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On the lawn WITH LARRY LAWRENCE

How much does it cost to water a lawn? I sometimes run into the man who complains that his lawn is dry but who never waters it.

But is it? The cost of water per 1,000 gallons varies considerably (Detroit 18 cents, Columbus, Ohio 32 cents, Boston 40 cents).

For most lawns it would be good if they could have an inch of water a week from rain or sprinkling.

At a typical 30 cent rate that would be less than a dollar.

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Brush Cuts Aren't For Green Lawns

To mow or not to mow is never the question. Rather, it's how high to mow. And how often.

According to turf experts at the U. S. Department of Agriculture, you should never take off more than a third of the green leaf area at one time.

Low Temperatures Don't Hurt Bentgrass

Research in Michigan shows bentgrass to be least injured among fine lawngresses by severe freezing (in a "controlled climate" chamber).

One of the easiest bentgrasses for the homeowner to plant is Highland, economically available as seed.

It costs very little to be courteous, but few people seem willing to pay the price.

Summer Safety Tips

Stop Throwing Things With Your Rotary Mower



The propeller-like blade on a rotary power lawn mower revolves at a rate of 4,000 times per minute.

It is efficiently and indiscriminately cuts everything in its path.

It can turn a stone on the lawn into an unguided missile. If it strikes it. Such flying objects have been hurled at great distances at speeds up to 170 mph and have pierced, crushed, crippled, blinded and killed.

Don't let children stand on the sidelines watching.

Good Grass Seed Is Never Cheap

Although high price does not assure quality, exceptionally low price is almost a guarantee of inferiority.

There are a number of causes for reduced quality, and price, in lawn seed. Foremost is use of impure seed or coarse bygrasses instead of perennial beauties such as the Kentucky bluegrasses, Oregon fescues and bentgrasses.

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Best protection here is to buy above rock-bottom prices, and from reputable sources.

Be suspicious of seed mixtures which feature insufficient quantities of big name varieties.

Sampling by the Lawn Institute of hundreds of seed lots showed that a half to one percent of all lots of the remainder relatively few weeds, generally of types not a pest in lawns.

State seed laws require the listing of weeds if they are particularly noxious to agriculture.

Although weeds serious in farm fields are not necessarily troublesome in lawns, fear of weeds to mention weeds on the seed box causes packagers to seek weed-free seed.

If you have weeds in your lawn, chances are a thousand to one that they came from weed seed already in the soil, or that blown and tracked in from surrounding properties, not from purchased lawn seed.

Bright Zinnia Judged Best Of Flowers

The greatest of zinnias, giant cactus - flowered F1 hybrids, were introduced with the 1963 silver medal winning, rich red "Firecracker".

In vigorous bushy plants to 30 inches high, long stemmed double cactus-flowered blooms, mostly with curled petals, are five to six inches across.

These hybrids are the big zinnias to plant. Remember, too, that zinnias perform best when grown in place, from direct seeding.

Cover Flower Heads: Against Garden Spray

To save special flowers from contamination of dirts, sprays or bugs, try putting a sandwich-size plastic bag over their heads 24 hours before cutting.

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New Grass Stays Green Long Time

There's a color advertisement in some of the magazines that is quite a bit of a gimmick.

The story is about the new mutation grass known as Windsor, discovered by Scotts in Ohio and just beginning to be available on the market.

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Try Weekly Watering

As temperatures get warmer, it's good to freshen up your Astoria violet at least once a week by standing their clay pots in room temperature water.

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Careful Planning Makes Home Moves Easy

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Careful planning, can cut out hours of unnecessary drudgery and give your home that comfortable "lived-in" look in a short time.

Why not try the following: Draw a floor plan of your new home, more or less to scale, and make a moving-in blueprint.

Be on hand during the unloading to point out where the furniture is to be placed. Have your floor plan with you for reference.

After your furniture and furnishings are in place, you may want to do some rearranging. This can be done gradually over a period of days.

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