

'Chateau-style' mansion

WYKEHURST Place, one of the most impressive mansions in the south of England, can be bought through Cluttons, Haywards Heath.

This masterpiece of Victorian architecture was designed by the Covent Garden Opera House architect, Edward Barry, for Henry Muth.

It is said that this Austrian banker used to pass the magnificent hill top site with its small 17th century house on his way to and from Brighton. In the fashion of the time Muth wanted to live in style in the country, and when the small house burnt he was able at a cost of £35,000 to replace

it with his fine building.

Wykehurst Park is not just famous for its amazing chateau style exterior but also its fine interior which includes a grand hall, a Louis XV style drawing room, Adam style library, dining room complete with carved walnut panelling from a cardinal's palace in Florence and the former billiard room.

These and the majority of the 11 bedrooms on the first floor all face south to take advantage of the outstanding views to the Downs.

There are seven self-contained flats on the second floor and an extensive lower ground floor in a mansion of over 20,000 sq ft.

Wykehurst Place stands in secluded

parkland grounds of about 18 acres with a half mile long drive leading to the A23 only six miles from the Haywards Heath mainline station and 13 miles from Gatwick.

Stephen Hardwick, who is handling the sale, said: "Wykehurst Park is spectacular building with elegant rooms ideal for prestigious entertaining and yet the principal accommodation is of a manageable size for family living. The remainder of the house which is divided into self-contained flats has potential for other uses."

"The mansion itself although a pri-

vate house is equally well suited for a wide range of commercial uses which we have discussed with the planners."

"We anticipate, because of its excellent location and its prestigious potential, that it will create interest both here and abroad."

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Wykehurst Place which is featured in many films including "Oh What a Lovely War" is in the market with Cluttons at a guide price of £1.95 million.



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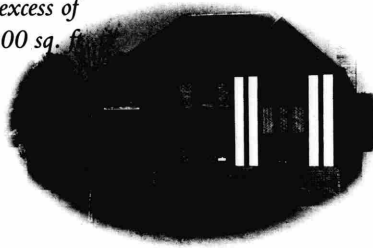
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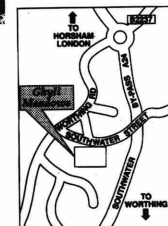


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