

HERITAGE INVESTIGATIONS

HERITAGE SURVEY OF THE MURRAY RIVERLANDS

(REGION 5 – SOUTH AUSTRALIA)

PART TWO

2. D.C. BERRI

ITEM IDENTIFICATION SHEETS

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# HERITAGE SURVEY ITEM IDENTIFICATION SHEET

PROJECT  
HERITAGE SURVEY REGION :

Item Ref. No. 4

ITEM NAME: Group of Cottages  
Former or other

Office Use  
ITEM No.  
DOCKET No.

## HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE

The group of seven cottages is of particular historical significance because of its association with the Loveday Prisoner of War Camp. The cottages were part of this camp and were moved to this site to house workers of the Berri Winery, when the Prisoner-of-War Camp was dismantled after the Second World War. They are simple galvanised iron buildings, which retain much of their original form despite some additions. Though removed from their original site, the cottages retain much of their significance.

(For information about the Loveday Prisoner of War Camp see District Council of Barmera item no. 28).

## LOCATION

Address Sturt Highway  
Town near Berri  
Postcode  
Section  
Hundred  
County  
L.G.A. Berri  
S.H.P. Region 5  
A.M.G. Ref. 7029-III  
54 45770 620680

## SUBJECT

2.2  
3.4

## PERIOD

State  
Study Area  
1941-present

## REFERENCES

Woolmer, The Barmera story ..., p. 71

Verbal George Woolmer, 1983  
Archival photographs

## TYPE OF ITEM

LAND Natural feature   
Historical site   
Historical Gdn.   
BUILDING   
STRUCTURE   
PHYSICAL CONDITION

PHOTOGRAPH Film No. 803 Negative No. 14  
Direction of view to NE

## STATUS

Reg. of State Her. Items  
Reg.  Interim L   
Nominated   
National Estate  
Reg.  Proposed L   
National Trust  
CL  RL  File   
Other

