

FIRST PEOPLE'S HOUSES COMPLETED

TO BE OPENED BY MR. MACMILLAN IN DESFORD, LEICESTERSHIRE

The Minister of Housing and Local Government, Mr. Harold Macmillan, will open the first pair of People's Houses to be completed in England on the Holmfield Estate, DESFORD, Leicestershire, on Wednesday, 23rd January, 1952 at 10.30 a.m.

The People's House is the Minister's name for all houses which save vital materials and cost while preserving room sizes at the present level of council house practice. Specimen designs of People's Houses are shown in the handbook HOUSES 1952, to be published on Thursday, 24th January.

The houses to be opened on Wednesday have been built by the MARKET BOSWORTH Rural District Council. They cost less than £1,000 and were completed in 12 weeks. One of them is already occupied and the other will be occupied soon after the opening ceremony. Each house has 3 bedrooms, bathroom and separate lavatory with a living room downstairs, a dining annex and a kitchen. There are no outbuildings, everything being under one roof.

The Council has placed a contract for 38 more of these houses to be built in the neighbouring parish of THORNTON.

A small brochure will be handed to reporters at the opening ceremony.

The Clerk to the Council is Mr. C.J. Holmes - Market Bosworth 234.