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GRASS TROUBLES

As one who has lived in two brand new houses with lawns of the most beautiful and goey red mud to be found anywhere, we figured that it would be bliss to have a yard that had green grass on it for a change. And now we have green grass—and trouble.

For in our present abode the grass actually came up. That proved a big surprise in itself. But now that it's up it figures it must keep right on growing.

Most people with new lawns complain that they have trouble getting grass to grow. We are having trouble because it won't stop growing. Why the grass out at our house grows so fast that when we mow one side of the yard, it's ready to mow again by the time we get the other side mowed.

The way things stand now, our wife won't let the children play in the front yard unless equipped with a compass and a two-day supply of provisions. She is

scared the grass will grow so high they won't be able to find their way home.

Another bad thing about it, the grass grows so fast it keeps us awake at night. Have you ever stayed awake and listened to the creak of grass blades? It's sort of like the sound made by scratching your fingernails along a smooth plaster wall.

But at that maybe it's better than mud. Before the grass came up our wife wouldn't let the children out of the house on a rainy day unless they wore either snow shoes or a life preserver. Many's the time she missed them before taking these precautions to find their hats lying out in the yard. But when she lifted the hats she always found them underneath.

That proved a great comfort.

You must come out sometime and admire our grass. But don't get off the sidewalk. We don't want to have to hunt for you with a lawnmower.

THIS AND THAT

The census wasn't all that was taken over at Raymond Vestal's

house the other day when the local enumerator called there.

Miss Ophelia Paul, who is asking the questions here, called at the Vestals and left her galoshes on the front porch. When she had completed her call and was preparing to leave, the galoshes were nowhere to be found.

It must have been quite embarrassing. Miss Paul didn't know where the galoshes had gone, and Mrs. Vestal didn't know either. Then Mrs. Vestal had an inspiration. She thought of the dog.

A look in the dog's box down in the basement disclosed the galoshes, and everyone was happy with the possible exception of the dog. But what has us wondering is how Raymond managed to teach his pooch to do tricks like that?

William B. Oliver, who is seeking the nomination for state insurance commissioner in opposition to Dan C. Boney, was in the office the other afternoon. He told us about what fine chances he had of winning the nomination, and about the large number of fine editorials a number of newspapers had given him, and this and that about his campaign.

It proved very embarrassing for us. We didn't even know he was running.

Seems like breaking and entering is on the march around here, with few cases solved. Of course one man cannot be expected to adequately police a town of this size at night, but thieves evidently find it quite a playground.

Whoever robbed Hinshaw's Cash Hardware Company the latter part of last week did a nice clean job.

Anyway, the safe was clean.

The weather can be very curious in April. After rain practically all day last Thursday, Friday morning dawned bright and clear. When we awoke about 6:30 the sun was shining and the buds were bursting and outside a couple of birds were singing a duet. One was singing soprano and the other alto and it was very pretty. But when awoke again about an hour later it was all dark and cloudy, and upon looking for the birds we found both perched outside dividing a box of sulfanilamide tablets.

But somewhere the sun was shining.

No doubt.

BETHEL

Several people from here attended the baccalaureate sermon at Ronda Baptist church last Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Morrison and daughters, Misses Louise, Pauline, Anna and Lola, and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Morrison were the dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. McBride, of Jonesville, last Sunday.

The many friends of Mrs. J. T. Triplette will be glad to know that she has returned to her home from the hospital at Elkin, where she has been a patient for the past two weeks.

The twin babies who have been so tenderly cared for by Mrs. Triplette's niece, Mrs. L. M. Stewart, of Elkin, have also been brought home.

Miss Norma Gilliam, in company with some of the teachers and students of Ronda school, spent last Thursday and Friday in Chapel Hill and Durham.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Jones, Eugene Jones, Othel Osborne, N. L. Caudill, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jones attended the Stone Mountain quartet singing held at Rock Creek church last Sunday afternoon.

