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Copies can be ordered direct from Dr. Fisher, the cost is \$25.00 for those persons listed, and \$35.00 for Libraries, companies, etc.

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New South Wales

Dr. G. Evans, Director of Biology, NSW Department of Agriculture, Biological and Chemical Research Institute, Rydalmere has been seconded for three years to the position of Director, Commonwealth Council for Rural Research and Extension. The Council has been established to advise the Minister for Primary Industries on rural research and activities within Australia, priorities for research and the co-ordination of research effort. Dr. Evans took up his new position on 30th March, 1979. Dr. K. J. Moore, Senior Plant Pathologist has been appointed Acting Director of Biology for 12 months.