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Mrs. Bertha Roberts, worthy matron; Sam L. Davidson, worthy patron; Mrs. Ruth English, associate matron; Leon Kimsey, associate patron; Mrs. Ann Phillips, secretary; Miss Hattie Palmer, treasurer; Mrs. Juanita Hall, conductress; Mrs. Gladys Lemons, associate conductress.

The worthy matron appointed the following appointive officers: chaplain, Mrs. Helen Moody; Marshall, Mrs. Marlam Moore; organist, Mrs. Annie Lee Foard; Adah, Mrs. Dora Kay; Ruth, Mrs. Marcella Smith; Esther, Mrs. Sylvia Waggoner; Martha, Mrs. Maude Duncan; Electra, Mrs. Elizabeth Shields, warder, Mrs. Fleeta Browning; and sentinel, Mrs. Eilan Crawford.

AMONG THE SICK

Patients admitted to Murphy General Hospital: Ben F. Dalrymple, Murphy Rt. 2; Mrs. Martha Fain, Copperhill, Tenn.; Mrs. Edith Smith, Rt. 1, Marble; Judson Pinkerton, Rt. 4, Murphy; Mrs. J. A. Caldwell, Brasstown; A. H. Eller, Hayesville; Miss Linda Kay Seabolt, Rt. 3, Murphy; Mrs. Docia Cearley, Rt. 1, Cullerston; Allen Hatchett, Rt. 2, Murphy; William H. Taylor, Murphy, and Mrs. Elizabeth Chastain, Rt. 2, Murphy.

Patients admitted to Providence Hospital: James W. Oakley, Rt. 3, Blairsville, Ga. Levi Puett, Young Harris, Ga. Susie Ann Cook, Rt. 1, Cullerston; Mrs. Lennie Ellis, Rt. 3, Murphy; Bill Clayton, Brasstown; Mrs. Amanda Chastain, Rt. 2, Cullerston; Jerry Jenkins, Rt. 3, Murphy; Mrs. Ethel Lovin-good, Rt. 1, Murphy; Brenda Mirris Rt. 2, Murphy; James Arthur Penland, Hayesville, Mrs. Estella F. Penland, Hayesville, Kenneth Rose, Murphy, and Mrs. Louise Schuyler.

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TAX FACTS FOR THE HOMEOWNER NO. 1 Theft, Damage And Destruction Of Property

(This is one of a series of articles on federal income tax filing. The articles are based on information provided by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the North Carolina Association of Certified Public Accountants, in cooperation with the Internal Revenue Service.)

YOU can get some relief from casualty and theft losses by taking advantage of the legitimate tax deductions you are allowed.

To help you prepare a correct return and take advantage of legitimate tax savings, this newspaper is printing a series of four articles prepared with the help of the state and national organizations of certified public accountants.

Today's article considers the problems you may have in claiming deductions for theft or casualty losses. Later articles will offer advice on other tax problems of particular interest to homeowners.

Time and Destruction
There are a great many ways in which your property can be damaged or destroyed, as for example, by fire, storm, flood, or explosion. Generally, a casualty which will give rise to a deductible loss must occur with some suddenness. However, there are situations where the casualty occurs over a period of time and still results in a deductible casualty loss. For example, consider the damage caused by termites.

Say that you purchased your house in June 1967 and at that time a check by experts showed that there were no termites present. Then, in February 1968, you discover that termites have been eating your house from under you. Can you claim a casualty loss deduction for the termite damage? Yes, you can, even though the damage took place over a nine month period.

The casualty here, is the invasion of your house by the termites. However, it is probable that a casualty deduction will not be allowed where the termite damage did not occur over a relatively short period of time.

The Property Must Be Yours
You must have ownership of the damaged property to claim a loss deduction. It is quite conceivable that severe damage to the property around your house may cause the value of your property to decline. Although the damage occurred suddenly, you cannot claim a deduction for the

Next Article: *Buying, Selling or Improving Your Home.*

GARDEN TIME

By M. E. Gardner

Last week I suggested that the best time to seed permanent (evergreen) lawn grasses, such as Bluegrass and fescue, was in the fall. Playing a hunch that more than 50 per cent of the lawns are spring seeded, I thought it might be well to give some suggestions about lawn making. I made no reference to the warm season grasses, such as Bermuda, but will in due course.

What are the basic principles involved in the preparation of a good seed bed? If we can establish certain basic principles, we can then apply them to most any soil type and there are many in North Carolina, ranging from heavy clays to porous sands. We might consider figuratively speaking, the seed bed as composed of layers: the top three inches will compose the plant food layer; the next four or five inches the moisture reserve; and the next four or five inches the drainage layer. In some sections of the state you may have soil conditions similar to what I have described. If you do, the problem is simplified. Since many of us are not so fortunate, perhaps some suggestions will help.

