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"On September 3rd, we are having a ball game, Belvedere Semi-Pro team, vs. Old Timers' Club, which will include such as Ping Bodie, Louis Baschart, Wally Hood, Wheezer Dell and others. Judge Wood, of Belvedere Court will be Master of Ceremonies, and incidentally he is one of our best boosters and a co-worker of mine, plus the U.P. Ry., who donated 10 benches to the playground. While we are not yet in shape for children to use grounds, I have counted several times as many as 75 on grounds, making their own amusement, however, I supplied them with soft ball, and a set of boxing gloves, which are being used continuously."

At Lacy Field we held a track and field meet Friday afternoon. Program opened at 12:30 with a parade headed by Buck Jones Band, and approximately 1400 children from 6 to 22 years of age, the festivities lasting until 5 P. M. Our prizes were donated by Belvedere Merchants, some of which were Strand Theatre, Sears-Roebuck, Whiting Mead, Gen'l Paint Co., and Atwater Kent. Approximate attendance was 1500, in addition to about 400 parents at 4:30 P. M."

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"At Cleland House attendance is still increasing, as children are returning home from berry and fruit picking, and I notice a steady increase of fathers and mothers attending and taking an interest in activities at the above Welfare Center. I have also noticed a marked decrease in discontentment here, due to the fact of active work of our co-workers.

Friday night at Belvedere Junior High we gave an entertainment by children and adults from 6 to 50. We had 14 program numbers, and entertainers numbered approximately 125 persons. We also had handcraft exhibition of children's work, which pleased the parents. Attendance approximately 1,000, of which 60% were fathers and mothers.

All of the above entertainment was by and for this district and included all denominations. Ninety percent, Mexicans, some, of course, being very dark of color, this being due to scarcity of soap, no doubt. However, a good time was had by all, especially Mr. Beam and G. G. Owen.

At Lacy Field, September 3rd, (Sunday) we had a ball game between old timers and Belvedere Stars. Our attendance was approximately 1500 people. Judge Woods being master of Ceremonies, with a loud speaker hook-up by General Paint Co., and all ball players claimed Lacy Field is one of the best in the County.