

Digging out



A HEAVY snowfall like the one over the weekend brings almost everybody out to remove snow in one way or another. They all do the same job, it's just that some get more exercise. Stephen French gets the job done quickly by blower at his home on the Third Line in Esquesing while Scott Early works a lot harder shoveling by hand at Early's Service Station in Campbellville. Meanwhile town employees use the big blower and trucks to scoop and remove the snow while workman Dean Gray on a small plow frees town streets from the heavy snowfall. Above, one of several rural residents makes good use of a tractor by pushing snow out of the laneway at his home.

Food Traditions At New Year

Traditionally, the New Year observance is associated with certain foods. The American Indians served acorns and salmon; the Romans honey. In Quebec, the traditional cake, Le Cateau des Rois, is served on Epiphany. The cake contains a pea and a bean and the king and queen of Twelfth Night are elected by those receiving them.

Scottish celebrators carry cakes and spiced ale to wish their host a good year. Rice cakes are served in Ceylon.

And, of course, in many sections of this country, serving black-eyed peas on January 1st is believed to assure good fortune to family and friends.

IN OLD JAPAN

In Old Japan, New Year's was a celebration that lasted for three days. Everyone donned their Sunday best and visited relatives and friends.

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