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"With Rev. Amentaz, of Soledad Catholic Church, we planned a community meeting of Belvedere to be held at Soledad Playground Sunday 2 P. M.

At new Playground of Belvedere Park Mexican Baptist Church, we have a class of 30 girls and 50 boys, 6 to 16 each morning 9 to 11 A. M. also in charge of Rev. Ortiona. I am also having co-meeting with 9 other Mexican Preachers, and Mr. Beam Tuesday August 22nd, 3 P. M.

At Lacy Field we have been donated 5 telephone poles, 2400 sq. ft. netting (Whiting Mead) 5 or more benches from U.P.R.R. Lumber from various firms, and we hope to be able to have a ball game Saturday August 25th, between Old Timers Ball Club, and Belvedere Merchants Ball Club. We have Music donated, and hope that I may be given privilege of using this talent insofar as they are registered at various welfare offices. More to follow on Lacy Field.

Tuesday at 1 P. M. August 22nd, co-worker Ramey has secured Strand Theatre, all talent, and \$25.00 worth of film, gratis to give a Kiddies' Revue for children of Belvedere Gardens, free of charge.

This is an invitation to all to attend and see for yourself the appreciation Belvedere Community is showing for the co-operation from Recreation Dept.

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In making survey of above district, (Hollenbeck Heights) several weeks ago, I found a necessity of additional playgrounds, and with co-worker Arnett, found a vacant lot N.E. of east end of 4th St. bridge, and cleaned lot and started games, of horse-shoes, soft ball, etc. This neighborhood is undoubtedly the toughest in above district, as it is just east of River and U. P. tracks, and where boys have the privilege of conversation with R.R. hoboes, who entice boys to steal and break in R.R. cars, also use B.B. guns shooting at people. Arnett called at the boys' houses, got co-operation from parents, and when Arnett left job, I placed co-worker Costa who carried on, and only yesterday landed the 2 leaders of boys gangs, and took them home to parents, who punished both boys, and was most grateful to Costa for his work. The neighborhood women are so grateful to Costa that they alternately have him eat lunch with them, also supply drinking water for the boys while playing. Costa is also working with Police in rounding up boys.