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Probably more new lawns are sown in spring than at any other season despite the fact that the best time is late summer or early fall. However, horticulture specialists with the Ontario Department of Agriculture say a new lawn can be sown in the spring with quite satisfactory results, though there are some natural advantages to sowing in late summer.

The most important factor in making a new lawn is to have enough top-soil. Too thin a layer of top-soil is responsible for most of the troubles which occur later in the life of the lawn. When there is insufficient plant food to maintain a good stand, the grass is thin and weeds become a problem. Five or six inches of good top-soil is needed to maintain a good lawn. This should be spread evenly over the lawn area and then some well-rotted manure should be worked in. However, it is often difficult to get manure nowadays and any organic matter may be substituted. Decayed leaves, peat or decayed vegetable matter will do, provided they are free from seeds. To make a good lawn, it will be necessary to use some fertilizer, which should also be worked into the top-soil. A complete fertilizer with balanced amounts of nitrogen, phosphorus and potash should be applied, depending to some extent on the kind of soil. On sandy soil a 4-16-16 or 5-20-20 would be suitable. On heavier soil such as loam or clay, a 5-20-20 fertilizer would be best. About 25 to 40 pounds per thousand square feet is the general recommendation.

To prepare the surface for seeding, rake it to get rid of all stones and so on. The surface should be fine and even. Usually it is better to sow a mixture of grass seed rather than a single species. Since Kentucky bluegrass is the most important lawn grass in Ontario, every mixture should contain a fairly high proportion of it. Where there is good soil and water available, it will increase and become the dominant grass in the lawn. For most home lawns, provided they are not very large, a prepared mixture would be suitable. So-called bargain mixtures may contain too many coarse grasses which, in the long run, make a poor lawn.

The average sowing rate is between three and five pounds of seed per thousand square feet and there is no need to use more. Divide the seed into two lots and sow one half in one direction and the other half crosswise. This method ensures even distribution.

The covering must be very light and the best method is raking, although this doesn't cover it all. Rake only in one direction, so that the even distribution of seed is not spoiled. Then roll it, to press the uncovered seeds into the ground and firm the soil around the seed.

It is most important to keep the seed bed moist and not let it dry out. Use only a fine spray, however, to avoid washing the soil off the seed and prevent washing it away.

Germination depends on the weather to some extent, though some grasses germinate in a few days and some take considerable time. There are usually some quick-growing varieties in every mixture and if conditions are good, some seedlings should appear in eight or nine days. If it is dry or cold, they may take longer.

GORMLEY NEWS
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Mr. Barry McWhirter had the cast removed from his leg on Monday after wearing it a little over six months.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Baker of Kindersley, Sask., Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Baker of Stayner, and Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Heise spent a very pleasant evening Friday night with Mr. and Mrs. Elias Elliott.

Mr. and Mrs. Sid Ingram of Dundas spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. George French.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Eade spent Good Friday with Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Crowder and family at Port Perry.

Mrs. John Huybers and Beryl returned home by airplane on Friday after spending three weeks with relatives in Holland.

Messrs. James and Ronald Empringham had Sunday dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Nigh.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett MacKinnon and children spent Easter week-end with her father, Mr. John Olsen at Utterson. Mr. J. Olsen, her brother, Mr. Gordon Olsen and nephew Ken Smith returned to spend a week with the MacKinnons.

Mr. Jim Robinson of Lemonville visited Mr. and Mrs. George French on Sunday afternoon.

Master Keith Nigh spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Rush at Ridgeway.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Thom of Victoria Park had Saturday dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Elias Elliott.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Truman and Miss Edna Eade of Toronto spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Eade.

Mr. Frank Baker of Toronto visited his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Elias Elliott recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Baker of Stayner and Mrs. Jos. Heise visited Mr. and Mrs. George French on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Eade entertained a number of friends on Sunday evening after church when Mr. Gerald Winger showed pictures of his trip to Haiti.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wideman spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Neale Sider and baby at Wellandport.

A farewell party was held for Mr. and Mrs. Alex Inglis Tuesday night, April 19, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Britnell.

Thirty-five neighbours provided a delightful buffet supper with Mrs. Norman Bell and Mrs. Britnell as hostesses. After the supper, Mr. Britnell presented Mr. and Mrs. Inglis with a purse of money wishing them much happiness in their new home in Georgetown. He also expressed for all the friends our deep regrets at losing so fine a couple.

The Sunday school staff of the United Missionary Church held a dinner meeting on Friday night at the Summit Restaurant. Mrs. Fovez, deaconess at the Av. Jim Road Church, was the guest speaker.

Mr. Grant flew back to England on Monday after spending five months with his son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Ian Grant and family.

Mr. Alex Wilson of Aberdeen, Scotland, is visiting his son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Alex Wilson.

Miss Donna Liebeck of Stayner spent Easter week with her cousin, Miss Sheila Henderson.

Miss Gillian Parrott of Woodbridge spent a week with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. G. Campey.