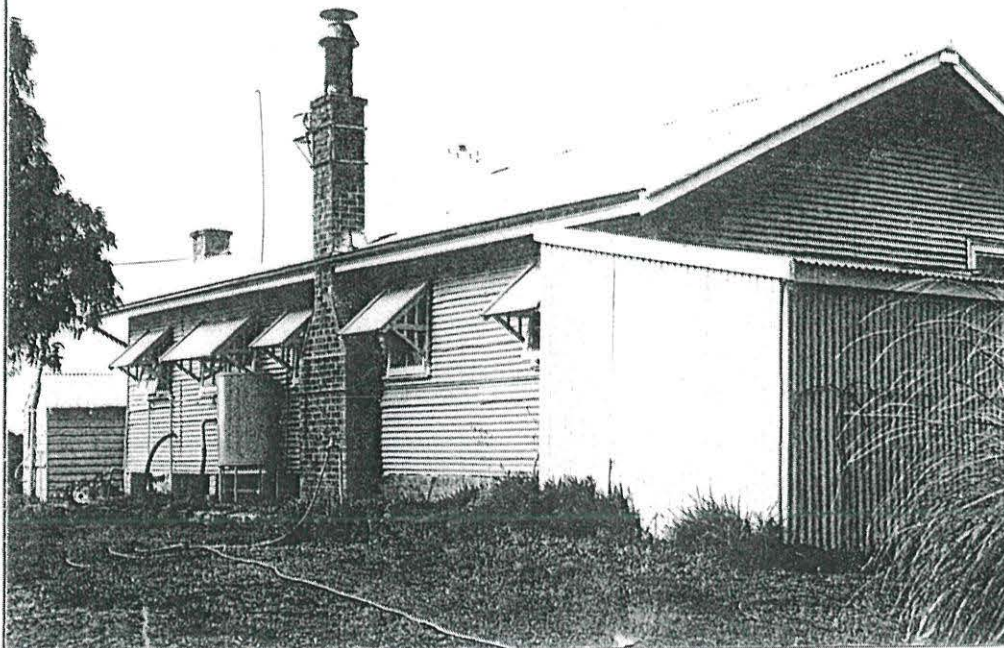
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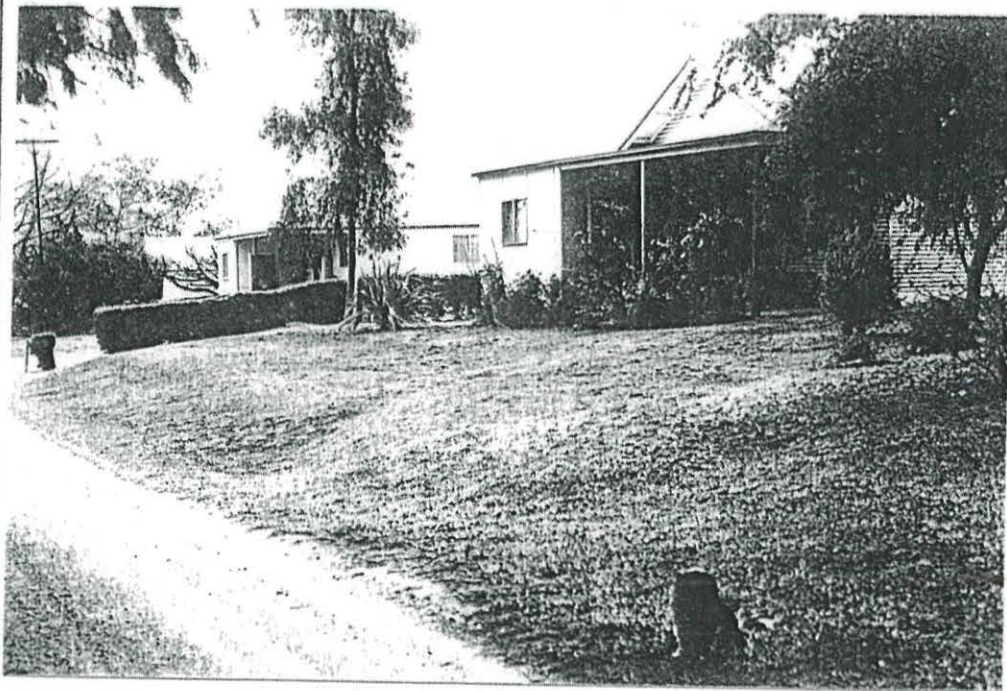
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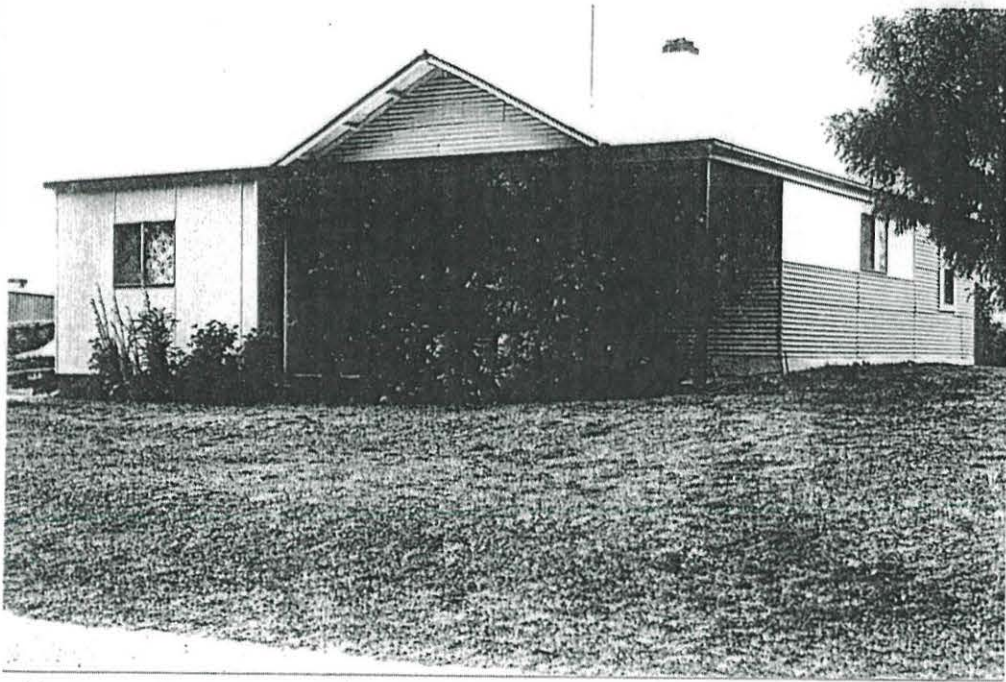




