

To: The South Australian Heritage Committee
From: Senior Historical Architect
Subject: REGISTER NOMINATION REPORT -
PRODUCERS HOTEL,
233-235 GRENFELL STREET, ADELAIDE
Date: 24 May 1982

Summary

This report has been prepared as part of the Heritage Conservation Branch's processing of City of Adelaide items reviewed by the Lord Mayor's Heritage Advisory Committee for possible inclusion on the State Register. This item was recommended by the Lord Mayor's Heritage Advisory Committee's consultants and subsequently recommended by the Lord Mayor's Advisory Committee as well.

Historically, the Producers Hotel is significant because it was built for the S.A. Brewing Co., and its association with the markets opposite. Like other hotels in Adelaide it was named because of adjacent features.

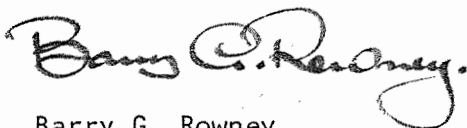
Architecturally, the Producers Hotel is significant because of its visual landmark quality as well as the compliment it offers to the market opposite.

The Integrity of the Producers Hotel is high despite some internal changes.

The Producers Hotel is not on the National Trust or National Estate Register but has been recommended by the Lord Mayor's Heritage Advisory Committee.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Producers Hotel, 233-235 Grenfell Street, Adelaide, be placed on the Register of State Heritage Items and be categorized A1, A2, A3, H3.



Barry G. Rowney

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PRODUCERS HOTEL
233-235 Grenfell Street

This building is of some historical significance because of its nominal association with the produce markets opposite - after the manner of the Newmarket Hotel and the Markets which at one time were opposite. Significant too that it was built for the S.A. Brewing Co.

Architecturally the building is significant because it is an important example of the Queen Anne style of construction, other examples of which are scarce in the City - particularly in bold construction. It is significant too because of the good quality architectural detailing.

Environmentally, the building is significant because of its distinctive styling, which makes it a feature of eastern Grenfell Street. It complements the adjacent former power station and the market buildings which are opposite and is therefore an important streetscape element.

The integrity of the building is high though it is in need of maintenance.

