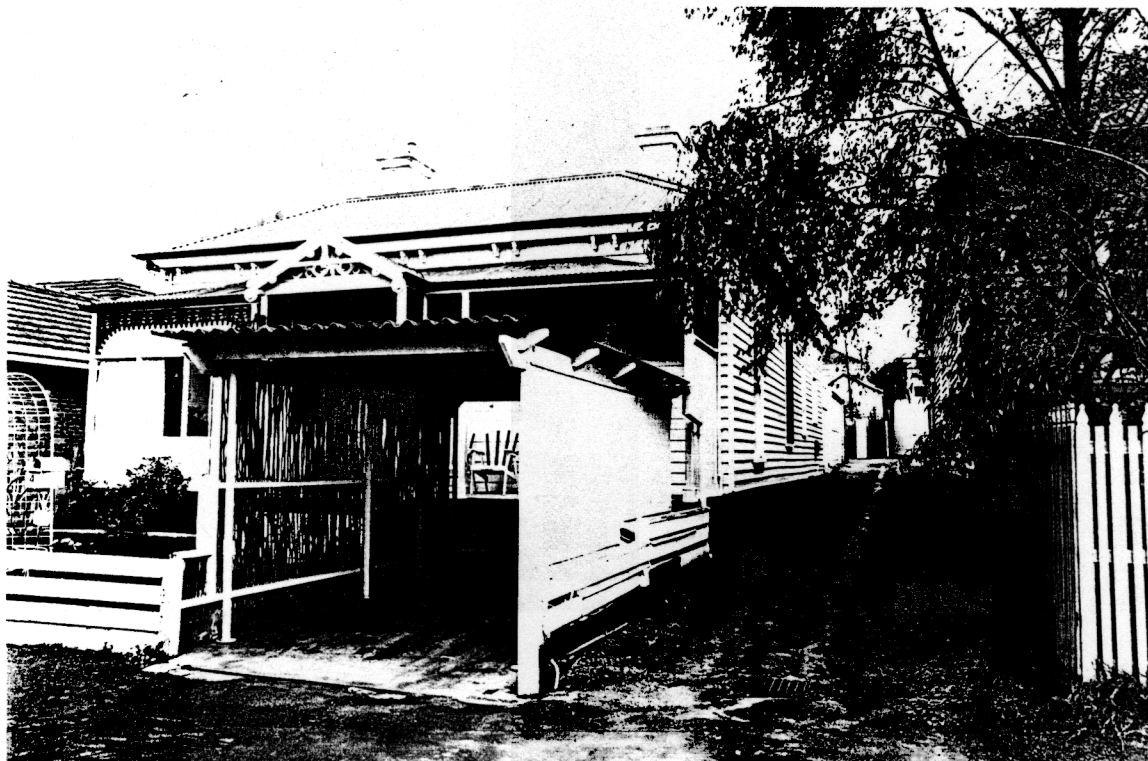


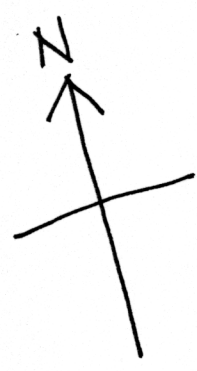
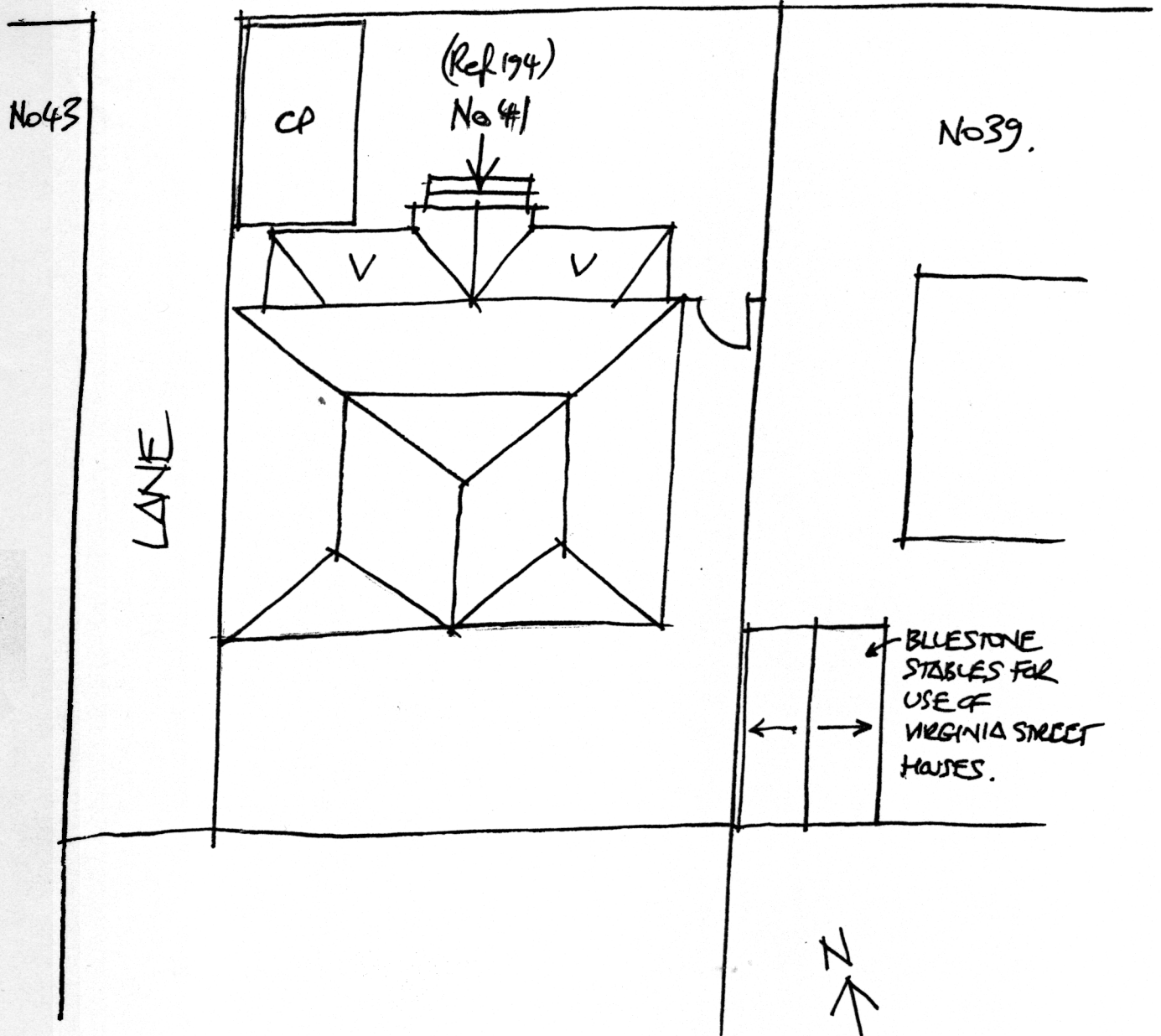
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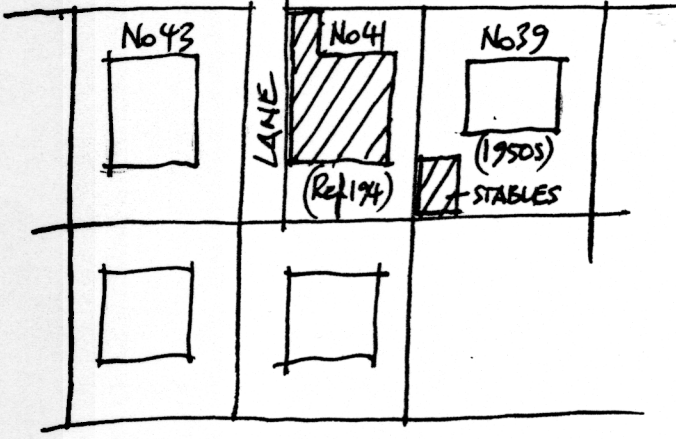
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| NAME: — | |
| ADDRESS: 41 Roebuck Street. | |
| USE: House | |
| SIGNIFICANT DATE: | CONSTRUCTION DATE: 1915(?) SOURCE: 1 |
| ALTERATIONS/ADDITIONS. | DATE: c1960 SOURCE: Visual |
| DESIGNER: — | BUILDER: — |
| CRITERIA: H1; Ar1 | HISTORIC THEME: 2.3 |
| DESCRIPTION: STYLE: Italianate STORIES: 1 DETACHED. | |
| MATERIALS: WALLS Timber ROOF Iron STRUCTURE Stud | |
| CONDITION: Good INTACTNESS: Fair THREATS: — | |
| SIGNIFICANT INTACT ELEMENTS: FORM. FACADE. VERANDAH. ROOF FORM. EAVES DECORATION. VERANDAH DECORATION. CHIMNEYS. WINDOWS. CONTEXT Nos: 33, 35, 43. | |
| SIGNIFICANCE: | |
| TYPE: | HISTORICAL. ARCHITECTURAL. |
| LEVEL: | LOCAL. |
| DESIGNATION EXISTING: | PLANNING SCHEME. |
| RECOMMENDED CONTROL: | PLANNING SCHEME. |
| OBSCURED. | SURVEY: RP DATE: 16.3.1997 NEGS: 12.4; 1279.39 |



