## Reflect your lifestyle in your decorating

o, you're not an interior designer. Don't let that fact stand between you and the home of your dreams. Successful decorating is a simple matter of knowing what you like.

Knowing what you like, however, can be another matter altogether. The most important thing to keep in mind is that it's your home, and your rooms should reflect your style and personality. If it looks good to you, it probably will look good to everyone else. To help you decide what you like with regard to decorating ask yourself a few questions. Do you like traditional or contemporary looks? Do you prefer open, airy spaces or cozy, secluded retreats? Are your tastes generally simple or do they lean more toward dramatic? What type of overall

ambiance are you hoping to create? The following tips will help you answer these questions and ultimately identify your own personal decorating style:

 Look through your closet. As strange as it may sound, your closet can be a great place to start your decorating adventure. There you can observe the types of colours and patterns you prefer. And odds are, what you enjoy wearing will be enjoyable to live with as well.

 Borrow ideas from the homes of friends and family. During visits, note the creative decorating ideas being used by your friends and family and picture how they might work into your new decorating scheme.

· Consult decorating books and magazines. A fun way to evaluate your style preferences is by collecting pictures from various magazines of rooms you like. Don't think about why you like the rooms, just clip and save them. When you've gathered at least a dozen clippings, spread them out and look

for common features. You may find that you are drawn to a certain look, mood or colour scheme. Then take your favourite pictures with you when you shop.

 Visit furniture stores. When you begin shopping, you will undoubtedly notice that today's retailers offer more decorating help than ever before. Many retailers display furniture in vignette-style room settings complete with lamps, area rugs and other accessories, so you can see how individual pieces or groups look in actual living situations. In addition, many stores have consultants on staff to help you with your decorating decisions.





