



In the household of Mr. and Mrs. James W. Rolls, 512 Summit avenue, everything dates from December 29, 1955, for on that day the triplets were born. Since that time the lives of the couple and of Mrs. Rolls' mother, Mrs. Walter R. Siders, has been taken up completely with the seemingly endless tasks of mixing formula, feeding, bathing, dressing and otherwise caring for the three babies. Pictured here with their mother are (left to right) James Thomas, called Buddy; Robert Jonathan, Bobby for short, and William David, or Billy, now 16 months old.



The William A. Barkers and their children of 2430 Hillcrest road are having fun this spring with a new tandem bicycle which Mr. Barker recently purchased. All six of the Barkers are cyclists, but Mama and Papa Barker admit that the tandem pedaling is a bit strenuous. The four young Barkers are (left to right) Ann, seventh grader at Hedrick High school; Tommy, who attends Roosevelt school in the Annex; Jane, junior in Medford High school, and Molly, eighth grader at Hedrick school. Mrs. Barker is a room mother for Roosevelt Parent-Teacher association and also is a member of Rogue Valley Memorial hospital auxiliary.

By Olive Starcher

Medford joins with other cities and towns of the United States today in honoring mothers. Here, and throughout the 48 states, mothers will be showered with gifts, sermons will be preached in her honor and in many ways families will show their love and devotion.

In recognition of Mother's day, 1956, The Mail Tribune today pictures four women who are representative of other hundreds of mothers throughout the county.

Robert Jonathan, James Thomas and William David Rolls, triplet sons of Mr. and Mrs. James W. Rolls, are too young now to know the meaning of Mother's day, but in a few years their mother will reap a triple harvest of affection and love. Of interest is the fact

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hat the 16-month-old babies are not identical, but only fraternal triplets and when they were but a few weeks old their parents were able to note distinctly different physical and emotional characteristics.

The three additional mothers on today's picture page are typical of the busy women who belong to PTA's, clubs and churches in the city and who head up the numerous committees which are necessary for civic projects.

Mrs. John C. Boyle has busied herself the past week with making her home ready for two large benefit functions, a Mother's day tea and style show this afternoon, sponsored by St. Ann's Altar society, and another tea May 21 to be given by Jackson County Republican Women. (Brainerd photos)

Medford Mothers



Mrs. Charles C. Stearns, Medford mother and club woman, is the retiring president of Medford Garden club and in recent days was busy with plans for the flower show which the club gave yesterday. Mr. and Mrs. Stearns, who live at 522 West Fourth street, have two daughters, Mrs. Bernice Scofield, Medford, and Mrs. C. E. Bradfish, Jr., Bethesda, Md., and two grandsons, children of the Bradfishes. In addition to the garden club Mrs. Stearns is a member of Medford Congregational church and of Southern Oregon Herb society. The family has lived in Medford since 1940, coming here from Paradise, Calif.



Mrs. John C. Boyle is shown here in the living room of the Boyles' new home on Ross lane. Mrs. Boyle is opening the home this afternoon for a large Mother's day tea to be given by St. Ann's Altar society, and on May 21 her home will again be the scene of a benefit tea, this to be given by Jackson County Republican Women. Mrs. Boyle's daughters are Mrs. C. B. Collins, Medford, and Mrs. Ned Henshaw, San Francisco, and Miss Sue Ann Rutherford, Mrs. Henshaw's daughter and pupil at St. Mary's school, lives with her grandparents. The Boyles' two grandsons are Bobby and Dick Collins