

Flying Operations this Summer

The following operations are being undertaken by the Director of Flying Operations Branch of the Dominion Air Board

Vancouver, B. C.

Operations being undertaken for the Department of the Interior, Forestry Branch, consisting of forest fire protection, forest reconnaissance and photographic reconnaissance; forest reconnaissance to consist of the identification of species, location of timber, estimating the amount of timber in various localities; photographic reconnaissance to consist of the taking of photographs of certain areas, showing burnt and green areas, waterways, etc.

Forestry work is also being undertaken from this base on behalf of the B. C. Government, Department of Lands and Forests. It will consist of the same nature of work to be carried out for the Department of the Interior.

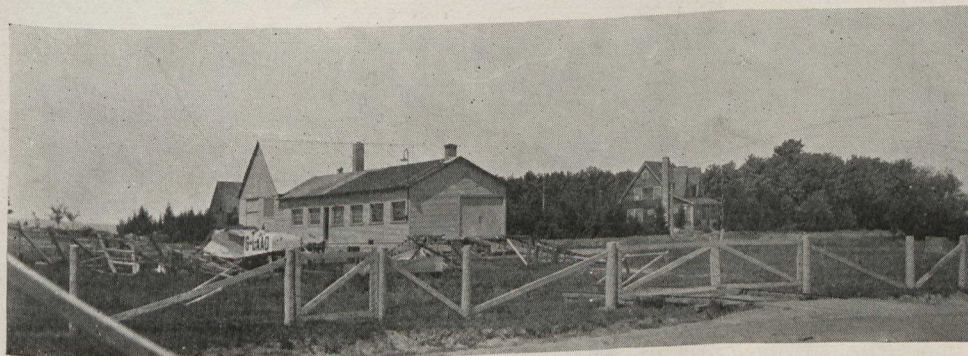
High River, Alberta

Work at this base is being undertaken for the Department of the Interior, Forestry Branch, patrolling the various reserves along the foothills of the Rockies, forest fire protection being the chief factor.

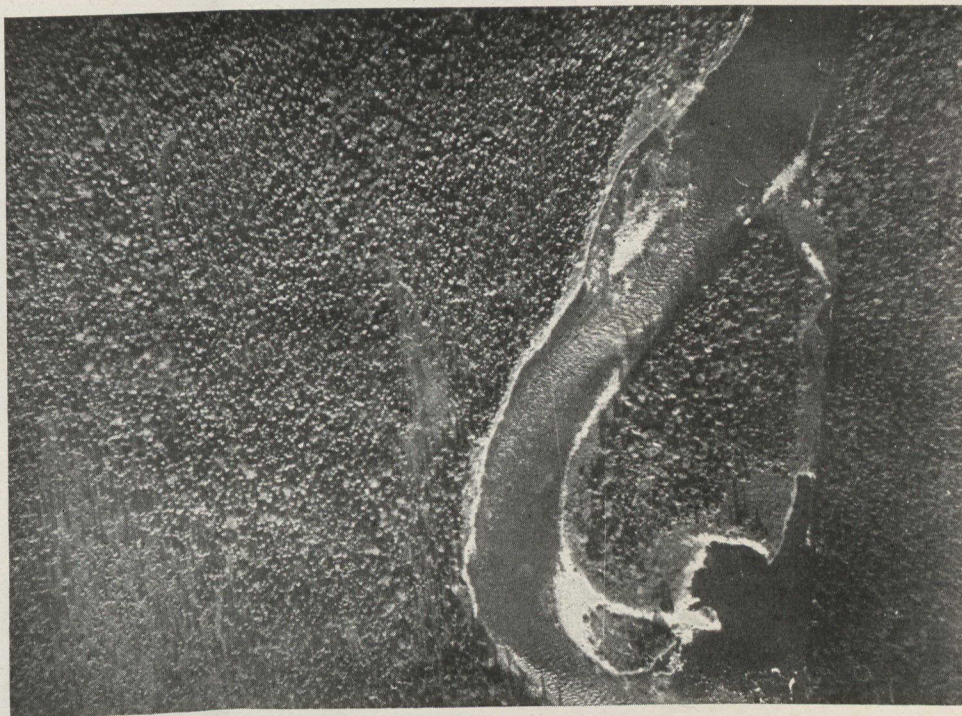
Experiments are to be carried out during the present summer with the wireless telephone, in this area. Wireless communication from machines to ground and vice versa will be established. Only a limited amount of photographic work will be undertaken.

Victoria Beach, Man.

A Station is being established at Victoria Beach, Manitoba, to undertake work for the Department of the Interior, Forestry Branch. The work will be divided equally between forest fire protection and photographic reconnaissance. It is proposed to construct a mosaic map of a portion of the forest east of Lake Winnipeg, 36 miles in width and 40 miles in breadth.



Part of the Air Station, constructed by the Laurentide Company, at Lac a la Tortue, Quebec, showing the machine shop, and the residence of the senior pilot.



COUNTING OUR TIMBER WEALTH BY CAMERAS.

An aerial photograph taken recently by the Air Board showing a mixed coniferous and hardwood stand.

Northern Ontario

Work will be undertaken on behalf of the Ontario Government over the forest areas situated north and south of the Canadian National Transcontinental Railroad. Work will be commenced at Sioux Lookout. Representative strips of photographs will be taken on both sides of the transcontinental line at a distance of approximately 180 miles.

The unit will be mobile and on completion of the work at one spot, will be moved east about 150 miles to another suitable location. The country will be covered in this way from Sioux Lookout to Cochrane.



A developing forest fire as seen from an aeroplane. Photo by Laurentide Co. Air Service.

Forestry observers are to be carried and will sketch in the disposition of forests on each side of the representative photographic strips.

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Forest reconnaissance and photographic survey will be undertaken on behalf of the Quebec Provincial Government. A certain amount of work will also be done for the Department of the Interior, Forestry Branch, mostly of an experimental nature.