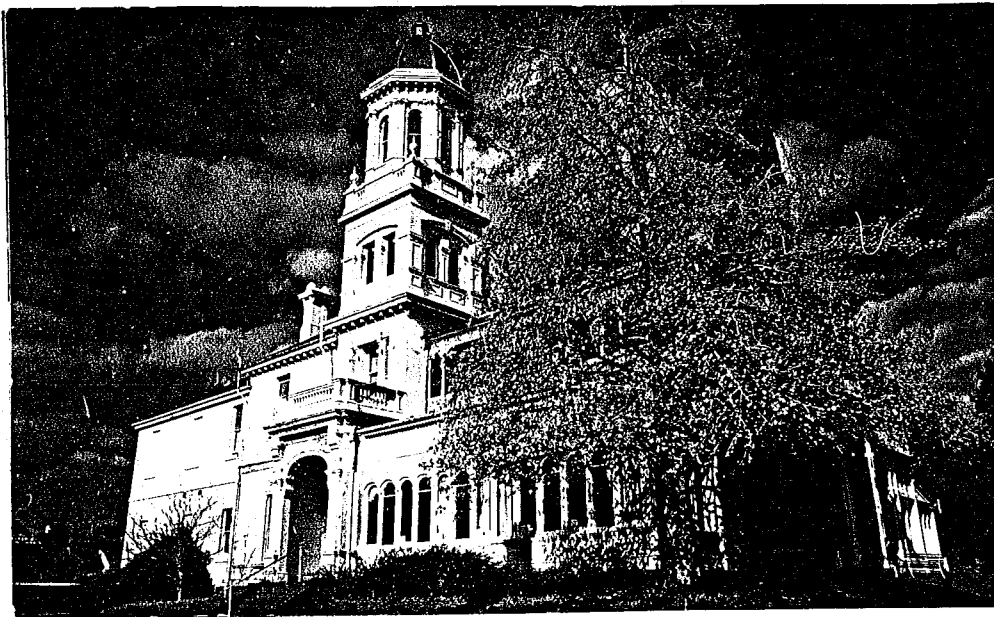


RESIDENCE

514 Orrong Road, Armadale, 3143



Recommendations It is recommended that this building be added to the Register of Government Buildings, Register of the National Estate and be protected using the provisions of Clause 8 of the Town and Country Planning Act (Third Schedule).

History and Description This mansion, now located at 514 Orrong Road, Armadale, was erected in the grand boom style manner which was prevalent in Melbourne in the late 1880's and early 1890's. The elegant two storey residence features two towers, that over the entry being of four storeys with an octagonal upper storey capped with a dome. A single storey entry porch with balustraded parapet projects in front of this tower and features an arched entrance. A two storey verandah surrounds three sides of this building, terminating at both towers, and featuring decorative cast iron balustrading, valancing, brackets and columns. A polygonal bay is reflected in the consequential form of the verandah, and the overall composition is asymmetrical. The residence features a conservatory.

Significance This residence is a noteworthy example of the exhuberance displayed by those who greatly benefitted from the boom years in Melbourne.

Intactness This residence is substantially intact, although the original cement render finish has been painted.

References

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