A good supply of organic material is desirable in the top or plant food area. This can be accomplished by using well-decomposed prepared compost, peat, or well decomposed sawdust. If we give priority to these three organic materials, we would give first to properly prepared compost, second to peat and third to sawdust. The reason for this is due to the fact that sawdust is more demanding in nitrogen requirements. If this is understood and the N supply is properly regulated, it may be used successfully.

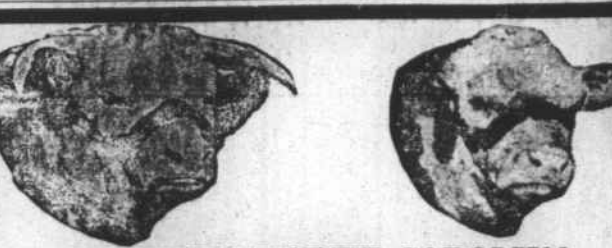
The second layer, moisture reserve, should also contain organic matter to hold water. If you have a good loamy top-soil, this should be sufficient. If not, it would be best to incorporate more compost, peat or sawdust in this second layer.

The third or drainage layer is usually porous enough to carry off surplus water. If it is not, some method of sub-drainage, such as tile, should be considered.



1960 Annual Easter Seal Campaign will be conducted March 17 through Easter Sunday, April 17, 1960. The purpose of the Easter Seal Campaign is to raise funds for services to crippled children and adults. Virgil O'Dell is the local drive chairman.

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Surprise Party

For Evans & Woods

Mrs. Kate Evans, and little Vickie Woods were given a surprise birthday party on last Tuesday, March 8 at the recreation room of the First Methodist Church by members of Mrs. Evans Kindergarten class.

After games were played, cake grape juice and mints were served. Balloons were favors.

Those in the Kindergarten class were: Tim Dyer, Edward Brumby Mike Kinney, Steve Dickey, Bill McKeever, Hubert Bourne, Bobby Forsyth, Mike Godfrey, Jimmy Dee Wallace, Billie Bates, Nancy Hensley, Denate Hubbard, Teresa Davis, Vickie Ann Woods and Sherry White. Mothers attending the party were: Mrs. Charles Wood Mrs. George Dyer, Mrs. Kenneth Godfrey and Mrs. William Wallace, also Rev. R. T. Houts Jr.

Mrs. Colvard

Honored At Tea

ANDREWS Mrs. Rose Colvard was honored with a tea and miscellaneous shower Saturday afternoon from 3 to 5 p. m. at the Andrews Carnegie Library.

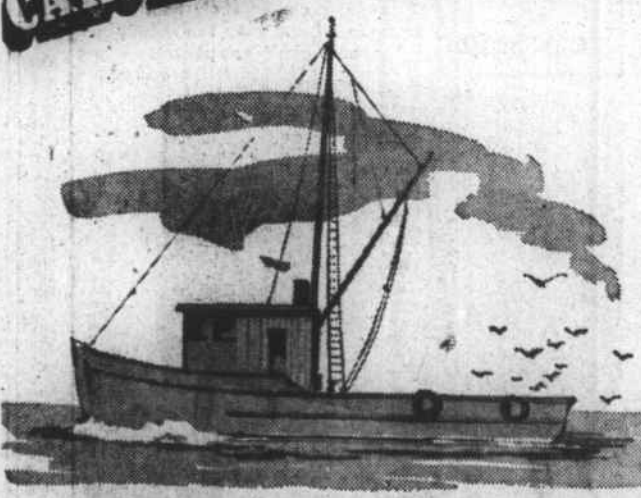
The affair was sponsored by members of the board of trustees of the library. Members are: Mrs. R. A. Dewar, Mrs. Charles O. VanGorder, Rev. Vitolds Gobins, L. C. Broome and Galusha, Pullum representative from the Town board.

Wives assisted in serving. Miss Meredith Whitaker presided at the punch bowl. An arrangement of Jonquills, forsythia, and busy willows formed the center piece at the tea table. Spring flowers were featured throughout the library.

The honoree received many useful gifts.

Mrs. Colvard is retiring after serving 16 years as librarian. She will be succeeded by Mrs. Paul Jordan.

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Commercial fishing plays an important role in the economy and the lives of many North Carolinians living along our coast. Fishing for fin-fish and shell fish is a multi-million dollar business employing thousands on both sea and shore. In another category are ocean-going vessels that follow for days the vast menhaden schools for fish meal, which is also big business.

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