

Hugh A. Borland Archive

Hugh A Borland was the son of Irish immigrants, Alexander and Annie Borland. On leaving school he was employed as a copy boy with *The Cairns Post* and went on to become perhaps its best known journalist. He was a prolific writer with a great love for, and interest in, the history of North Queensland, an interest he shared with his long-time friend, historian Glenville Pike.

This collection reflects the depth of Borland's involvement in the preservation of North Queensland's past, present and future.

Archives Location: 4L

Detailed Listing

- BO/1 *Leichhardt Centenary Souvenir: One hundred Years, North Queensland Events and Dates*, [1944] Printed by The Worker Newspaper Pty. Ltd., Dunstan House, Elizabeth Street, Brisbane. Includes handwritten revisions and supplementary dates. 15p.
- BO/2 *Tinaroo Falls Dam*. Issued by the Queensland Irrigation and Water Supply Commission, 1955. 8p. Pamphlet.
- BO/3 *Roadway of Many Memories 1876—1951: Cairns District Jubilee Souvenir*. [Oct., 1950] Printed by The Worker Newspaper Pty. Ltd., Dunstan House, 236-238 Elizabeth House, Brisbane. Includes handwritten corrections and postscript. 35p.
- BO/4 "From Wilderness to Wealth: Featuring the Storied History of the District of Cairns," *Cairns Post* Print, 1940. Proposed revised edition. Revisions handwritten [1940] Maps and place names with origins also added. 96p.
- BO/5 *Mareeba: Meeting Place of Waters. 1893-1946*. [Compiled to July, 1946] by Hugh A. Borland. Printed by The Worker Newspaper. Pty. Ltd., Dunstan House, 236-238 Elizabeth St., Brisbane. 30p.
- BO/6 "Little Ships and Lonely Seas: Fragments of North Queensland's Maritime Story," by Hugh A. Borland. Mention is made of the following shipwrecks; Cathay: July 1866; Conqueror: July 1866; Adelaide: September 1866; Gordon: July 1867;

Reliance: April 1868; Yongala: March, 1911. Newspaper clippings from *The Cairns Post*. Includes handwritten collection of additions to chapters 1, 2 and 5.

BO/7 Just Plain Folks. A tribute to my Mother and Father, by Hugh A. Borland [October, 1968]. Typescript carbon copy. 89p.

BO/8/1 "The Land of a Thousand Hills: Story with a Cairns' District Setting," by Hugh A. Borland. Collection of newspaper cuttings from *The Cairns Post* [20/10/1954 - 5/1/1955] Chapters 1-12 published weekly in *The Cairns Post*.

BO/8/2 "The Land of a Thousand Hills: Story with a Cairns District Setting." Collection of newspaper cuttings from *The Cairns Post* [12/1/1955 - 23/2/1955] Chapters 13-19 published weekly in *The Cairns Post*.

BO/9 *The Heart of Cairns: And Other Pre-war Sketches* by Hugh A. Borland. *Cairns Post* Print. Typescript, 19p.

BO/10/1 "Pathways of Yesterday." Collection of newspaper clippings from *The Cairns Post* (July, 1938 - April, 1940). Chapters published weekly in *The Cairns Post*.

BO/10/2 "More Pathways." Handwritten "suggested illustrations" for publication on first page. Collection of newspaper cuttings from *The Cairns Post* (May, 1941 - August, 1941) Chapters published weekly in *The Cairns Post*.

BO/11 "Stars of Gold: the historical background of North Queensland goldfields." Collection of newspaper cuttings from *The Cairns Post*. Chapters published weekly in *The Cairns Post*.

BO/12/1 "Palmer Days - And Afterwards (1873-1926)" Chapters 1-14. Dedication, to "the memory of those dear brave boys - descendants of the pioneers," handwritten and signed on front of book. These are reminiscences told by Robert McArdle and recorded by Hugh A. Borland. Collection of newspaper clippings from *The Cairns Post*. (1946) Chapters published weekly in *The Cairns Post*.

BO/12/2 "Palmer Days - And Afterwards (1873 - 1926)," Chapters 15-21. These are reminiscences told by Robert McArdle and recorded by Hugh A. Borland. (no date). Weekly articles with handwritten corrections and additions.

BO/13 "North to Torres: story of a life journey through the years from 1865 to World War No.1," by Hugh A. Borland. 1952 and 1953 marked the 80th anniversaries of the Hann and the Mulligan expeditions, both of utmost value to North Queensland. These articles were written in recognition of these anniversaries and the link between them. In front of the book are unidentified business accounts. 20 chapters. Collection of newspaper cuttings from *The Cairns Post*. Chapters published weekly in *The Cairns Post*. Includes handwritten additions. Concluding chapter makes reference to Australia's part in South Western Pacific Campaign - World War II.

