

# Yankees Gain on Yanks; Keep Double from Sox

**NEW YORK.**—Pursuing Cleveland Indians a doubleheader Sunday to close in to within a game of front running New York Yankees in American League race while second place New York Giants reduced Brooklyn's National League lead to 7½ games.

Chicago whipped the Indians 6-2 and 2-1 as Bob Feller hit his ninth home run and Cleveland won his 15th. Despite the win, Cleveland could not hold a half a length on the Yankees who edged out Boston 3-2. Yankees blew another opportunity to pick up ground on the Dodgers when they held to a split by Braves while Philadelphia Phillies defeated Brooklyn 2-1. Philadelphia had to come back to a 2-1 victory to gain the Matt Surkont pitched to a 7-3 first game.

**Other baseball scores:**  
**SATURDAY**  
**National:** Pittsburgh 2, Chicago 1; Philadelphia 0, Brooklyn 15 (called end sixth, rain); Cincinnati 1, St. Louis 3.  
**American:** Chicago 3, Cleveland 4; New York 3, Boston 4 (called at sixth, rain); Washington 10, Philadelphia 3; St. Louis 2, Detroit 5.  
**PCL:** San Francisco 2, Hollywood 7; Los Angeles 15, Oakland 10; Sacramento 3, San Diego 1 (11 innings); Portland 6, Seattle 1.  
**WIL:** Wenatchee 2-8, Vancouver 10-5; Salem 7-4, Spokane 3-2; Tri-City 5, Lewiston 4 (12 innings); Victoria 2-4, Yakima 0-4.

**SUNDAY**  
**National:** Pittsburgh 2-4, Chicago 5-2; Philadelphia 2, Brooklyn 1; Cincinnati 1, St. Louis 2.  
**American:** New York 3, Boston 2; Washington 7-5, Philadelphia 2-12; St. Louis 4-2, Detroit 2-4.  
**PCL:** Portland 4-6, Seattle 2-0; Sacramento 0-1, San Diego 7-4; Los Angeles 4-1, Oakland 8-10; San Francisco 6-6, Hollywood 15-7.  
**WIL:** Tri-City 0-4, Lewiston 3-1; Salem 3-2, Spokane 4-1.