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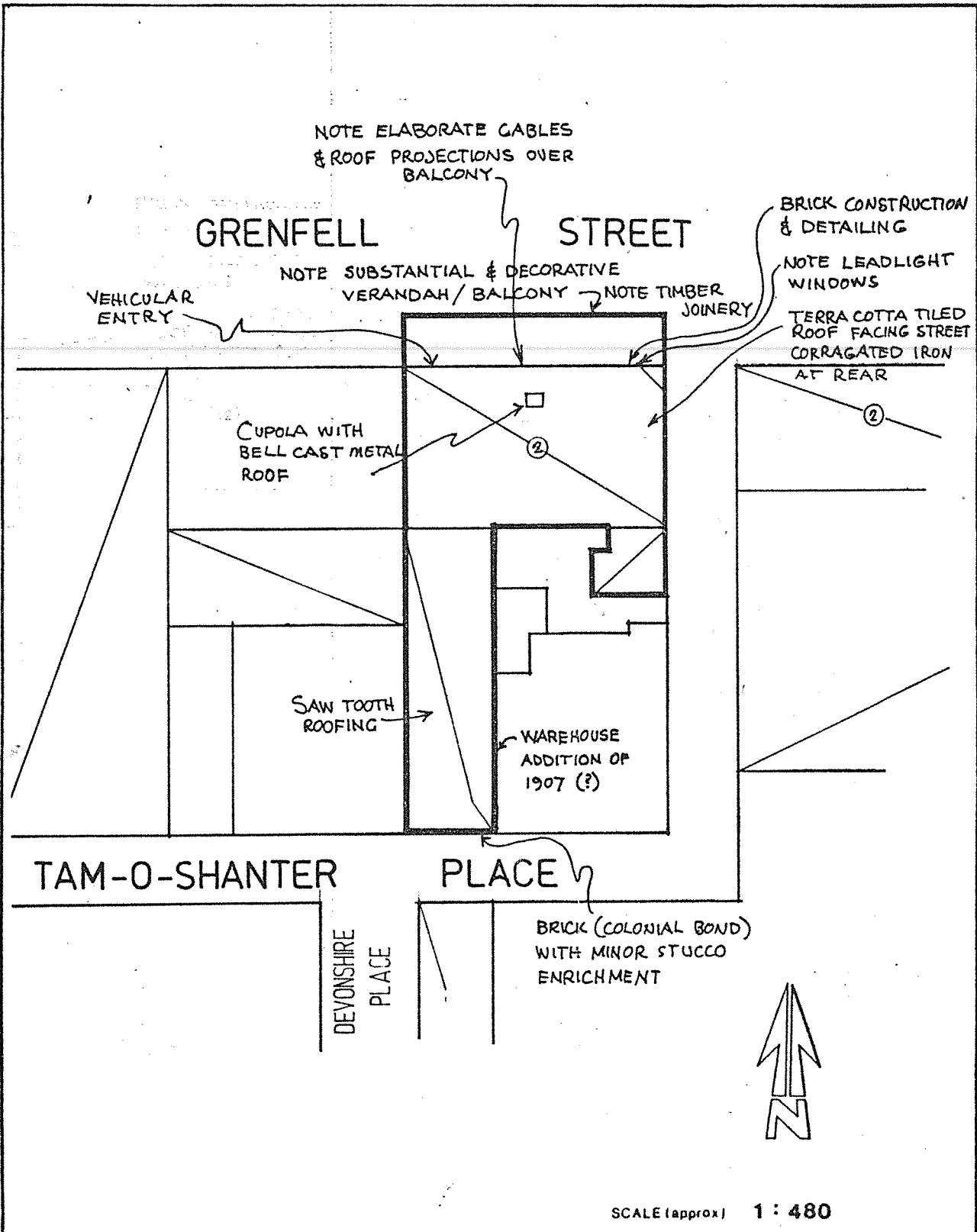
CITY OF ADELAIDE HERITAGE STUDY		ASSESSMENT SUMMARY SHEET 1/1		A1 FORM / BUILDING No 8/0313		CORPORATION USE ONLY										
A2 CURRENT NAME OF ITEM Producers Hotel			A3 ADDRESS / LOCATION OF ITEM 233-235 Grenfell Street P/L.			A4 P.I.A. 154		A5 ASSESSMENT NO.								
B1 CURRENT OWNER Darwin Securities Hobart Securities P/L, Melbourne Properties P/L & Princes Real Estate P/L			B2 PREDOMINANT USE Hotel			A6 NATIONAL MAP GRID CO-ORDINATES										
C1 FORMER NAME(S) OF ITEM Producers Club Hotel Electric Light Hotel		C2 FORMER OWNER(S) S.A. Brewing Co.		C3 FORMER USE(S) -			A7 PRECINCT Frame District - East End									
D1 HISTORICAL THEME(S) Social life - Recreation.						G1 INVENTORY GRADING A		A8 DEVELOPMENT ZONE R7.1								
E1 HISTORICAL PERIOD(S) 1885-1913 - Depression and Social Change						H1 LISTING RE- COMMENDED Yes		A9 FURTHER VIABILITY STUDY REQUIRED								
E1 VERIFIED DATE(S) 1906 - Completed																
EVALUATION COMPONENTS						COMMENT						GRADING				
HISTORY (J1-J3)												E VG G F/P NA				
PERSON / GROUP		Named because of proximity to Markets - built for S.A. Brewing Co.														
EVENT																
CONTEXT		one of the hotels of Adelaide which fulfil a significant social function.														
DESIGN (K1-K6)																
DESIGNER																
CONTRACTOR		C.H. Martin (/ 2,130)														
STYLE		This building is an important example of a style rare in the City. Exhibits elements of the Queen Anne style.														
DESIGN		The design and detailing of this building mark it as being of special significance - Tudor type gables semi elliptic ballustrading and important roof & verandah form.														
CONSTRUCTION		Brick														
INTERIOR		of little note														
VITRITY (L1-L2)																
ALTERATIONS		Minimal apart from fruit warehouse in ground floor.														
CONDITION		In need of maintenance														
ENVIRONMENT (M1-M2)																
STREETScape / LANDSCAPE		A major feature - complementing Markets - of similar scale.														
LANDMARK		Very distinctive building														
OTHER COMMENT																
On site of Electric Light Hotel and Woodman Hotel. The Electric Light Hotel took its name from the proximity of the power station. This hotel traded until November 1906 as the Electric Light Hotel.																
AGING US		01 NATIONAL TRUST		02 NATIONALESTATE		03 STATE HERITAGE		04 OTHER		05 LOMHAC LISTING ENDORSEMENT						
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CITY of ADELAIDE HERITAGE STUDY

THE CITY HERITAGE REGISTER — DEFINITION OF ITEMS

ITEM	PRODUCERS HOTEL	BUILDING NO.	8/0313*
ADDRESS	233-237 Grenfell Street; 46-64 Tam-O-Shanter Place.		





