

TRADE NEWS

FAST GRASS-CUTTERS SOLVE COUNCIL'S MAINTENANCE PROBLEMS

A major investment in fast-cutting grass mowing machines was one of the immediate actions of the County Borough of Northampton following the recent organisation of departmental responsibilities.

For at Northampton the changes have meant a large inheritance of grass verges increasing the Estates Department's grass maintenance responsibility to over 1,500 acres.

In the past four months, the County Borough of Northampton have been meeting the challenge with five Toro 50 in. Trojans, in which they have invested to keep the Council's informal grass areas in short trim.

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Machines Limited of Northampton, the Trojans are being used on housing estates, road verges and park areas where speed and versatility are desirable.

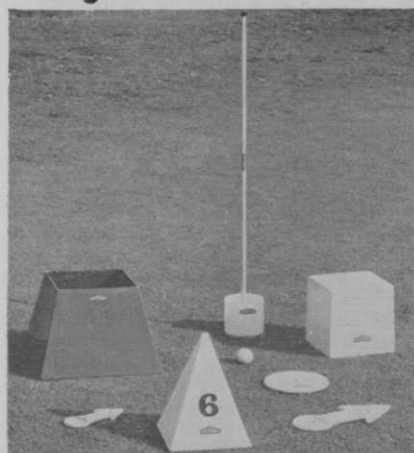
A spokesman for the Estates Department said: "We acquired the Trojans because they are the best machine for the job we want to do. They are a good size and with a good operator they cover plenty of ground."

Special features of the riding rotary machine include three overlapping 18 in. whirlwind blades driven by a 12.5 h.p. engine with a choice of three cutting speeds for varying types of conditions. The Trojan is capable of maintaining an output of more than 12 acres per day under most types of conditions found in council work.

Driver comfort and power steering provide easy operation on tricky slopes while maximum manoeuvrability enables the Trojan to cut close to trees and other obstacles to prevent time wasting by largely doing away with the necessity of using additional smaller machines with further operators.

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