

BAUPLE

First record in archival files is a memo from a Senior Inspector dated 8.7.1910:

"I recommend general memo be issued opening Bauple as Telegraph office worked by telephone, and trunk line office. Hours 9 am to 6 pm. Messages delivered, sub to Tiaro."

The D.P.M. General has noted:

"Action: On and from tomorrow inform Hon. A Fisher and Press."

The Accountant has noted:

"All railway telegraph offices have been advised accordingly."

1.12.1912: First record in a telephone directory.

BAUPLE

Trunk line to Brisbane
Open Daily (Except Sundays) 9 am to 6 pm
4. Gardiner J.
3. Mount Bauple Central Sugar Mill
Public Telephone

11.11.1925: A memo states: "Switchboard installed Bauple Exchange."

LIST OF SUBS IN THE DIRECTORY
OF NOVEMBER 1928

BAKER E.J.	22	MC KELLAR M. MISS	29
BAKER H.	2	MAIKE R.A.	13
BEATTIE J. MT BAUBLE	23	MISSING H.H.	5
BEATTIE T.	10	MT BAUPLE CO-OP SUGAR	3
CHAPMAN J.	21	MILLING ASSOC	
COCKING W.G.	14	O'MARA E.J.	26
C'WEALTH LIGHTHOUSE (DOUBLE ISLAND)	7	PHILLIPS W.H.	8
CONNORS J.	27	SOUGALL P.B.	18
CONNORS J. FAIRVIEW	6	STEWART D DRAPER	19
CUNNINGHAM J.	28	STOTTEN J.R.	24
CUNNINGHAM R.M. MRS	9	TOOTH C.	15
GARDINER J. STOREKEEPER	4	WARD D.W.	17
HEMMING A.	12	WOODS C.	11
HURT A.S.	25		
INSKIP POINT	7		
LARSEN, L.P.	16		

19. 6.1929: Hours of service increased to 8 p.m.
18. 5.1931: First mention made of an office keeper from W. Reid District Inspector Maryborough. Informing the accountant at Brisbane that Miss Veronica Baker would be taking over the duties for 2 weeks from 29.5.31 to enable her father Mr H. Baker have 2 weeks leave.
- 7.10.1935: The Mt Bauple Mill Supplies wrote to the authorities requesting installation of a multi-coin telephone at Bauple.
1. 6.1946: Mr Sydney Charles Dumpleton took over the duties from Herbert Baker who had conducted the office for many years in conjunction with his general store and bakery.

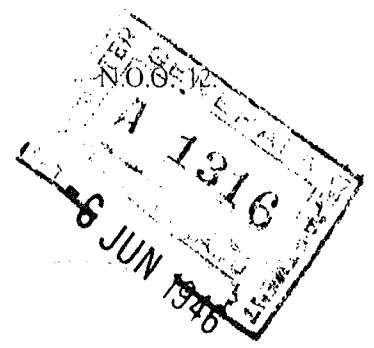
9. 5.1949: A continuous service was introduced at a new site provided by Mr Dumbleton.

CHANGES OF OFFICE KEEPERS

1. 4.1952: Miss Emma Amelia Josey
16. 8.1960: Robert McCann
10. 2.1964: Mrs Minnie Constance McCann
1.12.1965: James Kenneth McLeod
1. 8.1969: Mrs Alexa Anne Vaughan

Have not been able to find any further information after Mrs Vaughans appointment.

POSTMASTER-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT.



To the Deputy Director, Posts and Telegraphs.

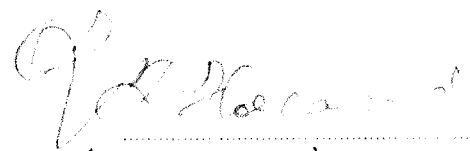
BRISBANE.

District Inspector's Report on Transfer of a Non-Official Office.

