

Painting your child's room

When moving into a new home, or redecorating their current home, parents usually decorate their children's bedrooms first. As a result, most of their time and budget go to their kids, rather than the entire home.

Here are some new ideas that prove less costly as well as less time consuming for such projects.

While wallpaper and borders have been the traditional decorating medium of choice, the most recent trend has been toward faux finishes. They have been rediscovered and become fashionable in

kid's rooms, alone or in combination with wallpaper and border.

Our paint colors have changed in the past year, as have consumer's choices. Often children are choosing brighter and deeper versions. Primary and pastel colours are still popular for younger children. As they become teenagers, more and more, they are urging parents to permit our darkest colours. While parents are often hesitant, we offer a solution: Faux Finish. Instead of a foreboding navy blue bedroom, why not a Navy base coat with a blue grey

medium tint smoothed or sponge striped over top? We can instruct you on these finishes when you stop in for paint.

Keep in mind, you want to save time and money where possible to spread throughout your entire home. One way to do so, use a tinted primer under bright or deep colours to cut down on the number of paint coats necessary. Primer is less costly than paint.

Next week: Choosing your child's wallpaper.

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Single women becoming more active in real estate

The proportion of single women buying resale homes in Toronto has increased substantially.

The survey analyzed the demographics of thousands of Canadian homebuyers during 1993. It found more single women are buying homes than single men. In fact, Toronto has the second greatest percentage of women buyers in Canada, next to Vancouver.

Women now account for 56.8 per cent of all home purchases by singles, close to 4 per cent higher than last year. Male buyers declined 4 per cent, dropping to 43.2 per cent. As a whole, singles represented 27 per cent of market activity, up 2 per cent over 1992.

There are a number of probable influences behind this trend, including improving income levels, the realization that buying a home is a hedge against rent increases, and social trends like people waiting longer to get married.

Whatever the factors, it's apparent that more and more single women in Toronto now have the motiva-

tion and the capability to buy homes.

The survey also found Toronto leads the country in the number of first-time buyers. They now represent 48 per cent of the market.

Market conditions are ideal for first-time buyers, he said. Low mortgage rates, combined with government incentives such as access to RRSP funds for home ownership and the 5 per cent downpayment plan, are the major factors in driving activity. However, we are also starting to see some movement in the move-up market.

For example, the number of people buying their second home inched upward, rising from 26 per cent to 27 per cent. Depressed housing prices in the upper-end of the market are prompting move-up buyers to take advantage of the opportunity to upgrade.

Obviously, Canadians and more specifically Torontonians, believe in home ownership as both a form of shelter and an investment in the future.

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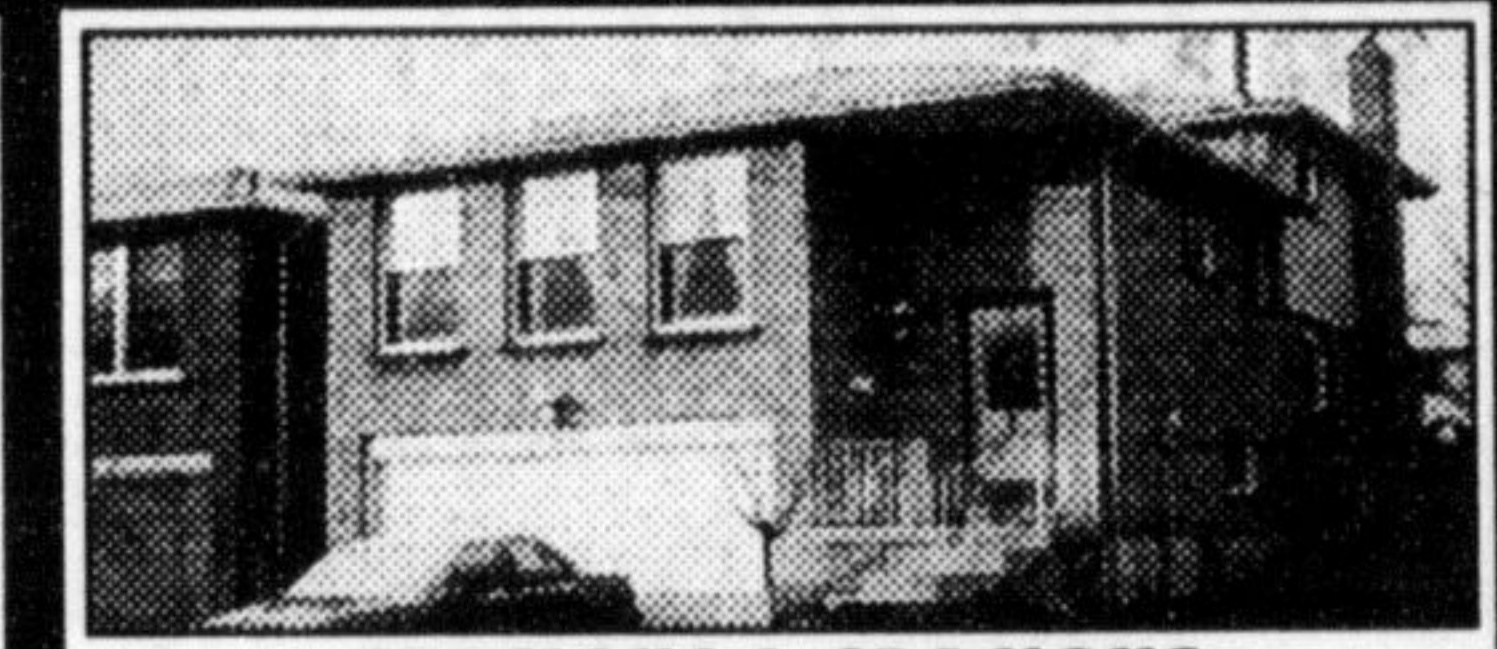
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