

EDITORIAL

Talking of Building

we talk of building, not only think of new construction which, undoubtedly, is badly needed in the city, particularly in the department.

Every situation that arises in housing accommodation, points up the need of maintaining to advantage what we have and making the most of the resources at our disposal for renovation, repair, and modernization.

possibly put up with shoddy and incongruous in the fine summer months when our and the effectiveness of construction is tested. It is now approaching the time when the building, due to the difficulty of getting

work done and other causes, may not have been as extensive this year as it could have been—certainly not adequate to meet the situation by any means—the city has nevertheless seen considerable improvement in the building line.

Many people have done a splendid job in renovating and improving their premises.

The business section has seen some notable additions. In all the residential sections, changes for the better are to be noted.

Outstanding housing achievement of the year, of course, is the conversion of the former United States administration building.

We have not stood still in building and improvement, to be sure, but there is still plenty to be done.

The Inside Story

With winter winds, cold and snow just around the corner, why not be warm and cheery in your home? Let us advise you how to gain comfort and save fuel costs too.

Let's talk about insulation and windows for warmth; and paint, too, to brighten your home on those dull cold days.

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First Aid For Homes

Often householders may have wondered how to remove paint effectively which has dried and hardened on house hardware such as chrome and brass door-knobs, lighting and plumbing fixtures.

It should be remembered that paint will remove easily a day or so after painting has been done by wiping with turpentine. To remove hardened paint from metal and tile surface, a solution of washing soda or trisodium phosphate in a cup of warm water will do the trick.

A little fine steel wool will help to accelerate the paint removing job, but do not rub very hard.

Do not use this solution on wooden floors. Dried paint there is best removed with steel wool only. A covering of wax will hide any blemishes.

It may be desired also by some homeowners to keep a deteriorating asphalt roof a year or two longer. If so, a roof of this kind can be coated with an asphalt roof coating, generally sold by roofing supply dealers or hardware stores.

Vancouver Hears Dick Neuberger

VANCOUVER. — Richard L. Neuberger, senator for the Oregon State Legislature, and Mrs. Neuberger, who is a representative in the same legislature, spoke at a "Good Neighbor" dinner held by the Vancouver Board of Trade this week.

