

# Home Sales Over U.S. Show Upturn in Month, Say Realtors

WASHINGTON, Sept. 4-(AP)—A nationwide upturn in home sales within the last 30 to 60 days was reported by the National Association of Real Estate boards. The association, in a survey of local boards in 22 cities, got reports of "slight" to "decided" increases from all but three. The upswing was attributed to "return of confidence on the part of prospective buyers and the realization that prices are not going to break sharply."

## Thomas Views Quick Support For Arms Aid

WASHINGTON, Sept. 4-(AP)—Sen. Elbert Thomas (D-Utah) predicted today quick senate passage of President Truman's program of arms aid to friendly nations—once it finally gets to the floor. Thomas expects committee approval of an amended bill will be forthcoming shortly—but then it will have to wait until the senate gets through arguing tariffs. This may take two weeks; even longer. The tariff bill, better known as reciprocal trades legislation, is the first major task before the senate when it returns Wednesday from its vacation.

Arms aid was tagged "urgent" by the administration and military leaders who backed it in Capitol Hill hearings. Mr. Truman asked for \$1,450,000,000 to begin arming western European and other nations to forestall any Russian aggressive ideas. The house slashed it \$580,495,000 and sent it to the senate.

GOP Leader Wherry of Nebraska said: "The arms program launched by the administration, if carried out, would be sheer waste of the American taxpayers' money."

He said "The most effective defense against possible Russian aggression would be an invincible United States air force, with bases strategically situated in Europe, Africa and the Pacific."

## Hawaii Dispute Goes to Ching As Arbiter

HONOLULU, Sept. 4-(AP)—Chief negotiators for the striking Hawaiian stevedores and employers left aboard separate planes today for conferences scheduled to open in New York September 7.

They are to meet with Cyrus Ching, director of the federal labor mediation service, in a new effort to settle the 127-day-old strike which has paralyzed this territory's commerce.

W. Russell Starr, employers' committee chairman, said, "We are going to New York with the sincere hope that we can end the strike with Mr. Ching's assistance."

He said the committee was fully authorized to make a settlement "fair not only to our employes but fair in relation to other wages paid in Hawaii."

Harry Bridges, president of the striking CIO International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's union, declined to make any comment because "we don't know what Ching will propose."

## Two Speeches, Home on Menu For HST Today

WASHINGTON, Sept. 4-(AP)—President Truman has a busy Labor day mapped out. His schedule calls for two speeches, three air-plane flights and his first visit home since Christmas.

The chief executive will speak at Pittsburgh and Des Moines. He plans to leave Washington for the approximately 50-minute flight to Pittsburgh. He will address the Allegheny County Fair about noon in a Labor day speech.

He will then fly to Des Moines, eating lunch aboard the presidential plane the Independence, and will rest for a short while before going to the fairgrounds for a speech on agricultural policy late in the afternoon. The occasion is the national convention of Amvets.

After that speech, he will fly to Kansas City, and drive from there to the presidential residence at Independence, Mo. Mrs. Truman has been visiting there.

He plans to fly back to Washington Tuesday afternoon.

## Convicts Taught By Insane, Escape

MILLEDGEVILLE, Ga., Sept. 4-(AP)—Four felony convicts took a lesson from 13 criminally insane patients and sawed their way out of the state hospital tonight.

The convicts had been brought from the Reidville penitentiary for skilled work at the hospital. They cut their way out through a bathroom window in the maximum security building just as the inmates of the hospital for the insane did two weeks ago.

The criminally insane fugitives were all rounded up a few days after they sawed out.

## Colombia Town Reports Several Die in Clashes

BOGOTA, Colombia, Sept. 4-(AP)—Press dispatches reported today that several persons were killed and many injured during disturbances Friday at Saboya, in Boyaca department (state).

The ministry of government confirmed reports that serious clashes occurred there, but furnished no details.

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Labor Day Week End Special  
Full Course  
**Turkey Dinner 1.50**  
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# They'll Head Legion, Auxiliary Largest Plane Given Flight Over London



PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 4—Mrs. Marie Sheeche, Rockford, Ill., new president of the American Legion auxiliary, and George N. Craig, Brazil, Ind., chosen new commander of the Legion, face the camera on the rostrum of Convention hall at Philadelphia after they were chosen to head the two units for the coming year. (AP Wirephoto to The Statesman).

## Bolivian Loyalists Recapture Cities After Heavy Fighting

LA PAZ, Bolivia, Sept. 4-(AP)—Loyal government troops radioed from Potosi today that they had recaptured both that city and Sucre from rightist revolutionaries.

The two cities lie about 60 miles apart in the tin mining region of the high Andes southeast of La Paz.

Both have been strongholds of revolutionary party (MNR) in this country's nine-day-old civil war.

Both have been the scene of confused battles since yesterday morning, under attack by government troops trying to break the back of the revolt.