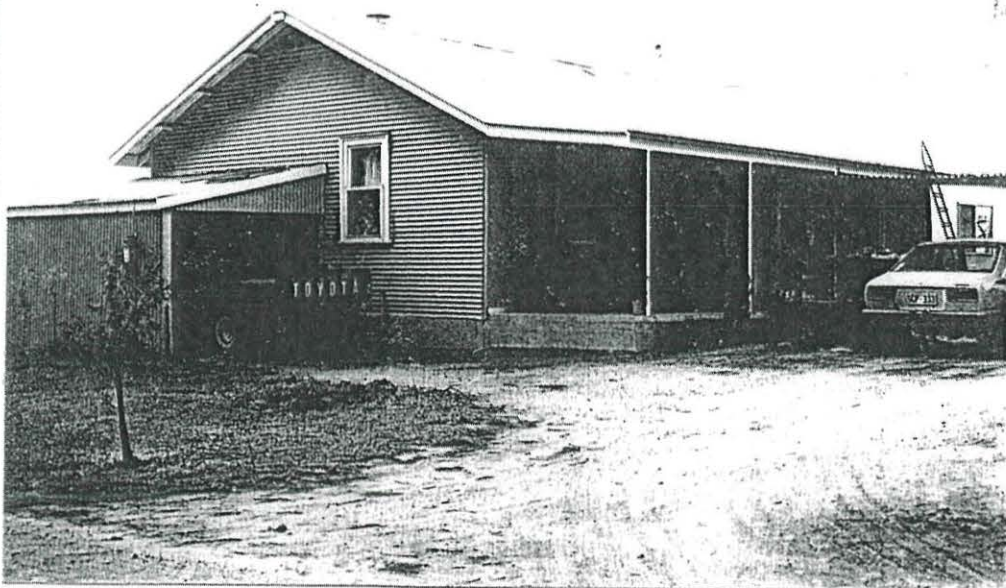
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HERITAGE SURVEY REGION 5  
Item Ref. No. 4(a)

L.G.A. Berri

Film No. 803  
Negative No. 12  
Direction of view to W



Film No. 803  
Negative No. 13  
Direction of view to N



Film No. 803  
Negative No. 15  
Direction of view to NW



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# HERITAGE SURVEY ITEM IDENTIFICATION SHEET

HERITAGE SURVEY REGION 5

Item Ref. No. 11

ITEM NAME: Row of Palms  
Former or other

Office Use  
ITEM No.  
DOCKET No.

## HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE

This row of tall, well established palms is of considerable significance, and is similar to those planted at Barmera and Renmark. The palms which were originally planted at Renmark were the idea of the Chaffey Brothers in an attempt to improve the amenity of the area. Those at Berri and Barmera were planted in the 1920s as a result of Government initiative. They are particularly interesting because they were brought from a now-deserted pastoral station - Lake Harry Station - situated thirty-two kilometres north-east of Maree. This station had, for a time, been used as a Government experimental date plantation, and camel breeding station. This row of palms is a rare illustration of this early Government initiative.

The palms form a landmark on the highway entrance to Berri. They are typical of the formal use of palms which was once common throughout the State.