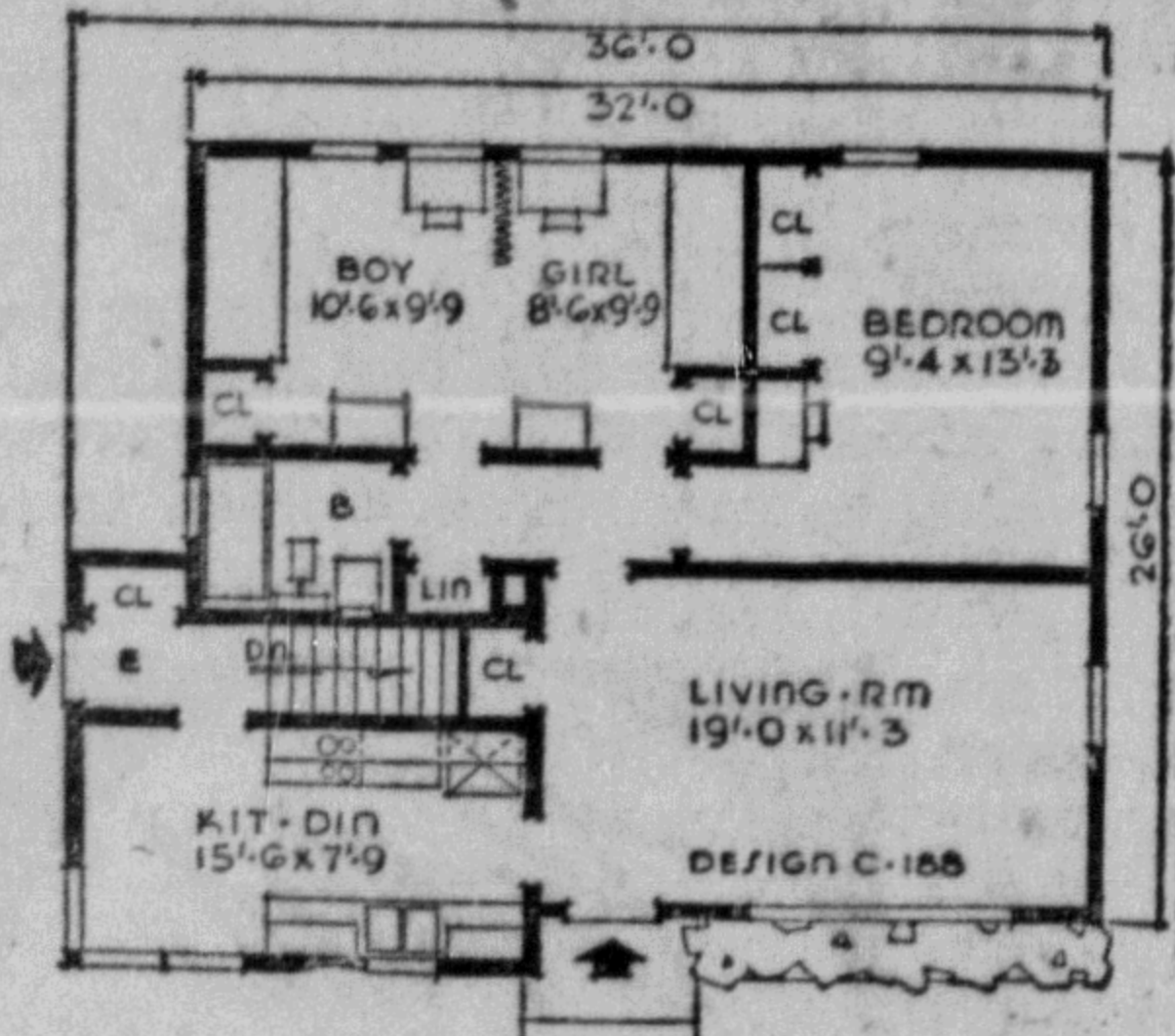
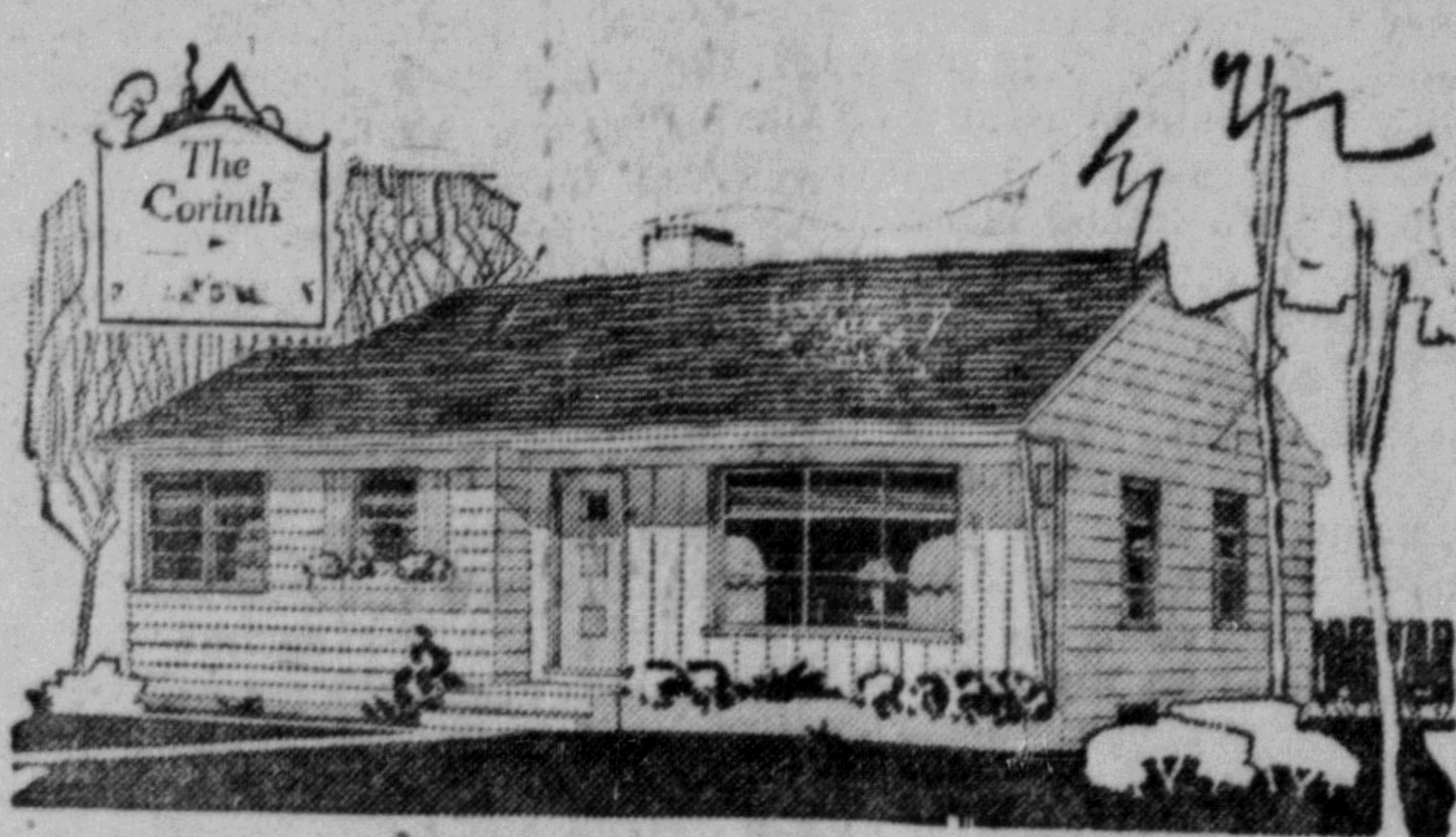
Mr. Neuberger's address was entitled "The Trouble With You Canucks Is . . .", which was a sort of parallel discussion to Bruce Hutchison's now famous article in the Saturday Evening Post, "The Trouble With You Yanks Is . . .".