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VIRGINIA STREET

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HISTORY: This timber house was built in 1915¹ and owned and lived in by Helen Stewart. Within five years she had sold it to Ann McLennan who lived in it for about 20 years. In the late 1940s she sold it to Harold Rogers, a body builder, who had been a tenant for a few years. The land measured 39'6" x 110' in 1925 but in 1959 Rogers appeared to buy an extra 10 feet so the frontage measured 49'6".² The present owners confirm that they have been there 50 years and came here when the Ford plant opened in Geelong.³

VISUAL DESCRIPTION: A double-fronted symmetrical timber Italianate Survival house with a hipped roof in M-profile. The hipped roof verandah is across the front, with a gabled porch facing at the centre. This has barges decorated with discs and drilled plant-form decoration and a turned finial with a transom, all forward of a triangular panel of scrolling foliage in render.

The verandah has a cast-iron lace valence and brackets. Chimneys have deep Classical moulds rendered. Eaves have turned ogee spandrel brackets between panels over a frieze mould. The entrance has side and fanlights. With 43 (ref: 195) and the houses at their rear in Virginia Street it forms a small subdivision of four houses including surviving bluestone stables behind no 39, for the Virginia Street houses.

COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS: No 30, etc. have similar eaves.

SIGNIFICANCE: A characteristic symmetrical timber Italianate house built in 1915 with an interesting gabled porch. It is architecturally significant as representative of this style (or a late survivor of it) and historically as embodying life in Newtown of its period as well as artisan accommodation revived by the development of the Ford plant in Geelong. With 43 and the houses at the rear in Virginia Street, it represents an interesting subdivisional pattern.

INTACTNESS: Fair. The verandah has been infilled at left and the posts truncated. It lacks its entrance door and fence. Handrail and carport were added inappropriately in the 1960s

CONDITIONS & THREATS: Good.

¹ If this is correct, the design would be extremely anachronistic for then. c1875 is the visual estimate.

² City of Newtown and Chilwell Ratebooks.

³ The owner Mrs Hilda Rogers, to RP (16 March 1997). Mrs Rogers said that an earlier owner was mayor of Newtown and Chilwell and had a room enlarged to accommodate meetings.