## LOCATION

Address Sturt Highway  
Town Berri  
Postcode  
Section  
Hundred  
County  
L.G.A. Berri  
S.H.P. Region 5  
A.M.G. Ref. 7029-III  
54 46230 620620

## SUBJECT

1.4

## PERIOD

State

Study Area  
1906-1940

## REFERENCES

Litchfield, Maree ..., p. 95

Verbal George Woolmer, 1983  
Archival photographs

## TYPE OF ITEM

LAND Natural feature   
Historical site   
Historical Gdn.   
BUILDING   
STRUCTURE   
PHYSICAL CONDITION

PHOTOGRAPH Film No. 803 Negative No. 8  
Direction of view to W



## STATUS

Reg. of State Her. Items  
Reg.  Interim L.   
Nominated   
National Estate  
Reg.  Proposed L.   
National Trust  
CL  RL  File   
Other

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# HERITAGE SURVEY ITEM IDENTIFICATION SHEET

HERITAGE SURVEY REGION :

Item Ref. No. 19

ITEM NAME: Water Tower  
Former or other

Office Use  
ITEM No.  
DOCKET No.

## HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE

The water tower was built in 1922. It has a 50,000 gallon capacity, which is twice that of the tower at Cobdogla. It is historically significant because of its identification with the development of the township of Berri, and also because many similar water towers in the region have since been demolished. Thus it is a rare example of the type of water tower which was once common in the region - and in South Australia generally.

LOCATION  
Address Vaughan Terrac  
Town Berri  
Postcode  
Section  
Hundred  
County  
L.G.A. Berri  
S.H.P. Region 5  
A.M.G. Ref. 7029-III  
54 46300 620630

## SUBJECT

4.9

## PERIOD

State

Study Area  
1906-1940

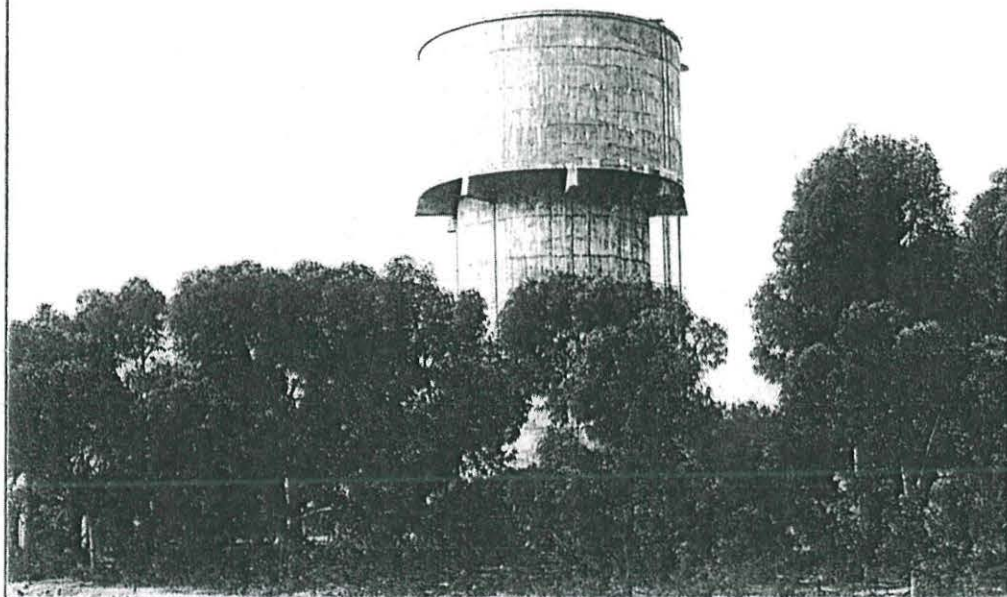
## REFERENCES

Verbal Don Cornish & David Mack, 1983  
Archival photographs

TYPE OF ITEM  
LAND Natural feature   
Historical site   
Historical Gdn.   
BUILDING   
STRUCTURE   
PHYSICAL CONDITION

PHOTOGRAPH Film No. 803 Negative No. 7  
Direction of view to NE

STATUS  
Reg. of State Her. Items  
Reg.  Interim L   
Nominated   
National Estate  
Reg.  Proposed L   
National Trust  
CL  RL  File   
Other



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# HERITAGE SURVEY ITEM IDENTIFICATION SHEET

HERITAGE SURVEY REGION :

Item Ref. No. 20

ITEM NAME: Former Irrigation Office  
Former or other

Office Use  
ITEM No.  
DOCKET No.

**HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE** The Beri Beri (Berri) district was one of the earliest of the irrigation schemes on the upper Murray started by the Irrigation and Reclamation Department for the South Australian Government in 1909. In 1911 the first blocks were allotted and the town of Berri was proclaimed. This building is the most historically significant in Berri. It was constructed by the Irrigation Department in 1917 for use as the irrigation office and residence, and the administration of the Irrigation area was carried out from there until new offices were built in 1981.

The building was also used as a District Clerk's residence until 1960.

This is one of the earliest surviving solid construction buildings erected in Berri. Its architectural detailing was common in Adelaide but it displays a degree of workmanship which was not common then in Berri's residential buildings. While its wide verandahs on three sides indicate the architect's response to local conditions, the plan itself is identical to that of the irrigation office and residence built at the Pompoota Soldiers Settlement Training Farm c.1916. Both are constructed of locally quarried stone with brick quoins and chimneys. (See also D.C. Mannum item no. 14).

## LOCATION

Address Wilson St.  
Town Berri  
Postcode  
Section  
Hundred  
County  
L.G.A. Berri  
S.H.P. Region 5  
A.M.G. Ref. 7029-III  
54 46320 620590

## SUBJECT

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## PERIOD

State

Study Area  
1906-1940

## REFERENCES

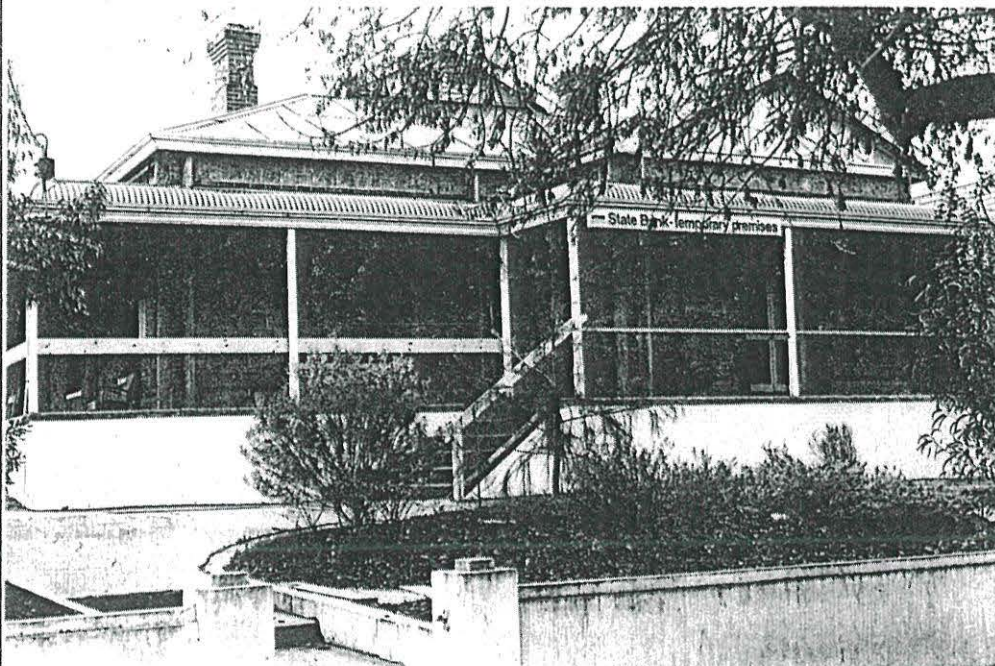
National Trust 3213  
Riverland Regional Cultural Trust Correspondence, 1984.

