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This summary report describes briefly the work of the Conference and contains the Resolutions and Committee Reports on such subjects as Land Use, Management, Silviculture, Forest Products Research and Education. Representing as it does the combined wisdom and experience of so many forest authorities, it should be studied by all who have to do with the formulation and administration of forest policy. It would be impossible to summarise its conclusions adequately here but a few points may be noted.

In silviculture the most noteworthy advance was reported from South Africa where remarkable results were obtained by wide spacing and very heavy thinning in pine plantations. It is hoped to deal fully with this subject in a later issue. It was insisted that research was a necessary corollary to efficient forest management.

There was general agreement on the necessity in every country of a supreme land use authority with adequate forest representation in order to implement with full governmental authority a policy based on land use surveys.

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