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## Women Now Ready To Return to City

The women of America who led the flight to the suburbs will reverse the trend and be in the vanguard of the return to cities as urban renewal makes city living increasingly inviting, a local realtor predicts.

In a luncheon address to the Cosmopols, distaff branch of Washington's Cosmopolitan Club Harold A. Lewis said "it was you, the wives of America, rather than the men in the family, who decided that the congestion, noise and disorder of the cities could no longer be tolerated" and choose the suburbs to live in.

Then the disenchantment set in and "suburbia didn't answer the promises we looked for," said Lewis, who is president of Riverview

Realty Corp., sales and management agent for the \$66 million Wategate project.

"The old Anglo Saxon concept of man's home being his castle with acres of rolling grounds around it we miniaturized into rows of monotonous little houses constructed on postage stamp lots, each with its picture window," Lewis said.

Lewis also painted the now-familiar picture of father fighting his way through miles of traffic jams to the office, and mother home all day with just the television and the telephone for company.

All this would be alleviated with a return to the city to live in one of the new cooperative apartment complexes that represent the newest trend in urban planning.