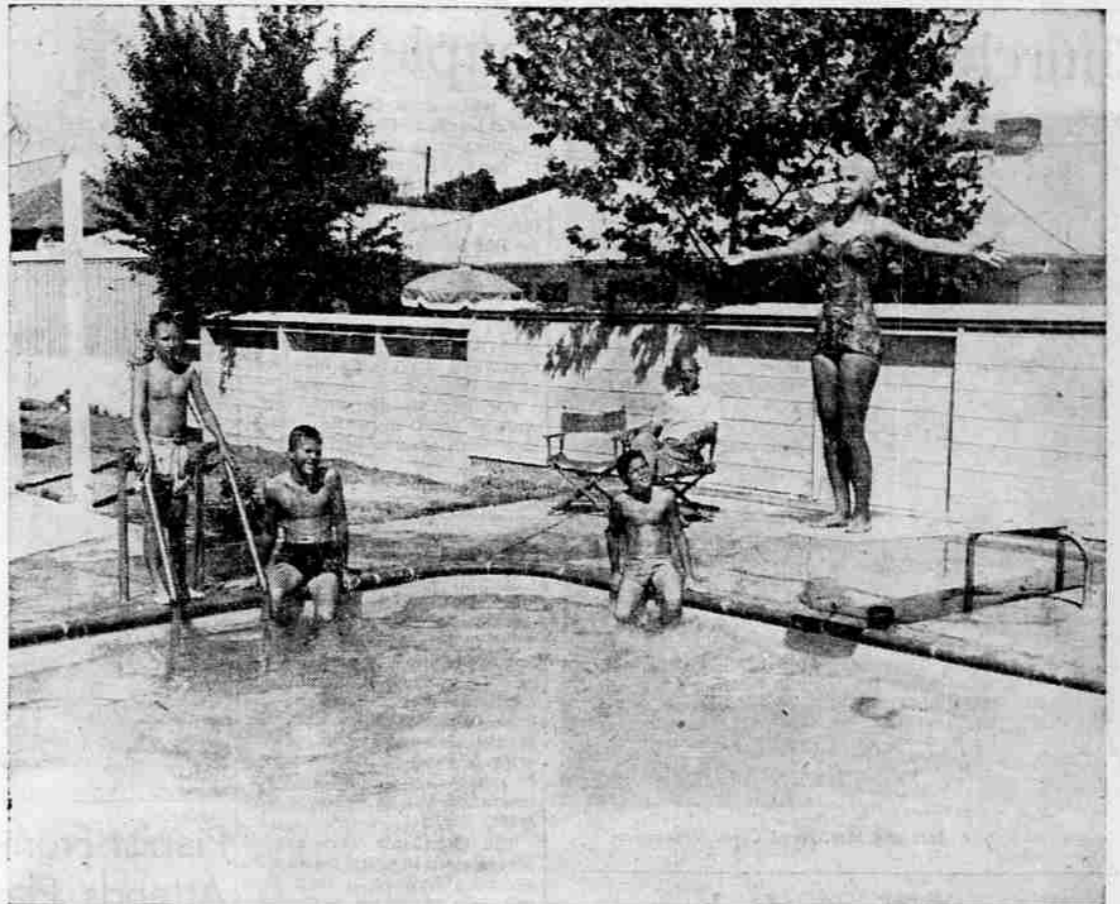
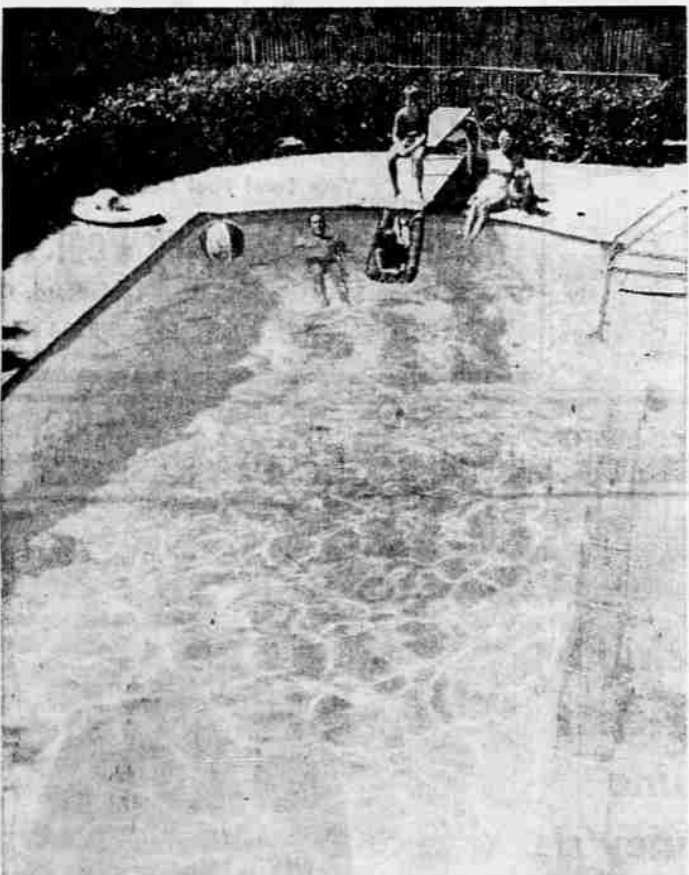


One of the newest of the swimming pools constructed in Medford this summer was built by Mr. and Mrs. Wright Scoville at their home, 20 South Barneburg road. The pool is being used by many friends as well as the Scoville family, for every afternoon two groups of youngsters are taking swimming lessons under the supervision of Miss Mike Carter. Pictured here are Billy Mohr, Susan Wakefield, Sharon Lambert, Sandra Bates and Larry Scoville in the midst of a lesson while mothers watch from the sidelines. On the edge of the pool in the foreground can be seen the vacuum equipment which is used to clean the bottom and sides of the pool.



This spring Mr. and Mrs. Robert Voegtly added a swimming pool to their garden at 2012 Westerlund drive, and it has been in use since April. Lou Elsa Voegtly, who will be a sophomore in Medford High school this fall, poses here on the diving board while her brother, Carl (at steps) and the Deakins boys, Booth (wearing dark trunks) and Tom look on. While the concrete was still fresh, Mr. and Mrs. Voegtly and their children marked the pool with the date and their four hand prints. A sun deck at the back of the house overlooks the pool and garden and this is a favorite spot for the family to serve meals.



Mr. and Mrs. Carl Wimberly Jr. and their two children are spending many happy hours in their new swimming pool at the family home, 30 South Barneburg road. Here Mr. Wimberly floats in the cool water, Carolyn is taking her ease on an air raft while Lee and Mrs. Wimberly sun themselves. Even Barney, the Wimberly's Bassett hound, named for the road on which the family lives, likes to sit at the edge and look at the water.

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The Water's Fine

By Olive Starcher

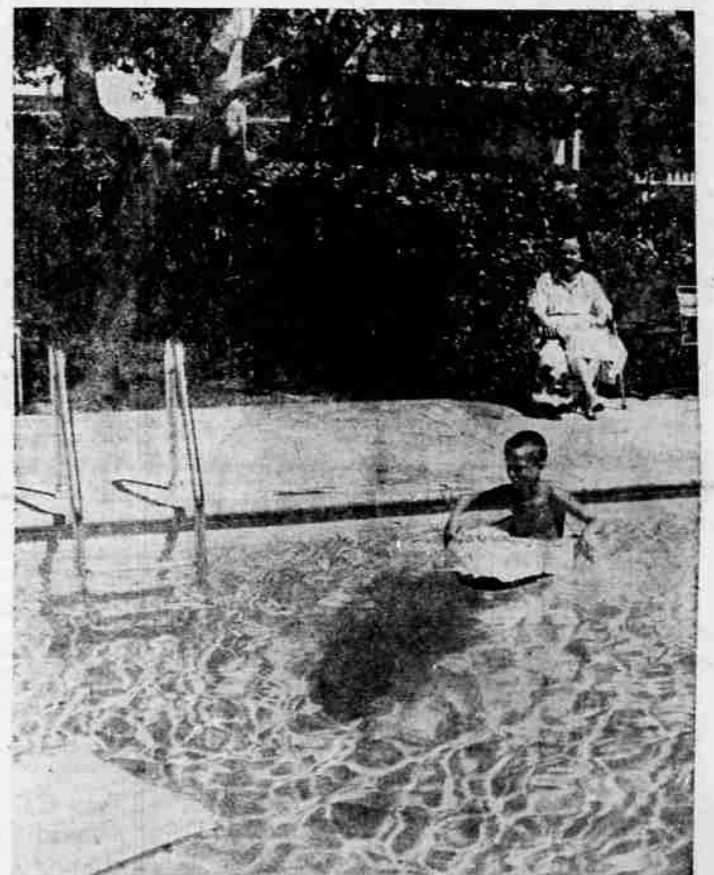
Gone are the days of the "ole swimming hole." Today's youngsters, and their parents, swim in a municipal pool, efficiently managed and with lifeguards on duty at all hours, or merely open the door at home and dive into the family pool.

Because Rogue valley weather makes swimming a pleasure for many weeks each summer, and because modern methods have made the cost less prohibitive, many families in this area have added private swimming pools to their gardens. One valley firm alone has constructed about 20 pools in recent months.

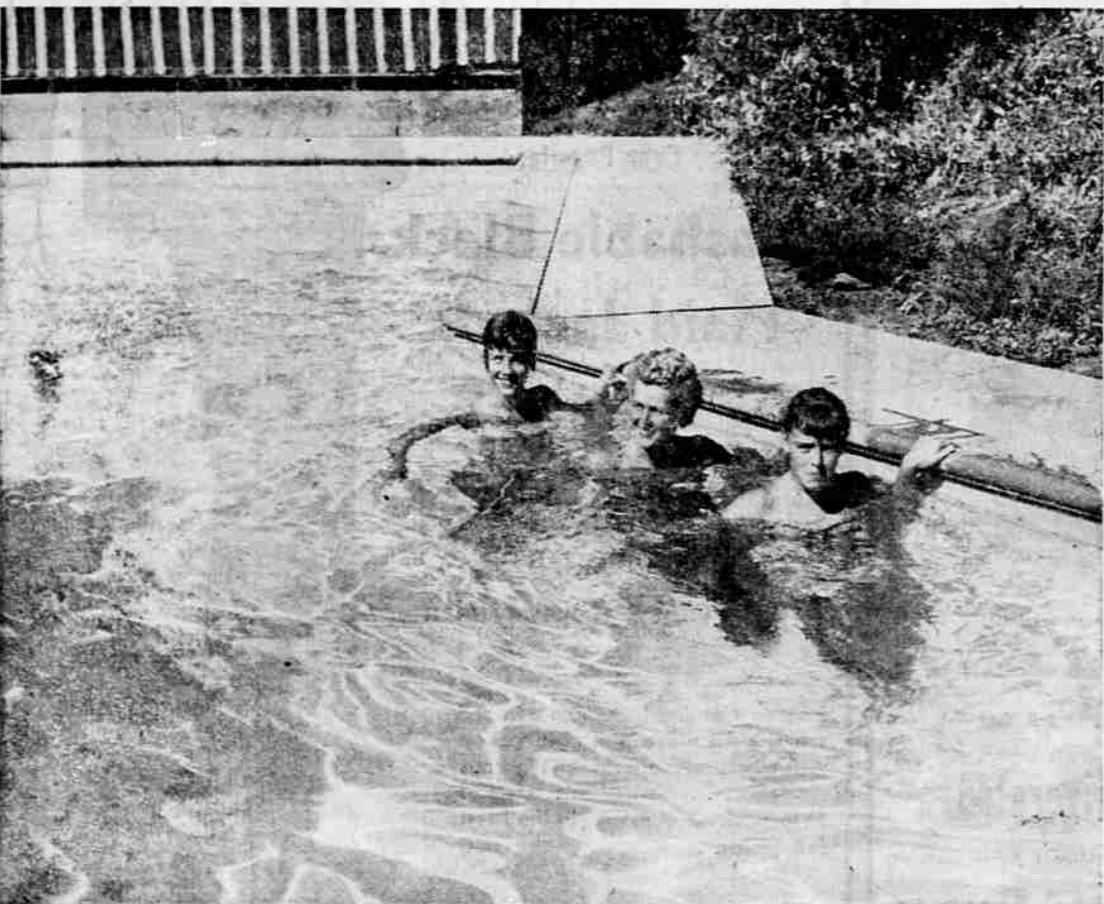
This doesn't constitute the drain on city water supplies one might imagine since most of the pools have filtering and purification plants which makes it possible to clean and sterilize the water and pump it back into the pool. Also in common use are large vacuum cleaning devices which pick up dirt particles off the sides and bottom of the pool and deposit them in the filter trap.

Some pools are heated, and one large pool recently constructed in Medford even has a fiber glass cover, motor driven, which rolls out over the water; this not only keeps out leaves and trash but insures against anyone falling in the water by accident when the pool is not in use.