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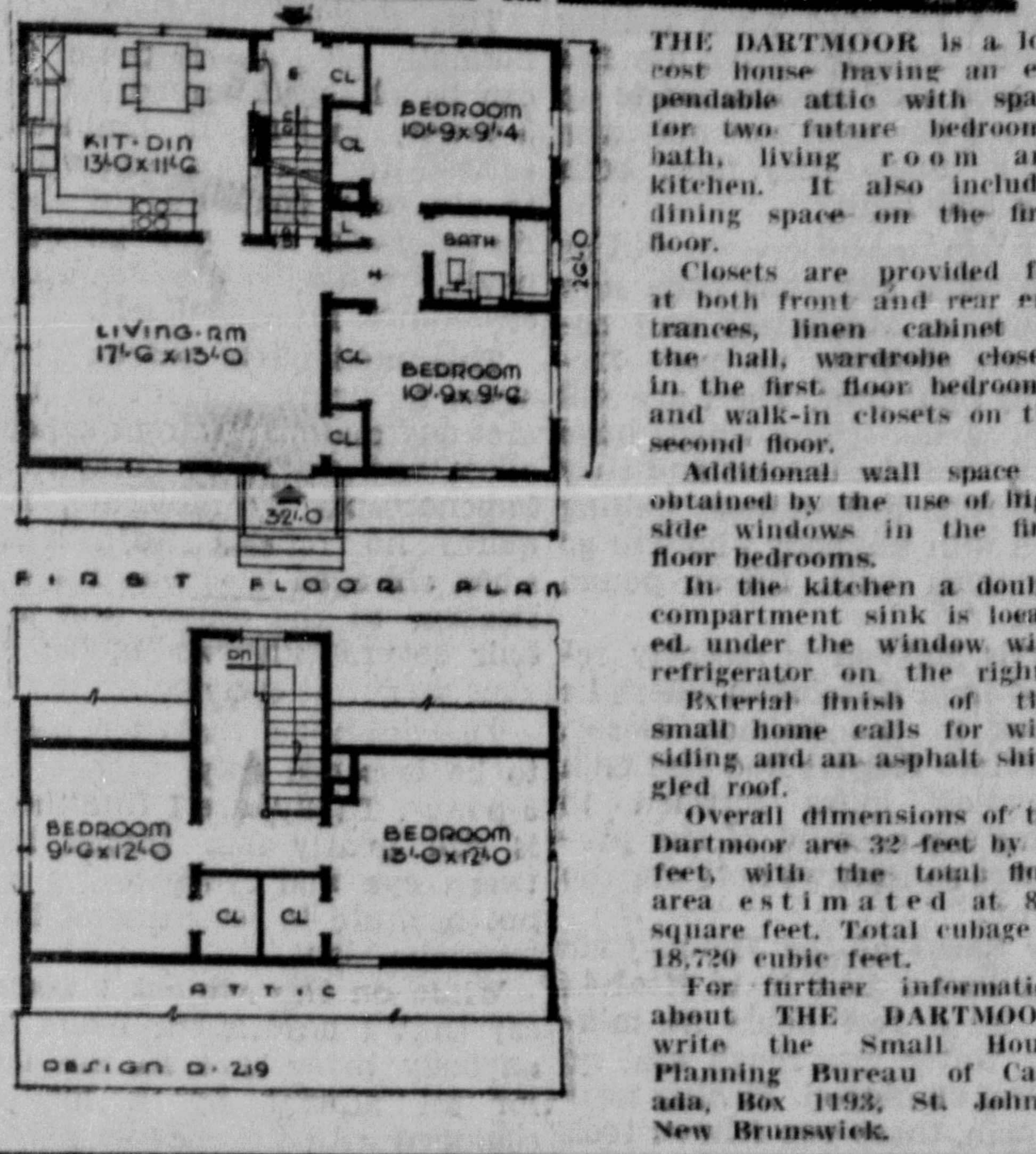
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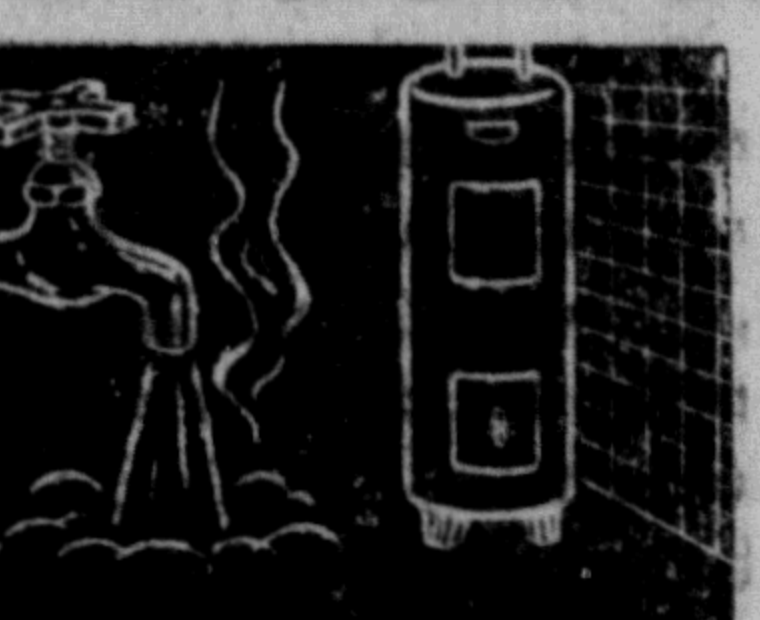
**NEW YORK (AP)**—Delighted as the Yankees were at drawing a whopping 51,005 paid admissions to a non-televised game against the Boston Red Sox the other night, their general manager, George Weiss, still professes to be far from convinced that the picture tube is the villain in the season's sharp decline in big league attendance.

The single contest, which attracted nearly 18,000 more customers to the big Bronx park than has seen the average night game there this year, was not a conclusive test for several reasons, Weiss said. "Actually we didn't mean it as a test at all," George explained. "It just happened that our Friday night game was rained out and we had to shift it to Monday night, which originally was an off-day. No plans had been made to televise on that night."

"I can't regard it as a fair test for the reason that we had had a big advance sale for the Friday game and many fans simply exchanged their tickets. You have to keep in mind, too, that the Red Sox always are a big drawing card here. I doubt as a matter of fact, that there were many fans who knew the game was not to be televised." One gathered from the force of George's protests that the entire incident might have been somewhat embarrassing to the Yankees, as well as thought-provoking. From the viewpoint of their sponsors, who are sensitive people, it must have resembled sharp practice, nearly packing the joint for their first private game since 1948.