Unconfirmed reports that Potosi had been retaken yesterday, as new fighting broke out between loyal troops—aided by university students—and rebels who swarmed back into the town from surrounding hills.

Tonight's radio message from the Loyal forces also cleared up the status of Sucre, seat of the nation's judicial system.

Earlier the government had issued and then withdrawn a claim to its recapture. A rebel broadcast had claimed the city was still under rebel control but acknowledged heavy fighting was in progress.

Fall of the two cities follows a statement by the general staff last night that "certain victory" is in sight for Bolivia's threatened middle-of-the-road government.

It leaves the rebels, who once controlled most of the southern half of the country, compressed in a rough triangle about 250 miles to the side in southeastern Bolivia, some 250 to 500 miles from La Paz.

Acting President Mamerto Urriolagoitia ignored an ultimatum by Rebel General Froilano Callejas in which reprisals were threatened against members of the president's family in Sucre unless the president surrendered the government by noon today.

The president has three brothers and a married sister in Sucre, as well as other relatives. One of his brothers, Adrian, is mayor of Sucre.

## Crash Victims Said Located

ANCHORAGE, Sept. 4-(AP)—A report from Cook Inlet tonight said three bodies had been recovered from the water at the spot where a C-47 transport plane crashed Friday.

The air force, which released the names of the seven aboard the plane, did not confirm the report.

The tenth rescue squadron kept its crash boats at the scene, 10 miles southeast of here, searching for more victims. The report said the three men whose bodies were found apparently had tried to bail out of the falling plane, but that their parachutes failed to open.

None of the men lost was from the northwest.

3rd CRASH VICTIM DIES  
WALLACE, Idaho, Sept. 4-(AP)—The third victim of an automobile crash last Monday died today.

Harold O. Ong, 25, of Millan, died in a local hospital. He had broken his back and pelvis in the accident east of Lookout Summit just across the state line in Montana.

AFTER FEATURE WIN  
CHICAGO, Sept. 4-(AP)—Calumet Farm's 4-year-old star, Coaltown will try for another world thoroughbred record tomorrow in the \$50,000 added Washington Park handicap, closing feature of the Washington Park meeting.

**HOLLYWOOD**  
Now Showing - Open 6:45  
WALTER WANGER  
**TULSA**  
COLOR BY TECHNICOLOR  
with Susan Hayward, Robert Preston  
PLUS  
A Tom Conroy Feature  
"BUNGALOW 13"

# 3 Boys Hurt Getting Most From Vacation

Injuries to three Salem boys sent the city first aid car on three runs Sunday. Peter Smith, 8, was taken to Salem Memorial hospital with a fractured leg after he fell out of an apple tree at his home at 995 Hoyt st.

Eddie Hanson, 13, Salem route 8, box 822, incurred a deep gash under his right eye when he was struck by a two-by-four. With a companion he was swatting bees; his friend missed the bees, struck Eddie.

Jerry Anderson, 16, Salem route 7, box 175, cut his thumb on a can at the state fairgrounds. On another call Leonard Moser, 38, Salem route 6, box 422, was given first aid for a cut on the face after he was gored by a cow.

## Animals Ruled Out of Future Beauty Shows

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Sept. 4-(AP)—This year's Miss America contest is the last one in which four-legged animals will take part. The beauty pageant's board of directors ruled today that after this week's contest girls may no longer use live animals as talent props.

The action was caused by the entry of a horse and a cow by two of this year's contestants. Carol Rusebell Fraser of Billings, "Miss Montana," will give a demonstration of her riding ability as her talent contribution to the contest. She will appear on huge Convention hall stage astride her favorite mount "Victory Call."

Carol Diana Lampe of Reno, "Miss Nevada," entered a Hereford heifer to show the judges what a 4-H girl can do for a cow. Pageant officials set up special stalls in a garage underneath the hall, but resolved that "after this year we will not permit contestants to appear in the talent routine with live animals."

Park W. Haverstick, president of the pageant board, said "if we permit animals to be part of the show, we'll wind up with dog acts, live seals, and even tigers and lions."

## Locke Heads For U.S. Talk

LONDON, Sept. 4-(AP)—South African Golfer Bobby Locke left London by air for Montreal today. Locke said he will go to Windsor, Ontario, and then to the United States, where the Professional Golfers association last July barred him from the tournaments it sponsors.

At the airport, the South African, who this year won the British Open, declined to comment on the dispute with the American association, which said its decision was due to Locke's "violations of its regulations."

His blacklisting came after he failed to participate in American tournaments he had entered. Locke said he will fly to South Africa within ten days, after he had attended to some business matters in Canada and the United States.

He added he will be operated for his "grumbling appendix" when he arrives in South Africa.

## Cardinals Sign Marquam Youth

WOODBURN, Sept. 4-(Special)—Thomas Younts, a big right handed youngster from Marquam, was signed by the St. Louis Baseball club Sunday at the conclusion of a training school here.