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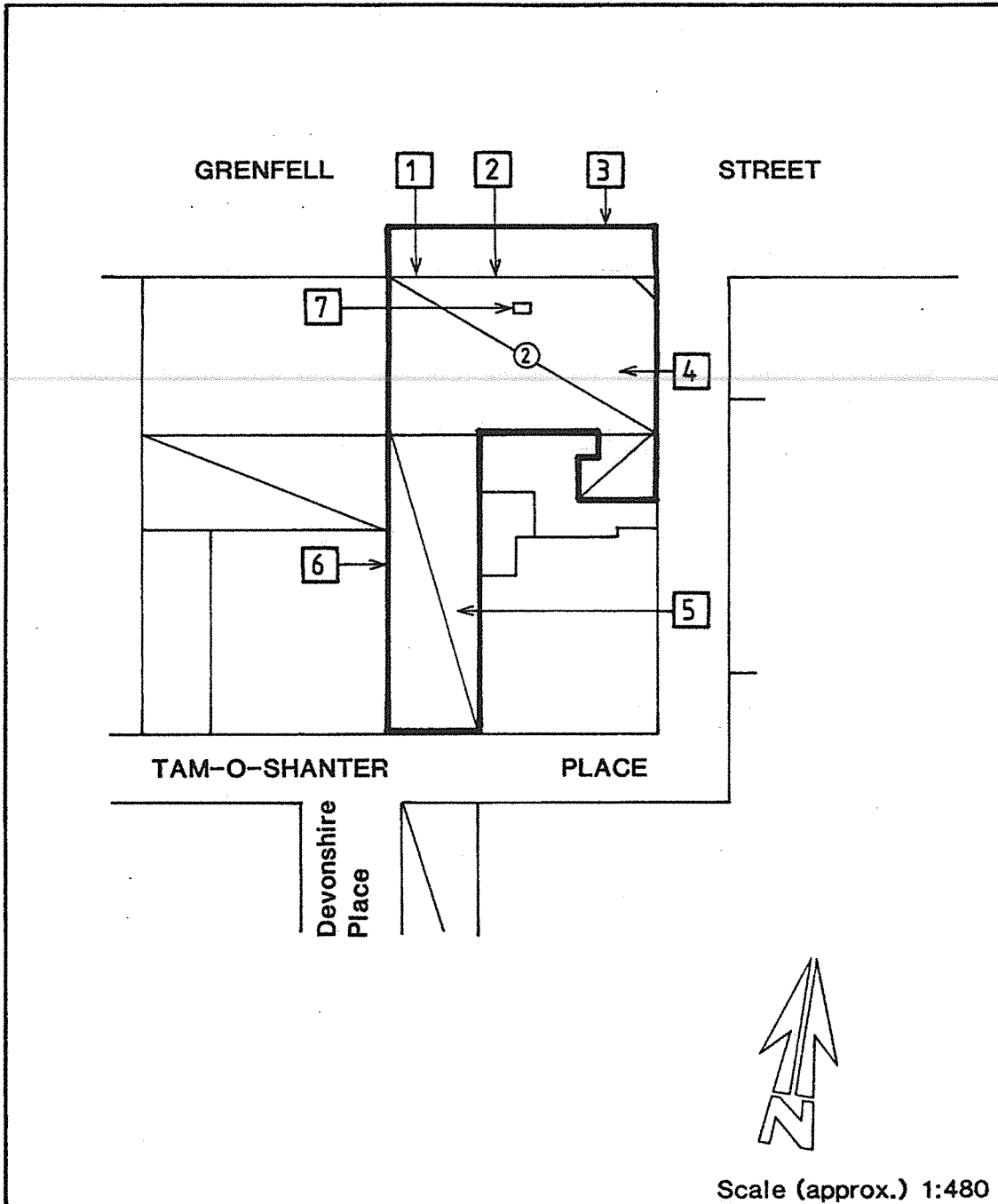


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NOTES:

1. Vehicular entry.
2. Brick construction and detailing. Note leadlight windows. Elaborate gables and roof projections over balcony.
3. Substantial and decorative verandah/balcony. Note timber joinery.
4. Terra cotta tiled roof facing street, corrugated iron at rear.
5. Saw tooth roof.
6. Warehouse addition of 1907 (?) Brick (Colonial bond) with minor stucco enrichment.
7. Cupola with bell cast metal roof.

**WOODMANS INN
(Former Producers Hotel)**

233-237 Grenfell Street

Known, until recently, as the Producers Hotel, this is of some historical significance because of its patronage by wholesalers using the produce markets opposite in the early hours of market mornings. The Newmarket Hotel was similarly named, it being opposite markets once located in the Park Lands.

A hotel has been on this site from 1839. First licensed by John Ragless Jr, the hotel was named the Woodman with good reason. The hotel was the first place of call for tiersmen and teamsters carting timber from the Tiers (as the Adelaide Hills were then known). Also in the vicinity, on Town Acre 31 where the Botanic Hotel now stands, was a very large timber yard, possibly where much of the timber from the Tiers was sold.

It is of interest that when in 1900, Adelaide's new power-station was constructed nearby, the hotel's name was changed to the Electric Light. In 1906 when the produce market was built in the vicinity, again the hotel's name was changed. Obviously it was a hotel in the current fashion liking to cash in on the names of the newest and most significant buildings and activities in its vicinity. It has recently changed its name to the Woodmans Inn.

When the new markets were being constructed the hotel was rebuilt by the South Australian Brewing Company in anticipation of new trade. The contractor was Charles Henry Martin and it cost £2130.

A rare example for a hotel, of the Queen Anne style, it complements the adjacent former power-station buildings and the market building opposite and is therefore an important streetscape element.

Department of Environment and Planning, *South Australia's heritage*, 1986, p. 49; McLellan, J., *Adelaide's early inns and taverns*, 1941, pp. 9-10.

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