

RICE PADDIES IN PRIMBEE REMEMBERED

David Milnes, editor of the Illawarra Family History Journal, rang to point out that the rice paddies at Primbee mentioned in the last Bulletin were undertaken by Eugene Dominic Nicholle rather than Chinese market gardeners. Recollections of the rice growing experiment are detailed in a book entitled Reflections of Primbee published in 1987. David recalls seeing the remnants of the jetty Nicholle had constructed in the vicinity of Korungulla swamp as a boy.

Micahel Organ was able to provide some references from his files of mentions of Nicholle's rice-growing experiments in the Illawarra Mercury - some of which we will publish at a later date