, died on Tuesday, December 30 at the age of 44. Ha had just one day more to serve as reeve. Mr. Lauder was for the past three years a member of Halton county council, and was one of the prime movers inaugurating the Halton mutual fire aid plan. He died in Onkville-Trafalgar Memorial Hospital of a heart at-

Mr. Lauder was born in Cleveland, Ohio, and moved to Canada with his parents. He attended St. Andrew's College, Aurora and Jarvis Collegiate, Toronto He had been employed by the Dominion Iron and Steel Foundry in Hamilton since 1939, and had been in the brokerage business previous to that

He served as Oakville councillos for three years, deputy-reeve one year and in 1952 as reeve. He was a member of Oakville-Trafalgor

He was a member of fire fighters Nail a piece of bariel hoop for aid units, several Masonic lodge three children, Wendy, eight; Ed Washing in cold water when wird, seven, and Cynthia, four overheated is a cause of disfiguring] months; his parents. Dr. and Mr.

The funeral service was held in Clear, cold water and tissue Oakville on Friday afternoon, with paper will cleanse and polish lamp interment following in St Jude's Cemetery there.

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Friday, January 9th, Knox Pres-

SUNDAY, JANUARY 11.h. 1953

8.15 p.m.-Young Peoples' nicet-

There is one field in which the

wise man and the fool meet on

common level. That is when they

fall in love and take their pen in

Societé speaking

10 00 a m - Sunday School

11 00 a.m.-Morning Worksip

700 p.m -- Evening Service

Church -- Rev. Currey speak-

byterian Church Rev Egerton Young of Upper Canada Bible

renew their strength."-

10 00 a m - Church School.

12 15 p.m -Bible Class

11 00 a.m - Morning Service

700 pm - Evening Worship



Hockey and Wash Rooms

will know some of the players. The slory about the supply depart

M. Townsley, Vaughan. to the town by the late P 1. Rob. says. ertson, for the erection of modern

The Bracebridge Gazette has one of its columnists, from the Gibson he wrote for the paper about New colored any color that way

"The New Year is here for 1953 two names, first, oh-se-ra-se, means | baths, new year, the other name is, te-ion

day. This is when all people make themselves up. The year round disputing and different ways of unsettled friends and neighbors. They shake hands of the bride to-be displayed the everybody do that in entering the going aways clother at a recent building The womens have more shower in Burlington The Burhenry termake up they kim wall img (lazette reports that the mules

shake hands" What, No Kitchen Hink? Asparagus foliage, preserved oak leaves, frames for floral fans, real estrich feathers in colors from white to orchid, colorful glass balls, pencils that will write on glass,

luf wire these are among the varied Hockey game accounts and a col articles to be found in the florists ump "fee Chips" by A. Pick, are supply department of the Dale regular features in the Milton Can-Painte at Brampton The Poel adian Champion. Many in Acton Gazette New Year's issue carried here was the line-up at the gume ment which is packed with merreported in last week's paper - chandise from all over the world Lever, Grenke, McCann, Wilson, There are paper flowers and cel-Howell, Fox, Melanson, Williams, Julose flowers, thermometer, muffs. automobile markers are beginning Crulkshanks, Raine, D Irons, Help- paint and fancy baskets made by the blind, "Just deam up some The top news story of the year weird shape for a bouquet and they In Milton was the willing of \$25,000 will make it for you," the article

At one time carnations were colored by putting them in a bag with colored powder, and shaking the powder into their absorbent petals. Although the method is Indian Reserve, and this is what out of date, carnations can stift be

Hot Baths for Birds

Saturday night isn't bath night This New Year's Eve used to be for the birds not in winter time a big feast at the school. The when all their bath tubs are frozen people brings a large boxes of food up. But one day just recently a for the supper and a good program Burlington lady got concerned starts right after the enting. The about the lack of baths for her early pioneers use to make an int. feathered friends, and poured some eresting speeches to the large hot water into the bird bath Az crowd attending the entertainment soon as the water began to cool Acton Arena on Tuesday night This was beyond 25 years ago starlings and sparrows arrived and The New Year Iroquois Indian bas to her surprise took turns having

> She filled the bath a second time to-to-ron-kwa-nion, means kissing and back came the birds to enjoy

Life-Hize Model

A life-size papier mache model other, but the men they do that was made by Toronto sculpters they have hearty enough they only Merel Foster

The trouseau tea was for Peggy Thompson, prior to her marriage to Peter Wooley.

Green corn on ractive to raccoons. In areas where they are plentiful these animals china, metal or even cellophane, will sometimes cut a complete bales of ferns and raffia and tons; patch of sweet corn in a few nights

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