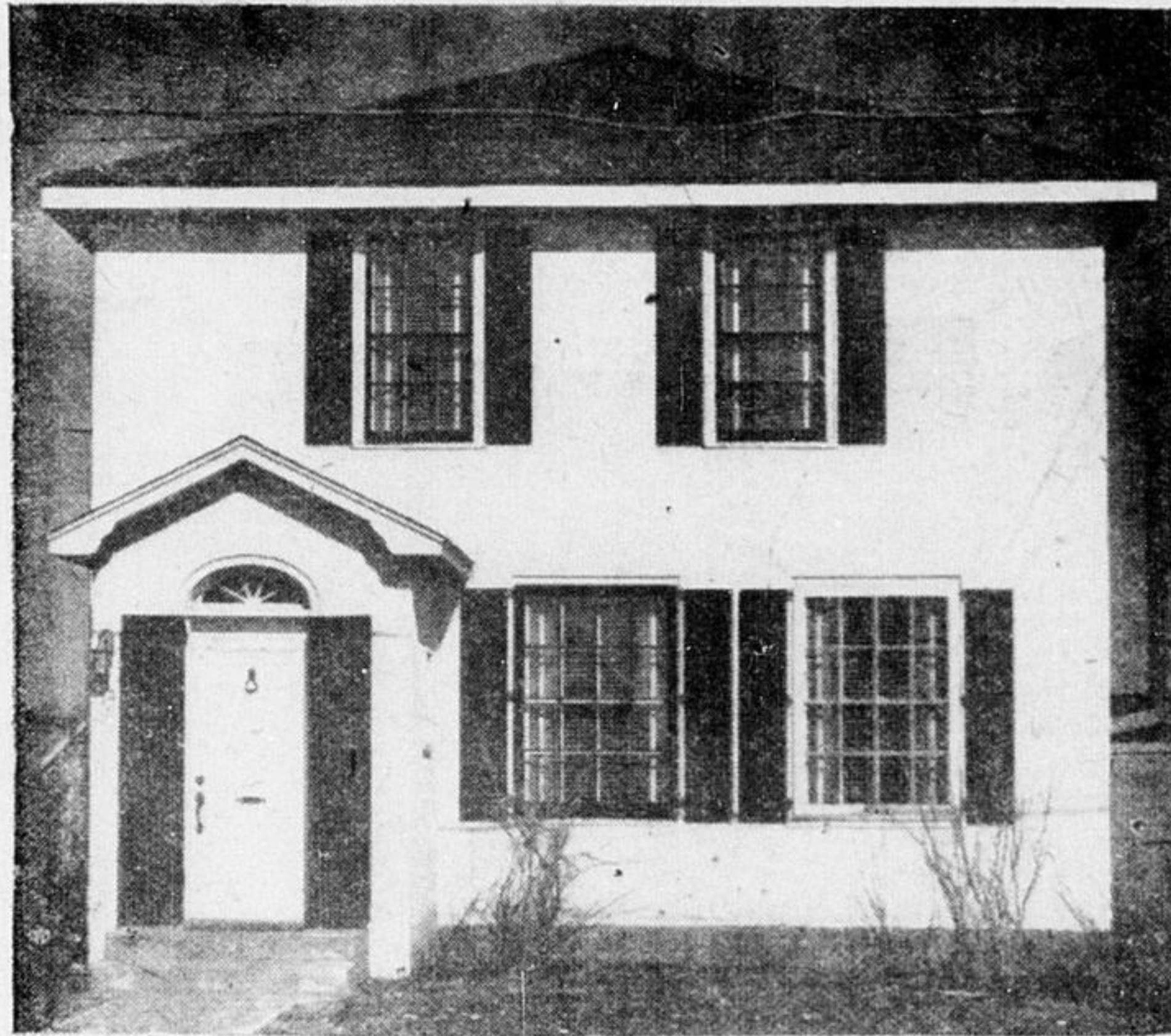


ONE OF TIMMINS' HOMES



This is the modernized home of Mr. and Mrs. C. Abrams, 12 Toke Street, Timmins. It has the modern touch, but still keeps in first place the character of a pleasant home.

Timmins Spent About \$1,000,000 Last Year for New and Improved Homes

Estimated Cost of Buildings for Which Building Permits Were Issued Totalled \$633,471.00. Estimates Always Below Actual Costs. Most of the Expenditures in Residential Area.

Last year Timmins spent approximately a million dollars for new and improved homes. And the need is still for homes here. There will need to be much building here to meet the needs. It is admitted that rents are high, yet the demand for homes can not be met. The record of Timmins in the matter of new and better homes is a remarkable one. Timmins stood third in all Canada under the H.I.A., being exceeded only by Montreal and Toronto. This means that Timmins spent more for home improvement than any other centre except the two big cities. Much has been accomplished in the providing of better homes in this new city of homes. But there is still much to be accomplished. In the hopes of helping along the good work, this "Better Homes" edition of The Advance is again issued this year.

Building permits issued during 1940 in Timmins totalled \$633,471.00. This amount was made up of \$393,288.00 new buildings and \$240,183.00 alterations and repairs. Of the \$633,471.00 for new buildings, \$230,946.00 was for the business district and \$151,755.00 for the residential area. For alterations and additions, the figures were:—business area, \$154,035.00; residential, \$85,783.00. The balance was for garages and sheds.

USE DRAIN TILE AROUND FOUNDATION WALL FOOTINGS

Q. Why and how are drain tile used around foundation-wall footings?

A. When wet soil conditions exist, drain tile are an aid in carrying away the excess water which accumulates at the bottom of foundation walls. Porous drain tile, four inches in diameter, sometimes called agricultural tile, is laid with open joints around the footings. The drain line should have sufficient slope to assure its draining to a suitable outlet so that the collected water can readily escape. Joints between the tile are covered with pieces of roofing felt or burlap to prevent sand and dirt entering the tile line. In no case should the tile be placed lower than the bottom of the footing. The drain tile should be covered with about 18 inches of gravel or crushed rock.—From "Building in Canada."

Money invested in homes is among the most profitable of investments from the standpoint of contentment.

PAINING

Often a great improvement may be made in the interior or exterior of the home by the simple application of a little paint at the proper time and in the proper place.

Q.—What principles should be considered in the planning of bedrooms?

A.—Sleeping rooms should be well separated from the balance of the house and should be located so as to receive sunlight at some time during the day and, if possible, be favored by exposure to the prevailing winds. Their size need only be sufficient to accommodate essential furniture, con-

sisting of bed, dresser and one or two chairs, and to provide space to permit easy access to the furniture and closet. Plan these rooms so that their shape and the relationship of wall openings and wall spaces will permit an arrangement of furniture which does not require walking around the bed in order to reach the bedroom entrance door, closet and dresser.

(From Building in Canada)



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