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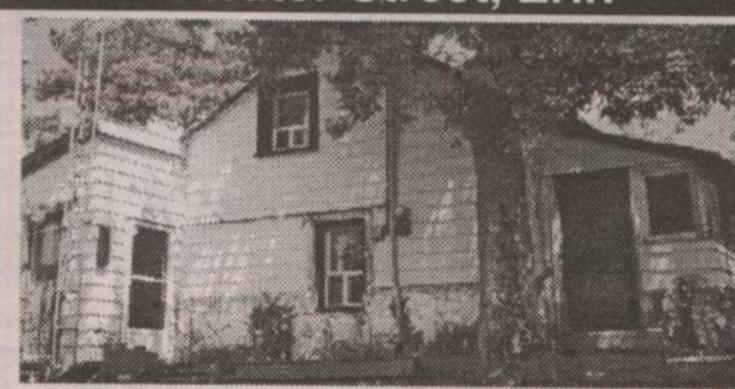
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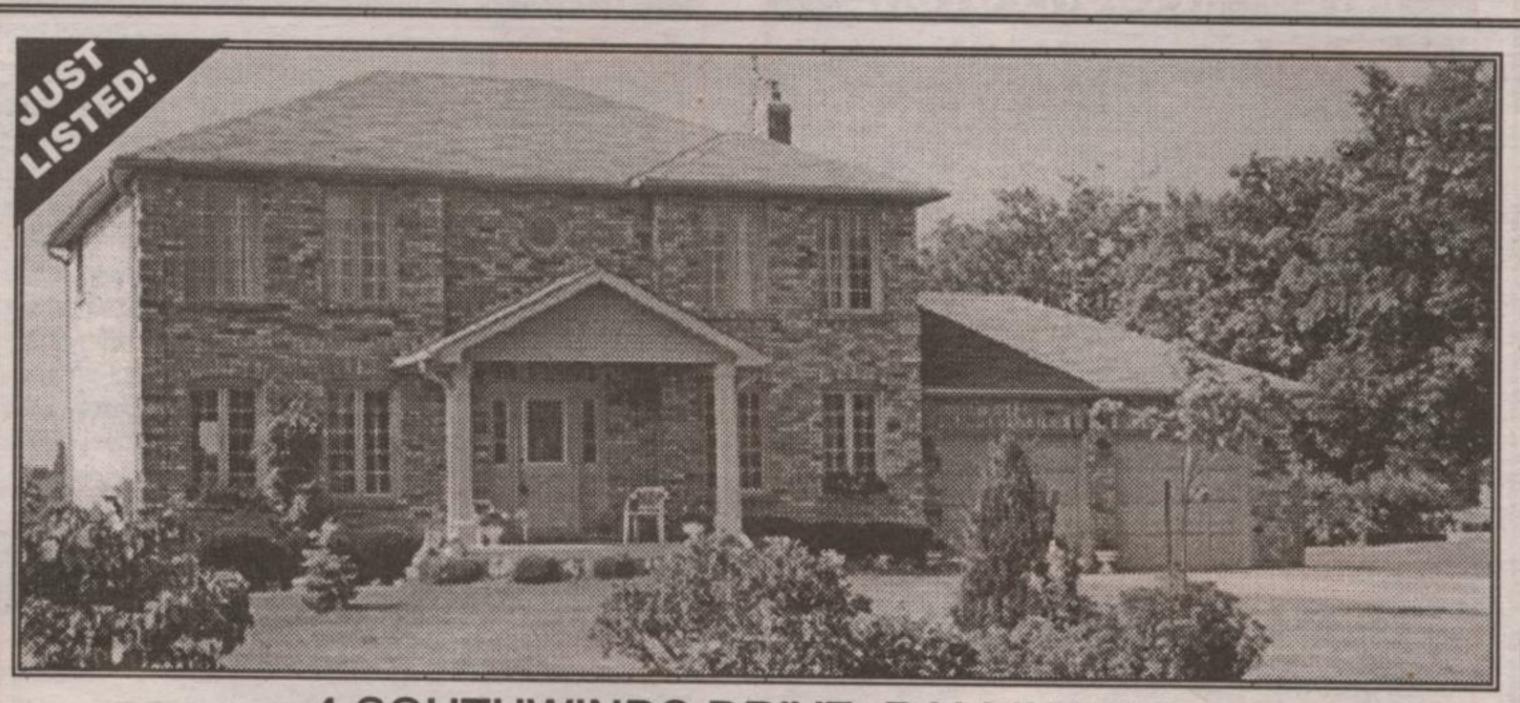
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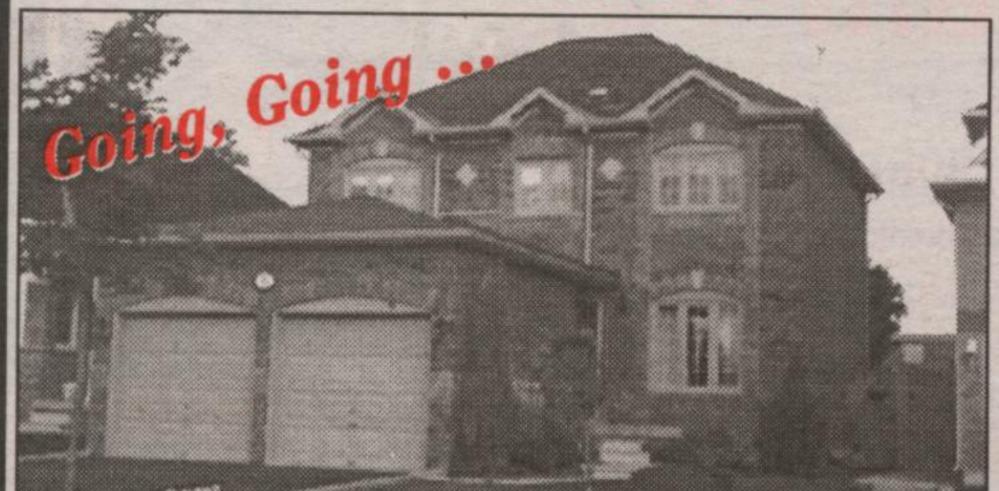


