



THE UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE ARCHIVES

NAME OF COLLECTION	Sydney, Arnold And Co.
ACCESSION NO	1968.0012
CATEGORY	Business, organisations
ACTIVITY	Real estate agents
DATE RANGE	1910-1970
SIZE OF COLLECTION	2.74 m. (5 archives boxes, 16 ledgers) Photograph
HISTORICAL NOTE	Established in 1888 with offices at 117 Elizabeth St, Melbourne and 7 Errol St, North Melbourne, the firm dealt mainly in city and eastern suburbs' properties. Between the wars it was known mainly as Sydney Arnold, Best and Co. In 1988 ownership changed and the firm became Sydney Arnold Pty Ltd
DATE OF TRANSFER	
ACCESS CONDITIONS	Access: Open

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ACCESSION NO:	68/12, 72/37
CATEGORY:	Business, organisations
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SIZE OF COLLECTION:	2.74 metres (5 boxes, 16 vols)
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REPORTS OF SALES - NEWSCUTTINGS

1	1	Report of Sales – Newscuttings Press cuttings of sale realizations; some sale advertisements (with results noted); news reports of the sale of city properties; land values; proposed new buildings and building extensions (including concrete structures); reports of legal proceedings involving real estate matters; general property market comment. Coverage of both city and metropolitan Melbourne, suburban and country Victoria mainly taken from <i>Argus</i> , <i>Herald</i> , <i>Age</i> and <i>Sun</i> . An index no longer extant on back board	7 Oct 1919 - 22 Sep 1934
2	2	Sale reports – press cuttings. Sale realizations; reports of sales of city buildings;	22 May 1964 – 4 Sep 1967

REPORTS OF SALES – CIRCULARS

		(a) Sydney Arnold & Co., later (Sept 1914) Sydney Arnold, Best & Co	
3	3	Report of Sales – Circulars Printed sales circulars. Many illustrated (mostly exteriors but some interiors) and some with locality and ground plans and detailed house-contents inventories; press cuttings of forthcoming property sales (annotated with realization details); signatures of purchasers and realization detail from subdivision sales; includes index to Vendors attached to rear board. [see also Draft index to properties on E: drive] Proofread by AC	17 Feb 1914 - 11 Dec 1917
4	4	Report of Sales – Circulars Includes Index to Vendors (attached to front board) [See also Draft Index to properties on E: Drive Proofread by ACM]	12 Dec 1917 - 27 Apr 1920
5	5	Report of Sales – Circulars. Includes index to Vendors (attached to rear board) [see also Draft Index to properties on E: Drive (Proofread by ACM)]	29 Apr 1920 - 1 May 1923
6	6	Reports of Sales – Circulars. Includes index to Vendors (attached to rear board) [see also Draft Index to properties on E: Drive Proofread by ACM	5 May 1923 - 16 Nov 1926
7	7	Results of Auctions (SA B & Co) [see also Draft Index to properties on E: Drive Being proofread by Jake, Work Experience Student – unfinished (Jul '03)	1 Sep 1926 - 14 Feb 1934

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8	8	Results of Auctions (SA & Co from Jan 1937) [see also Draft Index to properties on E: Drive	10 Nov 1933 - 31 May 1939
9	9	Auction sale Reports Book. Includes loose index arranged by Vendor showing property location) [see also Draft Index on E: Drive	8 Jun 1939 – 24 Nov 1962
		(b) Other Agents	
10	10	Report of Sales – Circulars (Other agents) includes names of auctioneer, crowds attendance & price realized; index by locality, (attached to rear board). Indexed by Max. Work Experience Student, but requires proofreading (e:Drive)	21 May 1924 - 22 Aug 1928
11	11	Auction Circulars & Sales Advertisements, includes press cuttings [see also Draft Index to properties on E: Drive]	18 Aug 1928 – 25 Aug 1937
12	12	Press Cuttings (Includes separate index at rear of vol. – arrangement by location)	28 Aug 1937 – 10 Oct 1949
13	13	Auction Circulars {Includes many loose circulars at rear of vol., some from interstate properties}	17 Aug 1949 - 31 May 1962
14	14	Auction Circulars	27 Jan 1962 – 4 Dec 1968
15		VALUATION BOOKS	
	15	Valuation Book No. 11, Acc. 72/37 Copies of Letters Outward advising of property valuations. Generally provide a description of property, its present usage and occupant. Some with site and building plans attached. Index (attached at rear of vol.) arranged by person or firm requesting the valuation [Only extant vol.]	13 Jan 1923 - 26 Feb 1924
		GENERAL REPORTS	
16	16	General reports, Book 2 News cuttings relating to broad industry concerns, including new city infrastructure, home building and finance, planning and regulation, roads and bridges, new buildings; urban renewal.	6 Aug 1962 – 9 Aug 1965
17	17	General reports	3 Sep 1965 – 21 Feb 1968
18	18	General reports	22 Feb 1968 – 11 Jul 1969
		SALES LEDGERS	
19	19	Sales Ledger - Shows name of Vendor, Purchaser, Realisation price; property particulars including land measurements, payment terms. Some locality and subdivision plans tipped in. Outgoing and Incoming cash transactions. Indexed by Vendor name.	28 Oct 1910 - 20 Jul 1918
20	20	Sales Ledger	Jul 1918 - Dec 1923

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21	21	Sales Ledger	Jan 1924 - Apr 1936
22	22	Sales Ledger – includes many loose circulars tucked in front and rear boards	May 1936 - Apr 1957
1&4		Correspondence	
24		Lease Documents	
4		396 Flinders Lane, Melbourne	
25, 26		Publications	
2		<i>Town Planning & Local Government Guide</i> Vol 7 No 3 - Vol 11 No 2 deaccession to SpC?	Nov 1962 - Sep 1966
β		<i>The Argus Record of Real Estate Sales by Public Auction in Victoria No 1 - 20 [lacks no 10]</i>	1 Jul 1949 - 31 Dec 1956
β		<i>The Herald-Sun Record of Real Estate Sales No 21 - 48 [lacks no 28]</i>	1 Jan 1957 - 31 Dec 1963
25		Maps	
3		Survey? maps of Suburbs	