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- heating and ventilation equipment, such as the furnace;
- the building envelope, such as windows;
 - and insulation levels in the attic, walls and basement.

Builders will offer you options, but you make the final choice about what you would like to include in your home. Many of the most valuable energy improvements are easier and cheaper to install while a home is being built. Any investment in energy efficiency improvements you make at the building stage will start to pay you back in lower energy bills the day you move in.

Visit Natural Resources Canada's website for everything you need to know about building or buying an energy efficient new home at www.newhomes.nrcan.gc.ca or by calling 1-800-387-2000 to order publications.

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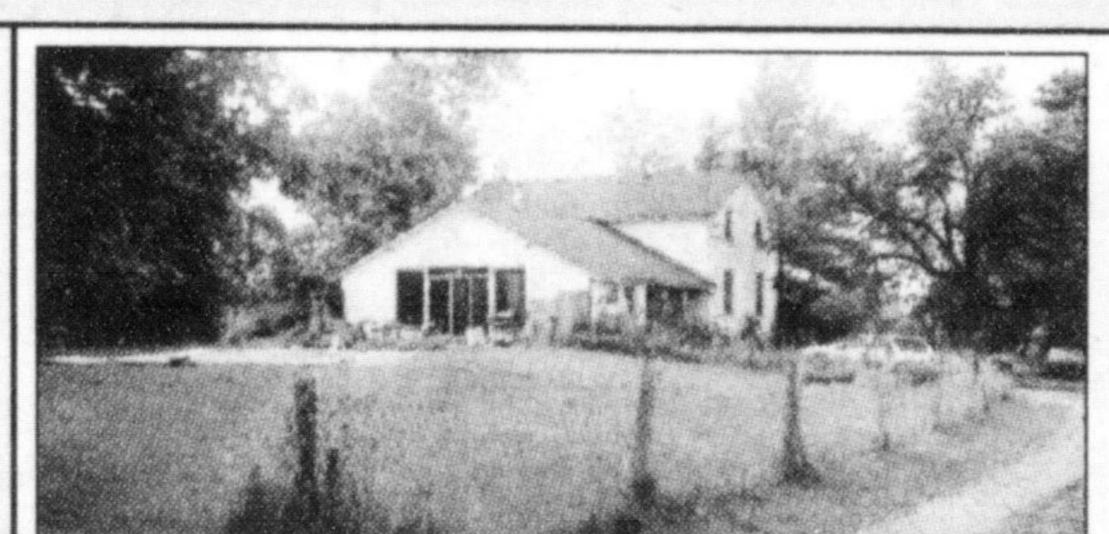
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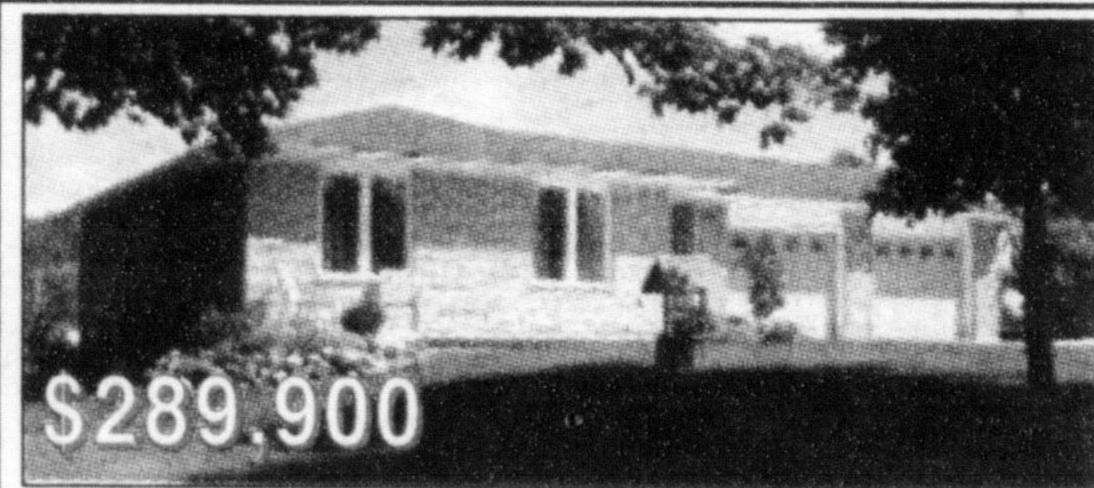
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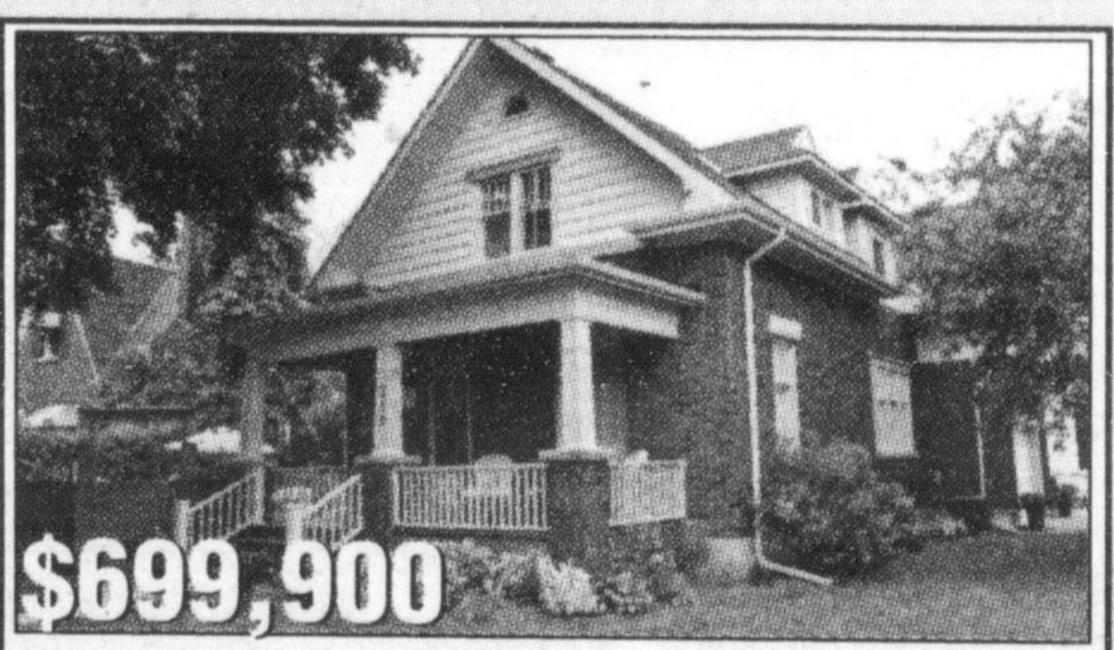
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