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AUXILIARY NEWS

OUR OCTOBER MEETING WAS MOST ENJOYABLE -MRS. PHILLIP J. BAKER REVIEWED THE BOOK,
"I'VE ONLY TWO HANDS AND I'M BUSY WRINGING
THEM", BY JANE GOODSELL. EVERY WOMAN COULD
SEE HERSELF MANY TIMES IN THE STORY, AS IT
WAS TOLD.

THE NOVEMBER MEETING WILL BE HELD AT THE HOME OF MRS. WM. FENSOM, WITH THANKSGIVING THOUGHTS BROUGHT TO US BY MRS. CATHERINE WHITEHOUSE. WE ARE SURE YOU WILL ENJOY MRS. WHITEHOUSE, SO MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW FOR TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21.

IN THE 40 YEARS AGO ITEMS OF OCTOBER 30, WE READ ABOUT THE BEGINNING OF WILDWOOD LAKES. WE HOPE YOU ALL READ THE ARTICLE. THE COPY OF THE ARTICLE WILL BE PLACED IN OUR HISTORY BOOK.

THE CURTAINS AT THE CLUBHOUSE ARE IN THE PROCESS OF BEING CLEANED AND RE-HEMMED, SO WE WILL BE ALL FRESH FOR THE CHRISTMAS PARTY. WE EVEN PLAN TO BUY A FEW NEW DECORATIONS. THE WINDOWS MAY BE WASHED ALSO AND WE HOPE ANY BROKEN GLASS REPLACED.

THE CHRISTMAS PARTY FOR THE ADULTS IS BEING PLANNED FOR THE SECOND SATURDAY IN DECEMBER.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THAT DATE AND BE READY WHEN THE TELEPHONE COMMITTEE CALLS YOU FOR RESERVATIONS.

A VISIT FROM SANTA CLAUS IS BEING PLANNED FOR THE TINY TOTS AS SOON AS ARRANGEMENTS CAN BE MADE WITH SANTA. MARTHA CROSS AND DOROTHY GRAY ARE TAKING CARE OF THE CONTACT WITH MR. SANTA HIMSELF.

IN THE MEANTIME, HAVE A NICE THANKSGIVING, AND GET YOUR CHRISTMAS SHOPPING DONE EARLY.

MRS. THOS. F. (THELMA) CROSKEY PRESIDENT

ELSA HART, WHO IS A SISTER OF MRS. ROBERT
RAYS, SPOKE TO THE BOARD MEMBERS OF THE
AUXILIARY AND THE ASSOCIATION AT THE CROSKEYS TUESDAY EVENING, THE 7TH. ELSA DOES
PUBLIC RELATIONS WORK FOR THE DEBIER DIAMOND MINES. SHE WAS A MOST CAPABLE AND
ENTERTAINING SPEAKER AND EVERYONE ENJOYED
HEARING HER AND SEEING THE BEAUTIFUL SPECIMENS. WE EVEN FOUND OUT HOW THE WORD
CARAT CAME INTO USE AS A MEASURE OF WEIGHT
FOR DIAMONDS. THE CROSKEYS ALSO HEARD ELSA
HART ON A PANEL ON WALT BODINE'S SHOW THURSDAY NIGHT.

Mrs. Fensom Wildwood head

Mrs. William Fensom, 6711 Harvard, has been elected president of the Wildwood Home Owners auxiliary. She and other officers will be installed in January.

The others elected were Mrs. Shelby Cross, vice-president; Mrs. Charles Chaffey, secretary; Mrs. Charles Barnett, treasurer; Mrs. R. S. Brenik, auditor; and Mrs. Roger Duggins, historian.

historian.
Mrs. Catherine White-house spoke on Thanksgiving thoughts, Mrs. Phillip J. Baker reviewed a book "I've Only Got Two Hands and I Am Busy Wringing Them" by Josie Goodsell.

The meeting was at Mrs. Fensom's home. Mrs. Roy Thomas was co-hostess. The October meeting was at the home of Mrs. Charles Barnett and Mrs. Cathy Culbertson was co-hostess.

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Wildwood homes areas expanding

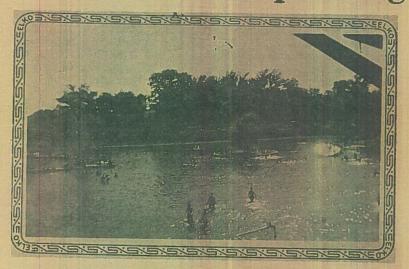
Two new realty develop-ents with the Wildwood me are opening a new apter in the history of ldwood Lakes which began re than four decades ago. Wildwood Estates is the ne given by Watt Realty alph Watt and Jim Watt) their area. Mock & Scott, (Larry Mock and Aaron oft) are the developers of ldwood Lakes Extension. Wildwood Lakes-at one ite a suburban resort—
its start in 1923 when
late W. C. Glover Sr., a
nufacturer of laundry and cleaning equipment, and late E. E. Norquist of ther Manufacturing co. ight 167 acres south of h and east of Raytown rd. Buying out Norquist in Glover built a chain of lakes, which he named his sisters and relaes, and developed 30 acres the heavily wooded land inthe Wildwood Lakes re-

rustic clubhouse of nalumber was built over-king the 15-acre swim-ng lake. Picnic grounds, nis courts, a baseball dia-nd, and a shuffleboard rt were other attractions. area was so popular t during the summer, ndry trucks spent the ole day stationed near the es to pick up and deliver

Ire. Merle Glover, widow W. C. Glover, remembers ecially the Fourth of July ebrations when people veled miles and waited in g lines to swim. There e wrestling shows, high ing exhibitions, and rin McElroy and his Misri Ramblers. (The late, McElroy later became a or leader and county pubadministrator.

n 1929 three summer cabwere built around the es by some Butler offi-ls. Then, in 1932, year-nd homes were started. A homes have been built

h year since. In 1950 a homeowners ociation was formed,"



WILDWOOD LAKES when it was a rural resort.

Mrs. Glover said, "and it has been one of the most successful in and around Raytown. I still own the 30-"and it acre fishing lake, which I lease to the association. They hold fishing derbies for the youngsters, and water shows." In 1944 the park, lake, and clubhouse were sold to

B & L Concessions, which ran it as a swimming and picnic area. Stan Kenton and other big-name bands entertained the crowds.

Real estate was only a sideline for Mr. Glover and after his death in 1954 Mrs. Glover continued to sell lots and develop three sections of the area.

In the mid-1950s the recreation area began to de-teriorate. In March, 1966, the old clubhouse figured in a tragedy when a teenage boy was killed while playing on the roof. Then, in July, the clubhouse burned.

Appropriately for an area which has figured in Raytown's progress from a semi-rural outpost to a thriving suburb, all four developers share a boast.

"Planned and developed by

native Raytowners," say Jim and Ralph Watt, Larry Mock, and Aaron Scott.

Both companies are building large and well-styled residences, aiming to attract buyers who seek modern convenience along with along scenic serenity.

A Watts home at 6828 En-

glewood is part of the Parade of Homes this week, as is a Mock & Scott home at 6800 Willow.

Yellow and orange signs identify them and 96 other exhibition houses in Greater Kansas City.