Mr. Neuberger is an outstanding magazine and newspaper writer and his background in Canada is broad, stemming from many visits and particularly an active participation as press liaison officer for the Alaska Highway Commission with Gen. "Patsy" O'Connor.

This was the first Board of Trade meeting to which ladies have been invited and was therefore quite a historic occasion.

UNTIMELY WEATHER

REGINA (CP)—The Chamber of Commerce monthly bulletin urged member firms to allow their staffs time off to help with the harvest. But when the bulletin reached members an early snowstorm had blanketed the crops.



THE CORINTH has two of the three bedrooms shown divided by a folding partition. This may be opened into a daytime playroom. Each room has a closet and a space for single bed, chest of drawers and desk. Other closets include two coat closets, linen cabinet in

bedroom hall and wardrobes in large bedroom.

Note the minimum amount of hall required and the compact arrangement of kitchen cabinets. Range and refrigerator are placed on the inside wall and sink with flanking work counters under this front window.

The plans of this small house call for a picture window and a planting area as well, with a wide cave overhang, vertical siding in front, concrete steps and asphalt shingles.

The dimensions of the Corinth are 36 feet by 28 feet, with a floor area totalling 916 square feet and a cubage amounting to 17,775 cubic feet.

Ottawa Making Building Easier

Changes in National Housing Act Announced By Minister

OTTAWA (CP)—The government today announced easier loan terms in state financing for ordinary house and apartment construction in Canada and steps to encourage erection of homes for defence workers in selected defence areas.

Minister of Resources Winters said the government intends, with improvement in the material supply position, to place "special emphasis" on homes for defence workers and give other Canadians opportunity to build to the limit of capacity.

He announced the Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation shortly:

1. Boost National Housing Act loans to 80 per cent of the agreed maximum sale price for ordinary civilian homes.

2. Provide housing loans for defence workers in specified areas on the basis of down payment of 10 per cent with 25 years to pay off the remainder. This is a new provision under the Housing Act.

3. Reinstate the rental insurance plan under which the builder may obtain an 80 per cent loan for multiple dwellings

of not less than eight units if he agrees on fixed rental of each unit for three years. This feature of the act has been dormant for some time.

Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation will shortly issue details of the new financing plan.

HOIST THE FLAG

MOOSE JAW, Sask. (CP)—A new flagpole costing between \$175 and \$200 is being erected on the city hall here. The 70-foot pole replaces one that was removed some time ago.

MONSTER VINES

EDMONTON (CP)—"Jack the Giant Killer" could find some fine beanstalks to practise on here. One resident has a potato vine stretching 6½ feet, and another has scarlet runner bean pods 11 inches long.

If You Need a Furnace, Don't Feel Too Blue

If you are one of many who needs a new furnace this year, don't feel you are an exception. Statistics show that far more heating plants are installed in older-type homes than are ordered for new homes.

Aside from the natural wear and tear, antiquated heating plants become economic liabilities. They consume more fuel than they should, and in many instances are fire hazards.

Of all the heating units that were sold in the province last year, more than 60 per cent went into older homes as replacements.

Protect Those Water Pipes!

With winter's breath slowly but surely wafting down from the north, the homeowner is well advised now to begin thinking about uncovered pipes.

As many found out last winter, frozen water pipes can cause all manner of discomforts and annoyances, not to mention expenses. But with a little advance planning, much or all of this can be spared.

If you have a basement and water pipes are exposed, look for crevices and other places air can enter. Nothing will freeze a pipe faster than a cold draft of air.

If pipes are exposed outside, a substantial mound of earth covering will keep them safe, or where this is not possible, pipes should be wrapped well with insulating material.

ELEMENTARY METHOD

VANCOUVER (CP)—Robert McBay, 67, caught a 10-pound salmon with his bare hands at Kitsilano Beach here. He waded into the water with his clothing on and scooped the fish up, taking 10 minutes to subdue the flipping salmon.

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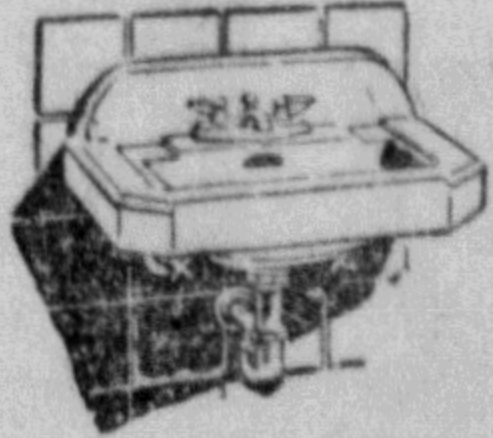
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