BO/14/1 "Peninsula Pages." Book 1. Author's preface handwritten. Collection of newspaper cuttings from *The Cairns Post*. 1940. Chapters published weekly in *The Cairns Post*. Includes handwritten additions.

BO/14/2 "Peninsula Pages." Book 2. Collection of newspaper cuttings from *The Cairns Post*. 1940/1941. Chapters published weekly in *The Cairns Post*.

BO/15 "March of the Years: 1848-1948," a review of honouring the Kennedy centenary. Collection of newspaper cuttings from *The Cairns Post*, handwritten corrections and additions.

BC/15/b "March of the Years: 1848-1948" by Hugh A. Borland, 24p.
- "75th Anniversary Feature, 'Northern Saga,' specially written for *The Cairns Post* by Hugh A. Borland to review the years before 1876," dated 2/10/1951. Newspaper clipping, 2 October 1951.
- "A School's Story No. 653 - Mareeba," by Hugh A. Borland. *The Cairns Post*, dated 16/4/1952. Newspaper clipping, 16 April 1952.
- "Wreck of St. Paul: Part of N.Q. Maritime Story," by Hugh A. Borland. *The Cairns Post*, Dated 5/9/1953. Newspaper clipping.
- "Frontier Advance 1859 - 1879: Northern History for Northerners," by Hugh A. Borland. *The Cairns Post*, dated 2/11/1949. Chapter 1, Chapter 2. Newspaper clipping.

BO/16 *Sydney Morning Herald*. Thursday, 6 October 1870. (Vol.62, No.10, 102)

BO/17/1 - BO/17/7 Folder containing Newspaper Cuttings.

BO/17/1 "Alligator Creek Meatworks in 1895," *North Queensland Register*, 20 June 1953. p.25.

/2 Advertisement, Atherton Shire Council King's jubilee celebrations. *The Tableland Examiner and Barron Valley Advocate*. 18 May 1935, p.5.

/3 "Coronation Day Celebration," *The Tableland Examiner and Barron Valley Advocate*, 14 April 1937, p.4.

/4 "Captain H. D. Sinclair, an Unrewarded Pioneer," *Townsville Daily Bulletin* 18 January 1968, p.7.

/5 Advertisement. Atherton Shire Council. Loan and subsidy works. Tenders for fencing pound reserve. *The Cairns Post*.

/6 "Coronation Day: Innisfail suggestions," *The Cairns Post*, 7 April 1937, p.8.

/7 Complete issue of *The Cairns Post*, Saturday, 30 November 1940.

BO/18 Pamphlet: Tourist guide to the Atherton Tableland: travel holiday series. Publisher: Tropical Guide Book Co. P.O. Box 271, Innisfail, N.Q.) Not paginated.

BO/19 "Early North Queensland: James Venture Mulligan," 3p. Xerox copy of newspaper cutting. Source unknown. [Trove carries one result: *Townsville Daily Bulletin*, 13 October 1954, p7, <http://nla.gov.au/nla.news-article62543982>]

BO/20 "Northern Mining: J.H. Binnie's Memoirs," by "Bartle Frere". 4p. Xerox copy of newspaper cutting. Source unknown. [Trove carries one result - *Townsville Daily*

Bulletin, serialised in 6 instalments on: 11 August 1953, p7; 25 August 1953, p7; 28 August 1953, p7; 11 September 1953, p7; 18 September 1953, p7].

BO/21 Article by "Bartle Frere" re J. H. Binnie. Title missing. 3p. Xerox copy of newspaper cutting. Source unknown. [see note above at BO/20 re Trove]

BO/23 "Early North Queensland: W. R. O. Hill's Memoirs," by "Bartle Frere". 2p. Xerox copy of newspaper cutting. [Trove carries one result - *Townsville Daily Bulletin*, serialised in twelve instalments from 4 February 1953 to 1 August 1953]

BO/24/1-BO/24/11 Manilla folder labelled "Letters from Mr. Hugh Borland to Mrs. Dorothy Jones, Tully". Xerox copies of original manuscript letters.

BO/24/1 Letter to Mrs Dorothy Jones, dated 2 May 1959, 4p.

BO/24/2 Letter to Mrs Dorothy Jones, dated 16 May 1959, 1p.

BO/24/3 Letter to Mrs Dorothy Jones, dated 22 May 1959, 2p.

BO/24/4 Letter to Mrs Dorothy Jones, dated 6 August 1959, 5p.

BO/24/5 Notes on Gould Island, 3p.

BO/24/6 Notes on Tully River, 2p.

BO/24/7 Letter to Mrs Dorothy Jones, dated 11 September 1972, 1p.

BO/24/8 Note on the Georgetown-Cardwell gold escorts, 1p

BO/24/9 Notes on the Murray - Mackay - Hull namings, 1p.

BO/24/10 Notes on George Elphinstone Dalrymple, 1p.

BO/24/11 Cardwell's First Ten Years. Notes, 15p.