

# TOTAL HOME

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## Retractable awnings provide a natural accent to outdoor living

The arrival of summer is a time to rejoice, but it's also a time to seek shelter from the sun. In recent years, more homeowners are discovering the many practical and aesthetic benefits of retractable awnings.

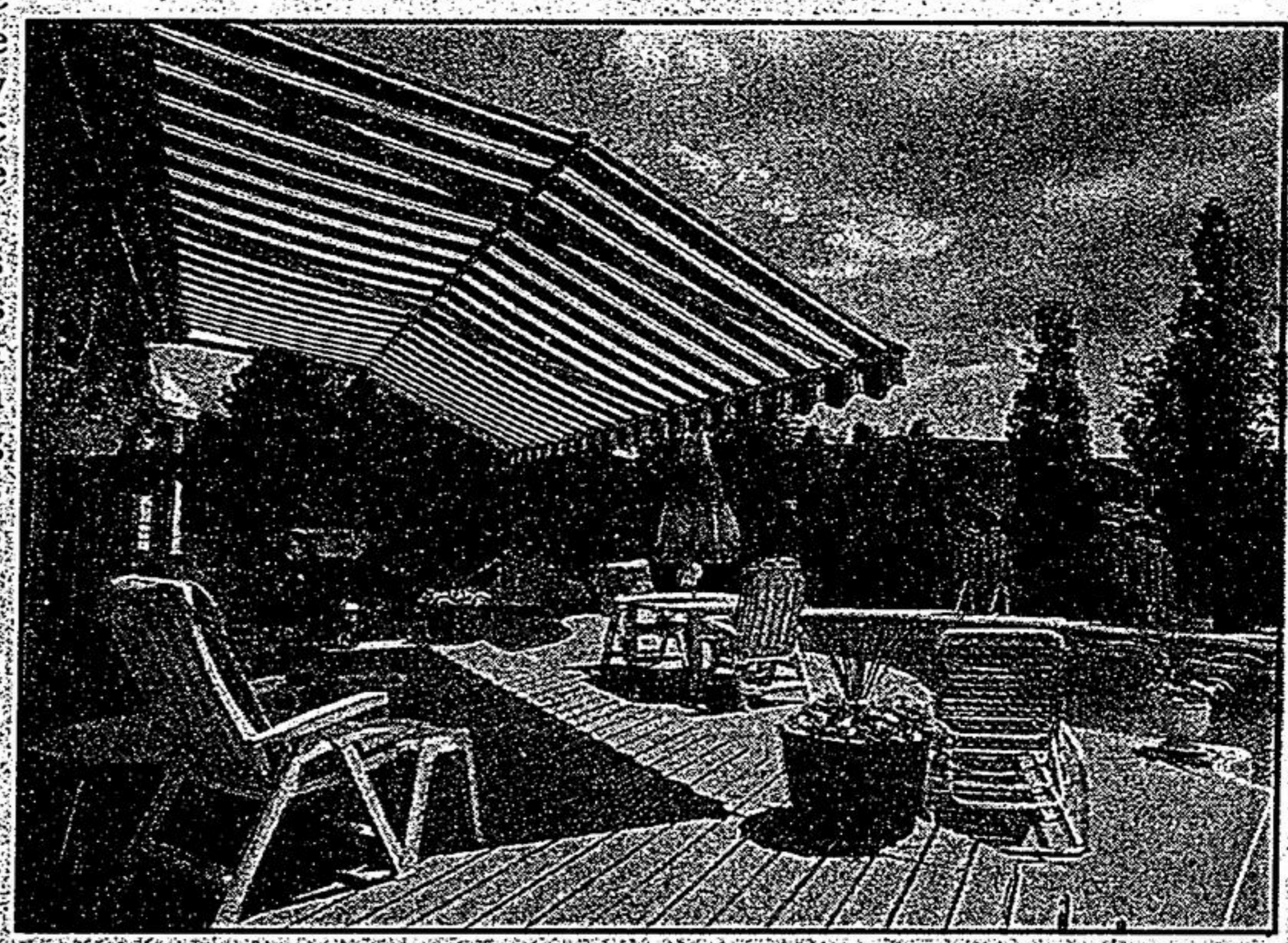
Retractable awnings provide an obvious benefit of blocking direct sunlight from entering a home, providing protection for patios, shops, outdoor cafes, balconies and for windows.

Today's awnings do a lot more than block the sun. Retractable awnings are necessary to protect against ultra violet rays," says Anita of Aristocrat Shade Products Ltd. in Markham which manufactures a full line of custom built awnings for commercial and residential use.

"They also lower the interior temperature of the home which can save homeowners up to 25% on energy costs."

For energy efficiency, retractable awnings are seven times more effective on the outside than any window treatment inside.

Retractable awnings are controlled manually or electronically, and they offer great utility by



extending only as far as needed. They are designed with spring-loaded arms to provide tension to the fabric as it rolls from the tube, and, as a result, they can be kept up all year long.

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