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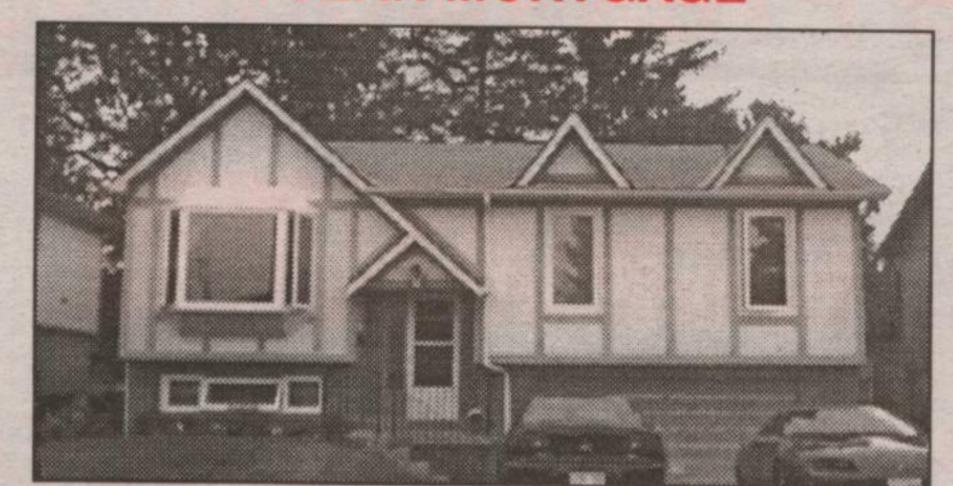
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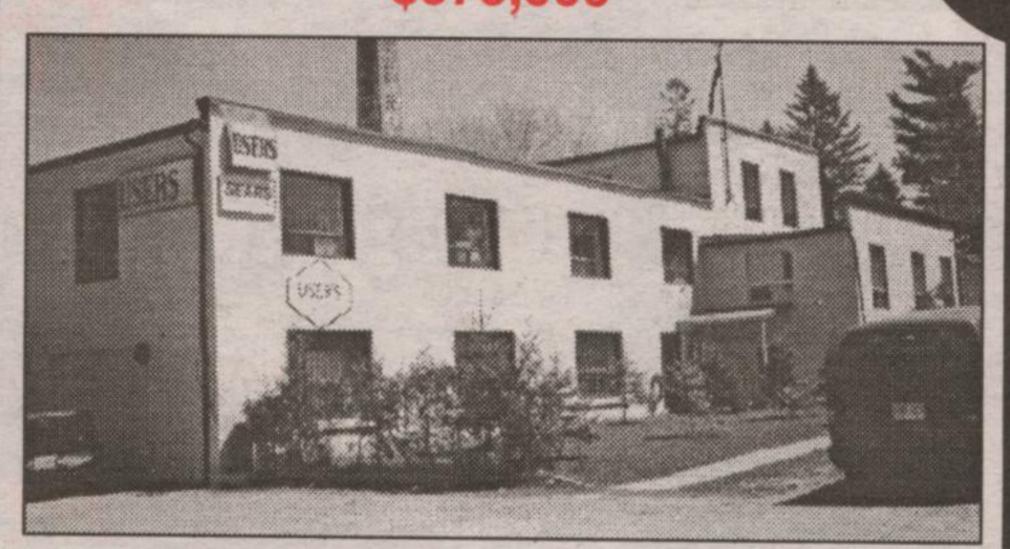


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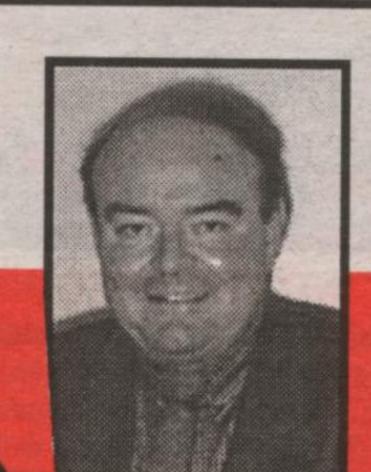
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