

Recreation For Housing Project Youths Sought

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Better recreation for young people in all the housing projects of the city was discussed at the meeting of the recreation and group work section of the council of social agencies Tuesday night at the Arsenal Hill recreational center. Miss Lillian Hunt, chairman, presided.

The report of the committee in charge of investigating possibilities for better recreation in the housing projects was presented by the chairman, Miss Frances Howard. Miss Virginia Prouty and Miss Mary Elizabeth Clarke served on the committee. Miss Howard reported that a representative of the National Housing Authority would be in Columbia this week and that a called meeting would be held so the entire section could get the ideas of this representative on the local situation.

William Harth reported fully on the Hobbs Bill in Congress, which calls for the establishment of an office of community recreation services in Washington, to give technical service and advice on recreation. This bill also calls for the taking over by the city of federal buildings that have been used for the USO, to be used by all the agencies in the community. It was voted by the group to get in touch with representatives in Congress and urge them to vote for this bill, also to ask the boards represented to write to representatives in Washington, and that a committee be appointed to call on other organizations and ask them to support the measure.

A committee to look into the possibilities for a state recreation commission, was voted. Miss Emily Cate was elected secretary.

The invitation of Miss Bess Tatum to have the May meeting at the Girl Scout camp where a "cook out" supper will be prepared was accepted.

William Harth showed color film of the day camp which was sponsored by the City Recreation department last summer.