We wish a complete recovery for Mr. Frank Harvey, who was moved to York County Hospital on Monday.

Master Phillip Jackson of Toronto spent holidays with his cousins Ella Mae and Carl Hunking.

Miss Maureen Higgins of Toronto spent a week with her cousin, Miss Barbara McMullen.

Heise Hill Young People had a progressive supper on Friday night, starting at Sheilah Henderson's home. From here they went to the Brillinger home, and finished up at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Murray Winger of Richmond Hill.

Rev. and Mrs. Reeves and children of South Africa, working under the Un evangelized Fields Missions, had dinner on Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Brillinger.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Henry Heise and Miss Nancy Cober spent several days at Fordwich. They also visited Mr. Joseph Cober at the Listowel Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Nigh have returned after spending the winter at Intercession City, Fla.

Mrs. Allan Pope spent Saturday with her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Pope and son at Sudbury.

Mr. George Stacey is building a new garage on his property.

Little Marcia McAdam fell last week and broke her hand.

The children trooped back to school on Monday morning for their final school term, after the Easter holidays.

Mrs. Ross Baker has accepted a Grade Three Class at Grimsby, after teaching for the last two years on the Scarborough staff.

We are pleased to report Mrs. M. Acey was able to return home from York County Hospital, Newmarket on Saturday.

Mrs. Jeffrey and sons of Guelph spent several days last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Barber.

Mrs. Arnold Heft spent two days last week in Briarhush Hospital, Stouffville, having quite a number of teeth extracted.

Mr. Victor Suzuki was one of the Richmond Hill High School students chosen to represent central Ontario at the Gymnastic competition at Hart House, Toronto, last week during O.E.A.

Misses Vera Hills and Beulah Heise visited Mrs. David Hills, Mrs. Wiebe, Rev. C. N. Good, and others at Fairview Lodge, Preston, on Tuesday.

Mrs. Edythe Jones and boys of Toronto had supper Thursday with Mrs. Beulah Jones.

Bishop E. J. Swalm of Dunroon and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Nigh had supper on Sunday with the Henderson Sisters. Bishop Swalm was guest speaker at the anniversary services on Sunday at Oak Ridges.

Misses Velma Brillinger and Miriam Heise and three American girls are doing an eight day Missionary tour of the Ontario Brethren in Christ Churches.

Rev. and Mrs. C. E. Hunking had dinner on Tuesday with Mrs. Beulah Jones.

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Attention one and all! The building fund for the community hall in Boyle Park needs all our support. A rummage sale is in the planning for June 18, at the home of Mrs. E. Lepkey, No. 7 Highway. Please save all salable clothing, hats, shoes, jewelry, etc. Please call the following or leave at these addresses:

Mrs. N. Hicks, 1 Essex Ave., AV. 5-2091; Mrs. M. Roy, Sussex Avenue, AV. 5-2806; Mrs. T. Wilkins, No. 7 Highway E., AV. 5-2475; Mrs. H. Glassey, Garden Ave., AV. 5-2987; Mrs. C. Ellison, Roosevelt Drive, AV. 5-1312; Mrs. H. Martin, Westwood Lane, AV. 5-4257.

Another community activity is a spring sale at Charles Howitt School, Saturday, May 7, sponsored by the Women's Auxiliary of Emmanuel Anglican Church, Richvale. The usual attractions will be featured, including bake sale and tea tables. The specialty will be gifts for mothers' day. Your support will be very much appreciated. Time 1:30 to 4 p.m.

Young Women's Institute

At the April meeting of the Langstaff Young Women's Institute, held at Mrs. Pearl Wilson's, the standing committees read their reports of the year's work, after which Mrs. Kay Norris read her pen pal's letter and reported on her participation at Thornhill W.I. birthday party, and the Langstaff Community Association meeting. The secretary-treasurer reported the books audited and balanced. Total donations for the year were \$149.89.

Guests are always welcome and this time we were fortunate in having Mrs. Margaret Blow as our guest.

A \$25 donation to the Langstaff community was voted on and approved to help them with their project at Boyle Park.

Mrs. Fern Russell read the March eucire report and made arrangements for the April one to be held Friday, April 29, at the home of Mrs. Joan Suter.

Mrs. Russell, as District Director, installed officers for the coming year. They are: president, Mrs. Ruby Manol; 1st vice-president, Mrs. Betty Pattison; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Clair Willett; assistant Director, Mrs. Fern Russell; standing committee, Mrs. Kay Morris, Mrs. Gladys Smith, Mrs. Joyce Curtis, Mrs. Pearl Wilson and Mrs. Jean Suter; auditors, Mrs. Betty Pattison and Mrs. Kay Morris.

Mrs. Ruby Manol providing the program let us in on the secrets of her latest talent "Hooking Rugs" showing all the steps from the frame to the finished product. Refreshments were then served by Mrs. Clair Willett and Mrs. Pearl Wilson.

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