

## Building a Home Ready to Move in Within Two Days

It Was Done This Year at Ottawa.

Bare ground one day and the second day a home ready for the folks to move in! That was the record at Ottawa this year. Of course, it was one of those pre-fabricated houses. And this is no fabrication!

Necessity is the mother of invention, says the proverb. Necessity moved Ottawa this year to adopt the prefabricated home for the use of war workers. At various war industrial centres, war

workers had to endure undesirable makeshift homes that did not make for health or efficiency of the workers. So the blue print experts at Ottawa got busy. A housing plan was worked out. Pre-fabricated sections were fitted together to make a comfortable home in the course of a day. The house so designed could be dismantled shipped away and reconstructed. It included everything from domestic hot water in a modern bathroom and kitchen to the newest thing in lighting.

The floor ceiling and roof each go in 12 separate sections and the walls in 24 pre-fitted parts. Completed, the house contains two bedrooms, living room, kitchen, bath, dining space and a small furnace room; in all 575 square feet of comfortable living space.

Solid, safe and durable, the construction is of stock products, all procurable

on the Canadian market—lumber, gypsum, fibre board, plywood, asbestos and asphalt materials.

The shell of the house—wall, floor, roof and room partitions are standardized, cut to pre-designed length and interchangeable—but for private use, any interior finish, bathroom and kitchen fixtures could be available. It is likely that in any plans for mass production these "extras" too, will be

Following plans by Dominion Housing Administration under supervision of F. W. Nicholls, workmen at 8 a.m. unloaded the truck and put down sections of pre-fabricated flooring to cover bare ground at the D. Kemp Edwards Limited lumber plant. By 5 a.m. they had built an attractive house. On the following day, plumbing, heating and all necessary equipment was installed.

By evening, the house was fully ready for occupancy.

## Corner Cupboard Again Coming Into Fashion in Homes

Once upon a time there were few homes without the corner cupboard—or maybe two or three of them. If there was a 'whatnot' in the parlour, there would be a corner cupboard in the dining room or the kitchen, or both. Cupboards, under one guise or another, have perhaps maintained their popularity in the kitchen, but for various reasons they have in recent years lost their old place in the other rooms of the home.

It would seem, however, that the corner cupboard promises a real comeback in popular acceptance. Whether simple or elaborate, costly or inexpensive, made of fine wood and elegantly finished, the corner cupboard, as one writer phrases it, is both useful and ornamental. In the kitchen it may yet be termed what it used to be called "the corner cupboard," while in dining rooms or living rooms its more fashionable name will be the "corner cabinet." By any name, it will be found convenient, useful, pleasing.

Roughly, the modern cabinet may be divided into three classes—the one with front chiefly of glass—the one with front chiefly of well-matched and panelled wood—and the one a combination of the other two. A writer on home-making is authority for the statement that the corner cupboard in the Canadian dining room has become a traditional part of the comfortable well-planned modern home.

## Note to Prospective Borrowers Under the Housing Act

Application Must be Made Prior to Start of Construction.

Ottawa—Prospective borrowers are warned that application for a National Housing Act loan must be made prior to the start of construction. If construction is commenced before final written approval is received, the borrower does so at his own risk. If the minimum standards of construction and the memorandum specifications are not strictly observed the borrower is not eligible for a National Housing Act Loan.