Information Required.	Inspector's Remarks.
1. Name of Post Office	BAUPLIE.
2. Full name of Postmaster appointed	SYDNEY CHARLES DUMPLETON.
3. Date of Appointment	1.6.46.
4. Name of outgoing Postmaster	HERBERT BAKER.
5. Annual rate of payment to Postmaster	£412:10:0d.
6. Whether the office will be conducted in the premises previously utilized for the purpose. If not, the approximate cost involved in effecting the transfer to be stated	Yes.
7. Whether the continuance of a non-official office is warranted under the conditions laid down in the instructions relating to the establishment of such offices	Yes.
8. Whether in making the appointment, due consideration was given to the instructions relating to :— (a) Eligibility of Postmaster, (b) Preference of Employment, (c) Location of Office, (d) Payment for conduct of office and whether the appointment is strictly in accordance with the policy of the Department. NOTE.—Information must be furnished to show clearly how the appointment stands with respect to those instructions.	Appointment in conformity with the policy of the Department. Mr. Dumpleton is a suitable person to take charge of the office. He is not a returned soldier. Qualification for appointment was investigated by Superintendent Postal Services and approved.

Information Required.	Inspector's Remarks.
10. The hours the office is open for business to be stated and whether the appointment has necessitated any alteration	Postal : 9a.-1p.m. 2p.-5.30p.m. M. to 1 S. 9a-12.30p. 2p-10p.m. Telephone: M.to F. 8.30a-1p.m/S.8.30a-1p.m Sunday, Xmas Day and Good Friday 9a.m.-10a.m.
11. Whether the transfer of the office has altered the route of the mail service to an extent sufficient to necessitate alteration in payment for the service. If so, full particulars to be furnished	No.
12. Whether it is necessary for the Department to supply additional office equipment. If so, a requisition must be attached	No.
13. Whether it was necessary to temporarily close the office or to make temporary arrangements to carry on the office pending the appointment of Postmaster. If so, full particulars must be furnished to enable payment to be made to the proper person	No.
14. The names of other applicants for the position and the reasons for their rejection	Nil.

Date 24 5 1946/


 (R.T.Holland), District Inspector.

The following completed forms are attached :—

(a) Applications for position.

Superintendent Postal Services,
BRISBANE

BAUPLE: Transfer of Control of Post Office

With reference to your memorandum dated 10/5/46 I have taken this matter up with Mr. Baker and also his purchaser Mr. Dumpleton.

Attached is a letter from Mr. Dumpleton from which it will be noticed that he served as a member of the V.D.C. for 3½ years No. Q. 214928 and also, if he is appointed Postmaster at Bauple, he proposes to engage Miss Muriel Davis 20 years of age who has been discharged from the Services No. W.R. 2851, and he would pay her at the rate of £3. 5. 0 per week.

*Checked. Is agreed
as R/S will be
discharged in
week or two.*

Mr. Dumpleton would accept full responsibility and attend to the principal financial duties during the day and also provide the extended hours of telephone service which are from 8.30 a.m. to 10 p.m., and 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. on Sunday, Good Friday, and Christmas Day.

*Mr. Dumpleton
not regarded as
R/S unless he
serves VDC free
time.*

Bauple is a small village with a Sugar Mill adjacent to the Post Office. The District is devoted to Sugar cane production.

The township is not one which would attract anyone to erect new premises.

There is no town water supply or electric light scheme nor entertainment of any kind.

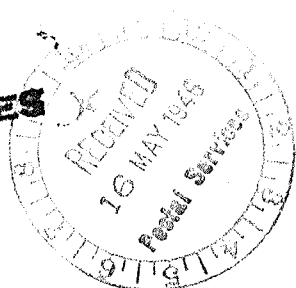
The Grocery and Bakery business combined should provide a reasonable livelihood for one person, but the purchaser would certainly not have finalised negotiations had he anticipated any difficulty would arise in obtaining a transfer of the Post Office.

The position was known to Mr. Baker, as he was recently advised in terms of Q.P.S. 462.

It would not be practicable for Mr. Dumpleton to rent the existing Post Office premises to a returned soldier, as the design of the building would not permit this.

In view of the service rendered by Mr. Dumpleton with the V.D.C. and the fact that he proposes employing an ex Member of the Services as his assistant, might I ask that your decision be reconsidered in his favour?

SUPERINTENDENT
POSTAL SERVICES



R. T. Holland
(R. T. Holland)
District Postal Inspector
Maryborough Q. 14/5/46

Will discuss with S/P next week also visit Bauple

AIR MAIL.