The six-foot 190-pound hurler was signed by Red Bird Scouts Ken Penner and Bill Brenzel and will report to Willows in the Class D Far West League at the opening of the 1950 season.

## Portlander First To Top Cycle Hill

TACOMA, Sept. 4-(AP)—The first motorcyclist ever to go over the top of the difficult and dangerous Blue Baron hill here was John Martinovich of Portland who made the climb in 6.27 seconds today.

About 30 riders competed in today's hill climb that is a regular event of the Tacoma Blue Baron motorcycle club. Martinovich won two firsts today, one in the 45 cubic inch expert event and the 80 inch expert.

## Texas Bank Clerk Wins National Small-Bore

CAMP DODGE, Ia., Sept. 4-(AP)—Robert Eric McMains of Dallas, Tex., today won the national small-bore rifle championship.

The 37-year-old bank clerk fired a score of 3,189 out of a possible 3,200.

## Horse Drug Charged

SPOKANE, Sept. 4-(AP)—A race horse owner was suspended today by the state racing commission because tests showed his horse had been drugged. The suspension was levied on B. McFarland, owner and trainer of My Universe which won the first race Friday at Playfair race track. McFarland will be given a hearing Thursday.

## Bellingham Eliminated

WICHITA, Kas., Sept. 4-(AP)—The Elk City, Okla., Elks trounced the favored Bellingham, Wash., 11-3 tonight in the quarter-finals of the National Semi-pro baseball tournament.

**ELLSINORE**  
2 Socko Treats  
"THE GIRL FROM JONES BEACH"  
—and—  
"STREETS OF LAREDO"  
Color by Technicolor  
with Susan Hayward, Robert Preston  
PLUS  
A Tom Conroy Feature  
"BUNGALOW 13"

# 2 Communists Executed for Chungking Fire

(Story also on page 1)  
CANTON, Monday, Sept. 3-(AP)—Reports from Chungking today said two communists were executed yesterday as arson suspects in the week-end fire that reportedly killed 1,000 persons and ravaged the city's downtown banking and waterfront area.

The official central news agency reported in addition to 1,000 dead that 7,000 buildings were burned and more than 100,000 were homeless in the Yangtze river city that was China's refugee capital during World War II.

Authorities charged that one of the two executed, a pharmacist named Chang Chi-Tseng, had stored combustible material in his home for the purpose of arson. They said Chang Tse-Chi was caught trying to damage fire hose during the height of the disastrous blaze.

The fire started about 4 p.m. Friday and raged for 18 hours. Its cause was unknown. Whipped by a strong wind, it spread with devastating speed, unchecked as the water supply failed.

The agency said 615 charred bodies were found in the ruins and that more than 400 were drowned when the leaped into the Yangtze river to try to escape. It said some of the missing must have been completely cremated. Many victims were women and children.

The new Tinnerman record compared with the 362.2 mph averaged last year by Bruce E. Raymond.

The semi-finals of the Good-year trophy race for tiny aircraft were won by Al Foss of Rosemead, Calif., and Luther C. Johnson of Greenwood, S. C.

Miss Grace M. Harris of Kansas City, Mo., won the women's race with an average of 216 mph. She won it last year with a speed of 234 mph.

## Weather Balks Shirley's Swim

CALAIS, France, Sept. 4-(AP)—Pretty Shirley May France broke down and cried tonight when she learned that bad weather would keep her from trying to swim the English channel tomorrow.

Earlier Shirley May came by boat to Calais with plans to start swimming back to Dover at 4 a. m. Monday.

The 17-year-old Somerset, Mass., girl had just turned down a sip of champagne for luck when Harry Boudakian, her coach, brought the bad news.

## H. B. Behanna Passes Here

Harry Bray Behanna, 72, who moved to Salem from Portland six months ago, died Sunday night at his residence at 1710 McCoy ave. He had been ill for three months.

Behanna was born in Portland, March 26, 1877, and lived in Astoria and Clatsop Plains as a young man before returning to Portland. He married Virginia C. Carnahan in 1908. Surviving besides the widow are a daughter, Mrs. Mary Batliner of Salem; and two grandchildren.

Services will be announced later by Clough-Barrick chapel.

## Navy Bomber Crash Kills 3

HONESDALE, Pa., Sept. 4-(AP)—A navy torpedo bomber on a routine flight crashed in a cow pasture today, killing three persons.

A fourth member of the crew parachuted before the smashup, but suffered an ankle fracture. The navy man identified himself as Lt. H. L. Smith, the navigator.

Eyewitnesses said the plane's engine split in half and plummeted to the ground. The plane plowed into a stone wall before breaking up. It did not burn. The three crewmen were trapped in the plane.

## SALEM Fairgrounds Parking Lot, 18th St. Entrance FREE PARKING Thursday Sept. 15

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on circus day.)

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Dorothy Brian Clair  
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