

C.A. (Cecil Andrew) Bussey Archive

Cecil and his father Frederick Bussey were involved in mining in North Queensland. Cecil held a driller's license and worked for Shell Company and Pool Petroleum Depot. Though he lived in Atherton, he made social visits to Townsville where his father resided in the latter part of his life. His father was a well-respected mine manager in his younger days. Frederick Bussey's death notice (see below) provides details about his life and his children.

“The sudden death, which occurred during the early hours of Wednesday morning, of Mr. Frederick Bussey, aged 69, removes yet another of Ravenswood's well-known mining personalities. In his younger days, a powerful man, standing 6 feet three inches, he was considered one of the crack miners on the Ravenswood goldfield. Coming to Townsville in 1927, he took up residence at Bayswater Terrace, Hyde Park, and was for some 12 years an employee of the Townsville City Council, at the quarry, retiring six years ago as the result of ill health. He is survived by his widow, three sons, Robert, of Ayr, Harold of the Townsville Harbour Board, and Cec of the Shell Company, Atherton, and two sisters, Mesdames M. Gabriel of Ravenswood, and J. Byrnes of Townsville. The funeral took place on Wednesday afternoon and was largely attended.

Reference:

“Personal,” *Townsville Daily Bulletin*, 18 July 1946, p.2, <http://nla.gov.au/nla.news-article62890965> .

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Detailed Listing

CB/1 Account book of income and expenditure 1929 - 1943.

CB/2 Work references 1911 - 1927 (F. Bussey).

CB/3 Certificate of Service as underground foreman 1912 and mine manager 1917 (F. Bussey), Driller's Licence 1944 (C. Bussey).

CB/4 Photographs and postcard (unidentified n.d.).

CB/5 Australian Workers' Union membership tickets 1933 - 1969 (incomplete) with ballot slips attached.

CB/6 Identity card and clothing ration card 1948 (Annie Bussey).

CB/7 Work cards for Carpenters and Joiners Association 1942-43, electoral enrolment card.

CB/8 Programme of Official Opening of Townsville Copper Refinery, 2 October 1959.

CB/9 Letter to C. Bussey from James Hardie and Coy, 7 February 1942 Re: employment.



CB/10 Collection of verse by Bogan, W.J.C. and Rumbottle (anti-Communist and mining related).