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Mr. L. A. Cruickshank,  
Acting Secretary,  
Country Fire Authority,  
Milton Parade,  
MALVERN. VIC. 3144

Dear Mr. Cruickshank,

Re: Fire Station, 58 View Street,  
Bendigo

I understand that the C.F.A. will shortly be vacating the above premises.

As you are aware 58 View Street is Classified by the National Trust and is also on the Register of the National Estate.

I was disturbed to receive a report that certain fittings and ornaments were being removed from the building, and would appreciate your advice as to whether this is in fact happening. It would certainly be most undesirable for any original elements of this distinctive facade to be taken away. Naturally changes would be anticipated to make the building suitable for a new use after it changes ownership, but surely it should be left intact until after it has changed hands.

I would be grateful for your advice at the earliest opportunity.

Yours sincerely,

S. D. MARTIN  
Administrator,  
National Trust of Australia  
(Victoria)

*Max Gray.  
438 6666.*

*Lion's head  
Darkknocker  
Enamel wall  
Plaster.*

*Brass door  
Knobs  
Chimney.*

*Phoned David B  
and verified who  
building belongs to.  
Belongs  
to C.F.A*

*Bob Morrall  
Southport  
regional  
officer.  
Myers Flat  
467-543*

*Phoned  
8/7/84. Met home  
will phone me later at  
home.*

Report to C.V.B Sec

Photocopy

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CENTRAL VICTORIAN BRANCH

FIRE STATION MATTER.

21st July, 84

I first contacted David Breaden to verify ownership of the building. At present it does belong to the Country Fire Authority.

I contacted Mr. Bob Morrall the regional officer to see if they realised at a local level what our concerns were. He was vaguely aware and suggested I contact Max Gray as he would be the person that could help.

I finally got on the Max Gray 20th July. He assures me that all photos, wall pictures, etc, were the property of the C.F.A. and were going to be stored and hung at their present new premises. He showed me where the photos were stored and several of the pictures were allready hung. They had removed the brass doorknocker and knob for safe-keeping and will return same to building once it is habitated. One interal set of doorhandles were removed

My own summing up of the situation is that perhaps initial inquiries at a local level may have been a more suitable avenue of tackling the matter.

No more cause  
for concern.

Walter Pearce