"Oh, I suppose you can say it will cause us to think, even if it wasn't a fair test," Weiss conceded. "It's a very live problem, and we will continue to study every angle of it. But it would be foolish to take this one game as conclusive proof that television is responsible for the general decline in attendance."

As of now, the Yankees are more than 300,000 paid admissions behind their 1951 pace, and the comparative figures for other clubs are similar. It appears pretty obvious that either television or the high cost of living, or both, are causing a lot of empty seats. Weiss was asked if there was anything to a report that he



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# Woolworth Store To Open Soon

The man who supervises the opening of Woolworth stores in Canada, Ernest Morrison of Toronto, arrived here today on the Princess Louise. He was accompanied by R. G. Bridle, superintendent of F. W. Woolworth stores in British Columbia.

On hand to meet the officials was J. Stuart Spence, construction superintendent for the firm, who arrived here last Wednesday from Toronto. They will remain in the city until after the official opening of the \$120,000 Woolworth store here and will be joined by other company executives later this week.

The new store, one of several now under construction by Woolworth's and nearing completion in British Columbia, is expected to be opened before Labor Day. W. C. (Bus) Johnson, former manager of the company's store in Vancouver's Kerrisdale district, will take over the Prince Rupert store. He arrived here a month ago to direct handling of the thousands of dollars worth of merchandise.

His assistant, A. E. (Ted) Pilling, also of Vancouver, came to the city a few days later and a third permanent member of the staff for this store, Miss Gertrude Mattern, came here from Winnipeg last July 28. Miss Mattern, who is the accountant, has worked at various Woolworth stores on the prairies, including one at Regina, Brandon and latterly in Winnipeg.

Construction of the 64 by 120-foot two-storey store got under way only three months ago and the contractors, Northwest Construction Company, have almost completed their job.

Excavating of the site was started last May 1, only a few days after a building permit was issued. The store is considered one of the most modern built by F. W. Woolworth Company of Canada, Limited, in the chain. A large rest room for women employees has been completely furnished with modern comfortable furniture.

Offices are on the second floor and the stock room has been arranged so as to allow speedy and efficient handling of the thousands of articles. A large number of Prince Rupert girls will be employed in the store and will receive instruction from a group of trained personnel arriving here within a few days. Official opening date will be announced later.

**SLIGHT DELAY**  
**QUEENSTOWN, South Africa (CP)**—When 22-year-old Robin Hulse, a South African, motored home from Britain he passed through a score of countries without a hitch at any border. Then he was stopped at his own border while authorities held his English automobile up for some days before permitting its entry.

# House Building Increases But City Still In Dire Need of New Homes

Private home construction in Prince Rupert is up over last year both in value and the number being erected but still there is a dire shortage.

With good weather now nearing an end, few persons begin construction during the rainy winter and only 18 dwelling permits have been issued since January 1. In the same period last year, 11 were issued by the city.

In July, one of Prince Rupert's best months to begin construction because of lack of rain, four permits to build homes were taken out. An oldtime resident pointed out that construction costs and exorbitant prices for good home sites was the chief stumbling block to increased building by citizens.

He cited the Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation projects now under way here. Cost of the 50 homes originally was estimated at more than \$355,000—which is \$10,500 per home. The homes are being built at three sections in the city, none of which "offers much in the way of a view."

Under the project, 16 homes are being built at Seal Cove, 22 in Section Two and 12 on Eleventh Avenue. First of the homes is expected to be completed in December. Unforeseen difficulties in excavation work for a time threatened to delay construction.

"These homes," said the oldtimer, "are for rent and that may be quite high, but it just shows how much it costs to build a home here." A well-known builder said cost of building a two-bedroom

home here is about \$2000 more than in Vancouver where lumber and other materials are on hand. Most of the material for the CMHC homes here was supplied by mills at Terrace. The doors and window frames were brought from Vancouver last week.

While a survey shows only 18 homes being built privately here so far this year, construction firms are not sitting idly by. They are busy changing the face of the city with a variety of contracts from business concerns.

And many citizens living in older homes are having roofs repaired or renewed, additions completed and foundation work done. Permits for all types of work issued by the city during July totalled \$27,100, compared with \$18,650 in June.

Building permits for the first seven months of 1952, however, total \$303,432, as against \$241,336 in the same period last year. The 1951 total was held up by a \$100,000 contract for the

Elizabeth Apartments and is balanced by the \$120,000 permit issued to F. W. Woolworth Company of Canada, Limited, in April, 1952. Total value of dwelling permits issued between January 1 and July 31 this year was \$87,000 as against \$66,000 in the same seven-month period a year ago.

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