



One of Medford's well known bankers, Dwight Houghton, is the father of four children and is pictured here with the two youngest. Marcia attends Southern Oregon college and will be a senior next fall; David is 7 years old. Mr. Houghton, assistant manager of Medford branch, United States National bank, is a member of Medford Kiwanis club, of Medford Elks lodge and of St. Mark's Episcopal church. He is serving as area treasurer for Girl Scouts, and for six years was a member of the city council. Mr. Houghton fishes for recreation—last afternoon of fishing in order to pose with his children. (Brainerd photo)



One of the busiest fathers in Jackson county right now is Maurice Ritchey, for in addition to his contracting business Mr. Ritchey, chairman of the Girl Scout building committee for Camp Low Echo, spends every week end working at the camp. The Ritchey's daughters are Anita, 12, member of Girl Scout Troop 158, led by Mrs. Ritchey, and Sharon, 10, member of Troop 170. Four new buildings are to be constructed and because of last winter's storms, much cleanup work must be done at Low Echo. Mr. Ritchey needs volunteers badly and asks anyone who can help to call Girl Scout headquarters. The road to camp is said to be in good condition.



John Bohnert, well known Jackson county farmer, is shown here with his daughter, Marilyn, just before he escorted her to the altar of First Christian church recently on the day of her wedding to Lt. James F. Rice of the United States Marine corps. The Bohnert family has lived in Jackson county many years; are active in Grange and 4-H club work. (Anders photo)

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A Day for Fathers

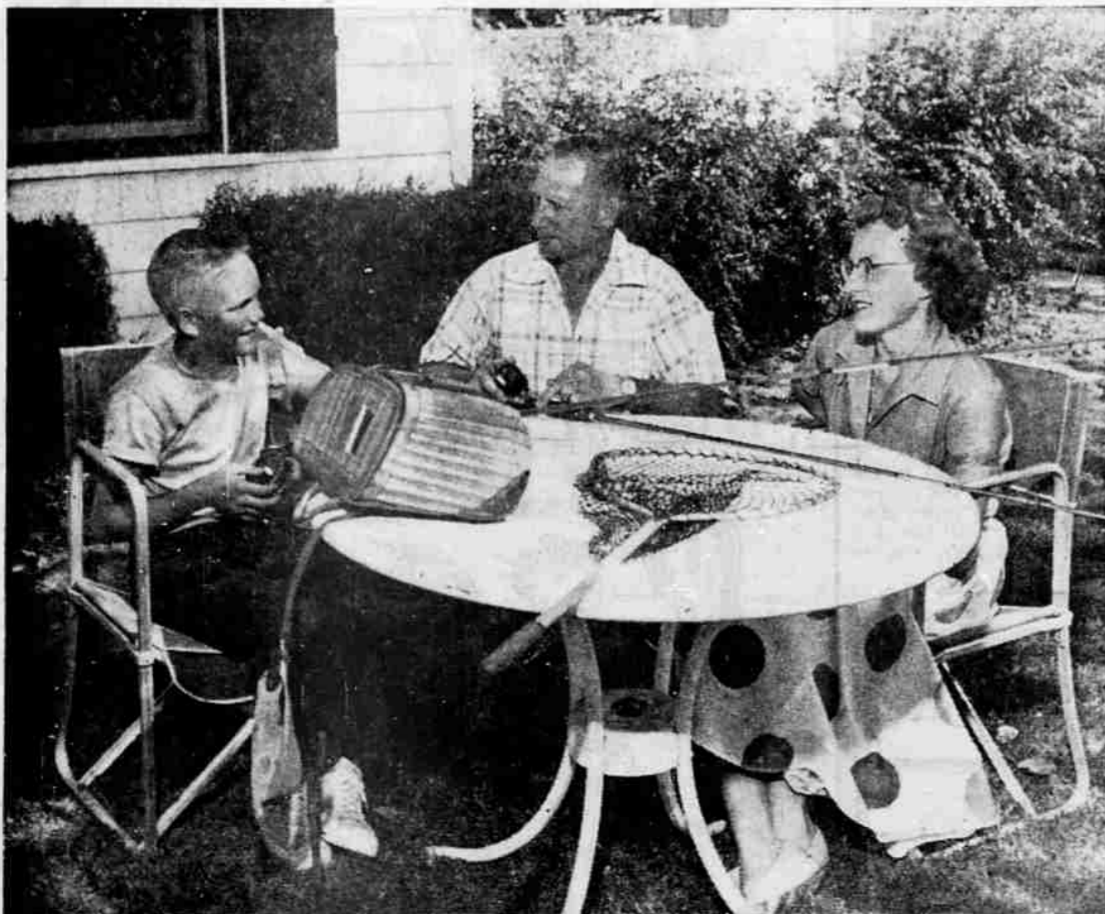
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Today is the day set aside to honor fathers, and to give thought to precepts and ideals which strengthen the ties of home and family. The National Father's Day council chose "Liberty Stems From the Home" as the 1956 theme.

