

### Comparative Examples

The following Camberwell sites may be compared with this site.

9, BOSTON ROAD, 1930  
 396, CAMBERWELL ROAD, 1930  
 460, CAMBERWELL ROAD, 1930  
 16, MUSWELL HILL, 1930  
 3, BRENEAL STREET, 1930c  
 177, DONCASTER ROAD, 1930c  
 454, WARRIGAL ROAD, 1930c  
 359, WHITEHORSE ROAD, 1930c  
 497, WHITEHORSE ROAD, 1930c  
 35, BALWYN ROAD, 1931-2  
 11, CHATFIELD AVENUE, 1932-3  
 27, CHRISTOWEL STREET, 1932  
 3, FINSBURY ROAD, 1932  
 7, MURIEL STREET, 1932c  
 4, FINSBURY WAY, 1933  
 125, HIGHFIELD ROAD, 1933  
 1, MAPLE CRESCENT, 1933  
 14, STODDART STREET, 1933  
 7, MANGAN STREET, 1933c  
 11, FAIRMONT AVENUE, 1934-5  
 87-87A, BOWEN STREET, 1934  
 458, CAMBERWELL ROAD, 1934  
 201, WHITEHORSE ROAD, 1934c  
 45, CHRISTOWEL STREET, 1935  
 46, CHRISTOWEL STREET, 1935  
 56, CHRISTOWEL STREET, 1935  
 1, FAIRMONT AVENUE, 1935  
 9, MARLBOROUGH AVENUE, 1935  
 13, MARLBOROUGH AVENUE, 1935  
 3, SALISBURY STREET, 1935  
 177, CLEN IRIS ROAD, 1935c  
 361, WHITEHORSE ROAD, 1935c  
 796-798, BURKE ROAD, 1936  
 23, CHRISTOWEL STREET, 1936  
 41, COOKSON STREET, 1936  
 9, JUDD STREET, 1936  
 49, THE RIDGE, 1936  
 20, WALSH STREET, 1936  
 8, REID STREET, 1937-8  
 716, RIVERSDALE ROAD, 1937  
 517, WHITEHORSE ROAD, 1937c  
 31-39, COOKSON STREET, 1938-39  
 311-317, CAMBERWELL ROAD, 1938  
 2, FAIRMONT AVENUE, 1938  
 24, FINSBURY WAY, 1938  
 32, HORTENSE STREET, 1938  
 4, MARLBOROUGH AVENUE, 1938  
 26, REID STREET, 1938  
 660, RIVERSDALE ROAD, 1938  
 66, THE BOULEVARD, 1938  
 136, WHITEHORSE ROAD, 1938  
 14, CASCADE STREET, 1939  
 24, CHRISTOWEL STREET, 1939  
 1, MOUNTAIN VIEW ROAD, 1939  
 43, YUILLE STREET, 1939  
 43, CASCADE STREET, 1939c?

### External Integrity

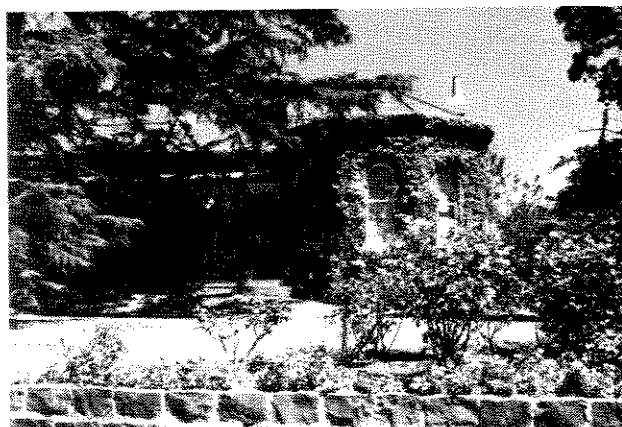
Generally original.

### Significance

Historically important for its associations with Arnot Tolley, whose eventual role as Chairman of the Myer Emporium Board was in a time of vigorous expansion of that firm into suburban centres of State importance.

Architecturally, similar to the Harry Norris house design for G.J. Coles in Toorak, this house has the then fashionable Moderne styling perhaps as a sign of both men's involvement with the marketing of new trends in their stores: of potential regional importance.<sup>1</sup>

### Cataraqui, 38 Maling Road, Canterbury



Study Grading: B

Precinct: 22.00 Streetscape: 2

Construction Date: 1899

First Owner: Tymms, Henry J T

### History

Emily C. Allen owned Crown Allotments 1-6, Section 10, in Maling Road.<sup>2</sup> She sold Allotments 5 and 6 to Henry J.T. Tymms, who had a dwelling built there in 1899.<sup>3</sup> The brick dwelling was of eight rooms.<sup>4</sup> Tymms, a civil servant, owned the property until 1908, when Herbert Samuel Belyea bought Cataraqui, as the property was then known.<sup>5</sup> Belyea owned and occupied the house until the early 1920s.<sup>6</sup> By 1925, Frank Menzies had purchased the property, living there until the early 1950s, when he bought Robert Menzies' residence at 26 Reid Street, Balwyn(q.v.).<sup>7</sup> Subsequent occupants of Cataraqui included Dr. W.F. Brownell