Verbal  
Archival photographs

## TYPE OF ITEM

LAND Natural feature   
Historical site   
Historical Gdn.   
BUILDING   
STRUCTURE   
PHYSICAL CONDITION

**PHOTOGRAPH** Film No. 802 Negative No. 15  
Direction of view to N



## STATUS

Reg. of State Her. Items  
Reg.  Interim L   
Nominated   
National Estate  
Reg.  Proposed L   
National Trust  
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Other

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# HERITAGE SURVEY ITEM IDENTIFICATION SHEET

PROJECT  
HERITAGE SURVEY REGION :

Item Ref. No. 22

ITEM NAME: Pump  
Former or other

Office Use  
ITEM No.  
DOCKET No.

## HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE

This three cylinder steam driven pump is historically significant because of its identification with the development of Berri, and reflects the essence of settlement along the Murray which was dependent upon irrigation. The pump was built by the firm of A. Thompson & Co. of Castlemaine in Victoria and was installed 400 metres downstream from its present site in 1921. It remained in service until 1959, and from then until 1968 was used as a standby unit. In 1968 it was given to the National Trust of South Australia.

## LOCATION

Address Riverside Ave.  
Town Berri  
Postcode  
Section  
Hundred  
County  
L.G.A. Berri  
S.H.P. Region 5  
A.M.G. Ref. 7029-III  
54 46370 620570

## SUBJECT

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## PERIOD

State

Study Area  
1906-1940

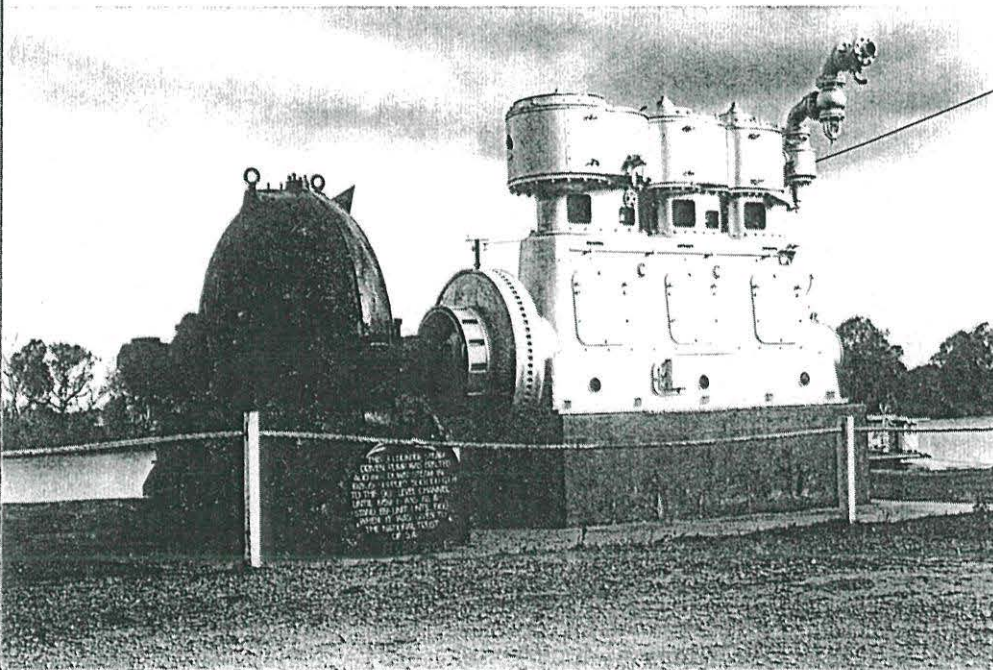
## REFERENCES

Verbal Don Cornish, 1983  
Archival photographs

## TYPE OF ITEM

LAND Natural feature   
Historical site   
Historical Gdn.   
BUILDING   
STRUCTURE   
PHYSICAL CONDITION

PHOTOGRAPH Film No. 802 Negative No. 14  
Direction of view to S



## STATUS

Reg. of State Her. Items  
Reg.  Interim L.   
Nominated   
National Estate  
Reg.  Proposed L.   
National Trust  
CL  RL  File   
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