Two tablespoonsful of kerosene will cover 15 square feet of water. As the oil evaporates in summer, the oiling must be done every week. Frequent spraying with a solution of D.D.T. and kerosene is also effective, but D.D.T. is toxic to human beings and, therefore, must not be used on drinking water.

Ornamental ponds and pools may be kept stocked with mosquito larvace-eating fish, such as goldfish, minnows or gambusia. Local Councils will assist in procuring these. By stocking ponds with these fish much has already been done in Sydney to prevent breeding. Gambusia must not be placed in streams and water west of the Dividing Range as they eat trout fry.

**Repellents and Insecticides**

Mosquito nets will provide protection in bed. The ends of the nets should carefully be tucked under the mattress to prevent mosquitoes entering.

Dimethyl phthalate rubbed over exposed parts of the body and renewed at 2 hourly intervals is effective as a repellent.

This chemical dissolves plastics, and should be kept away from spectacle frames, fountain pens, plastic watch covers, etc. It should not be rubbed into the eyes or sensitive areas, as it will cause intense irritation. Insect sprays used against house flies will kill mosquitoes also.

**Precautions**

(1) Consult instructions on labels of insecticides.
(2) Keep insecticides out of the reach of children.
(3) Scratching of mosquito bites may lead to sores; therefore do not scratch, but apply a solution of ammonia or tincture of iodine.

**Dogs and Cats**

Dogs and cats should be kept free from vermin. Dogs should be washed with a disinfectant solution, or they may be dusted with an effective insect powder. Their kennels should also be frequently cleansed with a kerosene emulsion or dusted with insect powder.

**Apply to your local Council or Shire for any assistance you need in fighting the rat.**

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**Vegetables**

1. Cuttle.
2. Snippar.
3. Atopot.
4. Rorcata.
5. Nino.  

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