

Realty Gaining Stature, Says State President At Seminar

Despite its comparative novelty to civilization, realty in the sense it is accepted today has gained considerable stature.

So said Ralph Walstrom, Portland, president of the Oregon Assn. of Real Estate Boards, Wednesday at the luncheon in the Hotel Umpqua. It was one of the highlights of the day-long Douglas County Real Estate Seminar.

Walstrom pointed out that a real need for realtors has only arisen since the first of the century when urbanization began to set in in the United States. Another example of the comparative youth of the business is the fact that Oregon was the first state in the union to enact a realtor license law. That was in 1919.

He called the present the "jockey stage" of real estate history in the nation. "It is in a transition period from a disorganized to a highly organized business," he explained.

Walstrom emphasized that the realtor is gaining prestige, but he said three characteristics will give real estate the color of a "highly ethical business."

These he said are: Education and background of the realtor, ethical practices, and free offering of background and education to community service.

He said public education can serve the real estate trade well, also. He cited the case of one woman who asked him why reputable realtors on both sides of a condemnation case in Lane County

Probation Granted Gardiner Man For Larceny By Baile

A 24-year-old Gardiner man, Roy Gene Morgan, was given a three-year probationary sentence Wednesday when he went before Circuit Judge Carl E. Wimberly and pleaded guilty to a charge of larceny by bailee.

Another man, Herbert G. Reynolds, didn't get probation. Judge Wimberly revoked probation granted him on Jan. 24 on a three-year term for forgery.

Morgan, alias Kenny Dean, was accused of borrowing a friend's car to go from Gardiner to Lakeview, Dept. Dist. Atty. Don H. Sanders said Morgan then went on to Port Orford with a woman.

Arrested at Coos Bay as he headed back north, Morgan claimed he had no intention of stealing the car, that he took the woman to her family and didn't want to drive back the previous night because it was late.

Before granting probation, Judge Wimberly noted that Morgan's police record shows he has been granted probation in other courts on bad-check and auto-theft counts. "You're flouting with the penitentiary," he told Morgan.

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The prosecution grew out of Watkins' appearance before the committee on April 29, 1954. Watkins, without claiming the Fifth Amendment's privilege against self-incrimination, refused to answer questions about persons who in his belief may have been Communists in the past. He said they had removed themselves from the Communist movement long since.

Watkins said he had never been a card-carrying Communist, but had cooperated with Communists in the labor movement years ago. Contending the questioning of Watkins involved "exposure for exposure's sake," Watkins' attorneys said in an appeal brief.

"When the sole or primary purpose of a congressional committee is the exposure of individuals to public scorn, the committee is engaging in a legislative trial in violation of the doctrine of separation of powers."

Attorneys for John T. Watkins of Rock Island, Ill., a regional organizer of the United Automobile Workers-CIO, contended the committee has no authority to engage in "exposure for exposure's sake."

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Allegations of falsehoods involving three members of the newspaper's staff were among the counts in the indictment. The three staff members are Managing Editor Alfred Friendly, Executive Editor J. Russell Wiggins and reporter Murray Marder.

A statement issued by the newspaper said Hughes went to the staff members in the fall of 1954 and offered certain information about Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy (R-Wis.) and his Senate subcommittee on investigations.

U.S. Atty. Paul Williams' office here described the 35-year-old Hughes as "apparently a volunteer worker" for McCarthy's subcommittee.

However, McCarthy said at his Appleton, Wis., home that Hughes' name "doesn't ring a bell with me."

"I am sure he never worked for me, nor for the committee while I was chairman," McCarthy added.

The Washington Post and Times-Herald said the three staff members had a series of conferences with Hughes, heard his allegations, checked them and concluded that they were not true.

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About 750 teachers will be in Roseburg Tuesday for the annual county teachers' conference, according to Supt. Kenneth F. Barneburg.

Attendance is required for all teachers except those in the Reedsport area, where plans have been laid for them to attend the Coos County conference. Schools throughout the county, except possibly in the coastal area, will be closed that day.

Barneburg noted that there will be no school lunches served the teachers at Central Junior High School where the workshop will be held. Teachers will probably crowd downtown restaurants.

The conference will start at 9 a.m. with songs by a mixed chorus from Douglas High School directed by Mrs. Irene McLaughlin.

After invocation by Dr. James Millar of the First Presbyterian Church, a home safety demonstration will be given by C. C. Haggard of Medford, safety director for California Oregon Power Co.

That will be followed by a report on the governor's conference on education and detailed information on a White House conference on education to be held in November.

Speaking to the teachers will be Dr. George B. Martin, executive secretary of the governor's planning committee of the White House.

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