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FOURTH FLOOR, RURAL AND INDUSTRIES BANK BUILDING
BARRACK STREET

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PERTH, W.A. 23rd June, 1966.

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Mr. MOORE

TELEPHONE: 23 2011

All correspondence to be addressed to:-
The Conservator of Forests,
Perth.

Dear Sir,

Tree Bicycle

In reply to your enquiry of the 20th June, the tree bicycle which you saw illustrated in the Australian Post was obtained from the Swiss manufacturers, namely H. Schneebeli & Co, Zurich 50, Scheffhauserstrasse 307, Switzerland. It was purchased in July 1963 at a landed cost of £87.15.2.

This type of equipment has been used in Queensland in connection with tree breeding where it has generally replaced ladders, and also for high pruning. It has been tested in Western Australia for high pruning up to 30 ft. but proved to be much slower than other methods. Its chief value would appear to lie in the research field of tree breeding.

The Queensland Forest Service, who have had more experience with this equipment and have, it is understood, introduced modifications, are in a much better position to advise you.

Yours faithfully,

W. R. Wallace

ACTING CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS