

## FORMER CHEMIST SHOP



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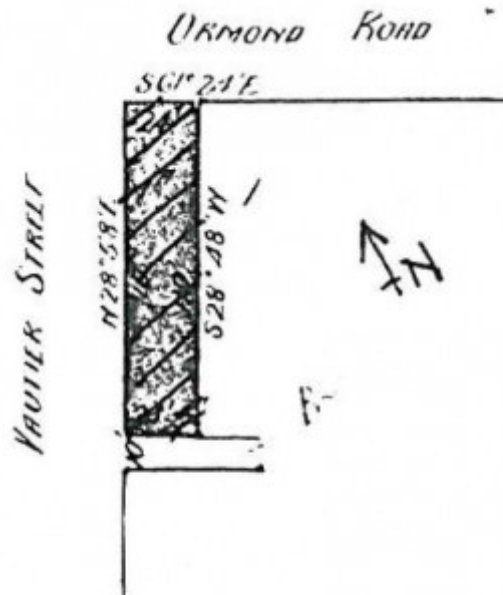
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former chemist shop ormond road elwood rear view



former chemist shop ormond road elwood side entrance



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## Location

90 ORMOND ROAD ELWOOD, Port Phillip City

## Municipality

PORT PHILLIP CITY

## Level of significance

Registered

## Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H0782

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO221

## VHR Registration

April 4, 1990

## Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Register

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## Statement of Significance

Last updated on - July 1, 1999

The Former Chemist Shop at 90 Ormond Road, Elwood is situated on the corner of Ormond Road and Vautier Street. It was for many years associated with pharmacists John and Alice Barker. The earliest part of the building was constructed in 1913 but in 1917 HM Barker commissioned the architects North and Williams to extensively alter and enlarge the existing shop.

The original shop was enlarged into one room and the chemist shop enlarged to a two storey brick building with a Wawn Ponds stone western wall on a bluestone plinth and Stawell stone shopfront piers. The shop verandah has a pressed metal sheet ceiling. Access to the residence is via a side entrance which opens into a stairwell. The leadlight windows, stained timber arch and stair itself are of interest as are a number of other fixtures including the exposed brick chimney breast in the main private room downstairs. The glazed first floor doors leading into the small verandah overlooking Ormond Road are features of the upper floor. Apart from the removal of shop fittings and the stained glass above the shop entrance, there have been only minor alterations to the building.

In summary, the building is of architectural and historic significance

- as one of the most interesting and best surviving examples of early twentieth century shops; - being influential as an example which is transitional between the Art Nouveau influenced Edwardian period to the architecture of the 1920s;

- for its creative and unusual use of stone; - as an example of the commercial work of architect Louis Williams;
- for its association with the Barker family and especially Alice Kelso Barker, one of the first women chemists;
- the 1917 extension reflects the rapid development of Elwood around the time of the First World War.

Construction dates        1913,  
Architect/Designer        North & Williams,  
Heritage Act Categories    Registered place,  
Hermes Number            435  
Property Number

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## History

<span class="c1">Associated People:<br /></span>

### Extent of Registration

#### AMENDMENT OF REGISTER OF HISTORIC BUILDINGS

Historic Building No. 782:

Former Chemist Shop, 90 Ormond Road, Elwood.

(The whole of the building and land as described in Certificate of Title Volume 3832 Folio 204).

[*Victoria Government Gazette* No. G14 4 April 1990 p.1044]

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