- 1 further inspection required
- 2 RB1898-99, 1127
- 3 RB1899-90, 1209
- 4 *ibid.*
- 5 RB1907-8, 1441; RB1908-9, 1429
- 6 D1920
- 7 D1950; D1952

in the 1950s, R. Brooking in the 1960s and Graham Carroll in the early 1970s.<sup>1</sup>

Frank Gladstone Menzies, the son of J. Menzies the M.L.A. for Lowan at one time, and the brother of the Right Honourable Robert G. Menzies, was born January 3, 1892, at Ballarat. Educated at Grenville College, Ballarat, he studied Law at Melbourne University, gaining his LL.B. in 1920 and being admitted to practice in the same year.<sup>2</sup> Frank Menzies became the Crown Solicitor of Victoria in 1926, a position held until 1956, when he retired.<sup>3</sup> An expert on constitutional law, he was a director of many companies, including Australian Controls Ltd., General Credits Ltd., and Permewan Wright Ltd.<sup>4</sup> Awarded the C.B.E. in 1951, Frank Menzies was Chairman of the Freedom from Hunger Campaign in Victoria and a member of the Monckton Commission on Rhodesia and Nyassaland in 1960.<sup>5</sup>

Frank Menzies married Ruby Friend on June 22, 1922.<sup>6</sup> The couple had two sons, David who became a dentist, and Graham who became an investor with Ian Potter & Company.<sup>7</sup> Ruby Menzies was a member of the United Nations' Children's Fund and traveled to Pakistan and Rhodesia for the Fund.<sup>8</sup> Frank Menzies died in September, 1978, at the age of 86.<sup>9</sup>

### Description

A conservative design for the date, given its asymmetrical plan, hipped roof and overall Italianate styling, this brick house is distinguished by its unusual verandah valance (cast-iron?) which consists of a scalloped fret-like pattern of broad interlocking linear elements.

The brickwork is coloured and cemented and hood-moulds have been introduced over the arched windows in the protruding front room bay. The roof is slated and some mature exotic planting survives in the front yard.

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The following Camberwell sites may be compared with this site.

- 35, PROSPECT HILL ROAD, 1881
- 630, RIVERSDALE ROAD, 1882
- 2, BERWICK STREET, 1885c
- 53, PROSPECT HILL ROAD, 1886-7
- 320, CAMBERWELL ROAD, 1886
- 3, FERMANACH ROAD, 1887
- 57, SEYMOUR GROVE, 1887
- 33, ALMA ROAD, 1888
- 19, CANTERBURY ROAD, 1888
- 46, PARLINGTON STREET, 1888

- 635, RIVERSDALE ROAD, 1888
- 89, UNION ROAD, 1888
- 2, PEPPIN STREET, c1889
- 25, ALMA ROAD, c1889
- 54, MONT ALBERT ROAD, 1889-9
- 36, ALMA ROAD, 1889
- 208, CANTERBURY ROAD, 1889
- 15, IRILBARRA ROAD, 1889
- 21, IRILBARRA ROAD, 1889
- 43, KENT ROAD, 1889
- 2, MOLESWORTH STREET, 1889
- 137, MONT ALBERT ROAD, 1889
- 32, PROSPECT HILL ROAD, 1889
- 10, TRAFALGAR ROAD, 1889
- 26A, WANDSWORTH ROAD, 1889
- 50, WANDSWORTH ROAD, 1889
- 42, WARRICAL ROAD, 1889
- 322-394, CAMBERWELL ROAD, 1890-1
- 262, UNION ROAD, c1890
- 15, ALMA ROAD, 1890
- 544, BURKE ROAD, 1890
- 27, INGLESBY ROAD, 1890
- 7, VICTORIA AVENUE, 1890
- 13, VICTORIA AVENUE, 1890
- 57, YARRBAT AVENUE, 1890c?
- 7A, ALMA ROAD, 1891-2
- 13, BALWYN ROAD, 1891-4
- 73-79, BALWYN ROAD, 1891
- 320, CAMBERWELL ROAD, 1892
- 622, RIVERSDALE ROAD, 1892
- 6, TRAFALGAR ROAD, 1892
- 125, WATTLE VALLEY ROAD, 1892
- 136, CANTERBURY ROAD, 1893
- 668-670, BURKE ROAD, 1895
- 680, BURKE ROAD, 1895
- 816-822, RIVERSDALE ROAD, 1895
- 30, HOWARD STREET, 1895c
- 29, CANTERBURY ROAD, 1897
- 52, PROSPECT HILL ROAD, 1897
- 15, KASOUKA ROAD, 1898
- 150, MONT ALBERT ROAD, 1899
- 26, VICTORIA AVENUE, 1899

### External Integrity

The front fence has been removed (presumed timber picket).

### Streetscape

A major corner contributing element in a notable late 19th early 20th century residential precinct, which adjoins Canterbury Railway Station on its south side (precinct 22).

### Significance

Historically, linked with the nationally-known Menzies family, specifically Frank and Ruby Menzies, who, beyond their standing in Melbourne legal circles, were both unusually active in Third World issues, as well as representative of the life styles of the middle-classes associated with Camberwell: of State interest and regional importance.

- 1 DRP63936; D1952; D1973
- 2 WWA 1962, p.590
- 3 Herald, 17/6/1972, p.2
- 4 WWA 1962, p.590
- 5 ibid.
- 6 ibid.
- 7 Herald, op.cit.
- 8 The Age, 1/10/1958; Herald, 7/11/1955
- 9 The Age, 2/9/1978, p.1