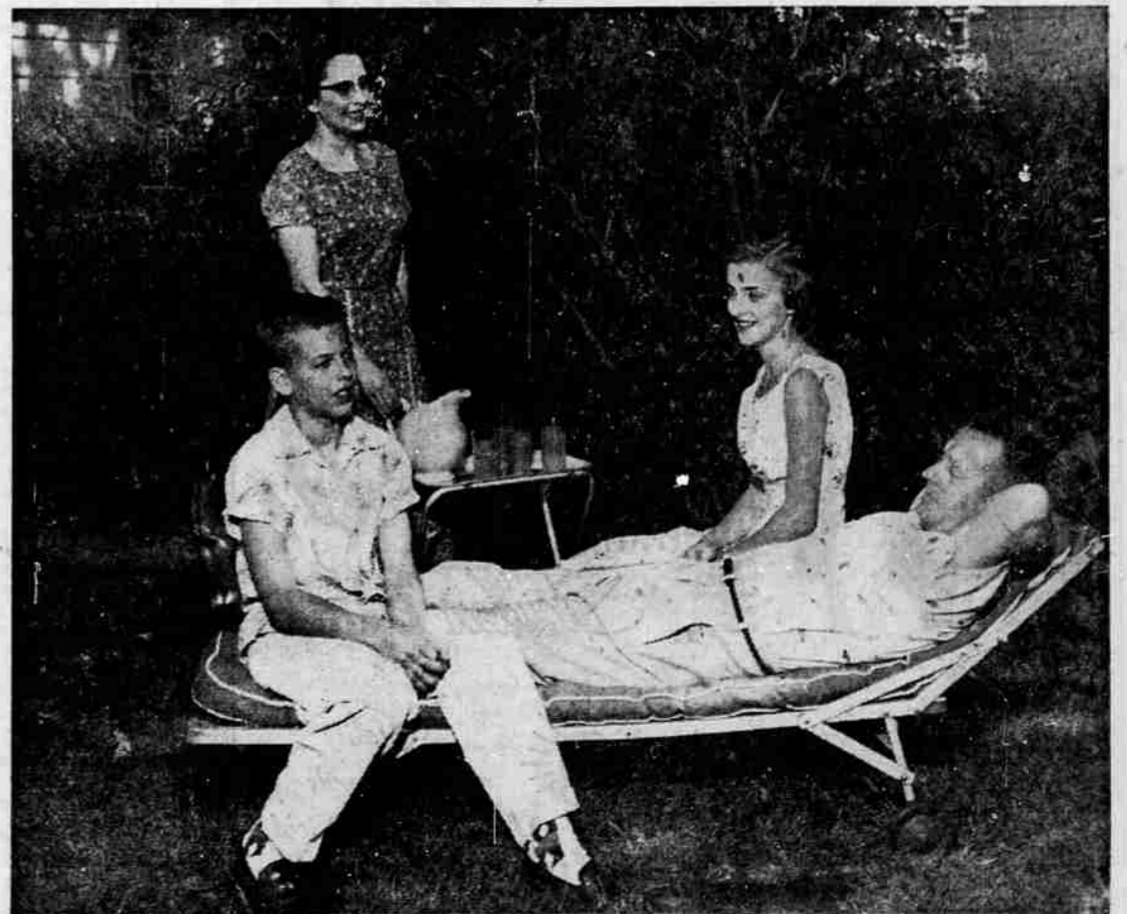
The council believes that Father's day should not only be a time to honor the family head, but to point out to all fathers their duties and responsibilities. A father's Ten Commandments, as written by the council, are: Your sense of brotherhood instills in your child respect for his fellow man; your encouragement helps him to apply himself to difficult tasks; your fairness teaches him good sportsmanship in work and play; your leadership in community affairs teaches the importance of local participation in government; your example instills in him an appreciation of the family spirit; your self-reliance helps develop an independent spirit; your companionship creates a basis for mutual understanding; your foresight in preparing for future security develops responsibility in him; your teaching imparts a desire to love, honor and obey his country's laws and your guidance prepares him for the duties and responsibilities of citizenship in a free society.



Fathers are especially important on wedding days, and pictured here are Thomas Cardona, Medford business man, and his daughter, Rita Lorraine. The two are shown leaving the Cardona home on Saginaw drive shortly before Rita's wedding to Wayne Fred Johnson at Sacred Heart Catholic church June 2. Another daughter, Jean Cardona, was honor attendant for her sister. (Landis-Shangle photo)



John Niedermeyer and his son, Bruce, almost 12, spend a lot of time fishing together and are shown here checking over their tackle. The Niedermeyers' daughter, Nancy, 14, who will be a sophomore next fall in Jacksonville High school, watches while the fishermen work. Bruce will be a seventh grader in Jacksonville school. Mr. Niedermeyer, member of one of the county's best known families, is a farmer and active civic worker. He is beginning his ninth year on the Jacksonville school board, belongs to Central Point Grange, Medford Rotary club and the Masonic lodge, is on the board of Rogue Valley Memorial hospital. (Brainerd photo)



Another Medford father who likes to fish is Lee Ragsdale, supervisor of physical education in the Medford public schools, and he is shown here enjoying a rest after several hours spent fishing with his son, Dick, 13. Dick will be in the eighth grade at McLaughlin Junior High school next fall, and the Ragsdales' daughter, Dana, will be a junior in Medford High school. Miss Ragsdale prefers swimming to fishing. Mrs. Ragsdale is employed in the office of Lincoln school. Mr. Ragsdale is busy now planning the summer baseball and tennis schools for young people of the city. (Brainerd photo)