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DISTRICT INSPECTOR,

MARYBOROUGH. Q.

BAUFLE - Transfer of control of Post Office.

With reference to your memorandum dated 2nd May last on the abovementioned subject, as it is strictly against Departmental policy to transfer a full time service office, carrying an allowance of £412 per annum, to a non-Returned Soldier, the recommendation to transfer the office to Mr. Dumpleton is not favourably viewed.

2. With regard to Paragraph 3 of your memorandum, it is desired to know how much of the Post Office work is performed by the Postmaster personally and whether the amount paid to the Assistant is considered equitable, having regard to the personal rate paid to the Postmaster and the duties performed by the Assistant; also whether the General Store and Bakery business is considered sufficient to support the storekeeper without the Post Office subsidy.

3. Mr. Baker should have applied to the Department before he finalised the sale of his property, when he would have been advised to endeavour to dispose of his interests to a Returned Soldier. As this was not done, however, there appears to be two alternative means of satisfactorily meeting the position. Mr. Dumpleton can be temporarily appointed and efforts made through the Returned Soldiers' League etc. to locate a Returned Soldier willing and able to erect suitable premises, or alternatively, Mr. Dumpleton could rent the existing premises to a Returned Soldier who could conduct the office in its present location.

4. Further advice is awaited.

Supt., Postal Services,
10.5.1946.

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7 MAY 1946

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Superintendent Postal Services,
BRISBANE

BAUPLE FULL TIME SERVICE NOT SELF CONTAINED

Mr. Baker, who has conducted the Bauple Post Office for many years in conjunction with his General Store and Bakery business, has disposed of his interests to Mr. Sydney Charles Dumpleton, and requests that the Post Office might be transferred to his successor in business.

The present allowance at Bauple is £412.10. 0.

The Postmaster employs a female assistant at his own expense.

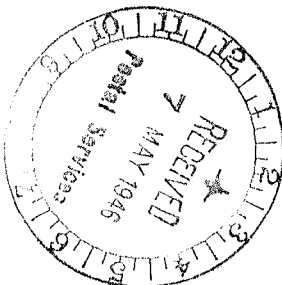
The office is conducted in a section of the General Store which meets local requirements.

No applications have been received from persons anxious to undertake the Post Office at Bauple, nor are there any suitable local premises in which it might be conducted apart from its present position.

I recommend that favourable consideration be given to the transfer of the office to Mr. Dumpleton although he is not a Returned Soldier.

Attached are Forms N.O.O.2 and N.O.O.3.

**SUPERINTENDENT
POSTAL SERVICES**



R. T. Holland

(R. T. Holland)
District Postal Inspector
Maryborough Q. 2/5/46

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Bauple

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Superintendent,
Telephone Branch,
BRISBANE.

Extended Hours - Bauple.

Referring to your memorandum dated 25.4.42, I have to confirm that the extended hours of telephone service were brought into operation at Bauple on 27.4.42.

R. T. Holland
(R. T. Holland).
District Postal Inspector,
Maryborough. 14.5.42.

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15 MAY 1942
TELEPHONE
BRANCH

Noted. Scale Rate Payment increased to.

£246 p. a from 27.4.42

H. 18/5/42.

D/S. Mansbourn advised

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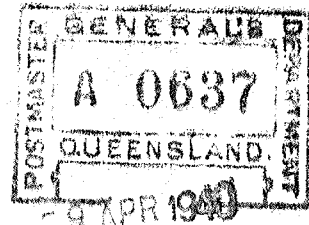
J. A. P. 18/5/42
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Accountant
G.P.O.
BRISBANE,

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Bauple - Application by Non-Official Postmaster
for leave of absence for approximately three
weeks from 3.4.1940. Mr.H.Baker -Bauple

The leave applied for as abovementioned
has been approved under the usual conditions and without
expense to this department.

Form M.O.144 (Financial Transfer Statement)
has been forwarded for completion and when returned to
this office ,will be forwarded.

Miss Veronica Baker, daughter of the
abo-venamed ,who has been employed in the office for
a period extending over fifteen years and who has taken
charge on similar occasions in the past , will provide
the relief in this instance.