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FARMERS APPLY FOR LIMESTONE

Large Amount of Triple Superphosphate Is Also Ordered in Surry

USE IN SOIL BUILDING

Applications for 645 tons of ground agricultural limestone have been applied for through the county agent's office through the 1940 Agricultural Conservation Program. This material is secured as a grant of aid, the ground agricultural limestone being furnished to the farmers now and pay for this material to be taken out of their 1940 Agricultural Conservation payment. Each 1500 pounds of ground agricultural limestone counts one unit toward meeting the soil-building goal.

67,800 pounds of triple superphosphate have been ordered by producers in Surry county as a grant of aid. Each 100 pounds counts one unit toward meeting the soil-building goal, and each 100 pounds takes \$1.80 out of the 1940 Agricultural Conservation payment.

Persons wishing to obtain either of the materials may file application at the county agent's office. The ground agricultural limestone is hauled delivered to the farm. The farmer pays the trucker 50c per ton when the lime is delivered, the remainder of the cost is taken from the 1940 payment. The phosphate, in most instances, will be delivered from Dobson.

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FOR Better Crops : USE : Robertson's 'PROVEN' Fertilizers REGULAR AND PREMIUM GRADES FOR SALE BY US F. A. Brendle & Son ELKIN, N. C.

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THE LYRIC ALWAYS COMFORTABLE Natural, True to Life SOUND



MOVIES Are Your Best Form of Entertainment

WHY MR. DUPP WENT WHACKY OVER ICE CUBES Consider the case of poor Mr. Dupp. For years he went through an ice cube famine. Hot weather when he came home pining for a big pitcher of iced tea—what happened? Mrs. D. had been defrosting the refrigerator—and NO ice cubes! When a few of the boys dropped around, every tray was emptied of cubes before the evening was half over. AND THEN—the wife bought a modern air-conditioned ICE refrigerator. Suddenly he discovered that he could get plenty of pure, crystal-clear, taste-free cubes in three to five minutes—make them himself by the dozens as fast as he needed them with no trouble at all. No wonder he went slightly off his head! Having plenty of sparkling ice cubes is only one of the many advantages of owning a 1940 air-conditioned ICE refrigerator. Get all the facts. Learn about our amazingly low prices and easy terms. Talk to one of our Service Men—or come to our display rooms. Ask about our free trial offer. See the Modern New Ice Refrigerators At Our Showroom Carolina Ice & Fuel Company Elkin, N. C. Phone 83

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Today and Friday— REMEMBER THE NIGHT News - Adm. 10c-25c

WATCH FOR "GONE WITH THE WIND" COMING MAY 20-21-22 Family Show Will Be Shown on Thursday During "Gone With the Wind" Week

Saturday— IN THE MOUNTIES NOW! Riding..fighting..galloping...thru fury-fraught adventures! Richard ARLEN Andy DEVINE MAN from MONTREAL Cartoon - Serial Comedy Admission 10c-30c

COMING! The Show You've Waited to See! "GRAPES OF WRATH" MAY 6-7

NEXT WEEK, MONDAY-TUESDAY— "MR. SMITH" HAS A BLIND DATE— and you'll discover a new wonderful Lubitsch surprise! Here's a love story that glows under the famed Lubitsch "touch"! If you liked "Ninotchka", "Goodbye Mr. Chips" and "Pygmalion"—there's romance and enjoyment for you just around the corner with Margaret James ("Mr. Smith") SULLAVAN-STEWART IN ERNST LUBITSCH'S "THE SHOP AROUND THE CORNER" with FRANK MORGAN JOSEPH SCHILDKRAUT Felix Bressart (Funny Commissar of "Ninotchka") From Screen Play by Samson Raphaelson Produced and Directed by ERNST LUBITSCH A Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Picture News - Cartoon — Admission 10c-30c

WEDNESDAY— FAMILY SHOW "Parole Fixer" News - Cartoon — Admission 10c to All

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