

every year. But it should be borne in mind.

Then the grass should be cut. Nothing looks better than a well trimmed lawn, and nothing looks worse than a ragged one. Lawn mower cutting is an expensive item however, and a run over twice a year with an ordinary farm mower will do very well. Perhaps, before some big day, a lawn mower can be run along the edges of the walks and the islands, say a yard or so wide. This will make a wonderful difference in the appearance of the park.

A TREE FOR A TREE.

Some people think there should be a law to compel loggers to plant a tree for every tree cut down. As it is necessary to start five or six seedling trees to secure one full grown forest tree, straight, tall, and without limbs, such a law would not work. Besides, the application of silviculture methods, the forest engineer endeavours in many cases to coax Nature to reforest cut-over tracts herself, and to plant only as a last resort. In view of these facts what the laws of some European countries do demand in regard to certain non-agricultural lands is: "Start an acre of young forest for every acre cut down."

AIRPLANES AND FOREST FIRES.

Recently the initial trip was made from Kamloops, British Columbia, of a new airplane which had been flown up from Vancouver to be used in patrol work over the forests in that district administered by the Dominion Forestry Branch. The machine in use earlier in the season was returned to Vancouver for overhauling. The new plane was piloted by Major McLaurin of Vancouver, and with him on this trip were Mr. D. Roy Cameron, district forest inspector, and Mr. J. A. Wilson, of Ottawa, secretary of the Air Board of Canada. The trip of 250 miles was made in three hours and twenty minutes. There had been a smoke haze for some days, which had made detection of fires from the lookout stations difficult and the use of the airplane with its greater range of visibility overcame this. No fires which Forestry Branch officers did not know of were discovered but from the airplane the fires were classified according to their size and importance that suppression measures could be directed accordingly. In fact so detailed was the observation carried out by the district forest inspector that these in the plane could see the fire-fighters clearly and the kind of work they were doing.

Prince of Wales Afforests His Waste Lands

(From a Sketch in the London Times of the Duchy of Cornwall)

The tramp down hill to Fenworthy brought us through part of the newly-planted ground, while rows of young larches and spruces on the opposite side

of the Assycombe Brook could be traced in the distance. It was noticed that failures were not uncommon, but an estimate of 10 per cent. indicates that the trees suffered only lightly from the ravages of the drouth, for in many planta-

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