J.C. Greiner
for J.C. Greiner (Clerk)
(Wm. Reid)
District Inspector
(On tour of inspections)
Maryborough
5.4.1940.

Records

Please register & refer

W.H.O.P.M.

ACCOUNTANT

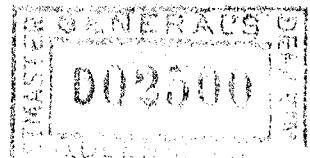
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M. F. McCAFFREY
Acting Accountant
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Postmaster-General's Department,
Telephone Branch,
Brisbane, ①
10.5.33

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Detention fees

District Inspector,

MARYBOROUGH.

Bauple Exchange - Detention Charges

Records at this Branch show that no detention is charged at Bauple office between 9am and 8pm but advice was received from that office on 29.4.33 that detention fees are now charged after 6pm.

Will you please advise if any alteration to the existing arrangement has been approved.

Superintendent Telephones

TRAFFIC OFFICER,
(SERVICE SECTION.)

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10 MAY 1933

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Refer in 14 days please

M. Sullivan

FOR SUPERINTENDENT TELEPHONES.

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CONTRACTS.
DIRECTORIES.
STATISTICS.

EQUIPMENT & BUILDINGS.
STAFF & SERVICE.
MR. HARDY (ACCOUNTS BRANCH).

Please note that extended hours of service to 8 p.m., Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays excluded were brought into operation at the BAUFLE Telephone Exchange on 19- 6-29.

SUPERINTENDENT TELEPHONES.
21- 6-29.

All concerned should be informed per medium of General Notices.

BENIOR INSPECTOR.
26 JUN

SUPERINTENDENT TELEPHONE

21 JUNE 1929

Noted

J. W. Arnold
Senior Inspector
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The Returned Sailors



and Soldiers' Imperial

[Form No. Q. 72.]

RECORD NO. TO WHICH
MINUTE REFERS.

E.2205/20.

So far from Bauple being as stated "a rising township" it is on the down grade. Post Office revenue has fallen from £498 for 1918/19 to £345 for 1919/20 and it is improbable that settlement will increase as cane ^{crops} can only be described as "uncertain".

It is not stated in what respect the present facilities are inadequate.

Post Office work has been satisfactorily carried out by Mr. Baker, at his store, for about 5 years and the accommodation provided meets requirements of the locality.

Request Secretary R.S. & S.I.L. be advised that Department does not provide buildings for post office purposes at other than official offices.

If an application is received from a Returned Soldier who desires to take charge of post office at Bauple and can provide the necessary accommodation the matter will receive consideration.

Form of application attached.

H.M.
DISTRICT INSPECTOR,

6.9.20.

Approved. Action accordingly in usual course.

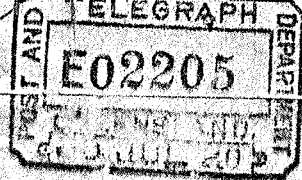
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TRY ORGANISE

QUEENSLAND BRANCH:
RESIDENTIAL-CLUB,
C/O ANNAMARK STREETS

Victory Chambers, Adelaide St.,

Brisbane, 29th July, 1920.

Deputy Postmaster General,
BRISBANE.

Dear Sir,

I am directed to communicate with you in regard to the erection of a Post Office at Bauple. This matter was discussed at the recent Meeting of the Queensland State Executive of the above League, when it was represented that a piece of land was already reserved for the purpose, that Bauple is a rising township with a large number of Returned Soldier Settlers and the present facilities are inadequate. The £80 per annum at present allowed would be sufficient if such position was given to a Returned Disabled Soldier who by devoting his time thereto, could earn a wage (with his pension) considered a living one and give satisfaction to the Residents.

Yours faithfully,

A. S. Kerr
State Secretary.

Acknowledge in usual course and
refer to DISTRICT INSPECTOR
for report.

M.G.

Acting Deputy Postmaster-General.
JUL 30 1920

DISTRICT INSPECTOR
Memo

B. C. Carson Esq. State Secy. R. S. S. I. L. S. 29. 7. 20

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