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## Barnett Named to Organization Post

Martin R. Barnett, Medford realtor, was recently elected vice president for the Oregon district of Investment Listings of America, Inc., at a meeting of real estate brokers held at the Crater Inn motel here.

The organization specializes in motel, hotel and trailer park sales, trades, financing, and operating.

The group operates on the Pacific coast as Western Motels and Investments, and has had sales in southern Oregon in 1962 amounting to some \$2,000,000. These have included the Crater Inn motel, the Egyptian motel in Grants Pass, and two Roseburg motels.

Medford was selected for the annual meeting in order to appraise the activity and potential of the area, according to B. D. Imes, president of the group.

## Pendleton Council

### Trims Budget Proposal

Pendleton - (UPI) - The city council trimmed some \$88,000 in services from its proposed budget for the 1962-63 fiscal year Tuesday night, after voters turned down a request for additional funds twice in the past month.

The cuts included all playground activities, and reductions in funds for the county health unit, library and the Pendleton Round-Up. The cuts left the budget at \$2.2 million, a sum within the six per cent limitation.

The council also voted to raise overtime parking fines from 50 cents to \$1.

## Driver Jumps from Brakeless Truck

A local truck driver escaped injury late Monday afternoon by jumping from his truck when the brakes failed on the Greensprings highway, 14 miles from Ashland.

Richard Lee Wooten, 27, of 3515 Hollywood ave., Medford, told state police the truck stalled on a steep grade and the brakes failed as he tried to back it onto the shoulder. Wooten jumped as the truck started down the hillside, scattering its load of building supplies.

A motor-scooter accident occurred on the Butte Falls highway, 11 miles east of the Crater Lake highway yesterday.

Allen Lester Smith, 15, of Butte Falls Star Route, box 116, Eagle Point, was thrown from the scooter when it hit rough spots in the road. His mother took him to a Medford physician for treatment of bruises and abrasions, state police said.

## Tiller Woman Is Hurt in Accident

A Tiller, Ore., woman and a passenger in her car were injured slightly Monday when they were involved in a collision at Fourth and Fir sts., Medford police reported.

The woman, Elsie Willetta Bonney, 45, and her passenger refused first aid, but indicated they would see their doctors.

Driver of the other car was Edward Frederick Bolt, 65, Gold Hill. The accident occurred about 1:45 p.m. No citations were issued.

In a second accident Monday, vehicles operated by Corina Mae Givens, 23, Central Point, and Arnold Johnson, 42, Portland, collided about 11:26 a.m. at North Pacific highway and Crater Lake highway.

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## Morse Suggests Lowering Age For Working Children To Nine With Six Hours of Work a Day

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Washington - (Special) - Sen. Wayne Morse has an answer to the many Oregon youngsters who have lobbied him in protest against legislation which restricts their summer-time crop picking.

S.1123 as it passed the Senate would allow children from 12 to 14 to travel only 25 miles to jobs, with their parents' permission.

Morse suggested in a Senate speech last week that he

would work to allow children, aged nine and older, to hand-pick crops up to six hours a day.

"Note that I specifically mention handwork," he said. "This would preclude the operation of machinery which is the source of most accidents. I also specify a six-hour limit. This will prevent the fatigue problem which worries the medical men."

"I should think a distance of some 35 miles, but certainly with a 50-mile maximum could be substituted for the 25-mile-radius limitations," he said.

The bill in question is now in the House Rules Committee, with no word as to when it may come to the House for

a vote. It provides safety regulations for children working in agriculture after school hours. It was designed to prevent abuse of children of migrants who often work during as well as after school hours.

### Many Letters Received

Morse said that he was lobbied by about 40 earnest young people during a 4th of July trip to Oregon. He also received many letters from youngsters protesting the bill, as have most of the Oregon delegation. In his speech, Morse said he felt the purposes of the bill could be carried out and still allow Oregon's youngsters to work.

"The answer," Morse said, "is to see to it that our laws on migratory labor are so drafted, supervised and enforced as to make certain that such children have proper food; that they have proper health protection; that they have proper housing conditions."

Morse remembered the pride of his three daughters when as youngsters they were allowed to earn money picking beans. He said that the experience had been good for them, as it was for the other Oregon youngsters who earn money to buy school supplies, clothing, to save for college; and to be responsible at an early age.

### Testimony by Doctors

But he also included testimony from several doctors who had studied migrant children - those who do not spend just vacation-time but often full-time hoeing cotton and other heavy chores at too young an age. The testimony indicated that in such young children become undernourished and underdeveloped by spending energy on hard physical work which should be expended on physical growth.

According to other testimony, migrant workers earn no more than \$1000 a year. This means that to supplement the family income, the very young children are forced by necessity to work in the fields, more often than not missing school to do so.

Local communities and states usually do not require compulsory school attendance during the picking seasons, or if there is a law to do so, it is not enforced because of the already overcrowded schools and negative feelings toward having migrant children attend their schools.

"We know," said Secretary of Labor Arthur Goldberg in his testimony, "that child labor in agriculture does not really solve the migrant family's low income problem. Instead, the employment of children has the long-range effect of depressing the general wage level, which further complicates the income problem."

### Look at Future Needs

"The proper goal," Goldberg continued, "is to look to the future needs of these children and to help them avoid premature work in the fields. In that way, a large step will have been taken to give them the opportunity for a more worthwhile and productive adult working life."

Morse said that it was his hope... "in conference to perfect the bill in such a manner as to retain the very worthwhile safeguards to the health and safety of farm children, while still not closing the door to useful employment by them."

He stated that it was his intention to bring the matter to the Senate-House conferees should the bill pass the House this session and go to conference where differences in bills passed by the House and Senate are ironed out.

S.1123 is bogged in the House Rules Committee, along with a number of other bills from the House Education and Labor Committee. Willy Chairman Howard Smith of Virginia is thought to be holding these bills as a bargaining lever to work his will with conferees of the Senate-House conference on higher education legislation, should their compromises on the bill not be to his liking.



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The foresters Tuesday took a field trip to the Metolius river near here after opening their conference.

Principles and policies of forest resources are the main items of discussion at the meeting.