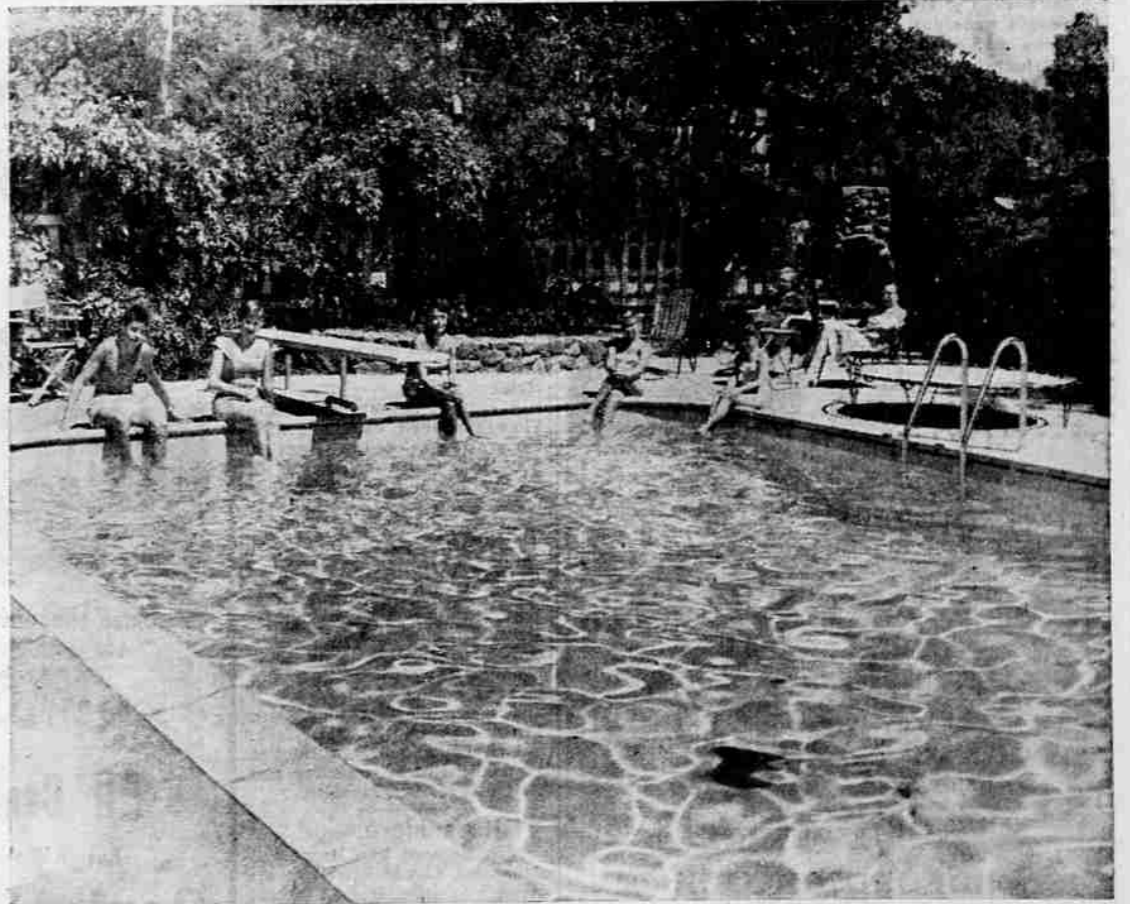
(Brainerd photos)



Nine-year-old Larry Scoville, son of the Wright Scovilles, takes a swimming lesson every afternoon this summer and can also play in the water anytime he pleases now that the family has a back yard pool. Larry plays in a small rubber boat and Mrs. Scoville enjoys the morning sunshine with the family dog, Lady. While most of the new pools constructed here are in rectangular shape, some are in maple leaf or other design to make the best use of available space.



Mr. and Mrs. Martin Luther Jr. built a family pool at their orchard home in Fern Valley last fall. Mrs. Luther is shown here with the couple's attractive 12-year-old daughters, Marta (at left) and Midi. The twins, who both love to swim, attended school in Phoenix last year. The Luthers' pool was constructed to fit the contour of their hillside garden. Like other Medford homemakers with new swimming pools, Mrs. Luther says the family now spends most of its time outdoors either in the pool or lounging on the terrace.



Also enjoying a new swimming pool this summer are Dr. and Mrs. Thomas H. Emmens, 6 North Madoc avenue, and their family. Around the pool (left to right) are Robert Emmens, Kathy Roberts, Mrs. Emmens, Louise and Marcia Roberts. Mrs. Emmens' mother, Mrs. Walter Inch (in dark dress), and Dr. Emmens' mother, Mrs. J. J. Emmens, look on. The Misses Roberts, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. William S. Roberts, Los Angeles, are spending two weeks with their aunt and uncle, Dr. and Mrs. Emmens, and their grandmother, Mrs. Inch, while their parents are in Europe.