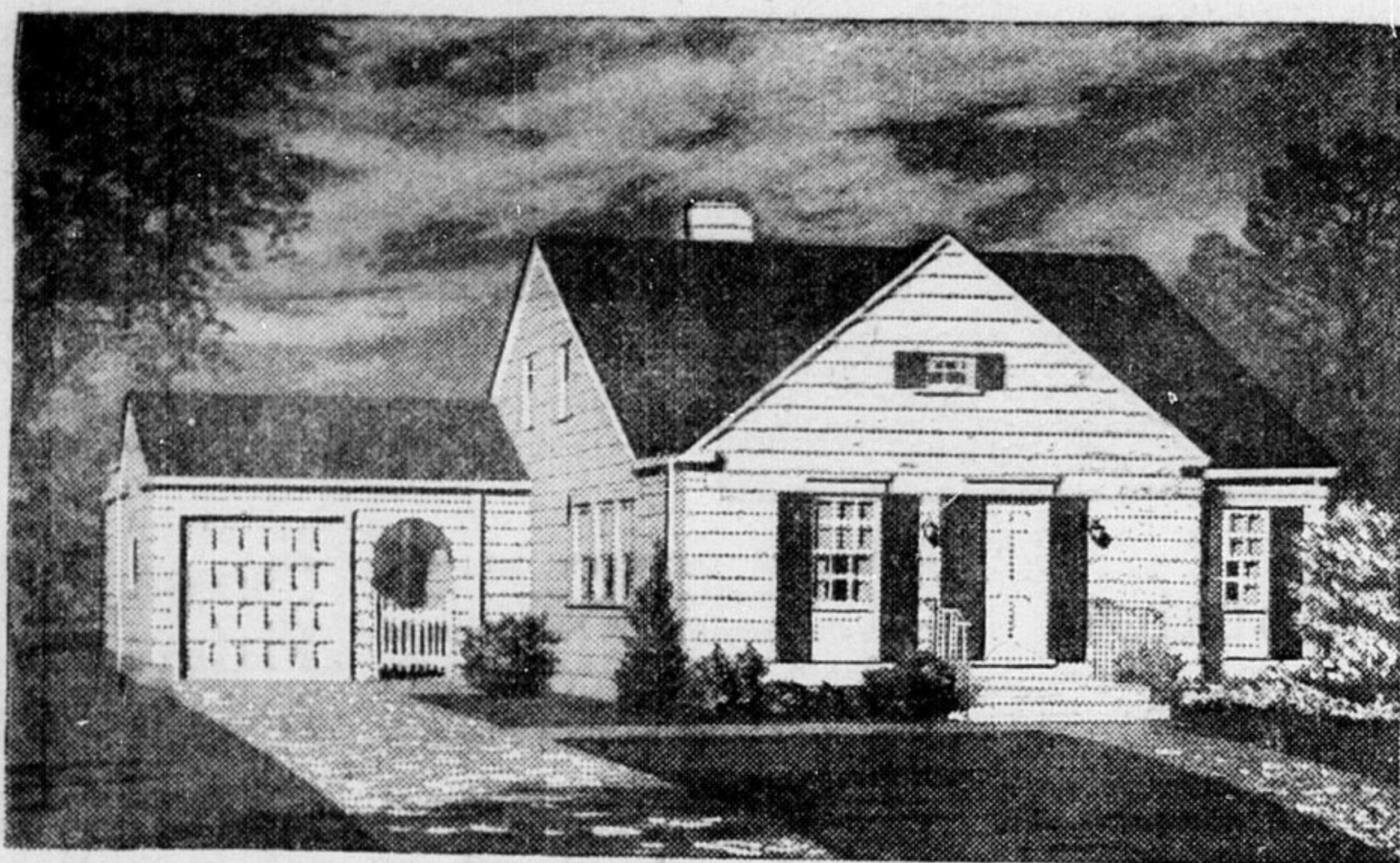
If the borrower wishes to proceed with the construction he may do so at his own risk up to a certain point. He may excavate, lay the footings, build the basement walls, and after inspection by the lending institution inspector, he may complete waterproofing and backfilling. Up to this point he is eligible for a National Housing Act loan, but he must not proceed any farther; otherwise the loan cannot be granted. As soon as final approval is received he may proceed with the construction.

If the borrower has signed his loan application prior to the start of construction, and his plans and specifications are complete and comply with all National Housing Act requirements; then he may be reasonably sure that final approval will be granted before the construction has reached the point outlined above. However, if the plans and specifications do not comply in every respect, then he must understand that the responsibility for the delay in approval rests entirely upon him.

## Rock Gardens Make Beauty Spots Round the Homes

In this land of rocks it is often hard to know what to do with some rocky section near the home. The answer, of course, is the rock garden. By this means a place of ugliness is transformed into a real bower of beauty. At many a mine in the Porcupine district this fact has been proved. The rock garden at the Buffalo-Ankerite is known throughout the district as a sample of how rocky terrain may be transformed into the most appealing beauty.

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